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For the month of August......, 2010......, 2010......

(Translation of registrant s name into English) 30-2, Shimomaruko 3-Chome, Ohta-ku, Tokyo 146-8501, Japan

(Address of principal executive offices)

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CANON INC.

(Registrant)

Date....August 25, 2010....

By...../s/..... Masashiro Kobayashi

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(Signature)*

Masashiro Kobayashi General Manager Global Finance Management Center Canon Inc.

*Print the name and title of the signing officer under his signature.

The following materials are included.

1. Interim Report For The 110th Business Term From January 1,2010 to June 30,2010 Canon Inc.

To Our Shareholders

We are pleased to present our report for the summary of the first half of our 110th business term (from January 1, 2010 to June 30, 2010).

The overall global economy during the first half of the current business term saw a general, modest recovery trend. Although the European economies stagnated slightly reeling from the Greek financial problem and other issues, consumer spending turned upward in the U.S. and performance in the Asia region was robust as internal demand expanded in China and India. Despite lingering uncertainties about the future in areas such as capital investment, the Japanese economy witnessed an upturn in exports, which led to a gradual reemergence of the economy. In foreign exchange markets, compared with the first half of the previous business term, the yen traded at high levels against both the U.S. dollar and the euro.

As to the conditions of the markets in which the Canon Group operates, in the office-use market, the recovery in demand for network multifunction devices proceeded steadily mostly for color machines, while laser printers enjoyed a stronger reemergence than that of the second half of last year and demand for large-format printers also increased. In consumer markets, there was good demand for our digital single lens reflex (SLR) cameras while compact digital cameras grew tremendously in emerging countries and inkjet printers recovered. The order environment for semiconductor lithography equipment and LCD lithography equipment also started showing positive signs.

Under such business conditions, the Canon Group has designated 2010, the final year of Phase III (2006 to 2010) of our Excellent Global Corporation Plan, as the first year in a new era of growth, a turning point to the growth mode. We focused on introducing innovative products and services, enhancing the sales system in China and other Asian countries, reinforcing our office equipment business through the consolidation of Océ N.V., accelerating cost-reduction activities, effecting thorough inventory reductions and resource optimization, and committing totally to quality first.

As to the earnings for the first half of the current business term, on a consolidated basis, we recorded net sales of 1,725.9 billion yen (up 16.5% from the first half of 2009), income before income taxes of 201.5 billion yen (up 248.1%), and net income attributable to Canon Inc. of 124.4 billion yen (up 273.2%). Also on a non-consolidated basis, we recorded net sales of 1,108.8 billion yen (up 26.0%), ordinary profit of 156.1 billion yen (up 348.9%), and net income of 79.5 billion yen (up 277.1%).

For the interim dividend, we have decided to pay 55.0 yen per share from August 27.

For the second half, although we expect the economic recovery to continue, there is the risk of a slowdown in the global economic recovery caused by the instability and credit contraction in the financial markets mostly in Europe and it leaves no room for optimism. Under such circumstances, we expect intensifying market competition and a continuingly harsh business environment to encompass the Canon Group.

The Canon Group is united in its commitment to achieving a further upturn in results in the second half of the business term.

We look forward to your continued support and encouragement in the future. August 2010

Fujio Mitarai Chairman & CEO

Tsuneji Uchida President & COO 2

Change in Profits Net Sales (Consolidated) 100 MILLIONS OF YEN

Net Sales (Non-Consolidated) 100 MILLIONS OF YEN

Income before Income Taxes (Consolidated) 100 MILLIONS OF YEN **Ordinary Profit (Non-Consolidated)** 100 MILLIONS OF YEN

Net Income Attributable to Canon Inc. (**Consolidated**) 100 MILLIONS OF YEN

Net Income (Non-Consolidated) 100 MILLIONS OF YEN

Business Conditions by Operations n Sales by Operations (Consolidated)

Operations	Sales (100 millions of yen)	Change from the First Half of Fiscal 2009 (%)
Office Business Unit	9,311	19.9
Consumer Business Unit	6,543	14.0
Industry and Others Business Unit	1,913	11.6
Eliminations	(508)	-
Total	17,259	16.5

n Constituent Ratio of Sales by Operations

Note: Because the consolidated sales of each business unit include the sales relating to intersegment transactions, the total does not amount to 100%.

n Office Business Unit

Regarding office network digital multifunction devices, sales of our imageRUNNER ADVANCE series new generation machines launched in the fall of last year and developed to meet the varied needs of users through ways such as links with various software, performed well in Japan, the U.S. and Europe. In addition, the Asian market for office network digital multifunction devices is in the trend of overall expansion with robust sales for both color and black-and-white machines especially in China.

