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Report of Foreign Issuer
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the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of August __, 2008

CANON INC.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)
30-2, Shimomaruko 3-Chome, Ohta-ku, Tokyo 146-8501, Japan

(Address of principal executive offices)

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CANON INC.

(Registrant)

Date **August 25, 2008**

By /s/ Masashiro Kobayashi
(Signature)*

Masashiro Kobayashi
General Manager
Global Finance Management Center
Canon Inc.

*Print the name and title of the signing officer under his signature.

The following materials are included.

1. Interim Report For The 108th Business Term From January 1,2008 to June 30,2008 Canon Inc.
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To Our Shareholders

We are pleased to present our report for the summary of the first half of our 108th business term (from January 1, 2008 to June 30, 2008).

Reviewing conditions in both the Japanese and overseas economies during the first half of the current business term, the U.S. economy decelerated due to depressing residential investment in the wake of the subprime loan issue, and with soaring crude oil prices weighing on corporate profits and stifling personal consumption. European economies also slowed down under the impact from the U.S. economic situation. Asian economies sustained high growth centered in China, although growth rates diminished due to the sluggish EU and U.S. economies. Meanwhile, there was stagnation in the Japanese economy due to factors such as a stalling of exports from the global economic slowdown, a squeeze on corporate profits from soaring prices of crude oil and raw materials, and weak consumer spending due to inflation. In foreign exchange markets, compared with the first half of the previous fiscal year, the yen rose substantially against the U.S. dollar and rose slightly against the euro.

As to the conditions of the markets in which the Canon Group operates, demand for digital cameras grew steadily for both single lens reflex (SLR) and compact types, while demand for color laser beam printers also continued to grow. For networked multifunctional devices, demand continued to shift from black-and-white to color machines. In the area of inkjet printers, rising demand for multifunction devices covered for a decline in single-function devices, leaving overall demand unchanged. Demand for mirror projection mask aligners for LCDs improved substantially due to recovered capital expenditures at LCD panel manufacturers, but demand for semiconductor production equipment was sluggish as memory device manufacturers restrained new capital investment.

Under these business conditions, facing the third year of Phase III (2006 to 2010) of our Excellent Global Corporation Plan, to enable the manufacture of attractive products at a low cost and timely market introduction, the Canon

Group worked to reduce costs and raise operational efficiency by continuing to move forward with various measures in each area of development, procurement, production and sales, and also strengthened operating frameworks by newly establishing an Executive Officer System.

As to the earnings for the first half of the current business term, on a consolidated basis, we recorded net sales of 2,113.4 billion yen (down 2.5% from the first half of 2007), income before taxes and minority interests of 339.2 billion yen (down 16.5%), and net income of 214.5 billion yen (down 15.9%). Also on a non-consolidated basis, we recorded net sales of 1,395.3 billion yen (up 1.8%), ordinary profit of 256.2 billion yen (down 15.2%), and net income of 168.4 billion yen (down 16.2%).

For the interim dividend, we have decided to pay 55.0 yen per share from August 26.

For the second half of the current business term, amid uncertainty over prices of natural resources, interest rates and foreign exchange rates, we expect a continued slowdown in global economic growth, and with competition intensifying more and more, business conditions for the Canon Group will remain extremely severe. Despite these adverse circumstances, the Canon Group is committed to making all necessary efforts to achieve improved results in the second half of the fiscal year.

We look forward to your continued support and encouragement in the future.

August 2008

Fujio Mitarai
Chairman & CEO
Tsuneji Uchida
President & COO

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Change in Profits

Net Sales (Consolidated)
100 MILLIONS OF YEN

Net Sales (Non-Consolidated)
100 MILLIONS OF YEN

**Income before Income Taxes and
Minority Interests (Consolidated)**
100 MILLIONS OF YEN

Ordinary Profit (Non-Consolidated)
100 MILLIONS OF YEN

Net Income (Consolidated)
100 MILLIONS OF YEN

Net Income (Non-Consolidated)
100 MILLIONS OF YEN

Business Conditions by Operations**n Sales by Operations****Consolidated**

Operations	Sales (100 millions of yen)	Change from the First Half of Fiscal 2007 (%)
Business Machines	13,890	(4.0)
Office Imaging Products	5,991	(5.3)
Computer Peripherals	7,432	(2.3)
Business Information Products	467	(12.6)
Cameras	5,294	1.9
Optical and Other Products	1,950	(2.8)
Total	21,134	(2.5)

Non-Consolidated

Operations	Sales (100 millions of yen)	Change from the First Half of Fiscal 2007 (%)
Business Machines	8,884	(3.9)
Office Imaging Products	2,566	(7.4)
Computer Peripherals	6,318	(2.4)
Cameras	4,139	12.2
Optical and Other Products	930	19.7
Total	13,953	1.8

