

O A FIRST-CLASS REGIONAL BANK

The Shizuoka Bank, Ltd., is one of Japan's largest regional banks, with 194 domestic branches (including 14 subbranches) as of June 30, 1998. These branches serve customers in and nearby Shizuoka Prefecture, the Bank's home territory, as well as customers in Japan's three major business centers—Tokyo, Osaka, and Nagoya. Outside Japan, the Bank's overseas network consists of seven operations in six cities.

O A SOLID FINANCIAL STRUCTURE

On March 31, 1998, Shizuoka Bank had assets of ¥7,783.2 billion, deposits of ¥6,707.6 billion, and stockholders' equity of ¥469.0 billion. The Bank's capital adequacy ratio, measured in accordance with Bank for International Settlement (BIS) standards, stood at 13.45%, one of the highest such ratios among Japanese banks. The Tier I ratio, which does not encompass unrealized gains on securities, was also high, at 10.80%.

Nurturing the Vision of

Nagoya Osaka

Shizuoka Prefecture



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INTERNATIONAL CONFIDENCE

Shizuoka Bank has the strongest financial position among Japanese regional banks, earning excellent ratings from international credit rating agencies: AA- (long-term) and A-1+ (short-term) ratings from Standard & Poor's; Aa3 (long-term), P-1 (shortterm), and B (financial strength) ratings from Moody's; B (financial strength) and TBW-1 (short-term) ratings from BankWatch: and a B/C (financial strength) rating from Fitch IBCA.

RIGOROUS RISK **MANAGEMENT**

Shizuoka Bank's ratio of nonperforming loans is a remarkably low 1.14%. In view of the increasing complexity of the risks it faces, the Bank has steadily upgraded its comprehensive risk management systems, with particular emphasis on credit risk, administrative risk, electronic data processing (EDP) risk, and market risk.

AN ECONOMICALLY DYNAMIC REGION

Shizuoka Bank is committed to promoting the continued prosperity of its home territory, Shizuoka Prefecture, which is centrally located on the Pacific coast between Japan's economic centers of Tokyo and Yokohama to the east and Nagoya and Osaka to the west. Ranking 10th among Japan's 47 prefectures in many economic indexes, the prefecture has a particularly robust manufacturing sector and is the base of many prominent producers of pulp and paper, electrical machinery, motorcycles, musical instruments, automobile parts, and machine tools. The prefecture also boasts strong agricultural and tourism sectors.

| | Long-Term | Short-Term | Financial Strength |
|-------------------|-----------|------------|--------------------|
| Standard & Poor's | AA- | A-1+ | _ |
| Moody's | Aa3 | P-1 | В |
| BankWatch | _ | TBW-1 | В |
| Fitch IBCA | _ | _ | B/C |

a Prosperous Community

NON-CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

THE SHIZUOKA BANK, LTD.

| | | Millions | s of Ye | en | U.S | sands of Dollars lote 1) |
|----------------------------|---|----------|---------|---------|-------|--------------------------------|
| Years ended March 31 | | 1998 | | 1997 | • | 1998 |
| Total Income | ¥ | 307,447 | ¥ | 293,586 | \$ 2, | 327,387 |
| Total Expenses | | 265,142 | | 258,718 | 2, | 007,137 |
| Income before Income Taxes | | 42,305 | | 34,868 | | 320,250 |
| Net Income | | 16,398 | | 19,898 | | 124,134 |
| | _ | Y | en | | | . Dollars lote 1) |
| Net Income per Share | ¥ | 20.38 | ¥ | 24.72 | \$ | 0.15 |

| | Million | s of Yen | U.S. Dollars (Note 1) |
|----------------------------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|
| March 31 | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 |
| Total Assets | ¥7,783,209 | ¥7,864,279 | \$58,919,073 |
| Deposits | 6,707,676 | 6,626,467 | 50,777,262 |
| Loans and Bills Discounted | 5,004,120 | 4,774,728 | 37,881,304 |
| Investment Securities | 1,381,622 | 1,570,632 | 10,458,912 |
| Common Stock | 90,845 | 90,546 | 687,704 |
| Total Stockholders' Equity | 469,056 | 466,948 | 3,550,765 |
| Capital Adequacy Ratio (BIS) (%) | 13.45 | 13.61 | |

Notes: 1. Translation into U.S. dollars has been made solely for the convenience of readers outside Japan at the exchange rate of ¥132.10 to \$1, the approximate rate of exchange at March

