As of March 31, 2005

Number of Employees

Consolidated\* 473
Non-consolidated 308

\*The number of consolidated employees is based on actual working employees excluding temporary staff.

Number of Subsidiaries and Associates

Domestic 11
Overseas 16

Products & Services

• Crude oil • Petroleum products, LPG
• LNG • Iron ore • Coal • Aluminium •

Steel scrap • Steel products



2004. Net income for the period doubled (for an increase of ¥12.7 billion) to ¥25.7 billion. This was due to an increase in gross trading profit and higher dividends related to LNG projects and an increase in equity in earnings of associated companies stemming from a favorable trend for steel products businesses. ROA also improved greatly, increasing by 2.4 percentage points to 5.5%.

As mentioned before, we expect that demand and prices will continue to remain firm. In order to expand the business scale while maintaining profitability, we will continue to expand our earnings base by accelerating ongoing efforts in the natural resource development business, primarily by increasing investments to expand existing businesses, acquiring new

equity shares premised on securing profits through the futures market, and participating in projects covered by long-term trading contracts.

We have already decided to add further investments for the expansion of production and shipping capacity for our existing iron ore mine development business in Australia during the fiscal year ending March 2005. We have also concluded a long-term LNG trading agreement with the Omani government and we have decided to participate in the LNG shipholding business to transport the LNG from there.

## ITOCHU Corporation Primary Equity Projects (As of May 2005)

(Units: 1,000 t)

Region	Project Name (Mine Name)	ITOCHU's Equity Share (%)	Production Capacity (annual)	Quantity of Equity Share
Coal				
Australia	NCA Joint Venture	35.0	13,000	4,550
	Oaky Creek Joint Venture	20.0	10,000	2,000
	Rolleston Joint Venture	12.5	8,000	1,000
Iron Ore				
Australia	Iron Ore Resource Development Project (Mt. Newman, Yandi, Mt. Goldworthy)	8.0	100,000	8,000
Petroleum and Gas			Production Capacity	
Algeria	Ohanet	10.5	Condensate 2,900 t/day,	
			LPG 2,000 t/day, Gas 15 million	m³/day
Azerbaijan	ACG	3.9	Crude Oil 320,000 barrels/day (at peak during 2005)	
North Sea, UK	Alba	8.0	Crude Oil 70,000 barrels/day	
	Caledonia	10.06		
	Hudson	20.62	Crude Oil 11,000 barrels/day	
Qatar	Ras Laffan LNG	4.0	LNG 6.4 million t/year	
Oman	Oman LNG	0.92	LNG 7.1 million t/year	
Russia	Sakhalin I	The ITOCHU Group is the primary private stockholder in Sakhalin Oil		
		and Gas Development Co., Ltd. (SODECO) with an 18.12% share.		
		(SODECO retains 30% share in the Sakhalin I Project.)		

<sup>\*</sup> Please refer to page 22 for information on the Company's advantages in energy and metals resource projects.