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Results Overview and Topics Q2 FY06

Results Overview

 $Consolidated \ sales \ grew \ 8\% \ YoY \ (+4\% \ on \ a \ local \ currency \ basis) \ on \ contribution \ from \ growth \ in \ Electronics \ and$ Pictures segments, despite declines in Game sales and Financial Services revenue.

A consolidated operating loss of 20.8 bln yen was recorded, compared to an operating income of 74.6 bln yen a year ago. Q2 FY06 operating loss includes a provision of 51.2 bln yen for expenses relating to a notebook computer battery pack recall and our voluntary global replacement program recorded in the Electronics segment, while Q2 FY05 consolidated operating income includes 73.5 bln yen of pension return benefits. Within the Game segment, charges were recorded associated with preparation for the launch of PLAYSTATION®3.

Topics



The positive market reception of DSC-T10, one of the newest additions to our lineup of Cyber-shot™ digital cameras, contributed with other models to very strong quarter for our digital camera business.

Sony Ericsson marked its 5th anniversary with increased market share, in addition to record sales and income before taxes. Major contributors included Cyber-shot and Walkman® phones.







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Motion pictures including Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby helped Sony Pictures Entertainment exceed \$1 bln in U.S. box office receipts for the fifth consecutive calendar year. Sony Pictures Releasing International also surpassed \$1 bln in box office receipts for CY2006, and did so in record time.

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Consolidated Results Q2 FY06

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Q2 FY05	Q2 FY06	Change	Change (LC*)
1,711.6	1,854.2	+8.3%	+4%
74.6**	-20.8***	-	-
95.4	-26.1	-	
-2.6	19.7	-	
28.5	1.7	-94.1%	
27.32 _{yen}	1.60 _{yen}	-94.1%	
32.9	5.3	-27.6	
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Foreign exchange impact	_		Average Rate	Q2 FY05	Q2 FY06
Sales & operating revenue:	approx.	+80.7 bln yen	1 Dollar	110 yen	115 yen
Operating income:	approx.	+19.9 bln yen	1 Euro	134 yen	147 _{yen}

- Local currency (LC) basis: change that would have occurred with no year-on-year change in exchange rates
 Q2 FY05 operating income includes 73.5 bln yen of pension return benefits
 Q2 FY06 operating loss includes a provision of 51.2 bln yen for expenses relating to a notebook computer battery pack recall and our voluntary global replacement program
 Restructuring charges are recorded as operating expenses

Segments and Affiliates Q2 FY06

(bln yen)

CONSOLIDATED SEGN	IENTS	Q2 FY05	Q2 FY06	Change	Change (LC*)
Electronics	Sales	1,229.4	1,378.4	+12.1%	+7%
	Operating income	28.1**	8.0***	-71.4%	-
Game	Sales	214.2	170.3	-20.5%	-25%
	Operating income	8.2	-43.5	-	=
Pictures	Sales	158.9	178.2	+12.1%	
	Operating income	-6.6	-15.3	-	
Financial Services	Revenue	175.9	168.1	-4.4%	
	Operating income	40.0**	24.6	-38.7%	
All Other	Sales	97.3	81.5	-16.3%	
	Operating income	7.6**	6.5	-14.3%	

Local currency (LC) basis: change that would have occurred with no year-on-year change in exchange rates
 Includes pension return benefits (64.5 bln yen within Electronics)
 Includes a provision of 51.2 bln yen for expenses relating to a notebook computer battery pack recall and our voluntary global replacement program

MAJOR EQUITY MET	HOD AFFILIATES	7/05 – 9/05	7/06 – 9/06	Change	
Sony Ericsson	Sales	2,055	2,913	+42%	
(mln euros)	Income before taxes	151	433	+187%	
SONY BMG	Sales	936	948	+1%	
(mln dollars)	Income before taxes	-58	-31	-	

Sony Ericsson Mobile Communications AB & SONY BMG MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT are 50-50 joint ventures with LM Ericsson & Bertelsmann AG, respectively, both of which are account for by the equity method.