^{2.} In this annual report, dollar figures are rounded off, but Japanese yen figures have been truncated in the process of calculation

A MESSAGE FROM THE MANAGEMENT

OPERATING ENVIRONMENT AND **PERFORMANCE**

The Japanese economy maintained a gradual recovery during the first half of fiscal 1997, ended March 31, 1998. During the latter half of the year, however, drops in housing and public-sector investment, along with a considerable cooling down of personal consumption that reflected concerns regarding domestic economic prospects, brought about negative economic growth. In Shizuoka Prefecture, slack internal demand led to increasingly widespread inventory adjustments and reductions in manufacturing volumes that caused the employment situation to deteriorate and accentuated the trend of economic sluggishness.

Amid this environment, Shizuoka Bank proceeded with the implementation of its sixth medium-term management plan— NEW AXIS 21—which was initiated in fiscal 1996. In accordance with the plan, the Bank worked to augment its highquality loan asset portfolio and took other steps toward strengthening its earnings base while also undertaking rationalization measures that included personnel reductions and the elimination and merger of certain branches. The results of these activities are described as follows.

Assets—In addition to maintaining a consistent level of responsiveness to the needs of corporations, individuals, and local public entities, the Bank worked to develop relationships with new customers. As a result, the balance of loans and bills discounted at year-end was ¥5,004.1 billion,

up ¥229.3 billion from the end of fiscal 1996. The balance of investment securities declined ¥189.0 billion during fiscal 1997 and amounted to \(\frac{\pma}{1}\),381.6 billion at yearend. In contrast, the balance of trading account securities grew ¥5.0 billion, to ¥9.8 billion. Reflecting the introduction of a market price-based accounting system for trading securities, these securities have been accounted for as trading assets since fiscal 1996.

Deposits—At the end of fiscal 1997, the deposit balance at domestic branches had increased ¥151.0 billion, including a ¥305.9 billion rise in the deposit balance of individuals. Reflecting the Bank's emphasis on profitability in its fund procurement activities, deposits at overseas branches and in the Tokyo offshore market decreased ¥107.4 billion. Consequently, the balance of total deposits at year-end was ¥6,707.6 billion, up ¥81.2 billion from the end of fiscal 1996. *Net Income*—Due to the Bank's active efforts to dispose of problem assets based on its self-assessment of assets, the specific reserve for possible loan losses increased. However, improvement in the balance of income and expenses associated with fund management operations, a rise in net profits from stocks and other securities, and other factors supported a ¥5.4 billion increase in recurring profits, to ¥40.6 billion. Primarily reflecting taxable additions to the specific reserve for possible loan losses, taxable income increased, and the higher income tax burden restrained net income to ¥16.3 billion, down ¥3.5 billion from fiscal 1996.

STRATEGIES

With the April 1998 revision of the Foreign Exchange Law, Japan's Big Bang financial deregulation campaign has finally begun. The campaign is designed to comprehensively reform the country's financial system and promote the creation of financial markets that operate freely based on market principles, feature greater transparency and fairness, and are in accord with the latest international standards. These reforms will lay a foundation for the provision of a diverse range of attractive new financial products and services. The rapid deregulation of financial institutions' operations is also expected to bring about a further intensification of competition, including competition among institutions based in different financial sectors and different countries.

▶ During this upcoming period of unprecedented change, Shizuoka Bank believes that its most crucial management tasks are to set up systems for providing the broad range of high-quality products and services that customers desire and to establish the solid corporate base needed to survive severe competition. Recognizing the importance of these tasks, the Bank is taking a variety of steps in line with NEW AXIS 21, a medium-term management plan covering the three years through fiscal 1998. This plan includes three main components: a core business strategy that calls for strengthening Shizuoka Bank's core businesses by seeking new profit opportunities and augmenting the volume of the Bank's high-quality assets; an operational



Soichiro Kamiya, President

reform strategy that dictates the bold reengineering of all the Bank's operations; and the Shizu-gin Action Program, which prescribes additional initiatives to benefit regional society and the Bank's stockholders.

▶ To improve profitability, particularly in retail operations, Shizuoka Bank has taken numerous steps to increase the efficiency of its branch network and streamline its organization. As the current fiscal year is the last year of NEW AXIS 21, the Bank is accelerating its moves to further rationalize and strengthen the entirety of its operations by merging and eliminating branches, reducing staffing levels, and otherwise restraining costs and investments. These moves are significantly enhancing the Bank's costcompetitiveness.

