Revisions of the Financial Forecasts and Dividend Forecasts for the year ending March 31, 2006

INPEX CORPORATION (INPEX) has revised its consolidated and non-consolidated financial forecasts and the dividend forecasts for the year ending March 31, 2006, which were previously announced on November 15, 2005, along with the financial results for the six months ended September 30, 2005.
[ I ] Revisions of the financial forecasts

1. Revisions of the forecasts for consolidated financial results for the year ending March 31, 2006
(Millions of yen)

|  | Net Sales | Ordinary income | Net income |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Previous Forecasts: A | 556,000 | 318,000 | 93,000 |
| Revised Forecasts: B | 674,000 | 391,000 | 105,000 |
| Increase (Decrease): B - A | 118,000 | 73,000 | 12,000 |
| Rate of increase (\%) | 21.2 | 23.0 | 12.9 |
| Reference: <br> Consolidated Financial Results for <br> the year ended March 31, 2005 $\mathrm{478,586}$ | 258,631 | 76,493 |  |

2. Revisions of the forecasts for non-consolidated financial results for the year ending March 31,
(Millions of yen)

|  | Net Sales | Ordinary income | Net income |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Previous Forecasts: A | 217,000 | 129,000 | 60,000 |
| Revised Forecasts: B | 257,000 | 163,000 | 75,000 |
| Increase (Decrease): B - A | 40,000 | 34,000 | 15,000 |
| Rate of increase (\%) | 18.4 | 26.4 | 25.0 |
| Reference: <br> Non-consolidated Financial Results <br> for the year ended March 31, 2005 | 202,729 | 112,584 | 50,765 |

3. Reasons for the revisions of the financial results

Compared with the forecasts previously announced, ordinary income and net income for the year ending March 31, 2006 will likely expand considerably based on the expected increase in net sales due to a rise in the price of crude oil.
The above forecasts are calculated based on the following assumptions:

|  | Previous Forecasts | Revised Forecasts |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Crude Oil Price <br> (Brent) | Second-Half(October 1, 2005- <br> March 31, 2006) : US\$45.00/bbl | 4th Quarter(January 1, 2006- March <br> 31, 2006): US\$60.00/bbl <br> Second-Half(October 1, 2005- <br> March 31, 2006) : US\$58.89/bbl |
| Exchange rates | Second-Half(October 1, 2005- <br> March 31, 2006): ¥105/US\$1 | 4th Quarter(January 1, 2006- March <br> 31, 2006): ¥115/US\$1 |
|  |  | Second-Half(October 1, 2005- <br> $\quad$March 31, 2006): ¥116.18/US\$1 |

Note: Our sales crude oil prices are different in each crude and there are also price difference between our sales crude oil price and Brent price. Price differential are caused by its quality and its pricing range is not constant due to the market conditions. Most of our sales crude oil prices are lower than Brent price.
*The aforementioned forecasts are based on currently available information and contain many uncertainties. Changing business conditions may cause actual results to differ from the above forecasts.
[ II ] Revision of the dividend forecasts

1. Details of revision of the dividend forecasts

The details of the revision of the dividend forecasts per share are as follows.
(JPY)

|  | Interim | Year end | Annual |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Previous Forecasts (per share) | - | 4,000 | 4,000 |
| Revised Forecasts (per share) | - | 5,500 | 5,500 |
| (Reference) <br> Dividend per share for the year ended <br> March31, 2004 | - | 4,000 | 4,000 |

2. Reasons for the revisions of the dividend forecasts

INPEX noted that increasing the dividend forecasts reflects current operating performance which is based on our basic policy to strike a balance between maximization of corporate value through continued maintenance and increase of oil and gas reserves and production and return to shareholders through dividends from a mid- to long-term standpoint.