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FY06 Consolidated Results Forecast

(bln yen)

	FY05	FY06 FCT	Change
Sales & operating revenue	7,510.6	8,230	+10%
Operating income	226.4*	50**	-78%
Restructuring charges (included above)	138.7	40	-71%
Income before income taxes	286.3	70	-76%
Equity in net income of affiliates	13.2	40	+204%
Net income	123.6	80	-35%
Capital Expenditures	384.3	460	+20%
for semiconductors (included above)	140.0	170	+21%
Depreciation & Amortization***	381.8	410	+7%
Research & Development	531.8	550	+3%

FY06 Assumption (2nd Half) FY05 Actual Foreign Exchange Rates 1 Dollar 112.3 yen Approx. 114 yen 136.3 yen 1 Euro Approx. 145 yen

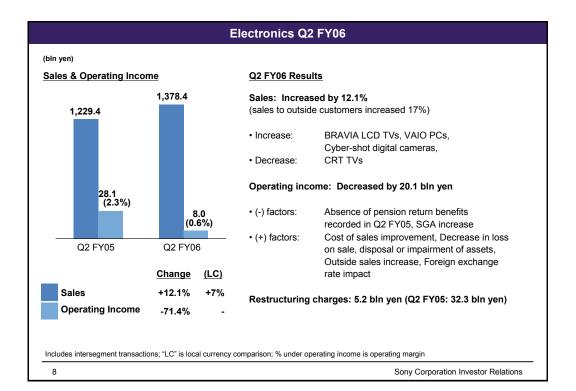
Includes 73.5 bln yen of pension return benefits
 Includes a provision of 51.2 bln yen for expenses relating to a notebook computer battery pack recall and our voluntary global replacement program
 Including amortization expenses for intangible assets and for deferred insurance acquisition costs.

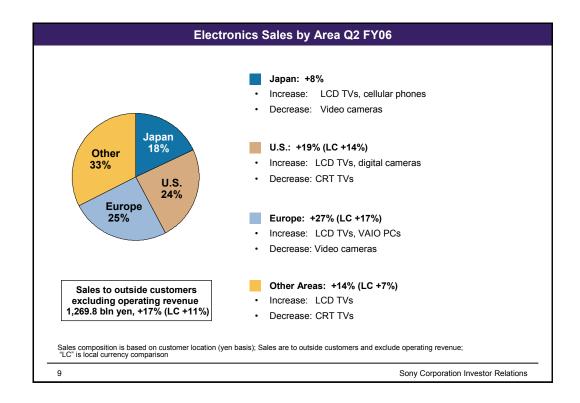
Structural Reform Progress Report Q2 FY06

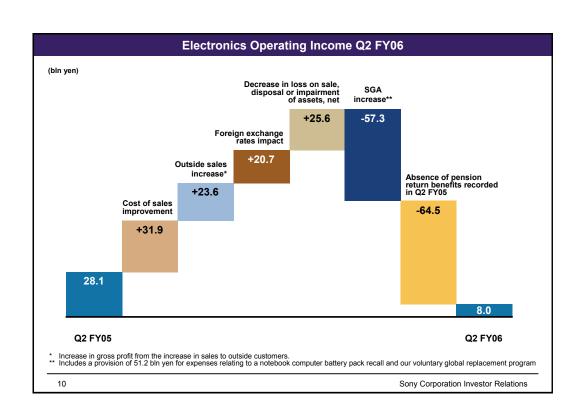
	Goal		FY05 + H1 FY06	
	(By end of FY07)	(By end of FY07) FY05 ACT		ACT
Consolidated Operating Income Margin *	5%	3.9%	2.0%	-
Electronics Operating Income Margin *	4%	1.4%	4.6%	-
Cost Reduction (bln yen)	200	38	82	120
Manufacturing Sites	11 out of 65	9	0	9
Model Count **	-20%	Base Year	-17%	-17%
Headcount	10,000	5,700	4,400	10,100
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Asset Sales (bln yen)	120	78	49	127