Consolidated**Non-Consolidated**

Note:

Regarding the segment of Business Information Products within the Business Machines category in the consolidated information above, there were no sales on a non-consolidated basis.

n Business Machines Operations

Office Imaging Products

In the imageRUNNER series of office-use digital networked multifunctional devices, we launched seven new models for four types of color machines in the Japanese market to accommodate to the market shift from black-and-white to color machines. We strengthened our product range especially by launching our affordable iR C3580F/C3080F with their printing speeds enhanced but without compromising their energy conservation and space-saving features, as well as the iR C2550F which offers the same basic functions at a lower price. Meanwhile, our top-line iR C5185 continued to perform well in the U.S. In black-and-white devices, we worked to increase sales of the high-speed iR5075N/5065N multifunctional devices. Moreover, we promoted our solutions business by proposing printing environments adjusted to customers' business formats and needs by using the Multifunctional Embedded Application Platform (MEAP) capable of expanding the range of functions installed on our imageRUNNER series.

In the imagePRESS series of printers for digital commercial printing, the imagePRESS C7000VP was chosen for the Best 10 New Products Award presented by the Nikkan Kogyo Shimbun and concurrently received the Masuda Award which is given to products of special excellence. Additionally, we expanded our product range with the launch of the imagePRESS C6000 which is capable of printing 60 pages per minute in both color and black-and-white.

In the multifunctional black-and-white machines for individuals and small-business owners, we launched two new products such as the Satera MF4270 which combines four functions (copier, printer, color scanner and fax) and an automated double-sided printing function in a compact body while offering a printing speed of 20 pages per minute, and worked to expand sales of these products.

As a result of these activities, sales for this segment fell by 5.3% on a consolidated basis and by 7.4% on a non-consolidated basis, both in comparison to the first half of 2007.

Change in Sales
100 MILLIONS OF YEN
Consolidated

Non-Consolidated

Computer Peripherals

In the inkjet printers market, there was a moderate yet definite tendency towards a decline in prices, and market conditions remained severe. At the same time, the shift from single-function to multifunctional devices continued. Under this environment, in multifunctional devices, we launched the PIXUS MX7600 suited for office-use and equipped with our newly developed PgR technology enabling high-grade printing on regular paper, and the home-use PIXUS MX850 equipped with a duplex Auto Document Feeder, and worked to promote sales of these products. In single-function devices, we expanded our product range with the launch of the PIXUS iP2600, an entry model featuring slim form and stylish design, and the compact PIXUS iP100 photo printer which offers five color ink, minimum 1pl ink drop size, and high-quality resolution printing of 9600 dpi. As a result, we were able to substantially increase unit sales of inkjet printers despite the sluggish market. Meanwhile, sales of consumables including ink cartridges were also strong.

Regarding laser beam printers, OEM-brand products continued robust expansion in color products. In black-and-white products, the growth of multifunctional devices sustained strong but single-function devices slowed down. For Canon-brand products, in color machines, we launched the Satera LBP5050/5050N which features a compact body, only 262mm in height, and a color printing speed of 8 pages per minute, and worked to promote sales of these products. In black-and-white machines, we launched five models including the Satera LBP3980 capable of printing 35 pages per minute and up to A3 size, and the Satera LBP3310 capable of printing A4 size and equipped with an automatic duplexing capability as standard. Additionally, we worked to expand our solutions business utilizing the MEAP-Lite function expansion system.

As a result of these activities, sales for this segment fell by 2.3% on a consolidated basis and by 2.4% on a non-consolidated basis, both in comparison to the first half of 2007.

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Change in Sales
100 MILLIONS OF YEN
Consolidated

Non-Consolidated

Business Information Products

The office-use document scanners market continued to grow due to document digitization becoming widespread. Demand has been rising especially for low-priced compact products due to corporations carrying out upgrades of their internal PC and network environments. Under these conditions, in the image FORMULA series handled by Canon Electronics Inc., we launched the DR-X10C as a new version of the flagship model and promoted the compact and affordable DR-2510C and DR-2010C, achieving a steady growth in unit sales as a result.

Regarding calculators handled by Canon Electronics Business Machines (H.K.) Co., Ltd., we launched in the Japanese market the FN-600 equipped with financial calculator functions such as loan calculations and worked to expand sales. Regarding electronic dictionaries handled by the same company, we launched the wordtank V903 which offers rich Chinese language content for learners of Chinese, and the wordtank C36 for high-school students, and worked to expand sales. Despite these efforts, sales of electronic dictionaries declined.