Unfortunately, severe sales conditions continued for our imagePRESS series of printers for digital commercial printing as the printing industry in Japan, the U.S. and Europe experienced sluggish capital investments. Nevertheless, we were able to minimize the decline in unit sales through aggressive sales expansion efforts for the imagePRESS C1+ and other machines. While in China, sales of our imagePRESS C7000VP were favorable.

Multifunction devices for small mid-sized business owners demonstrated significant sales growth as we launched new products in the U.S., Europe and China, among others, and worked to expand sales.

Sales of laser printers in the first half of the current business term increased substantially with orders from customers for OEM-brand products sharply recovering from the second half of last year. For Canon-brand products, in the area of black-and-white machines, we launched three new products, including the A3-size compatible Satera LBP8630 which uses environmentally-friendly plastic materials and offers greater functionality with its wide LCD panel and the ability to print 37 pages per minute, all the while focusing energy on sales efforts.

For our imagePROGRAF series of large-format printers, we introduced the new iPF8300/6350/6300 equipped with newly developed high-accuracy mechanical structure and LUCIA EX, a new pigment ink system, among other breakthrough new technologies to meet the demand of professional users for extremely high image quality, and unit sales grew steadily.

Moreover, with contribution of sales by consolidating Océ N.V., net sales for this business unit increased 19.9% on a consolidated basis in comparison to the first half of 2009.

Change in Sales [Consolidated] 100 MILLIONS OF YEN

n Consumer Business Unit

For digital SLR cameras, as the market continued to expand, our EOS Kiss X4 entry-level model equipped with an 18 megapixel high-resolution CMOS sensor and full HD video functionality made good start. The EOS Kiss X3 and the advanced amateur model EOS 5D Mark II and EOS 7D also had favorable sales and unit sales of SLR cameras grew in the U.S. and Asia, among other regions. In April, cumulative production volume for the EOS series reached 40 million units, including film cameras.

Meanwhile, in compact digital cameras, we introduced four new products in our IXY series, namely the IXY 10S/30S/400F/200F, and five in our PowerShot series including the PowerShot SX210 IS. Despite growth in sales volume mainly in China, South America, Eastern Europe and other emerging markets, sales declined slightly year on year due to a fall in sales prices on the overall market.

We expanded our lineup of digital video camcorders by introducing four new models equipped with flash memory, including three HD models such as the iVIS HF M31, and one file based professional model. HD models especially demonstrated fabulous growth in volume and sales.

Regarding inkjet printers, we introduced the PIXUS MX870/350 multifunction model for home office users and expanded sales mostly in the U.S., where there is continuing growth. We also introduced the PIXUS iP2700 single function printers as an entry-level model to strengthen our lineup. Following the market recovery from the second half of last year, both the volume and sales turned upward mostly for multifunction models and sales in China and other Asian countries particularly fared well including the sales of single function printers. Consumables also saw steady sales growth.

For image scanners, sales of our mainstay products including the CanoScan LiDE 200 were steady and we solidly maintained our No. 1 share position despite a contracting overall market.

As a result of the above, net sales for this business unit increased 14.0% on a consolidated basis in comparison to the first half of 2009.

Change in Sales [Consolidated] 100 MILLIONS OF YEN

n Industry and Others Business Unit

For semiconductor lithography equipment, thanks to a recovery trend in capital investment by device manufacturers resulting from an upturn in the semiconductor market, unit sales increased compared to last year s low results.

Regarding LCD lithography equipment, despite expectations for future orders based on proactive capital investment projections at LCD panel manufacturers in South Korea and China, among others, decreases in both units and sales during the first half of the current business term were unavoidable due to orders remaining at a low level in 2009 which suffered from a recession.

In medical equipment, we focused on mid- to large-scale sales negotiations and the acquisition of new customers in the area of digital radiography systems through our mainstay product CXDI-50G and the CXDI-55C launched last year, among others. As a result, we succeeded in increasing both units and sales beyond those of the first half of the previous business term mainly in areas such as the U.S. and Asia. Ophthalmic devices saw lower unit sales despite efforts to increase sales of CR-1 Mark II, CX-1 and other retinal cameras.