- Responding to the revision of the Foreign Exchange Law, Shizuoka Bank has reduced certain fees, increased the number of branches offering foreign currency exchange services, and brought such services within the scope of its electronic banking systems. The Bank has also worked to provide these services more efficiently by consolidating related administrative processes. Moreover, since Japanese banks are scheduled to be permitted to directly market securities investment trusts from December 1998, Shizuoka Bank is further augmenting the training of its investment trust advisors and preparing the systems needed to provide customers with appropriate financial products. To meet the needs of individuals who wish to actively manage their financial assets, the Bank is training financial planners and otherwise reinforcing its capabilities for private banking operations.
- In April 1998, Shizuoka Bank introduced a collaborative local operations system designed to enable the efficient provision of increasingly sophisticated financial services. While each branch previously handled a full range of services, the new system calls for each branch to examine local market needs, identify fields worthy of strategic emphasis, and integrate its operations with nearby branches. Within this system, local hub branches will offer a full range of sophisticated services, including corporate banking and consulting services, and surrounding branches will specialize in efficiently handling retail banking services.

PROSPECTS

Tracing its roots back to a bank founded in 1878, exactly 120 years ago, Shizuoka Bank has adapted to and survived numerous turbulent periods of history. However, we expect that the Big Bang reforms and other changes expected during the three fiscal years through March 2001 will make this period as challenging as any other the Bank has experienced.

▶ Shizuoka Bank is aiming to be an excellent and prosperous bank in the 21st century, and it will continue to proactively take the steps required to realize its ambition. Based on its unwavering commitment to maintaining sound management practices and close ties with local communities, the Bank will strengthen its capabilities for providing top-quality financial products and services. We are doing our utmost to open up a new era in banking and meet the high expectations of our customers, stockholders, and regional society. I hope for your continued understanding and support.

June 25, 1998

Soichiro Kamiya

President

Risk

Management

The deregulation and internationalization of financial markets and the development of new financial technologies are bringing about major changes in the operating environments of banks, which are consequently facing increasingly diverse and complex risks. Since this trend is making risk management an even more important aspect of bank management, Shizuoka Bank has made bolstering and increasing the comprehensiveness of its risk management systems a principal strategic goal.

CREDIT RISK

To increase the soundness of its loan portfolio, Shizuoka Bank maintains a highly autonomous Credit Supervision Department and strict credit evaluation and administration systems.

▶ When the value of a proposed transaction exceeds a branch manager's credit authorization limit, the branch and the Credit Supervision Department cooperatively appraise the prudence of the transaction based on the branch's loan evaluation and the Credit Supervision Department's examination of relevant documents. In some cases, reports from relevant headquarters' departments are also considered. The Bank's comprehensive credit evaluation process focuses on borrowers' credit status, technological capabilities, growth potential, cash flow, and collateral as well as other factors. Moreover, credit evaluation capabilities are being strengthened through measures that include the upgrading of training programs and the introduction of a system to expedite credit checks by dispatching relevant

information to the Credit Supervision Department in advance of actual credit applications.

- ▶ To enhance the responsiveness of its credit evaluation system to new types of technologies and businesses, the Bank has established the New Business Credit Supervision Group, which is responsible for evaluating loans to enterprises that have strong growth potential or are in new industrial sectors.
- ▶ Based on the Self-Assessment System being adopted by Japanese banks in connection with the April 1998 introduction of the principle of Prompt Corrective Action in Japan, Shizuoka Bank has established the Credit Examination Department, which is responsible for the unified oversight of all the Bank's assets, and has otherwise worked to strengthen its systems of checks and restraints with regard to individual branches and the Credit Supervision Department. The Bank is also bolstering its self-assessment systems, which rationally examine and appraise individual loans and other asset items based on internal rules, classify the assets by the degree of risk involved regarding recovery difficulties or value impairment, and appropriately execute write-offs and increase reserves in line with these classifications.