Sales of servers and personal computers handled by Canon Marketing Japan Inc. declined as that company focused on its shift from sales of single products to the solutions business.

As a result of these activities, sales for this segment fell by 12.6% on a consolidated basis in comparison to the first half of 2007. For this segment, there were no sales on a non-consolidated basis.

Change in Sales
100 MILLIONS OF YEN
Consolidated

n Camera Operations

In digital cameras, demand for SLR models continued to grow. Under these conditions, in the EOS Kiss series which has been widely popular in the market, we expanded our product range with the launch of the affordable EOS Kiss X2 which accomplishes an even higher image quality owing to its 12.2 mega pixel CMOS sensor, and its sibling model, the EOS Kiss F for first-time users of SLR. Furthermore, as we worked to promote sales of the EOS 40D for advanced amateur photographers and other products, sales of SLR models developed positively. Consequently, sales of our EF lens series, dedicated flashes and other products also marked sound sales increases.

Regarding compact digital cameras, in our stylishly designed IXY DIGITAL series, we launched four models including the IXY DIGITAL 20 IS which features an enhanced image stabilization and a 3x zoom function with upgraded color variation, and the IXY DIGITAL 820 IS which boasts a optical 5x zoom function. Additionally, in the PowerShot series with its ample product range for a variety of photographic styles, we launched three new products including the PowerShot A590 IS which realized a combination of high performance with ease of use by loading Easy mode that enables easy shots of beautiful photographs and features optical 4x zoom function. Sales of digital compact cameras increased as a result.

In compact photo printers, in the dye sublimation SELPHY series, we strengthened our range of products by launching two new models including the CP770 based on a new concept targeting mothers with small children.

In digital video cameras, we increased our share of the market for HD video cameras by launching new products such as the iVIS HF10 which enables recording up to twelve hours by loading double memory comprised of an internal flash memory and an SD card slot as recording medium.

As a result of these activities, sales for this segment grew by 1.9% on a consolidated basis and by 12.2% on a non-consolidated basis, both in comparison to the first half of 2007.

Change in Sales
100 MILLIONS OF YEN
Consolidated

Non-Consolidated

n Optical and Other Products Operations

In mirror projection mask aligners for LCDs, the market improved substantially as panel manufacturers made proactive capital investment in reaction to the improved demand and supply situation for large-size LCD panels and rising panel prices. Under these conditions, as we worked to promote sales of our MPAsp-H710, the eighth-generation mirror projection mask aligners for LCDs and other products, sales resulted in significant sales growth.

In semiconductor production equipment, we experienced lower sales amid sustained severe market conditions due to falling demand caused by semiconductor manufacturers curbing capital investment in reaction to slumping semiconductor prices.

Regarding large-format inkjet printers, in the imagePROGRAF series, we launched the imagePROGRAF iPF720 capable of printing A0-plus paper for businesses that use CAD drawings for architecture or design, and the imagePROGRAF iPF605 capable of printing A1-plus paper. Sales posted solid growth as a result. Additionally, we launched PosterArtist 2008, a software application for the easy production of professional quality posters.

Regarding broadcast-use television lenses, we promoted sale of television lenses including DIGISUPER 86AF equipped with an autofocus function adaptive to high definition television.

In medical equipment, we launched CR-1, a non-mydratic digital retinal camera capable of producing high-quality images for medical examinations at two-thirds less flash intensity than before.

Sale of die bonders handled by Canon Machinery Inc. and magnetic head film deposition equipment handled by Canon ANELVA Corporation were depressed amid sluggish market conditions.

As a result of these activities, sales for this segment fell by 2.8% on a consolidated basis and grew by 19.7% on a non-consolidated basis, both in comparison to the first half of 2007.

Change in Sales
100 MILLIONS OF YEN
Consolidated

Non-Consolidated

Consolidated Financial Statements

Canon's consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Consolidated Balance Sheets

ASSETS	As of June 30, 2008 (Unaudited)	Millions of yen As of Dec. 31, 2007
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	866,395	944,463
Short-term investments	20,931	20,499
Trade receivables, net	703,690	794,240
Inventories	614,179	563,474
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	278,608	286,111
Total current assets	2,483,803	2,608,787
Noncurrent receivables	14,748	15,239
Investments	129,084	90,086
Property, plant and equipment, net	1,384,775	1,364,702
Other assets	445,786	433,811
Total assets	4,458,196	4,512,625
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
	As of June 30, 2008 (Unaudited)	Millions of yen As of Dec. 31, 2007
Current liabilities:		
Short-term loans and current portion of long-term debt	16,114	18,317
Trade payables	511,112	514,226
Accrued income taxes	106,407	150,726
Accrued expenses	316,407	357,525
Other current liabilities	182,574	215,911
Total current liabilities	1,132,614	1,256,705
Long-term debt, excluding current installments	10,138	8,680
Accrued pension and severance cost	42,979	44,710
Other noncurrent liabilities	53,268	57,324
Total liabilities	1,238,999	1,367,419
Minority interests	211,268	222,870

