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# Notice of Variance between Forecasts and Actual Results for the First Half of the Fiscal Year Ending March 2015 and Revision to Full-Year Forecasts

West Japan Railway Company ("JR-West" or the "Company") announces the following variance between its forecasts for the first half of the fiscal year ending March 2015, released on July 30, 2014 (unchanged from those released on April 30, 2014), and the actual results released today.

The Company also announces the following revisions to its full-year forecasts for the fiscal year ending March 2015.

#### 1. Variance between Forecasts and Actual Results

#### (1) Consolidated Forecasts and Actual Results for the Six Months Ended September 30, 2014

	Millions of yen				Yen
	Operating revenues	Operating income	Recurring profit	Net income	Net income per share
Previous Forecast (A)	645,000	71,000	60,000	41,000	211.77
Actual Result (B)	651,555	82,175	72,463	54,423	281.11
Change (B-A)	6,555	11,175	12,463	13,423	_
Percent Change (%)	1.0	15.7	20.8	32.7	_
(Reference) Six months ended September 30, 2013	642,197	74,826	61,563	36,862	190.37

# (2) Non-Consolidated Forecasts and Actual Results for the Six Months Ended September 30, 2014

	Millions of yen				Yen
	Operating revenues	Operating income	Recurring profit	Net income	Net income per share
Previous Forecast (A)	434,000	63,000	51,000	30,000	154.85
Actual Result (B)	440,728	69,183	57,565	39,051	201.57
Change (B-A)	6,728	6,183	6,565	9,051	_
Percent Change (%)	1.6	9.8	12.9	30.2	_
(Reference) Six months ended September 30, 2013	433,574	62,343	49,649	30,461	157.23

## (3) Reasons for the Variance

During the subject second quarter cumulative period, operating revenues, operating income, recurring profit, and net income exceeded the previously released forecasts on both a consolidated and non-consolidated basis, due mainly to greater-than-anticipated railway transportation revenues amid solid economic conditions.

### 2. Revision to Full-Year Forecasts

# (1) Consolidated Forecasts for the Year Ending March 31, 2015

	Millions of yen				Yen
	Operating revenues	Operating income	Recurring profit	Net income	Net income per share
Previous Forecast (A)	1,319,500	117,500	98,500	58,500	302.16
Revised Forecast (B)	1,330,000	124,000	105,000	65,500	338.32
Change (B-A)	10,500	6,500	6,500	7,000	_
Percent Change (%)	0.8	5.5	6.6	12.0	_
(Reference) Year ended March 31, 2014	1,331,019	134,593	112,961	65,640	338.98

# (2) Non-Consolidated Forecasts for the Year Ending March 31, 2015

	Millions of yen				Yen
	Operating revenues	Operating income	Recurring profit	Net income	Net income per share
Previous Forecast (A)	874,500	95,000	75,000	43,000	221.95
Revised Forecast (B)	881,000	101,500	81,500	50,000	258.09
Change (B-A)	6,500	6,500	6,500	7,000	
Percent Change (%)	0.7	6.8	8.7	16.3	
(Reference) Year ended March 31, 2014	873,651	101,773	79,991	48,680	251.28

#### (3) Reasons for the Revision

In consideration of first half results, JR-West expects full-year operating revenues, operating income, recurring profit and net income to exceed the previous forecast on both a consolidated and non-consolidated basis, and has revised its full-year forecasts accordingly.

Note: Forecasts are based on information available as of the date of this document. Actual results may vary from forecasts due to a variety of factors.

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