Document scanners and check scanners handled by Canon Electronics Inc. grew substantially in terms of both the volume and sales mostly in Japan, the U.S. and China, among others. For our imageFORMULA series document scanners, the highly durable and highly speedy DR-9050C/6050C and the extremely compact and portable DR-150 sold well, contributing to the increase in sales volume.

Regarding calculators handled by Canon Electronic Business Machines (H.K.) Co., Ltd., we launched the F-718 18-digit internal arithmetic high-accuracy scientific electronic calculators, among others, and unit sales increased.

FA system-related devices handled by Canon Machinery Inc. enjoyed a recovery in sales as orders increased from the second half of last year. Die bonders also had promising orders for the LED (light-emitting diode) compatible BESTEM-D01 thanks to an active LED market. In April, we launched the BESTEM-D10Sp LED die bonder and saw

further growth in orders.

Sales of magnetic disk film deposition equipment handled by Canon ANELVA Corporation increased substantially year on year thanks to higher demand for PC hard disks and a recovery in our customers capital investments.

As a result of the above, net sales for this business unit increased 11.6% on a consolidated basis in comparison to the first half of 2009.

Change in Sales [Consolidated] 100 MILLIONS OF YEN

Consolidated Financial Results

Canon s consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Consolidated Balance Sheets

ASSETS

ASSETS		Millions of yen
	As of June 30, 2010	As of December 31, 2009 (Reference)
Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents Short-term investments Trade receivables, net Inventories Prepaid expenses and other current assets Total current assets Noncurrent receivables Investments Property, plant and equipment, net Intangible assets, net	771,697 35,264 547,961 427,767 295,678 2,078,367 15,789 86,426 1,263,422 170,158	795,034 19,089 556,572 373,241 273,843 2,017,779 14,936 114,066 1,269,785 117,396
Other assets	402,740	313,595
Total assets	4,016,902	3,847,557
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	As of June 30, 2010	Millions of yen As of December 31, 2009 (Reference)
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY Current liabilities: Short-term loans and current portion of long-term debt Trade payables Accrued income taxes Accrued expenses Other current liabilities		As of December 31, 2009
Current liabilities: Short-term loans and current portion of long-term debt Trade payables Accrued income taxes Accrued expenses	2010 6,834 385,682 66,818 280,191	As of December 31, 2009 (Reference) 4,869 339,113 50,105 274,300
Current liabilities: Short-term loans and current portion of long-term debt Trade payables Accrued income taxes Accrued expenses Other current liabilities Total current liabilities Long-term debt, excluding current installments Accrued pension and severance cost Other noncurrent liabilities	2010 6,834 385,682 66,818 280,191 137,368 876,893 5,444 177,412 80,870	As of December 31, 2009 (Reference) 4,869 339,113 50,105 274,300 115,303 783,690 4,912 115,904 63,651
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Commitments and contingent liabilities		
Equity:		
Canon Inc. stockholders equity:		
Common stock	174,762	174,762
[Authorized shares] (share)	[3,000,000,000]	[3,000,000,000]
[Issued shares] (share)	[1,333,763,464]	[1,333,763,464]
Additional paid-in capital	407,031	404,293
Legal reserve	55,291	54,687
Retained earnings	2,918,817	2,871,437
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(333,405)	(260,818)
Treasury stock, at cost	(523,118)	(556,252)
[Treasury shares] (share)	[93,650,553]	[99,288,001]
Total Canon Inc. stockholders equity	2,699,378	2,688,109
Noncontrolling interests	176,905	191,291
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Total equity	2,876,283	2,879,400
Total liabilities and equity	4,016,902	3,847,557
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<Notes to Consolidated Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2010>

 Allowance for doubtful receivables: 16,250 million yen
Accumulated depreciation: 1,861,721 million yen
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) includes foreign currency translation adjustments, net unrealized gains and losses on securities, net gains and losses on derivative financial instruments and pension liability adjustments.
Guarantee obligations for bank loans taken out by employees: 17,223 million yen
The number of consolidated subsidiaries and affiliated companies accounted for by the equity method was 308 and 15 respectively.
<Note to Per Share Information as of June 30, 2010>
Canon Inc. stockholders equity per share 2,176.72 yen