Commitment and contingent liabilities		
Stockholders equity:		
Common stock	174,736	174,698
[Authorized shares] (share)	[3,000,000,000]	[3,000,000,000]
[Issued shares] (share)	[1,333,711,360]	[1,333,636,210]
Additional paid-in capital	402,866	402,991
Legal reserve	52,500	46,017
Retained earnings	2,852,485	2,720,146
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(18,444)	34,670
Treasury stock, at cost	(456,214)	(456,186)
[Treasury shares] (share)	[72,594,874]	[72,588,428]
Total stockholders equity	3,007,929	2,922,336
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	4,458,196	4,512,625

Notes:

1. Allowance for doubtful receivables 13,213 million yen
2. Accumulated depreciation of property, plant and equipment 1,683,150 million yen
3. Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) includes foreign currency translation adjustments, net unrealized gains and losses on securities, net gains and losses on derivative financial instruments and pension liability adjustments.
4. Time deposits and Marketable securities, which had been previously disclosed separately in the consolidated balance sheets, have been reclassified to Short-term investments to conform to the current year presentation.
5. Collateral assets 223 million yen
6. Guarantees of bank borrowings by employees and consolidated subsidiaries and affiliated companies 26,066 million yen
7. Number of consolidated subsidiaries and affiliated companies accounted for under equity method is 240 and 18 respectively.

Consolidated Statements of Income

	Six months ended June 30, 2008 (Unaudited)	Millions of yen Six months ended June 30, 2007 (Unaudited)
Net sales	2,113,432	2,166,724
Cost of sales	1,071,977	1,059,170
Gross profit	1,041,455	1,107,554
Operating expenses:		
Selling, general and administrative expenses	535,009	548,411
Research and development expenses	175,463	170,267
	710,472	718,678
Operating profit	330,983	388,876
Other income (deductions):		
Interest and dividend income	10,966	17,367
Interest expense	(663)	(795)
Other, net	(2,041)	693
	8,262	17,265
Income before income taxes and minority interests	339,245	406,141
Income taxes	117,338	142,836
Income before minority interests	221,907	263,305
Minority interests	7,422	8,122
Net income	214,485	255,183

Note:

Net income per share

Basic 170.08 yen

Diluted 170.07 yen

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Consolidated Statement of Stockholders Equity

Millions of yen

Common stock	Additional paid-in capital	Legal reserve	Retained earnings	Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	Treasury stock	Total stockholders equity
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Non-Consolidated Financial Statements
Non-Consolidated Balance Sheets

ASSETS	As of June 30, 2008	Millions of yen As of Dec. 31, 2007
Current assets	1,344,356	1,356,510
Cash and deposits	22,818	5,676
Notes receivable	247,038	233,775
Accounts receivable	564,623	604,547
Marketable securities	42,430	75,920
Finished goods	131,107	110,168
Work in process	124,410	112,051
Raw materials and supplies	5,077	4,731
Deferred tax assets	47,262	52,989
Short-term loans receivable	51,273	49,735
Other current assets	108,319	106,926
Allowance for doubtful receivables	(1)	(8)
Fixed assets	1,491,704	1,434,382
Property, plant and equipment, net	927,128	912,986
Buildings	491,715	465,680
Machinery	184,835	172,863
Vehicles	329	399
Tools and equipment	53,625	55,167
Land	138,187	138,165

Construction in progress	58,437	80,712
Intangibles fixed assets	43,125	42,497
Software	39,903	39,205
Other intangibles	3,222	3,292
Investments and other assets	521,451	478,899
Marketable securities-noncurrent	30,889	28,471
Investments in affiliated companies	411,166	367,132
Long-term loans receivable	6,767	6,767
Long-term pre-paid expenses	12,251	12,957
Deferred tax assets-noncurrent	55,505	57,381
Guarantees	1,392	1,787
Other noncurrent assets	3,539	4,465
Allowance for doubtful receivables-noncurrent	(58)	(61)
Total assets	2,836,060	2,790,892