MARKET RISK

The progressive implementation of financial deregulation measures and advances in financial technology are increasing the scale and complexity of market risks, which therefore call for more-sophisticated management systems. In light of this, Shizuoka Bank has steadily worked to

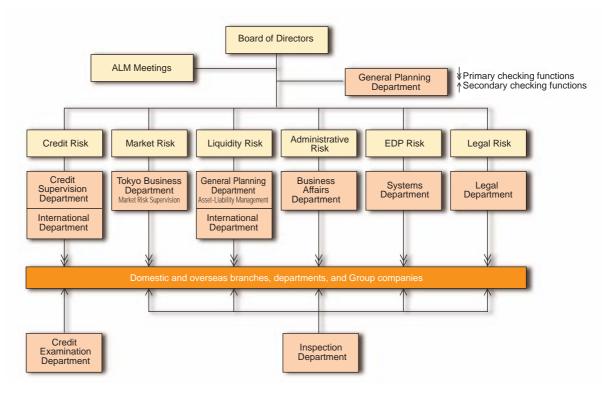
establish and upgrade its organizational units, operating rules, and systems related to market risk management while making optimal use of advanced financial technologies—all with the goal of expeditiously creating a highly sophisticated asset-liability management (ALM) system for the comprehensive management of market risks.

▶ Participants in monthly ALM meetings examine the Bank's risks using gap analysis and present value analysis methods as well as such advanced indices as value at risk (VaR) and earnings at risk (EaR) and then determine risk-hedging policies based on interest rate forecasts and profit plans. In accordance with these policies, the Bank effectively uses swaps and other derivatives transactions to accurately control risks and promote stable profitability.

ADMINISTRATIVE RISK

To ensure that it can live up to customer expectations and dependably handle a growing volume and variety of transactions, Shizuoka Bank is strengthening its administrative management systems. The Bank is making substantial investments in equipment for automating administrative processes and is using computer checking functions to guarantee that these processes are performed accurately, quickly, and in strict compliance with procedural rules. The Bank has established operations centers in Shizuoka Prefecture and elsewhere that provide backup support for branch operations and increase the efficiency of those operations by consolidating information processing work.

SHIZUOKA BANK'S MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



- ▶ Aiming to improve the precision of marketing branch administration, specialists are assigned to provide on-site guidance at branches, and staff training programs have been augmented through the arrangement of periodic training sessions for personnel with similar positions and job assignments.
- ▶ With the goals of preventing problems and maintaining the consistency of administrative work at all branches, an independent department performs strict and comprehensive inspections of domestic branches and divisions and overseas bases once or more each year at its discretion. As these on-site inspections cover statutory complianceand market risk-related items, they are an integral part of the Bank's response to the diversification and increasing complexity of its risk exposure.

ELECTRONIC DATA PROCESSING (EDP) RISK

Since the growing volume and variety of transactions has made computer systems indispensable tools for banking operations, measures to guarantee the dependability of these computer systems are extremely important prerequisites for maintaining high-quality banking services.

▶ Shizuoka Bank has undertaken a number of systems risk countermeasures designed to ensure the prompt resumption of operations in the event of earthquakes or other disasters. Besides installing duplicate computer hardware and communications lines and setting up satellite-based backup communications lines, the Bank has prepared for large-scale disasters by establishing a

- backup computer center in Nagoya and the Shizu-gin Emergency Auto Service, which uses a specially equipped vehicle with mobile on-line communications capabilities that can provide banking services in place of affected branches. As an additional step in implementing thorough systems risk countermeasures, in June 1996 the Bank completed the Shizu-gin Kusanagi Center—a computer center capable of 24hour, year-round operations that is housed in a structure with advanced earthquakeproof features.
- ▶ The Bank rigorously and repeatedly tests new or enhanced computer systems prior to their introduction, and strict inspections of existing computer systems and programs are regularly undertaken by the EDP Systems Audit section of the Bank's Inspection Department.
- ▶ Shizuoka Bank was early to address the Millennium Bug, or the problems that are expected to occur because computers that use only two digits to identify years are unable to distinguish years in the 21st century from those in the 20th century. Since this has the potential for causing various mistakes, including interest calculations, the Bank has organized a project team that is aiming to complete its response to the Millennium Bug by December 1998. More information on Shizuoka Bank's progress eliminating the Millennium Bug can be obtained from the Bank's web site.
- ▶ The Bank is continually working to make use of the latest information technologies and install computer systems featuring greater reliability and ease of operation.