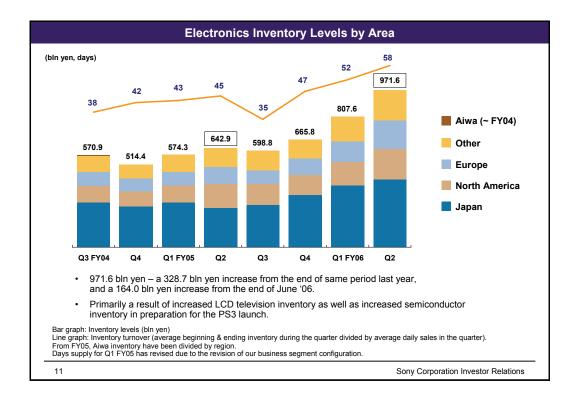
On Track to the Original Plan

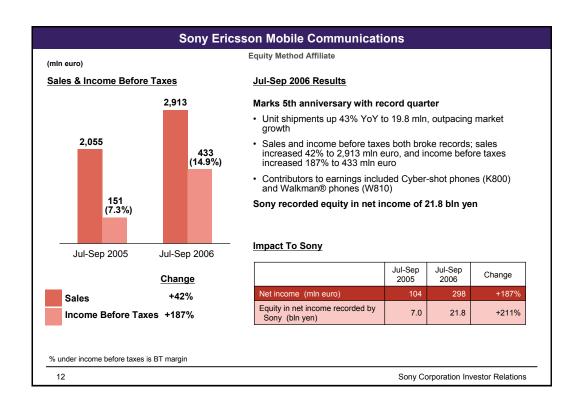
- Operating income margin, excluding restructuring charges, pension return benefits and the provision for expenses relating to a notebook computer battery pack recall and our voluntary global replacement program Model count reduction comparison based on FY05 (base year)

