

**MISUMI Group Inc. Consolidated Business Performance for Q3 of FY2008  
- Cumulative Q3 Results: Revenues and Profits Down Due to Recession -**

MISUMI Group Inc. announced its business performance for Q3 of FY2008 (period from April 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008) on February 13.

Figures for performance highlights are as follows:

	<u>Q3 FY2007</u>	<u>Q3 FY2008</u>	
	<u>Total Q1-Q3</u>	<u>Total Q1-Q3</u>	<u>Changes</u>
	Million Yen	Million Yen	%
Net Sales	93,106	<b>90,881</b>	-2.4
Operating Income	13,096	<b>11,296</b>	-13.7
Net Income	8,270	<b>6,504</b>	-21.3
Earnings per Share (Q3)	¥93.62	<b>¥73.42</b>	-21.58

**< Q3 FY2008 consolidated business performance highlights >**

**1. Cumulative Q3 Results: Net Sales and Profits Down Due to Rapid Economic Downturn**

- For FY2008 ending March 2009, Q3 cumulative net sales and profits declined compared to the same period the previous year. net sales were ¥90.8 billion (down 2.4% year-on-year), operating income ¥11.2 billion (down 13.7% year-on-year), and net income ¥6.5 billion (down 21.3% year-on-year)
- In the third quarter, Japan's export-oriented companies in industries such as automotive and electronics saw their business stagnate amid the global recession caused by the financial crisis that started in Europe and the US. The environment was extremely severe, characterized by substantial declines. In December 2008, machine tool orders\*--one indicator for our company's business—declined 71.8% compared to the same period the previous year, while orders for semiconductor production equipment fell 83.4% in Japan compared to last year.
- Despite the recession, the MISUMI Group strived to evolve its business model further through continued development of new products, enhancement of our web order system and web catalogs, and thorough pursuit of shortening lead times. As a result, while the machinery sector suffered severe depression, MISUMI Group's Factory Automation businesses increased cumulative net sales 6.9% through the third quarter, while the Group as a whole saw a 2.4% decline in sales.

\* Japan Machine Tool Builders Association

**2. Factory Automation Increased Sales While Other Segments Saw Sales Decline**

- Cumulative net sales by business segment through the third quarter were as follows: ¥48.4 billion (up 6.9% year-on-year) in Factory Automation; ¥23.4 billion (down 8.4% year-on-year) in Die & Mold Components; ¥8.5 billion (down 9.6% year-on-year) in Electronics; ¥3.2 billion (down 25.8% year-on-year) in Optical Related; and ¥7.2 billion (down 14.1% year-on-year) in Diversified Businesses.

- Each of our business segments was impacted as all major customer segments, including automotive, LCD and semiconductor, implemented substantial production adjustments, revisited new investment plans and postponed construction schedules.

### 3. Business Performance Forecast for the full year FY2008

#### Business Performance Forecast for FY2008 (from April 1, 2008 to March 31, 2009)

	Net Sales	Operating Income	Ordinary Income	Net Income	Earnings per Share
	Million Yen	Million Yen	Million Yen	Million Yen	Yen
Full-Year Forecast	119,000	14,000	14,200	8,300	93.64

\* No change from announcement on Nov. 14, 2008

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Although forecasts for FY2008 ending March 2009 and forward looking statements contained in this material are based on assumptions applied and judged to be reasonable by the Company and its Group reflecting currently available information, including domestic/international economic circumstances, fluctuations in currency exchange rates, and other factors that may influence our business performance, they are subject to risk and uncertainty. Therefore, investors should avoid making their investment decisions based entirely and exclusively on the forward-looking statements herein. Please be advised that our actual business performance may differ substantially from the forecasts indicated in this document.

The material factors that may influence our actual performance include economic circumstances, market trends, exchange rates etc.

For more details of Q3 FY2008 consolidated performance, please refer to the attached Tanshin.