Commercial

Banking

LOANS AND BILLS DISCOUNTED

As the preeminent bank in Shizuoka Prefecture and the surrounding areas, Shizuoka Bank assiduously caters to the various and changing borrowing needs of local corporations, entrepreneurs, households, and public entities. Besides maintaining a consistent level of responsiveness to the needs of its existing clientele, the Bank worked to develop relationships with new customers during fiscal 1997. As a result, the balance of loans and bills discounted at period-end was \\$5,004.1 billion, up ¥229.3 billion from the end of fiscal 1996.

▶ While the recent reluctance of many Japanese banks to provide new loans has become a noteworthy problem, Shizuoka Bank's maintenance of a high capital adequacy ratio has enabled it to sustain stable funding to its customers. The Bank considers the reliable provision of continuous support for sound small and medium-sized enterprises a key mission, and its corporate lending policy has resulted in a well-balanced



The Bank has placed ATMs within the outlets of a leading convenience store chain.

loan portfolio covering all principal industrial sectors.

- In addition to helping corporate customers meet short-term cash requirements through bill discounting services and loans on bills, the Bank offers a broad range of loan products suitable for funding capital investments, R&D programs, and other relatively long-term investments. In addition to general loans on deeds, for example, the Bank uses interest rate swaps to provide medium- and long-term yen-denominated loans with fixed interest rates as well as variable rate loans with interest rate caps. Other financing products include flexible overdraft-based credit lines of up to ¥100 million and foreign currency denominated loans. To assist companies in new business fields, the Bank has organized the Shizu-gin New Business Assistance Fund.
- ▶ To meet the needs of independent professionals, merchants, and entrepreneurs, Shizuoka Bank offers Big Loan, a plan that supplies up to 15 years of facilities' financing and 10 years of operating capital in combination with group life insurance packages.
- ▶ With emphasis on flexibility, Shizuoka Bank actively extends housing and card loans and many other loan services to individuals.
- ▶ To provide customers with funds to purchase or build homes, Shizuoka Bank operates 12 home loan centers and one loan counseling corner located throughout Shizuoka Prefecture. The Bank offers floating-rate and combined fixed- and floatingrate housing loans and has recently introduced housing loans with optional

interest rate caps. Reflecting these efforts, the balance of the Bank's housing loans to individuals grew 8.2% during fiscal 1997, to ¥769.3 billion, or 15.3% of total loans and bills discounted.

In line with its leading role in and commitment to its region, the Bank also extends financing to regional governmentrelated entities, thereby providing the funds necessary for the region's social and economic development, and acts as an agent for loans granted by various levels of government and their affiliated financial institutions.

DEPOSITS

Shizuoka Bank meets its customers' diverse fund management needs by offering numerous deposit schemes suitable for the investment of different sums over various time periods. The Bank also offers consultations on effective investment strategies as well as information on interest and currency exchange rate trends.

- ▶ During fiscal 1997, the deposit balance at the Bank's domestic branches increased ¥151.0 billion. Reflecting the Bank's emphasis on profitability in its fund procurement activities, deposits at overseas branches and in the Tokyo offshore market decreased ¥107.4 billion. Consequently, the balance of total deposits at period-end was \$6,707.6 billion, up \$81.2 billion from the end of fiscal 1996.
- ▶ Responding to changing customer needs, the Bank has continued to develop attractive new investment instruments. Recently introduced products include an objectivespecific installment deposit scheme and the

Shizu-gin Gold Accumulation Plan. The Bank also encourages new deposits by offering interest rate based incentives for people who open time deposits during employees' bonus payment periods.

- ▶ Shizuoka Bank's principal savings deposit products include time deposits that offer attractive variable-rate returns and allow the specification of time periods ranging from one month to 10 years. The Bank also offers time deposits that allow for a portion of interest payments to be received before maturity, foreign currency denominated deposits, and negotiable certificates of deposit. To cater to customers who wish to make deposits for extended periods but may suddenly require funds, from November 1997 the Bank began offering the Shizu-gin Interest Growth Time Deposit, which allows funds to be withdrawn freely after the first six months within fixed time periods ranging up to five years, with interest rates rising in line with the length of the deposits' time periods.
- ▶ In addition to its efforts to increase the convenience of its services by extending the operating hours of its automated teller machines (ATMs) and augmenting the services accessible through ATMs, the Bank has arranged to further increase customer convenience by placing these machines within the outlets of a leading convenience store chain. From October 1997, the Bank broadened the range of ATM services available on weekends and holidays to include bankbook balance updates and fund transfers among a single customer's accounts.

