

Brief Report of the Settlement of Accounts (Consolidated, Japanese Standard) for the 1st Quarter of March 2012

August 9, 2011

Listed company name: NEXT Co., Ltd. Listed exchange market: Tokyo Stock Exchange

Code Number: 2120 URL: http://www.next-group.jp/

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Meetings for the settlement of accounts: Yes (For institutional investors and analysts)

(Amounts are rounded down to the nearest million yen.)

1. Consolidated financial results for the period ended March, 2011 (From April 1, 2011 to June 30, 2011)

(1) Consolidated results of operations

(Percentages indicate an increase or decrease in ratio from the previous financial year.)

| | Sales | | Operating | profit | Current | profit | Net pr | ofit |
|--------------|-------------|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|--------|-------------|------|
| | Million yen | % | Million yen | % | Million yen | % | Million yen | % |
| 1Q of FY2012 | 2,357 | (18.7) | (5) | - | (4) | - | (11) | - |
| 1Q of FY2011 | 2,899 | 17.9 | 690 | 93.5 | 692 | 88.0 | 296 | 54.4 |

(Note) Comprehensive income: 1Q of FY2012 (11) million yen (_%) 1Q of FY2011 300 million yen (_%)

| | Net profit per share | Diluted net income per share |
|--------------|----------------------|------------------------------|
| | Yen | Yen |
| 1Q of FY2012 | (58.86) | _ |
| 1Q of FY2011 | 1,586.15 | 1,575.84 |

(2) Consolidated financial position

| -/ | | | | | | | | |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Total assets | Net assets | Shareholder equity ratio | | | | | |
| | Million yen | Million yen | % | | | | | |
| 1Q of FY2012 | 9,366 | 7,995 | 85.4 | | | | | |
| 1Q of FY2011 | 9,711 | 8,115 | 83.6 | | | | | |

(Reference) Shareholder equity: 1Q of FY2012 7,995 million yen 1Q of FY2011 8,115 million yen

2. Dividends

| <u>z. Dividends</u> | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|--------|--|--|
| | Annual dividends | | | | | | |
| | End of first | End of second | End of third | End of quarter | Total | | |
| | quarter | quarter | quarter | | | | |
| | Yen | Yen | Yen | Yen | Yen | | |
| FY 03/2011 | _ | 0.00 | _ | 590.00 | 590.00 | | |
| FY 03/2012 | _ | | | | | | |
| FY03/2012(Forecast) | _ | 0.00 | _ | 620.00 | 620.00 | | |

3. Forecast of consolidated performance for FY 03/2012 (From April 1, 2011 to 31 March, 2012)

(For the full-year, the percentage indicates an increase or decrease in the ratio from the previous financial year and for the 2nd quarter [accumulated total], from the 2nd quarter of the previous year.)

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|---|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------|----------------|-------------|----------------|--------|-------------------------|
| | Sales | | Operating | profit | Current p | orofit | Net pro | ofit | Net profit per share |
| (accumulat ed total) | Million yen | % | Million yen | % | Million yen | % | Million yen | % | Yen |
| 2Q Full-year | 4,966 1,739 | (9.9) 9.3 | (153) 1,372 | (21.6) | (142) 1,421 | — (19.2) | (115) 773 | (30.1) | (618.16) 4,125.68 |

4. Others

- (1) Changes in material subsidiaries during the period (changes in specified subsidiaries accompanying the change in the scope of consolidation): No
- (2) Application of specific accounting methods for producing quarterly consolidated financial statements: No
- (3) Changes in the principle, procedures, and display of the accounting process
 - 1) Changes in relation to amendments in the accounting standard: No 2) Changes other than 1): No

 - 3) Changes in accounting estimates: No
 - 4) Restatements: No

(4) Number of shares outstanding (common shares)

- 1) Number of shares outstanding at the end of the period (including treasury stock)
- 2) Amount of treasury stock at the end of the period
- 3) Average number of shares during the period (quarterly cumulative period)

| 1Q of FY2012 | 187,690 shares | FY 03/2011 | 187,650 shares |
|--------------|----------------|------------|----------------|
| 1Q of FY2012 | 120 shares | FY 03/2011 | 120 shares |
| 1Q of FY2012 | 187,541 shares | FY 03/2011 | 187,009shares |

1. Qualitative Information on Quarterly Financial Results

(1) Qualitative Information on Consolidated Financial Results

In its medium-term management plan, the NEXT Group sets out its aim of becoming a global company with a Database + Communication Concierge Service (DB + CCS), and toward this end, has been accumulating, sorting and integrating the flood of information circulating around the world and providing optimal information through a wealth of devices to users.