Consolidated Statements of Income

			Millions of yen
		Six months ended June 30, 2010	Six months ended June 30, 2009 (Reference)
Net sales		1,725,884	1,480,819
Cost of sales		881,953	836,540
Gross profit		843,931	644,279
Operating expenses:			
Selling, general and administrative	-	490,825	425,735
Research and development expense	28	152,825	153,606
		643,650	579,341
Operating profit		200,281	64,938
Other income (deductions): Interest and dividend income Interest expense Other, net		2,743 (953) (568)	2,791 (221) (9,622)
		1,222	(7,052)
Income before income taxes		201,503	57,886
Income taxes		73,975	24,105
Consolidated net income Less: Net income attributable to no	ncontrolling interests	127,528 3,079	33,781 432
Net income attributable to Canor	-	124,449	33,349
<note for<br="" information="" per="" share="" to="">Net income attributable to Canon In per share Basic Diluted 13</note>	the six months ended June 30, 2010> nc. stockholders 100.68 yen 100.68 yen		

COMPANY PROFILE

The following statements are the status as of June 30, 2010, if not specified otherwise.

n Canon Group Global Network (1) Major Overseas Bases

Name [Location]

R&D, Manufacturing and MarketingOcé N.V. [Netherlands]OPTOPOL Technology S.A. [Poland]Canon Electronic Business Machines (H.K.) Co., Ltd. [Hong Kong]R&DCanon Development Americas, Inc. [U.S.A.]Canon Research Centre France S.A.S. [France]Canon Information Systems Research Australia Pty. Ltd. [Australia]

Name [Location]

Manufacturing

Canon Virginia, Inc. [U.S.A.] Canon Giessen GmbH [Germany] Canon Bretagne S.A.S. [France] Canon Dalian Business Machines, Inc. [China] Canon Zhuhai, Inc. [China] Canon Zhongshan Business Machines Co., Ltd. [China] Canon (Suzhou) Inc. [China] Canon Inc., Taiwan [Taiwan] Canon Hi-Tech (Thailand) Ltd. [Thailand] Canon Vietnam Co., Ltd. [Vietnam] Canon Opto (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. [Malaysia]

Marketing

Canon U.S.A., Inc. [U.S.A.] [Canada] Canon Canada Inc. Canon Latin America, Inc. [U.S.A.] [Netherlands] Canon Europa N.V. Canon Europe Ltd. [U.K.] Canon (UK) Ltd. [U.K.] Canon France S.A.S. [France] Canon Deutschland GmbH [Germany] Canon Ru LLC [Russia] Canon Middle East FZ-LLC [U.A.E.] Canon (China) Co., Ltd. [China] Canon Hongkong Co., Ltd. [Hong Kong] Canon Korea Consumer Imaging Inc. [Korea] Canon Singapore Pte. Ltd. [Singapore] Canon Australia Pty. Ltd. [Australia] Canon do Brasil Indústria e Comércio Limitada [Brazil] Canon Chile, S.A. [Chile] Canon South Africa Pty. Ltd. [South Africa]

(2) Major Domestic Bases

Name [Location]

Canon Inc.

Headquarters [Tokyo] Kawasaki Office [Kanagawa Pref.] Ayase Plant [Kanagawa Pref.] Hiratsuka Plant [Kanagawa Pref.] Oita Plant [Oita Pref.] Tamagawa Office [Kanagawa Pref.] Kosugi Office [Kanagawa Pref.] **Toride Plant** [Ibaraki Pref.] Fuji-Susono Research Park [Shizuoka Pref.] Yako Office [Kanagawa Pref.] Utsunomiya Plant [Tochigi Pref.] Ami Plant [Ibaraki Pref.]

R&D, Manufacturing and Marketing

Canon Electronics Inc.[Saitama Pref.]Canon Machinery Inc.[Shiga Pref.]Tokki Corporation[Niigata Pref.]Canon Finetech Inc.[Saitama Pref.]Canon Precision Inc.[Aomori Pref.]Canon Components, Inc.[Saitama Pref.]Canon ANELVA Corporation[Kanagawa Pref.]

Manufacturing

Oita Canon Inc.	[Oita Pref.]
Canon Chemicals Inc.	[Ibaraki Pref.]
Oita Canon Materials	Inc. [Oita Pref.]
Fukushima Canon Inc.	[Fukushima Pref.]
Nagahama Canon Inc.	[Shiga Pref.]