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Millions of yen

	As of June 30, 2008	As of Dec. 31, 2007
Current liabilities	811,879	854,642
Notes payable	2,519	2,440
Accounts payable	419,527	419,444
Short-term loans	139,914	94,465
Other payable	74,004	109,473
Accrued expenses	56,169	79,992
Accrued income taxes	78,830	115,668
Deposits	11,753	10,576
Accrued warranty expenses	3,269	4,705
Accrued bonuses for employees	5,197	5,194
Accrued directors' bonuses	198	360
Other current liabilities	20,499	12,325
Noncurrent liabilities	42,185	45,684
Convertible debt	53	128
Accrued pension and severance cost	38,081	41,713
Accrued directors' retirement benefits	1,449	1,368
Reserve for environmental provision	1,370	2,475
Accrued long service rewards for employees	1,232	-
Total liabilities	854,064	900,326
Stockholders' Equity	1,979,601	1,886,784
Common stock	174,736	174,698
Capital surplus	306,282	306,250
Additional paid-in capital	306,262	306,225
Other capital surplus	20	25
Retained earnings	1,954,797	1,862,022
Legal reserve	22,114	22,114
Other retained earnings	1,932,683	1,839,908
Reserve for special depreciation	5,917	7,694
Reserve for deferral of capital gain on property	2,023	1,255
Special reserves	1,249,928	1,249,928
Retained earnings brought forward	674,815	581,031
Treasury stock, at cost	(456,214)	(456,186)
Valuation and translation adjustments	2,333	3,782
Net unrealized gains (losses) on securities	3,141	5,028
Net deferred gains (losses) on hedges	(808)	(1,246)
Subscription rights to shares	62	-

Total net assets	1,981,996	1,890,566
Total liabilities and net assets	2,836,060	2,790,892

Non-Consolidated Statements of Income

	Six months ended June 30, 2008	Millions of yen Six months ended June 30, 2007
Net sales	1,395,347	1,370,988
Cost of sales	894,697	830,843
Gross profit	500,650	540,145
Selling, general and administrative expenses	264,760	259,782
Operating profit	235,890	280,363
Other Income	62,703	60,708
Interest income	687	1,684
Dividend income	9,462	13,970
Rental income	29,620	21,855
Royalty income	15,203	17,726
Miscellaneous income	7,731	5,473
Other Expense	42,382	38,795
Interest expense	1,928	314
Depreciation of rental assets	26,321	19,009
Loss on disposal and write-off of inventories	1,388	1,910
Foreign exchange loss	8,920	12,499
Miscellaneous loss	3,825	5,063
Ordinary profit	256,211	302,276
Non-Ordinary Income	16	494
Gain on sales of fixed assets	16	404
Gain on sales of marketable securities-noncurrent	0	90
Non-Ordinary Loss	1,595	1,433
Loss on sales and disposal of fixed assets	1,595	1,433
Income before income taxes	254,632	301,337
Income taxes -Current	77,625	104,356
-Deferred	8,568	(3,944)
Net income	168,439	200,925

Notes to Non-Consolidated Balance Sheets

1. Accumulated depreciation of property, plant and equipment	915,209 million yen
Accumulated impairment losses of property, plant and equipment	564 million yen
2. Cautionary obligation and other cautionary obligation contract	20,786 million yen

Note to Non-Consolidated Statements of Income

Net income per share	133.57 yen
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Standard for Allowances

(Accrued long service rewards for employees)

Accrued long service rewards is maintained based on expected amounts to cover the rewards payable under the byelaw applied to long-service employee.

Note to change in Accounting Policy

The Company has a byelaw for Refresh Leave to grant long service reward and refresh leave at a regular period to the employees who have been serving the Company for long years in order to refresh mind and body as well as generating new energy.

As the significance of amounts rose due to the increase in numbers of employees, and reinforcement of attendance record systems enabled to estimate the rational amounts of reward payable, the Company changed the accounting policy for long service reward from the expense of the term in which the reward was paid, to recognition of accrued long service reward based on expected amounts under the byelaw from this interim accounting period, in order to calculate periodical profit and loss more appropriately.

As a result, operating profit, ordinary profit and income before income taxes have decreased by 1,232 million yen, and net income has decreased by 739 million yen for the interim accounting period ended June 30, 2008.

Non-Consolidated Statement of changes in Stockholders Equity

	Stockholders equity				
		Capital surplus		Retained earnings	
	Common stock	Additional paid-in capital	Other capital surplus	Legal reserve	Reserve for special depreciation
Balance at December 31, 2007	174,698	306,225	25	22,114	7,694
Changes in the term					
Conversion of convertible debt	38	37			
Transfer to reserve for special depreciation					116
Reversal of reserve for special depreciation					(1,893)
Transfer to reserve for deferral of capital gain on property					
Reversal of reserve for deferral of capital gain on property					
Dividends from surplus					
Net income					
Purchase of treasury stock					
Disposal of treasury stock			(5)		
Net change of items other than stockholders equity					
Total changes in the term	38	37	(5)		(1,777)
Balance at June 30, 2008	174,736	306,262	20	22,114	5,917

Notes:

1. Number of shares issued as of June 30, 2008 1,333,711,360 shares
2. Classes and number of treasury stock

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Classes of stock	Balance as of December 31, 2007	Increase	Decrease	Balance as of June 30, 2008
Common stock	72,588,428 shares	10,315 shares	3,869 shares	72,594,874 shares

(Reason for change)

The increase reflects the purchase of 10,315 shares based on the shareholders' request for purchase of shares less-than-one-unit. The decrease reflects the sale of 3,869 shares based on the shareholders' request for the sale of shares less-than-one-unit.