Based on this strategy, the Company, starting from April 2011, launched Japan's first, English- and Chinese-compatible, property information search service on "HOME'S," the nation's largest residential/real estate information portal site run by the Company; thus enabling multilingual searches of the approximately 2.83 million properties (average number of property information in June 2011) in Japan. In addition to this multilingualization, the Company is moving ahead with studies to launch businesses in approximately three countries in the East Asia/Southeast Asia region during the fiscal year ending March 31, 2012. As the first step, the Company, announced in the "Notice of commencement of application procedures toward the establishment of an overseas subsidiary in the Kingdom of Thailand," dated July 22, 2011, plans to establish a wholly owned subsidiary in Thailand and commence operations. Immediately upon establishment, the overseas subsidiary is scheduled to operate a portal site similar to "HOME'S," Japan's largest residential/real estate information portal site run by the Company, and provide services that will enable Thai users to browse information on properties in Thailand.

In January 2011, the pricing method for "HOME'S Rental & Real Estate Trade," the main service of the Real estate information services business, changed from the pay-per-posting-based fee structure to the pay-per-inquiry-based fee structure, which, despite precipitating a dramatic increase in the number of properties, has resulted in a year-on-year decrease in sales. In order to address the priority task of increasing the number of inquiries, the Company, during the cumulative consolidated 1st quarter of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2012 ("current 1st quarter"), engaged in a number of initiatives, including the renovation of the website and advertising activities to increase the number of customers for each device such as PCs, mobile phones and smart phones. As a result of these efforts, the number of inquiries has been increasing gradually, which, in turn, has meant a gradual increase in sales but it has nevertheless failed to lead to a dramatic increase in sales.

"Lococom," the Local information services business (Note), which was launched in October 2006, has grown to become a website with over 200,000 word-of-mouth postings. However, with only around 20 million page-views per month, it has yet to achieve prominence as an advertising medium and has been slow to record a profit. Consequently, from October 2010, President and CEO, Takashi Inoue, has taken charge of the operation in an effort to speed up the posting of profits. From April 2011, "Lococom" has incorporated "geographical x social x real time" elements and implemented functions centering around the "town," which enable mutual "person-to-person" and "shop-to-person" communications as well as the creation of "town" information. Additionally, the PC/mobile site underwent a complete renewal in April 2011, followed by the launch of a smart phone-compatible site, while at the same time Lococom's business model was changed from an advertising model to a performance-based model.

As a result, for the current 1st quarter, the Company posted consolidated sales of 2,357,490 thousand yen (decrease of 18.7% year-on-year), operating loss of 5,957 thousand yen (operating profit of 690,466 thousand yen was posted in previous 1st quarter), ordinary loss of 4,501 thousand yen (ordinary profit of 692,954 thousand yen was recorded in the previous 1st quarter) and net loss of 11,038 thousand yen (net profit of 296,623 thousand yen was recorded in the previous 1st quarter).

Note: Starting from the current 1st quarter, the "Local community services" segment changed its name to "Local information services." The change in the name of the segment has had no effect on segment information.

Consolidated sales and operating profit (loss) by reportable segment for the current 1st quarter were as follows.

(Unit: thousand yen)

| | S | Sales | Operating profit (loss) | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Segment name | Amount | Year-on-year change(%) | Amount | Year-on-year change(%) | |
| (1) Real estate information services | 2,337,379 | (10.5) | 307,005 | (60.1) | |
| (2) Local information services | 5,172 | (46.4) | (215,821) | (Note 2) — | |
| (3) Others | 14,938 | +56.5 | (97,141) | (Note 3) — | |

Notes

- 1. Intersegment transactions have not been offset or eliminated.
- 2. Operating loss of 90,165 thousand yen was recorded for the same period of the previous fiscal year
- 3. Operating loss of 8,518 thousand yen was recorded for the same period of the previous fiscal year.
- 4. The Guarantor Operating Business, which had been a reportable segment until the previous fiscal year, has been excluded in conjunction with the sales of all shares of NFS Co., Ltd., which corresponded to said segment, on August 2, 2010, and the exclusion of said company from the scope of consolidation on July 1, 2010.

The Guarantor Operating Business posted sales of 268,819 thousand yen and operating profit of 19,342 thousand yen in the same period of the previous fiscal year.

For more detailed information on the financial results, including the status of each segment and the following items, please see "Report of Financial Results for the First Quarter of the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2012" and "Business Performance Highlights for the First Quarter of the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2012," announced on August 9, 2011, on the Company's IR website.