International

Banking

Many companies in Shizuoka Bank's region are engaged in international trade activities and overseas operations or are considering such activities, while a growing number of individuals in the region are making use of foreign currencies in connection with their international travel or investment objectives. The Bank's strong overseas presence and excellent credit ratings enable it to meet the needs of such customers by offering a comprehensive range of international financial products and services.

EXTENSIVE OVERSEAS NETWORK

One of Japan's most internationally active regional banks, Shizuoka Bank has an overseas network that encompasses seven operations in six locations. These include two subsidiaries—Shizuoka Finance (H.K.) Limited, in Hong Kong, and Shizuoka Bank (Europe) S.A., in Brussels—as well as branches in Los Angeles and Hong Kong, an agency in New York, and representative offices in Singapore and Shanghai.

▶ To improve the quality and speed of overseas transactions and maximize customer convenience, the Bank maintains a large number of correspondent banking relationships. As of March 31, 1998, the Bank's correspondent banking network included 308 leading banks with a total of more than 1,000 offices in major cities throughout the world.

DIVERSE FINANCIAL AND INFORMATION SERVICES

Foreign exchange transaction services are Shizuoka Bank's most important international business activity. These services include such trade-related settlement services as the purchase and collection of export bills, the issuance of import letters of credit, and the settlement of import bills and overseas fund remittances. The Bank handles forward foreign exchange contracts and issues various types of guarantees, including standby credit, guarantees for foreign currency loans, and guarantees on receipt of cargo.

- ▶ On behalf of its corporate customers, Shizuoka Bank's subsidiaries in Hong Kong and Brussels participate in major financial markets through securities underwriting and other fund-raising activities.
- ▶ The strong ratings it has received from the world's top credit rating agencies have considerably enhanced Shizuoka Bank's capabilities for providing international financial services, and the Bank has maintained its solid ratings in recent years in contrast with the trend of decline seen among many other Japanese banks. The Bank was the first Japanese regional bank to obtain AA- and Aa3 long-term debt ratings from Standard & Poor's and Moody's, respectively, and it also boasts the highest short-term debt ratings of those agencies. BankWatch has given the Bank a B financial strength debt rating and a TBW-1 shortterm debt rating, while Moody's has awarded the Bank a B financial strength rating. In addition, the Bank was awarded a B/C financial strength rating from Fitch IBCA.

▶ In light of the increasing diversity and complexity of its customers' international business opportunities, Shizuoka Bank has steadily expanded its consulting and information services. Drawing on the results of surveys and research conducted at its overseas bases, the Bank provides customers with abundant information on overseas markets and aspects of international business operations, including funding, legal, accounting, and tax considerations. In cooperation with its overseas subsidiaries, the Bank offers customers high-quality advisory support related to overseas fundraising activities. To keep its customers up to date on the opportunities and challenges of international business, the Bank regularly organizes seminars led by outside specialists on international trade and overseas operations.

RESPONDING TO DEREGULATION

Foreign exchange transactions by Japanese companies and individuals have become increasingly common following the government's April 1998 introduction of deregulation measures, which included the relaxation of regulations governing domestic and overseas capital transactions and the elimination of the authorized foreign exchange bank system. Shizuoka Bank has responded to this trend by steadily boosting the number of its branches that handle foreign currency exchange services. In the future, the Bank intends to continue augmenting its foreign exchange services through such initiatives as the introduction of telephone- and facsimile-based sales of foreign currency and traveler's checks and foreign exchange related electronic banking services.

OVERSEAS BASES AND CORRESPONDENT BANKS



Capital Markets and Other Activities

The liberalization and growing sophistication of financial markets are increasing the attractiveness of fund-raising and investment activities in these markets. Shizuoka Bank provides diverse products and services to help its customers take advantage of opportunities in capital markets.

- ▶ For customers desiring to procure longterm funds through the issuance of bonds, Shizuoka Bank provides comprehensive advisory services and handles related administrative procedures. The Bank provides similar services for issuers of commercial paper (CP) and is among the top Japanese regional banks in terms of the volume of CP issues underwritten.
- ▶ A rising number of Japanese companies are seeking to raise funds through initial public offerings. In cooperation with its

- affiliate Shizuoka Capital Co., Ltd., Shizuoka Bank offers the advisory and other services such companies require.
- ▶ Corporate customers' growing activities in financial markets have increased demand for risk-hedging instruments. To help its customers protect themselves from risks stemming from fluctuations in interest and currency exchange rates, Shizuoka Bank offers swaps, caps, floors, swaptions, futures, and forward foreign exchange contracts. By supplying bond futures and bond options, the Bank helps customers hedge the risks entailed by bond investments.
- ▶ Shizuoka Bank directly helps establish charitable trusts and special donation trusts and supplies various other trust products through tie-ups with four trust banks.