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Millions of yen

Reserve for deferral of capital gain on property	Stockholders equity			Total stockholders equity	Valuation and translation adjustments		Subscription rights to shares	Total net assets
	Special reserves	Retained earnings brought forward	Treasury stock		Net unrealized gains (losses) on securities	Net deferred profits (losses) on hedges		
1,255	1,249,928	581,031	(456,186)	1,886,784	5,028	(1,246)	-	1,890,566
				75				75
		(116)		-				-
		1,893		-				-
795		(795)		-				-
(27)		27		-				-
		(75,663)		(75,663)				(75,663)
		168,439		168,439				168,439
			(52)	(52)				(52)
			24	19				19
				-	(1,887)	438	62	(1,387)
768	-	93,784	(28)	92,817	(1,887)	438	62	91,430
2,023	1,249,928	674,815	(456,214)	1,979,601	3,141	(808)	62	1,981,996

3. Dividend from surplus

Resolution

Record date

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	Classes of stock	Total amount of dividends (millions of yen)	Dividend per share (yen)		Effective date
March 28, 2008 The ordinary general meeting of shareholders	Common stock	75,663	60.00	December 31, 2007	March 31, 2008
July 24, 2008 Board of directors meeting	Common stock	69,361	55.00	June 30, 2008	August 26, 2008

COMPANY PROFILE

The following statements are the status as of June 30, 2008, if not specified otherwise.

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**n Canon Group Global Network
(1) Major Overseas Bases**

Name [Location]

R&D

Canon Development Americas, Inc. [U.S.A.]
 Canon Technology Europe Ltd. [U.K.]
 Canon Research Centre France S.A.S. [France]
 Canon Information Systems Research Australia Pty. Ltd. [Australia]

Manufacturing

Canon Virginia, Inc. [U.S.A.]
 Canon Giessen GmbH [Germany]
 Canon Bretagne S.A.S. [France]
 Canon Dalian Business Machines, Inc. [China]
 Canon Zhuhai, Inc. [China]
 Canon Zhongshan Business Machines Co., Ltd. [China]
 Canon (Suzhou) Inc. [China]
 Canon Inc, Taiwan [Taiwan]
 Canon Hi-Tech (Thailand) Ltd. [Thailand]
 Canon Vietnam Co., Ltd. [Vietnam]
 Canon Opto (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. [Malaysia]

Marketing

Canon U.S.A., Inc. [U.S.A.]
 Canon Canada Inc. [Canada]
 Canon Latin America, Inc. [U.S.A.]
 Canon Europa N.V. [Netherlands]
 Canon (UK) Ltd. [U.K.]
 Canon France S.A.S. [France]
 Canon Deutschland GmbH [Germany]
 Canon North-East Oy [Finland]
 Canon Middle East FZ-LLC [U.A.E.]
 Canon (China) Co., Ltd. [China]
 Canon Hongkong Co., Ltd. [Hong Kong]
 Canon Korea Consumer Imaging Inc. [Korea]
 Canon Singapore Pte. Ltd. [Singapore]
 Canon Australia Pty. Ltd. [Australia]
 Canon do Brasil Indústria e Comércio Limitada [Brazil]
 Canon Chile, S.A. [Chile]
 Canon South Africa Pty. Ltd. [South Africa]

R&D, Manufacturing and Marketing

Canon Electronic Business Machines (H.K.) Co., Ltd. [Hong Kong]

(2) Major Domestic Bases

Name [Location]

Canon Inc.,

Headquarters [Tokyo]
Kawasaki Office [Kanagawa Pref.]
Ayase Office [Kanagawa Pref.]
Hiratsuka Development Center [Kanagawa Pref.]
Optics R&D Center [Tochigi Pref.]
Tamagawa Plant [Kanagawa Pref.]
Kosugi Office [Kanagawa Pref.]
Toride Plant [Ibaraki Pref.]
Fuji-Susono Research Park [Shizuoka Pref.]
Yako Office [Kanagawa Pref.]
Utsunomiya Plant [Tochigi Pref.]
Utsunomiya Optical Products Plant [Tochigi Pref.]
Ami Plant [Ibaraki Pref.]