Reference URL: http://www.next-group.jp/en/ir/financial.html

<Main matters regarding account settlement explanatory information>

- Shift in operating profit and loss: Causes of increase and decrease in main expenses and the shift in rations in sales
- Shift in sales per service: Shift in sales to a more detailed unit per segment and the causes of increases and decreases
- Status of the business performance forecast: Progress of sales per service and the main expenses for the business forecast.
- Topics: Main approaches per segment

<Main matters regarding business performance highlights>

- Status of profit and loss per segment and the main approach
- Data per quarter: Income statement (simplified version), sales per service, and profit & loss per segment
- Collection of external statistic data: Number of apartments sold, prices of apartments, number of projects commenced for New detached houses, number of people relocating throughout Japan, population and the number of households.

(2) Qualitative Information on Consolidated Financial Condition (Assets)

Current assets declined by 248,873 thousand yen from the end of the previous consolidated fiscal year ("previous year-end") to 6,592,869 thousand yen. This was primarily due to the decrease of 121,386 thousand yen in cash and deposits and the decrease of 143,026 thousand yen in accounts receivable.

Fixed assets declined by 95,956 thousand yen from the previous year-end to 2,773,772 thousand yen. This was primarily due to the decrease of 49,423 thousand yen in property, plant and equipment through depreciation and the decrease of 43,050 thousand yen in deferred tax assets.

As a result of the above, total assets came to 9,366,641 thousand yen, representing a decrease of 344,829 thousand yen from the previous year-end.

(Liabilities)

Current liabilities declined by 224,691 thousand yen from the previous year-end to 1,130,924 thousand yen. This was primarily due to the decrease of 275,084 thousand yen in accounts payable-other, the decrease of 39,588 thousand yen in allowance for bonuses, the increase of 38,166 thousand yen in accrued expenses and the increase of 40,088 thousand yen in deposits received.

Fixed liabilities increased by 420 thousand yen from the previous year-end to 240,535 thousand yen. This was primarily due to the decrease of 554 thousand yen in deferred tax liabilities and the increase of 974 thousand yen in asset retirement obligations.

As a result of the above, total liabilities came to 1,371,459 thousand yen, representing a decrease of 224,271 thousand yen from the previous year-end.

(Net assets)

Net assets declined by 120,558 thousand yen from the previous year-end to 7,995,182 thousand yen. This was primarily due to the decrease of 11,038 thousand yen in accumulated income through the posting of net loss and the decrease of 110,642 thousand yen in accumulated income as a result of payment of dividends.

(3) Qualitative Information on Consolidated Business Forecast

Progress rates toward achieving the business forecast during the current 1st quarter are as follows.

(Unit: million yen)

| | | | | • | • |
|----------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| | Results Current 1 st Q (3 months ended June 30, 2011) | Forecast 6 months ending September 30, 2011 | Full-year forecast | Progress rate for 6 months ending September 30, 2011 | Progress rate for full-year |
| Sales | 2,357 | 4,966 | 11,739 | 47.5% | 20.1% |
| Real estate information services | 2,337 | 4.823 | 10,502 | 48.5% | 22.3% |
| Local information services | 5 | 69 | 928 | 7.5% | 0.6% |
| Others | 14 | 74 | 308 | 20.0% | 4.8% |
| Operating profit (loss) | (5) | (153) | 1,372 | - | - |
| Ordinary profit (loss) | (4) | (142) | 1,421 | - | - |
| Net profit (loss) | (11) | (115) | 773 | - | - |

Notes

- 1. Intersegment transactions have been offset and eliminated.
- 2. Progress rates on operating profit, ordinary profit and net profit have been omitted as losses were recorded in each item for the current 1st quarter.

Although only a 20.1% progress rate has been recorded toward achieving the full-year forecast for the core business of Real estate information services, which accounts for 89.5% of forecasted sales for the full-year, said business tends to increase its revenues toward the latter half of the fiscal year and records the greatest sales during the moving season from January through March. "Lococom," the Local information services, implemented a complete renewal of its website in April 2011, as well as changed its business model, in an effort to post profits. Under "Others," "MONEYMO," a portal site dedicated to everyday life and money, which commenced services February 2011; and "eQOL Skincare," a mobile phone site for those suffering from atopic skin conditions; have also been launched as initiatives toward profitability. Local information services and other services are also expected to increase their profits toward the latter half of the fiscal year, which has resulted in low progress toward achieving the full-year forecast.

Any revisions to the business forecasts will be disclosed as soon as they become available.

For details of the financial statements and business forecasts, see the "Report of Financial Results for the 1st Quarter of the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2012," announced on August 9, 2011, on the Company's IR website.

