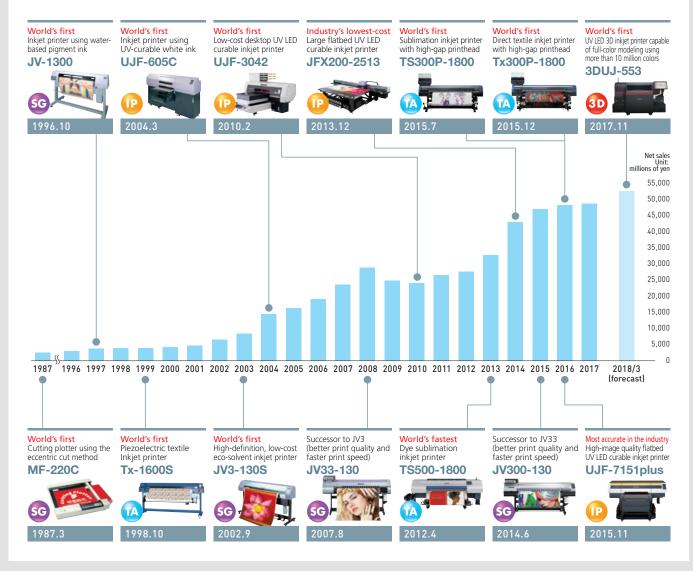
The history of MIMAKI as one of continuous innovation

As a market leader in digital on-demand production, we will continue to create new markets and customers by identifying diverse needs promptly and accurately and providing products that target these needs.



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Applies UV-curable ink that hardens immediately through irradiation of ultraviolet (UV) light

Ink requires no drying time, and printing time is reduced

Possible to print on a wider range of materials









MIMAKI News Flash



Installed environmentally friendly UV ink LUS-170 Commenced sales of the UCJV300-160/UCJV150-160

Compared with solvent inks, UV inks dry more quickly, post-processing and sign applying are possible instantly. Additionally, UV ink enables printing on materials that are difficult to print onto using other inks, allowing a broader range of applications. Furthermore, the combined solutions of four layers printing and the inside lighting of graphics make possible an amazing presentation named "Day & Night Printing." The UCJV300-160/UCJV150-160 takes the industry a step closer to the future of sign graphics.



Day & Night Printing





the nighttime

UCJV300-160 *UCJV150-160* Launched in November 2017

Opening of the Kitakanto Sales Office

On October 25, 2017, the Kitakanto Sales Office was opened to serve Ibaraki and Tochigi Prefectures. The 15th such office to be opened in Japan, it benefits from a showroom, allowing us to work even more closely with regional customers to further

expand our specialized and meticulous sales and maintenance services

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Joint venture company Mimaki Bompan Textile S.r.l. established in Italy

In June 2017, we established a joint venture company in partnership with leading Italian distributor Bompan S.r.l. This establishment aims to expand sales of products for the Textile & Apparel (TA) market, primarily in EU.



Commenced sales of the 3DUJ-553 full-color 3D printer

This is the world's first* UV-curable 3D inkjet printer to allow full-color modeling using more than 10 million colors. The rich color expression allows more beautiful modeling by enabling reproduction of fine detail in such items as architectural models and solid models used for object signboards.

*Survey as of August 2017 by MIMAKI ENGINEERING



Unparalleled modeling capabilities and color expression for a variety of artistic expressions





Commenced sales of the CF22-1225 flatbed cutting plotter

With its ability to deal with 4×8 sheet sizes, this new product has enhanced print and cut interoperability with the JFX200-2513

flatbed UV inkjet printer. The ID cut function allows it to automatically load cut data and begin cutting by printing the ID information at the time of printing.



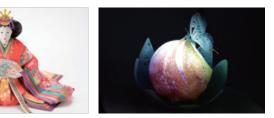
LA-160W

CF22-1225 Launched in November 2017



UV print.





Commenced sales of the LA-160W/LA-170W and Mimaki Vision Laminate 310-137

The LA-160W/LA-170W are warm laminators perfect for using with the UCJV300-160/UCJV150-160. Mimaki Vision Laminate 310-137 is a

genuine laminating film that reduces silvering while laminating to a





Before presenting the business report for the first half of our 43rd term (April 1, 2017 to September 30, 2017), I would like to address a few words to our shareholders, and to express my sincere appreciation for your continued support.

Kazuaki Ikeda President, MIMAKI ENGINEERING CO., LTD.

Please first discuss the first half of the fiscal year ending March 2018.

Looking at our consolidated business performance, we secured both higher revenue and profit, with net sales rising 10% year on year to 25,174 million yen, and operating profit reaching 1,119 million yen, an increase of 0.8% year on year. The yen depreciated compared with the same period in the previous year, but progress is more or less in line with our plans. There are three highlights.

The first is that, viewing net sales by market, Industrial Products (IP), which includes novelty items, industrial products and others, continued to grow. New small-sized flatbed products launched in October 2016 made a significant contribution.

The second is that, for net sales by region, the North American market, in which the share of total sales had been stagnating at low levels, began to show clear signs of expanding. We see this as an indication that our initiatives to rebuild the sales agent network and our sales techniques are starting to bear fruit.