Manufacturing

Oita Canon Inc. [Oita Pref.]
Canon Chemicals Inc. [Ibaraki Pref.]
Nagahama Canon Inc. [Shiga Pref.]
Fukushima Canon Inc. [Fukushima Pref.]

Marketing

Canon Marketing Japan Inc. [Tokyo]
Canon Software Inc. [Tokyo]

R&D, Manufacturing and Marketing

Canon Electronics Inc. [Saitama Pref.]
Canon Finetech Inc. [Saitama Pref.]
Canon Machinery Inc. [Shiga Pref.]
Nisca Corporation [Yamanashi Pref.]
Canon Precision Inc. [Aomori Pref.]
Canon ANELVA Corporation [Kanagawa Pref.]

n Main Activities of the Canon Group

Canon Group is engaged in the development, manufacture and sales of the following products.

Operations		Main Products
Business Machines	Office Imaging Products	Network Multifunction Devices, Laser Multifunction Printers, Copying Machines
	Computer Peripherals	Laser Beam Printers, Inkjet Printers, Inkjet Multifunction Printers, Image Scanners
	Business Information Products	Computers, Document Scanners, Handy Terminals, Calculators, Electronic Dictionaries
Cameras		Digital Cameras, Digital Video Cameras, Interchangeable Lenses, LCD Projectors
Optical and Other Products		Semiconductor Production Equipment, Mirror Projection Mask Aligners for LCDs, Broadcast-use Television Lenses, Medical Image Recording Equipment, Large-Format Inkjet Printers, Vacuum Equipment for Electronic Components

n Employees of the Canon Group Consolidated

Number of employees	142,491 persons
	(Increase of 11,139 persons from the end of the previous term)
Americas	10,881 persons
Europe	12,318 persons
Japan	58,906 persons
Others	60,386 persons

Note:

The number of employees represents the total number of employees excluding those who do not work full-time.

Non-Consolidated

Number of employees	21,986 persons
Increase from the end of the previous term	1,100 persons
Average age	39.2 years
Average years of service	15.7 years

Notes:

1. The number of employees represents the total number of employees excluding those who do not work full-time.
2. The number of employees does not include those who have been dispatched to affiliated companies, etc. (2,567 persons).

n Shares and Share Options of the Company

(1) Shares

Number of Shares Issuable 3,000,000,000 shares

Number of Shares Issued, Capital Stock and Number of Shareholders

	As of the end of the Previous Term	Increase (decrease) during this Half-Term	As of the end of this Half-Term
Number of Shares Issued (share)	1,333,636,210	75,150	1,333,711,360

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Capital Stock (yen)	174,698,297,729	37,499,850	174,735,797,579
Number of Shareholders (person)	158,388	52	158,440

Note:

The increase of the number of shares issued and capital stock during this half-term reflect the conversion of convertible debentures into shares.

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(2) Shareholding by Category

	Number of Shareholders	Number of Shares
Banking Companies	375	477,272,195
Securities Underwriting Companies	63	50,811,941
Other Domestic Companies	1,394	43,195,443
Foreign Companies, etc.	1,187	592,595,812
Individual and Others	155,420	97,241,095
Treasury Stock	1	72,594,874
Total	158,440	1,333,711,360

Shareholding Ratio**(3) Share Options****1. Share Options Issued as Stock Options**

	Number of share options	Class and number of shares to be acquired	Number of holders
1st Share Options	5,920 options	Common stock 592,000 shares	63 persons

2. Convertible Debentures**The third series of Unsecured Convertible Debentures Due 2008**

n Directors and Corporate Auditors of the Company

Directors

Position	Name	Business in Charge or Representative of other Organization, etc.
Chairman & CEO President & COO	Fujio Mitarai Tsuneji Uchida Toshizo Tanaka	Chairman of Nippon Keidanren
Executive Vice President & CFO Senior Managing Director	Nobuyoshi Tanaka	Group Executive of Policy & Economy Research Headquarters
Senior Managing Director	Junji Ichikawa	Group Executive of Corporate Intellectual Property and Legal Headquarters
Senior Managing Director	Akiyoshi Moroe	Chief Executive of Optical Products Operations
Senior Managing Director	Kunio Watanabe	Group Executive of External Relations Headquarters and Group Executive of General Affairs Headquarters
Managing Director Managing Director	Yoroku Adachi Yasuo Mitsuhashi	Group Executive of Corporate Planning Development Headquarters and Deputy Group Executive of Policy & Economic Research Headquarters
Managing Director	Tomonori Iwashita	President & CEO of Canon U.S.A., Inc. Chief Executive of Peripheral Products Operations
Managing Director	Masahiro Osawa	Group Executive of Environment Headquarters and Group Executive of Quality Management Headquarters
Managing Director	Shigeyuki Matsumoto	Group Executive of Finance & Accounting Headquarters
Managing Director	Katsuichi Shimizu	Group Executive of Device Technology Development Headquarters and Deputy Group Executive of Core Technology Development Headquarters
Managing Director Managing Director	Ryoichi Bamba Toshio Homma	Chief Executive of Inkjet Products Operations
Managing Director Managing Director	Masaki Nakaoka	President of Canon Europa N.V. Chief Executive of L Printer Products Operations
Managing Director	Haruhisa Honda	Chief Executive of Office Imaging Products Operations Group Executive of Production Engineering