Reference URL: http://www.next-group.jp/en/ir/financial.html

2. Consolidated Financial Statements (1) Consolidated Balance Sheet

| | | (unit: thousand yen |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| | As of March 31, 2011 | As of June 30, 2011 |
| onsolidated quarterly balance sheets | | |
| Assets | | |
| Current assets | | |
| Cash and deposits | 3,196,600 | 3,075,21 |
| Accounts receivable-trade | 1,123,340 | 980,31 |
| Short-term investment securities | 1,510,964 | 1,511,22 |
| Inventories | 4,191 | 3,66 |
| Deferred tax assets | 155,367 | 200,55 |
| Accounts receivable-other | 276,771 | 232,40 |
| Income taxes receivable | 359,364 | 354,85 |
| Other | 259,945 | 273,99 |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts | (44,802) | (39,357 |
| Total current assets | 6,841,742 | 6,592,86 |
| Noncurrent assets | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | | |
| Buildings | 647,016 | 648,48 |
| Accumulated depreciation | (35,391 | (61,45 |
| Buildings, net | 611,624 | 587,02 |
| Tools, furniture and fixtures | 657,061 | 663,79 |
| Accumulated depreciation | (371,613) | (403,17 |
| Tools, furniture and fixtures, net | 285,448 | 260,61 |
| Total property, plant and equipment | 897,072 | 847,64 |
| Intangible assets | | |
| Goodwill | 226,738 | 213,40 |
| Software | 620,473 | 701,18 |
| Software in progress | 108,687 | 38,62 |
| Other | 8,608 | 8,39 |
| Total intangible assets | 964,507 | 961,59 |
| Investments and other assets | | |
| Investment securities | 29,485 | 29,48 |
| Bad debts | 49,333 | 57,17 |
| Deferred tax assets | 95,829 | 52,77 |
| Lease and guarantee deposits | 854,704 | 853,72 |
| Other | 18,244 | 17,61 |
| Allowance for doubtful accounts | (39,448) | (46,25) |
| Total investments and other assets | 1,008,148 | 964,52 |
| Total noncurrent assets | 2,869,728 | 2,773,77 |
| Total assets | 9,711,471 | 9,366,64 |

| (unit: | thousand | ven) |
|--------|----------|------|

| | | (unit: thousand yen) |
|---|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| | As of March 31, 2011 | As of June 30, 2011 |
| Liabilities | | |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Accounts payable-trade | 40,940 | 30,854 |
| Accounts payable-other | 816,607 | 541,522 |
| Income taxes payable | 18,870 | 7,330 |
| Provision for bonuses | 361,489 | 321,900 |
| Provision for directors' bonuses | | 2,500 |
| Other | 117,708 | 226,816 |
| Total current liabilities | 1,355,616 | 1,130,924 |
| Noncurrent liabilities | | |
| Deferred tax liabilities | 3,762 | 3,207 |
| Asset retirement obligations | 236,352 | 237,327 |
| Total noncurrent liabilities | 240,114 | 240,535 |
| Total liabilities | 1,595,730 | 1,371,459 |
| Net assets | | |
| Shareholders' equity | | |
| Capital stock | 1,992,372 | 1,993,037 |
| Capital surplus | 2,535,572 | 2,536,237 |
| Retained earnings | 3,598,678 | 3,476,997 |
| Treasury stock | (7,848) | (7,848) |
| Total shareholders' equity | 8,118,774 | 7,998,423 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income | | |
| Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities | (3,034) | (3,241) |
| Total accumulated other comprehensive income | (3,034) | (3,241) |
| Total net assets | 8,115,740 | 7,995,182 |
| Total liabilities and net assets | 9,711,471 | 9,366,641 |
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(2) Consolidated Income Statement and Consolidated Comprehensive Income Statement