The third is that, due to increased costs (selling, general and administrative expenses), the operating margin fell below previousyear levels. This was due to the impact of European investments made during the previous term, such as those in our Italian development and manufacturing subsidiary, setting up of a new ink factory, and investments in human resources and so on made in preparation for opening up new markets.

What is the outlook for the full year?

Our forecasts for consolidated business performance for the fiscal year ending March 2018 are net sales of 52,150 million yen (up 7.9% year on year) and operating profit of 2,350 million yen (up 14.7% year on year). There are two points to highlight regarding important measures to be taken from the third guarter onward.

The first is improved sales of new products. In November 2017, we introduced new products aimed at the Sign Graphics (SG) market for advertisements and signboards, and others. These are innovative new models that allow printing and cutting to be done by the same unit, and they use environmentally friendly UV ink. We expect these to lead to share expansion in the SG market.

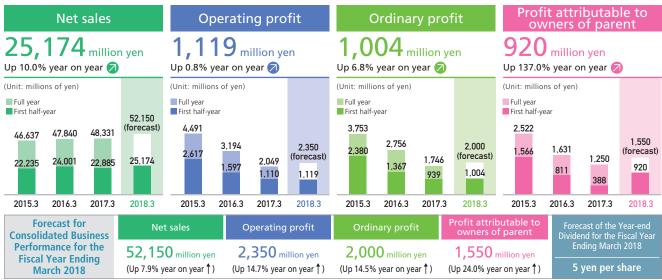
The second is the sale into the Textile & Apparel (TA) market of high-speed models manufactured by Mimaki La Meccanica S.p.A. in Italy, which we acquired last year. The Group has mainly handled medium-speed models aimed at the place of consumption, but by adding these high-speed models targeted at the place of production, we will push ahead with the digitalization of the TA market as a whole.

What is your message to shareholders?

In preparation for the Group transforming into a "truly global company" with annual net sales of 100 billion yen, we are working diligently both to expand earnings and to build an improved system of corporate governance. In addition, the Company regards the return of profits to shareholders as one of the most important issues facing management. Our basic policy on dividends is to emphasize stability and consistency, and for this fiscal year we plan to offer a dividend of 10 yen per share (5 yen at the interim and 5 yen at the year-end). We continue to consider other avenues for returning profits to shareholders. would be most grateful for the continued guidance and encouragement of shareholders.

Business Performance: Key Points

Consolidated Performance Highlights for the First Half of the Fiscal Year Ending March 2018



Performance Highlights by Market for the First Half of the Fiscal Year Ending March 2018



Net sales for the SG market, such as advertisements and signboards, were 10,562 million yen, up 3.7% year on year. Competition increased for entry-level machines, but sales of ink, media and other related consumables expanded.

Net sales for the IP market, which includes novelty items, industrial products, and others, rose by 11.6% year on year to 8,367 million ven. Digital print applications continued to expand, leading to overall growth in largeformat models, small-format models and ink.

Net sales for the TA market, encompassing products such as clothing, fabrics, and others, came to 2,898 million yen (up 7.3% year on year). Entry-level machines struggled, but sales of ink and other related products grew significantly.

Network and Market Conditions by Region for the First Half of the Fiscal Year Ending March 2018



Product Development History



Corporate Profile

Corporate Name Foundation	MIMAKI ENGINEERING CO., LTD. August 1975
Capital	4,357 million yen
Businesses	Development, manufacturing, and sales of computer devices and software
Employees	1,623 (consolidated) 804 (parent company only)

Board Members

Executive Chairman	Akira Ikeda
President	Kazuaki Ikeda
Executive Vice President	Sakae Sagane
Executive Director	Kazuyuki Takeuchi
Director	Hiroshi Miyake
Director	Yasuhiro Haba
Director	Koji Shimizu
Counselor for Director	Noriyuki Tanaka
Director (Outside)	Makoto Tanaka
Director (Outside)	Hisamitsu Arai
Auditor (Full-time, Outside)	Yoh Zenno
Auditor (Outside)	Tomokazu Iwashita
Auditor (Outside)	Yukio Tsuchiya

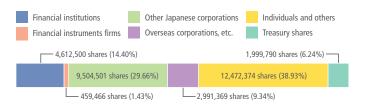
Accounting Auditor

Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu LLC

Stock Information

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Ownership Breakdown



Corporate Website

In addition to the latest information and news, our corporate website provides visitors with a deeper understanding of the business, products and services of MIMAKI ENGINEERING. Please have a look.

Shareholder Information

Business year	From April 1 to March 31
General meeting of shareholders	Within three months from the end of each business year
Record date	Annual meeting of shareholders March 31 Year-end dividend March 31 Interim dividend September 30 Or a date announced beforehand if necessary.
Share unit	100 shares
Shareholder registry administrator	Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation 4-5, Marunouchi 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8212
Contact details for the above	Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation Transfer Agent Department 1-1, Nikkocho, Fuchu-shi, Tokyo, Japan Tel: 0120-232-711 (toll free, in Japan)
Mail address	P.O. Box No. 29, Shin-Tokyo Post Office 137-8081, Japan Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation Transfer Agent Department
Method of public notice	Public notices are posted on our website (http://ir.mimaki notice cannot be given due to unavoidable circumstances
Listings	Tokyo Stock Exchange First Section
Securities code	6638

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2. Unreceived dividends are paid at the head office of Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation.

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