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**KOBE BUSSAN CO., LTD.**



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### Monthly Performance for February 2023

Kobe Bussan Co., Ltd. discloses its monthly performance for February 2023 on a non-consolidated basis.

1. Trends in net sales, gross profit, operating profit, and ordinary profit (non-consolidated)

[Net sales]

(Upper: Millions of yen, Lower: YoY %)

Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	H1	
36,947	41,392	32,684	<b>35,364</b>				
111.1	112.6	110.5	<b>113.8</b>				
May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	H2	Full year

[Gross profit]

(Upper: Millions of yen, Lower: YoY %)

Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	H1	
3,116	3,465	3,060	<b>3,406</b>				
91.2	95.2	100.8	<b>103.9</b>				
May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	H2	Full year

[Operating profit]

(Upper: Millions of yen, Lower: YoY %)

Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	H1	
1,725	2,062	1,668	<b>1,988</b>				
77.7	85.1	97.5	<b>93.9</b>				
May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	H2	Full year

[Ordinary profit]

(Upper: Millions of yen, Lower: YoY %)

Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	H1	
174	204	1,031	<b>5,127</b>				
7.8	7.7	59.3	<b>229.7</b>				
May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	H2	Full year

Note: This flash report is unaudited and the figures are subject to change. Accordingly, they are revised and updated as appropriate on a timely basis if differed from the quarterly or annual results. For the purpose of year-on-year comparison, buy-sell transactions with subsidiaries are not accounted for under the Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition on a monthly basis. The figures under the Standard will be disclosed in the full-year financial results.

## 2. Trends in the number of Gyomu Super stores

		Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	H1			
Directly managed areas	Opened	0	3	2	4						
	Closed	0	0	0	4						
	Total	633	636	638	638						
Indirectly managed areas	Opened	1	1	0	1						
	Closed	0	1	1	0						
	Total	372	372	371	372						
Total franchise stores		1,005	1,008	1,009	1,010						
Total directly operated stores		3	3	3	3						
Total stores		1,008	1,011	1,012	1,013						
		May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	H2	Full year		
Directly managed areas	Opened										
	Closed										
	Total										
Indirectly managed areas	Opened										
	Closed										
	Total										
Total franchise stores											
Total directly operated stores											
Total stores											

■ Directly managed areas (areas with franchise stores under general franchise contract)

[Hokkaido area] Hokkaido prefecture

[Kanto area] Tokyo, Chiba, Kanagawa, and Saitama prefectures

[Kansai area] Osaka, Kyoto, Hyogo (excl. Awaji Island), Nara, Wakayama, and Shiga prefectures

[Kyushu area] Fukuoka, Saga, Nagasaki, Kumamoto, Oita, and Miyazaki prefectures

■ Indirectly managed areas (areas with franchise stores under area franchise contract)

Prefectures other than those listed above

[Stores opened during February 2023]

Store name	Address
<b>[Directly managed areas]</b>	—
JR Sakaishi Eki	3-2-25 Shinonomenishi-machi, Sakai-ku, Sakai-shi, Osaka
Fukuoka Matoba	1-21-16 Matoba, Minami-ku, Fukuoka-shi, Fukuoka
Teine Hoshioki	1-2-1 Hoshioki 3-jo, Teine-ku, Sapporo-shi, Hokkaido
Otakara	5-10-11 Otakara, Saga-shi, Saga
<b>[Indirectly managed areas]</b>	—
Gifu Hashima	1097 Magari, Masaki-cho, Hashima-shi, Gifu

## 3. Year-on-year changes in product shipments to Gyomu Super stores

(YoY %)

		Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	H1			
Directly managed areas	Existing stores	105.6	107.2	103.9	106.8						
	All stores	112.1	112.6	109.5	112.5						
Nationwide*	All stores	111.6	112.5	109.3	112.0						
		May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	H2	Full year		
Directly managed areas	Existing stores										
	All stores										
Nationwide*	All stores										

\* "Nationwide" represents the product shipments to the stores in both directly and indirectly managed areas.

#### 4. Overview

For February 2023, we reported net sales of **¥35,364 million (up 13.8% year-on-year)**, gross profit of **¥3,406 million (up 3.9%)**, operating profit of **¥1,988 million (down 6.1%)**, and ordinary profit of **¥5,127 million (up 129.7%)** on a non-consolidated basis.

During the period, Gyomu Super opened 5 stores, resulting in 1,013 stores in total, an increase of 52 stores from a year earlier. As such, net sales increased driven by the continued coverage on television programs and social media.

Ordinary profit significantly exceeded that for the same period of the previous fiscal year. This is because the valuation loss recorded before March was reversed resulting from the termination of some forward exchange contracts and the fair value recovery due to a change in exchange rates.

Our product shipments to Gyomu Super stores remained strong, with **an increase of 6.8%** from a year earlier to existing stores in directly managed areas, **an increase of 12.5%** to all stores in directly managed areas, and **an increase of 12.0%** to all stores nationwide.

In terms of our product trends, conveniently available frozen vegetables and items for commercial use such as restaurants have continued showing an increase in shipments year-on-year.

From Wednesday, March 1 to Sunday, April 30, we are running a marketing campaign titled “Gyomu Super 1,000 Stores Celebration Sale.” Through this sale, we continue to spread Gyomu Super’s attractiveness to more customers. Details of the campaign can be found on our website [https://www.gyomusuper.jp/sale/202303\\_04/](https://www.gyomusuper.jp/sale/202303_04/) (available in Japanese only).

#### 5. Scheduled disclosure date

The flash report for March is scheduled to be released on Thursday, April 20. Please note that the date of release may be changed for unavoidable reasons.