

Notice Regarding Judgment in Patent Infringement Litigation (Winning Case)

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We hereby announce that we have prevailed in the patent infringement lawsuit (Tokyo District Court Case No. 2024 (Wa) 70064) filed by Dainihon Jochugiku Co., Ltd. (hereinafter “Dainihon Jochugiku”) concerning our product “Osu Dake No-mat” (hereinafter “our product”).

Although this matter does not meet the criteria for timely disclosure as stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange rules, we are voluntarily disclosing it as we deem it useful information. Consequently, some items and details of the disclosure have been omitted.

1. Background and Details of This Litigation

This litigation commenced on March 1, 2024, when Dainihon Jochugiku filed a lawsuit with the Tokyo District Court alleging that our company's acts of manufacturing etc., our products infringe upon the patent right (hereinafter referred to as “the Patent Right”) pertaining to Patent No. 7026270 (hereinafter referred to as “the Subject Patent Right”) held by Dainihon Jochugiku. In response, our company has consistently argued throughout this litigation that our products do not fall within the scope of the Subject Patent Right and that the Patent Right is invalid.

On December 17, 2025, the Tokyo District Court ruled in favor of our company's position, determining that the patent in question is invalid and dismissing the claim filed by Dainihon Jochugiku.

We view this ruling as recognition of our company's validity and a fair judgment. Should Dainihon Jochugiku file an appeal, we will continue to assert our legitimacy in the appellate court proceedings.

We regard intellectual property rights, including patents, as vital management resources. Following this ruling, we will further expand and utilize our intellectual property rights while respecting the intellectual property rights of others.

Continuing under our management philosophy, “We act to live in harmony with the Earth.” we will pursue customer-centric product development and deliver high-quality products, including the “Osu Dake No-mat,” to many customers.

2. Future Outlook

The impact of this matter on our consolidated results for the current fiscal period is immaterial.

(Ref.)

Forecast consolidated results for the fiscal year (announced on August 8, 2025) and Actual consolidated results for the previous fiscal year.

	(millions of yen)			
	Consolidated net sales	Consolidated operating profit	Consolidated ordinary profit	Profit attributable to owners of parent
Forecast consolidated results for the fiscal year (Fiscal year ended Dec 31, 2025)	178,000	8,000	8,600	5,300
Actual consolidated results for the previous fiscal year (Fiscal year ended Dec 31, 2024)	169,278	6,425	7,364	3,475

Note: The above forecast of financial results is based on certain information available to the Company at the time of announcement, and actual operating results may differ from the forecast due to various factors.

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