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Director	Shunichi Uzawa	Headquarters Executive Vice President of Canon U.S.A., Inc.
Director	Toshiyuki Komatsu	Deputy Group Executive of Corporate Planning Development Headquarters
Director	Tetsuro Tahara	Group Executive of Global Manufacturing & Logistics Headquarters
Director	Seijiro Sekine	Group Executive of Information & Communication Systems Headquarters
Director	Shunji Onda	Group Executive of Global Procurement Headquarters
Director	Kazunori Fukuma	President & Representative Director of SED Inc.
Director	Hideki Ozawa	President of Canon (China) Co., Ltd.
Director	Masaya Maeda	Group Executive of Image Communication Products Operations

Corporate Auditors

Position	Name	Business in Charge or Representative of other Organization, etc.
Corporate Auditor	*Keijiro Yamazaki	
Corporate Auditor	Kunihiro Nagata	
Corporate Auditor	Tadashi Ohe	Attorney
Corporate Auditor	Yoshinobu Shimizu	Certified Public Accountant
Corporate Auditor	Minoru Shishikura	

Notes:

1. Mr. Fujio Mitarai, Mr. Tsuneji Uchida and Mr. Toshizo Tanaka are Representative Directors.
2. Corporate Auditor with asterisk was newly elected at the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders for the 107th Business Term held on March 28, 2008, and assumed the office.
3. Corporate Auditors Mr. Tadashi Ohe, Mr. Yoshinobu Shimizu and Mr. Minoru Shishikura are Outside Corporate Auditors

defined by
item 16,
Article 2 of the
Corporation
Law.

n Executive Officers of the Company

Name	Business in Charge or Representative of other Organization, etc.
Sachio Kageyama	President of Canon Vietnam Co., Ltd.
Masayuki Ito	President & Representative Director of Canon Ecology Industry Inc.
Masahiro Haga	Executive Vice President of Canon U.S.A., Inc.
Kengo Uramoto	Group Executive of Human Resources Management & Organization Headquarters
Masanori Yamada	Deputy Chief Executive of Office Imaging Products Operations
Akio Noguchi	Deputy Chief Executive of Peripheral Products Operations
Hiroyuki Suematsu	Chief Executive of Chemical Products Operations
Yasuhiro Tani	Group Executive of Digital Platform Technology Development Headquarters

n Accounting Auditor

Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC

Hibiya Kokusai Building

2-3, Uchisaiwai-cho 2-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

(Effective July 1, 2008, Ernst & Young ShinNihon has become Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC due to a change in legal status.)

INFORMATION ON SHARES

Business term:

From January 1 to December 31 of each year

Ordinary general meeting of shareholders:

March of each year

Record date for above:

December 31 of each year

Record date for interim dividends:

June 30 of each year

Manager of the register of shareholders:

Mizuho Trust & Banking Co., Ltd.

2-1, Yaesu 1-chome, Chuo-ku, Tokyo

Business handling place:

Stock Transfer Agency Department, Head Office

Mizuho Trust & Banking Co., Ltd.

Mailing address and telephone number:

Business Office of Stock Transfer Agency Department

Mizuho Trust & Banking Co., Ltd.

17-7, Saga 1-chome, Koto-ku, Tokyo 135-8722

Telephone: 0120-288-324 (toll free)

03-5213-5213

Intermediary office:

Branches of Mizuho Trust & Banking Co., Ltd.

Head Office and Branches of Mizuho Investors Securities Co., Ltd.

Number of shares constituting one unit:

100 shares

Newspaper in which public notice is inserted:

The Nihon Keizai Shimbun

Stock exchange listings:

Tokyo, Osaka, Nagoya, Fukuoka, Sapporo and New York

Stock code:

7751

Fee for issuing share certificate:

The amount equivalent to stamp duty for issue of each new share certificate