Marketing

Canon Marketing Japan Inc.[Tokyo]Canon System & Support Inc.[Tokyo]Canon IT Solutions Inc.[Tokyo]Canon Software Inc.[Tokyo]

n Main Activities of the Canon Group

Canon Group is engaged in the development, manufacture and sales of the following products.

Operations	Main Products
Office Business Unit	Office Network Digital Multifunction Devices (MFDs), Color Network Digital MFDs, Personal-use Network Digital MFDs, Office Copying Machines, Full-color Copying Machines, Personal-use Copying Machines, Laser Printers, Large Format Inkjet Printers
Consumer Business Unit	Digital SLR Cameras, Compact Digital Cameras, Interchangeable Lenses, Digital Video Camcorders, Inkjet Multifunction Printers, Single Function Inkjet Printers, Image Scanners, Broadcast Lenses
Industry and Others Business Unit	Semiconductor Lithography Equipment, LCD Lithography Equipment, Medical Image Recording Equipment, Magnetic Heads, Micromotors, Computers, Handy Terminals, Document Scanners, Calculators

n Employees of the Canon Group Consolidated

Number of employees	193,804 persons
	(Increase of 24,925 persons from the end of the previous
	term)
Americas	19,912 persons
Europe	23,475 persons
Japan	73,997 persons
Asia	74,562 persons
Others	1,858 persons
Non-Consolidated	
Number of employees	26,123 persons
Increase from the end of the p	revious term 440 persons
n Shares and Share Options of	of the Company
(1) Shares	
Number of Shares Issuable	3,000,000,000 shares
Issued Shares	1,333,763,464 shares
Capital Stock	174,761,797,475 yen
Number of Chercheldere	100.056 noverne
Number of Shareholders	182,356 persons
	(Increase of 13,184 persons from the end of the previous term)

(2) Shareholding by Category

	Number of Shareholders	Number of Shares
Governments and Local Public Organizations	1	19,750
Banking Companies	299	451,155,177
Securities Underwriting Companies	73	44,526,317
Other Domestic Companies	1,424	43,258,717
Foreign Companies, etc.	1,126	589,788,132
Individual and Others	179,432	111,364,818
Treasury Stock	1	93,650,553
Total	182,356	1,333,763,464

Shareholding Ratio (3) Share Options

Share Options Issued as Stock Options

	Number of Share Options	Class and Num to be Acquired		Number of Holders
1st Share Options	5,680 options	Common stock	568,000 shares	60 persons
2nd Share Options	7,820 options	Common stock	782,000 shares	54 persons
3rd Share Options	8,900 options	Common stock	890,000 shares	63 persons
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n Directors and Corporate Auditors of the Company Directors

Position	Name	Business in Charge or Important Concurrent Posts
Chairman & CEO President & COO	Fujio Mitarai Tsuneji Uchida	
Executive Vice President & CFO	Toshizo Tanaka	Senior General Manager of Policy & Economy Research Center, Group Executive of External Relations Headquarters and Vice Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Océ N.V.
Executive Vice President & CTO	Toshiaki Ikoma	Group Executive of Corporate R&D Headquarters, Chief Executive of Optical Products Operations and President of The Canon Foundation
Senior Managing Director	Kunio Watanabe	Group Executive of Corporate Planning Development Headquarters
Senior Managing Director	Yoroku Adachi	President & CEO of Canon U.S.A., Inc.
Senior Managing Director	Yasuo Mitsuhashi	Chief Executive of Peripheral Products Operations
Managing Director	Tomonori Iwashita	Group Executive of Environment Headquarters and Group Executive of Quality Management Headquarters
Managing Director	Masahiro Osawa	Group Executive of Global Procurement Headquarters and Group Executive of General Affairs Headquarters
Managing Director	Shigeyuki Matsumoto	Group Executive of Device Technology Development Headquarters
Managing Director	Katsuichi Shimizu	Chief Executive of Inkjet Products Operations
Managing Director	Ryoichi Bamba	President & CEO of Canon Europa N.V. and President & CEO of Canon Europe Ltd.
Managing Director	Toshio Homma	Chief Executive of L Printer Products Operations
Managing Director	Masaki Nakaoka	Chief Executive of Office Imaging Products Operations
Managing Director	Haruhisa Honda	Group Executive of Manufacturing Headquarters
Managing Director	Hideki Ozawa	President & CEO of Canon (China) Co., Ltd.
Managing Director	Masaya Maeda	Chief Executive of Image Communication Products Operations