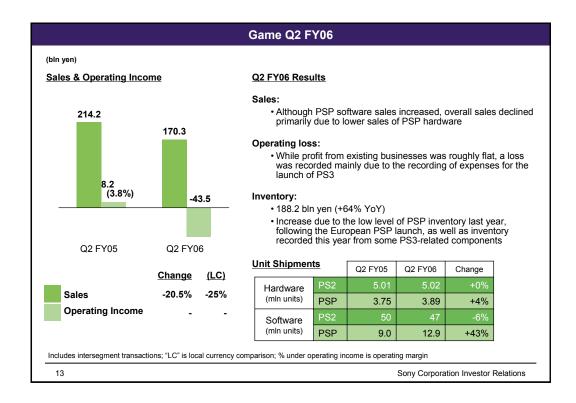


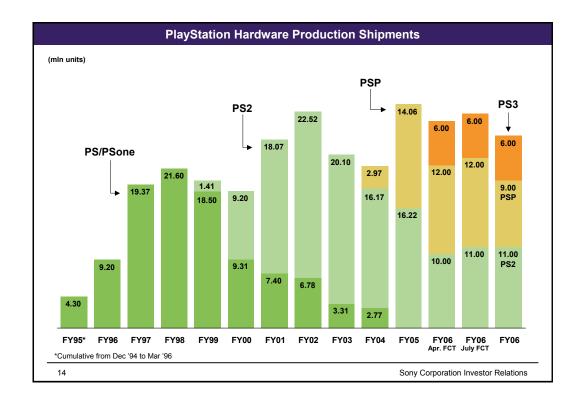


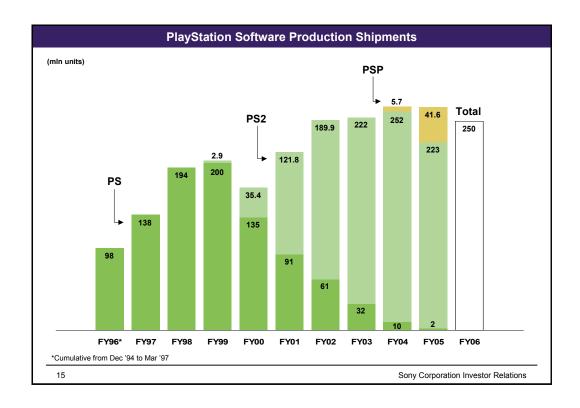


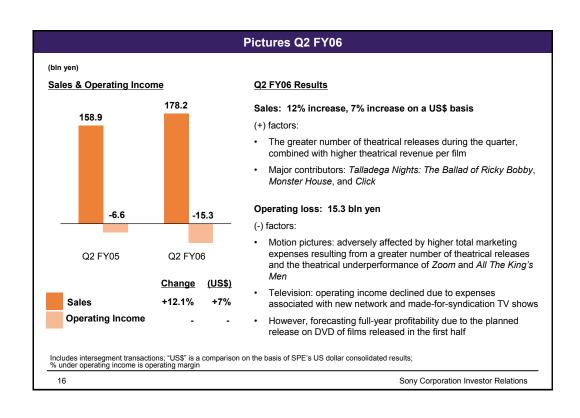


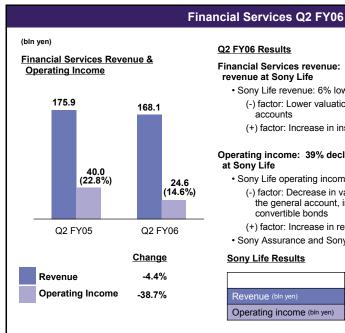












Q2 FY06 Results

Financial Services revenue: Decreased 4%, mainly due to lower revenue at Sony Life

- · Sony Life revenue: 6% lower
 - (-) factor: Lower valuation gains in the general and separate accounts
 - (+) factor: Increase in insurance premium revenue

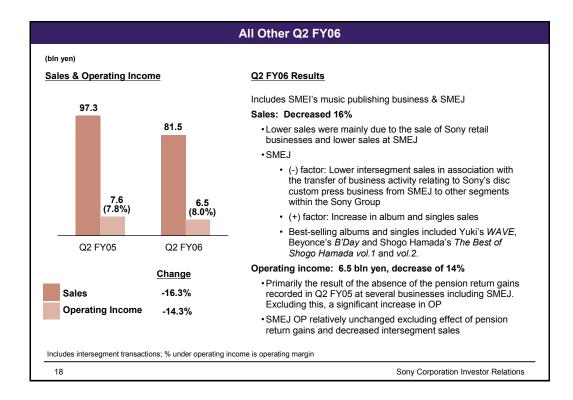
Operating income: 39% decline mainly due to decreased income at Sony Life

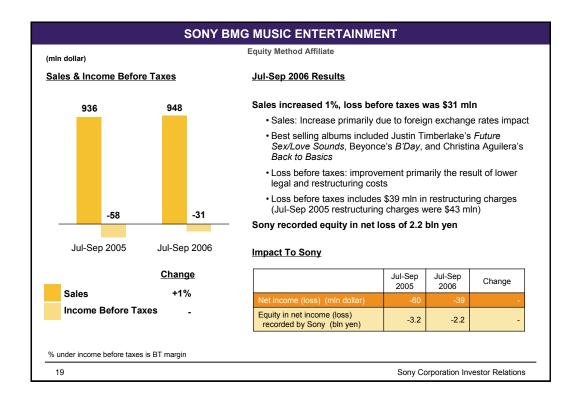
- · Sony Life operating income: 35% lower
 - (-) factor: Decrease in valuation gains from investments in the general account, including valuation gains from convertible bonds
 - (+) factor: Increase in revenue from insurance premiums
- · Sony Assurance and Sony Bank continued to perform well