| | Three Months Ended June 30, 2010 | (unit: thousand yen) Three Months Ended June 30, 2011 |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| Consolidated quarterly statements of | | |
| (comprehensive) income Net sales | 2 200 406 | 2.257.400 |
| Cost of sales | 2,899,406 | 2,357,490 |
| | 46,443 | 58,071 |
| Gross profit | 2,852,962 | 2,299,419 |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 454.000 | 507.040 |
| Advertising expenses | 454,022 | 567,310 |
| Provision of allowance for doubtful accounts | 42,328 | 2,160 |
| Salaries and allowances | 578,112 | 582,728 |
| Provision for bonuses | 138,476 | 143,468 |
| Provision for directors' bonuses | | 2,500 |
| Allowance for loss on guarantees for rent | 14,251 | |
| Depreciation | 81,868 | 119,403 |
| Amortization of goodwill | 2,500 | 13,336 |
| Other | 850,935 | 874,468 |
| Total selling, general and administrative expenses | 2,162,495 | 2,305,377 |
| Operating income (loss) | 690,466 | (5,957) |
| Non-operating income | | |
| Interest income | 457 | 758 |
| Dividends income | 2 | 4 |
| Gain on negative goodwill | 3,032 | |
| Other | 935 | 694 |
| Total non-operating income | 4,427 | 1,457 |
| Non-operating expenses | | |
| Other | 1,939 | 0 |
| Total non-operating expenses | 1,939 | 0 |
| Ordinary income (loss) | 692,954 | (4,501) |
| Extraordinary loss | | |
| Loss on sales of noncurrent assets | 117 | |
| Loss on retirement of noncurrent assets | 304 | 40 |
| Provision for loss on head office transfer Loss on adjustment for changes of accounting | 74,546 | |
| standard for asset retirement obligations | 22,223 | |
| Total extraordinary losses | 97,192 | 40 |
| Income (loss) before income taxes and minority interests | 595,762 | (4,542) |
| Income taxes-current | 256,473 | 9,041 |
| Income taxes-deferred | 38,798 | (2,544) |
| Total income taxes | 295,271 | 6,496 |
| Income (loss) before minority interests | 300,490 | (11,038) |
| Minority interests in income | 3,866 | ,,,,, |
| Net income (loss) | 296,623 | (11,038) |
| | | (11,000) |

| | | (unit: thousand yen) |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | Three Months Ended June 30, 2010 | Three Months Ended June 30, 2011 |
| Consolidated quarterly statements of comprehensive income | | |
| Income (loss) before minority interests | 300,490 | (11,038) |
| Other comprehensive income | | |
| Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities | 483 | (207) |
| Total other comprehensive income | 483 | (207) |
| Comprehensive income | 300,973 | (11,245) |
| Comprehensive income attributable to | | |
| Comprehensive income attributable to owners of the parent | 297,107 | (11245) |
| Comprehensive income attributable to minority interests | 3,866 | |

(3) Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

| | Three Months Ended June 30, 2010 | (unit: thousand yen) Three Months Ended June 30, 2011 |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| Consolidated quarterly statements of cash flows | , | , |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities Income (loss) before income taxes and minority | | |
| interests | 595,762 | (4,542) |
| Depreciation and amortization | 81,873 | 119,605 |
| Amortization of goodwill | 2,500 | 13,336 |
| Gain on negative goodwill Loss on adjustment for changes of accounting standard for asset retirement obligations | (3,032) 22,223 | - |
| Increase (decrease) in provision for bonuses | (94,203) | (39,588) |
| Increase (decrease) in provision for directors' bonuses | (01,200) | 2,500 |
| Increase (decrease) in allowance for doubtful accounts | 41,149 | 1,357 |
| Increase (decrease) in allowance for loss on guarantees for rent | 14,251 | - |
| Increase (decrease) in provision for loss on head office transfer | 74,546 | - |
| Interest and dividends income | (112) | (62) |
| Interest income on securities | (347) | (699) |
| Loss (gain) on sales of noncurrent assets | 117 | |
| Loss on retirement of noncurrent assets Decrease (increase) in notes and accounts receivable- trade | 304 70,135 | 40 178,188 |
| Decrease (increase) in inventories | 442 | 530 |
| Decrease (increase) in advances paid | (52,576) | 330 |
| Increase (decrease) in notes and accounts payable-trade | (5,600) | (10,085) |
| Increase (decrease) in accounts payable-other | (133,889) | (246,608) |
| Other, net | 9,504 | 104,132 |
| Subtotal | 623,048 | 118,103 |
| Interest and dividends income received | 467 | 762 |
| Income taxes paid | (664,302) | (22,335) |
| Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities | (40,785) | 96,531 |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities | | · |
| Purchase of investment securities | (280) | (352) |
| Purchase of property, plant and equipment | (85,592) | (27,041) |
| Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment | 10 | |
| Purchase of intangible assets | (77,937) | (91,418) |
| Purchase of investments in subsidiaries | (70,160) | - |
| Payments for lease and guarantee deposits Proceeds from collection of lease and guarantee | - | (169) |
| deposits | 267 | 1,148 |
| Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities | (233,692) | (117,832) |
| Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities | | |
| Proceeds from issuance of common stock | 1,757 | 1,330 |
| Cash dividends paid | (105,321) | (101,158) |
| Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities | (103,563) | (99,828) |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents | (378,042) | (121,130) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 6,488,292 | 4,707,564 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | 6,110,250 | 4,586,434 |