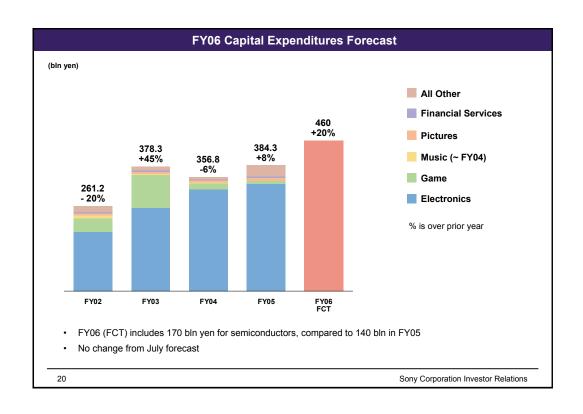
Sony Life Results

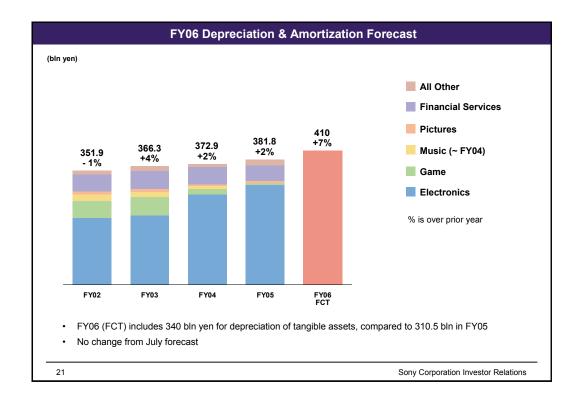
	Q2 FY05	Q2 FY06	Change
Revenue (bln yen)	153.3	144.2	-6%
Operating income (bln yen)	39.1	25.6	-35%

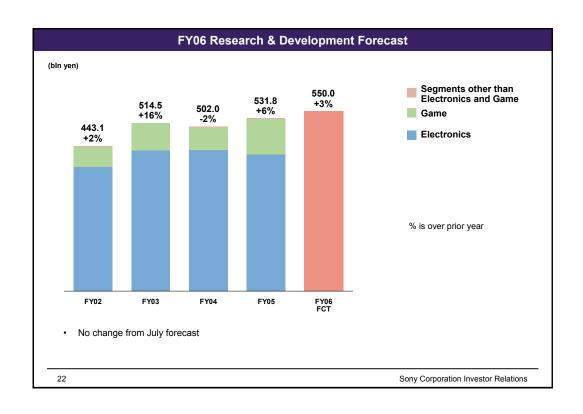
Includes intersegment transactions; % under operating income is operating margin











Consolidated Results H1 FY06 (bln yen) Change Change (LC*) H1 FY05 H1 FY06 3,598.4 +9.7% Sales & operating revenue 3,279.8 +5% 68.0** 6.2*** -90.9% Operating income Income before income taxes 108.3 27.9 -74.2% Equity in net income of affiliates -11.7 23.3 Net income 21.2 34.0 +60.2% Net income per share of common 19.01 yen 32.36 yen +70.2% stock (diluted) 48.7 Restructuring charges**** 16.0 -32.7 H1 FY05 Foreign exchange impact Average Rate Sales & operating revenue: approx. +160.8 bln yen 108 yen 114 yen 1 Dollar approx. +38.7 bln yen Operating income: 1 Euro 134 yen 144 yen Local currency (LC) basis: change that would have occurred with no year-on-year change in exchange rates H1 FY05 operating income includes 73.5 bln yen of pension return benefits H1 FY06 operating income includes a provision of 51.2 bln yen for expenses relating to a notebook computer battery pack recall and our voluntary global replacement program Restructuring charges are recorded as operating expenses 23 Sony Corporation Investor Relations

CONSOLIDATED SEGN	IENTS	H1 FY05	H1 FY06	Change	Change (LC*)
Electronics	Sales	2,357.8	2,659.3	+12.8%	+7%
	Operating income	1.4**	55.4***	+3,849.1%	+919%
Game	Sales	387.0	292.8	-24.3%	-28%
	Operating income	2.3	-70.3	-	=
Pictures	Sales	303.2	382.9	+26.3%	
	Operating income	-2.4	-16.4	-	
Financial Services	Revenue	329.7	292.2	-11.4%	
	Operating income	62.0**	29.1	-53.0%	
All Other	Sales	190.4	169.6	-10.9%	
	Operating income	12.8**	11.2	-12.4%	
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Sony Ericsson	Sales	3,669	5.185	+41%	
(mln euros)	Income before taxes	238	644	+171%	
SONY BMG	Sales	1,955	1,820	-7%	
		-97	-104		