Consulting Services

Shizuoka Bank complements its financial services by offering its individual and corporate customers diverse consulting, advisory, and information services as well as providing support to promote regional development projects. Financial advisors at each branch respond to individual and corporate customers' queries related to corporate succession, inheritance, asset management, and real estate utilization, while financial planners in the Business Support Department and the seven hub branches offer relatively specialized consultations. Since April 1998, all domestic branches have been equipped with videophone units that allow local customers to consult with financial planners posted at the Bank's headquarters and elsewhere.

- ▶ Friendly M&A transactions are becoming more common, and the Bank works to facilitate such transactions through the activities of full-time specialists in its Business Support Department, which works closely with Shizuoka Capital.
- ▶ Shizuoka Bank offers many other support services for corporate clients, including the provision of referrals to potential partners, suppliers, and customers. The Bank also supplies information on real estate suitable for plants and offices as well as advice on the effective use of real estate owned by customers. Moreover, the Shizu-gin Regional Information System gives customers on-line access to a wealth of data gathered from the Bank's extensive network stretching from Tokyo to Osaka.

Electronic Banking

To enhance the simplicity and convenience of its services, Shizuoka Bank has developed electronic banking (EB) services that allow corporate and individual customers to access information and make transactions without visiting a bank facility.

▶ These EB services include the FAX Fund Transfer Reception Service, which enables customers to submit fund transfer instructions via facsimile transmissions; the EB Kids service, which centers on a compact, specialized computer banking terminal that is easy to install and operate; and Shizu-gin Personal Computer (PC) Bank, which is a collection of software that customers can install in their existing PCs. Both Shizu-gin PC Bank and EB Kids allow customers to make fund transfers and receive account updates on-line.



All the Bank's domestic branches are equipped with videophone units for consultations with financial

▶ The Bank offers several commercial EB services suitable for various types of corporate needs. For example, the Shizugin Wide Net Service allows customers to collect sales proceeds efficiently via financial institutions throughout Japan.

Corporate Citizenship

Shizuoka Bank demonstrates exemplary corporate citizenship and commitment to its region by supporting numerous community events as well as cultural, environmental protection, and sports programs that enrich local society.

▶ In March 1993, Shizuoka Bank commemorated the 50th anniversary of its founding by establishing the Shizu-gin Hometown and Environmental Protection Fund, which has subsequently provided financial support to organizations and individuals in Shizuoka Prefecture that are engaged in environmental protection activities. In March 1998, the trust made its fifth annual distribution of funding, awarding a total of ¥3 million to 23 organizations and individuals.

- ▶ Shizuoka Bank's Shizu-gin Hall Euphonia and the adjacent Four Seasons Gallery are widely used for various local cultural activities, and the Bank also sponsors regular concerts and art exhibitions at these facilities. Concerts sponsored during 1997 included a fusion of jazz and classical guitar music and a performance by a leading jazz pianist.
- ▶ Since 1990, Shizuoka Bank has annually hosted the Shizu-gin Cup, a prefectural soccer tournament for fifth graders.
- ▶ Shizuoka Bank has played a principal role in the Shizuoka Prefecture chapter of the Small Kindness Movement volunteer campaign and is promoting the chapter's activities, in which approximately 6,000 current and former employees of Shizuoka Bank Group companies are participating.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND CORPORATE AUDITORS



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FINANCIAL SECTION SIX-YEAR SUMMARY

THE SHIZUOKA BANK, LTD.

| | | | Millions | s of Yen | | |
|--|-----------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 | 1993 |
| NON-CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS | (March 31) | | | | | |
| Assets: | | | | | | |
| Cash and due from banks | ¥ 816,118 | ¥1,020,319 | ¥1,094,712 | ¥1,069,291 | ¥1,005,468 | ¥ 891,519 |
| Call loans | 159,757 | 40,668 | 42,102 | 188,565 | 334,027 | 520,769 |
| Monetary claims bought | 85,804 | 138,062 | 79,351 | 15,233 | 27 | 31 |
| Trading assets | 48,837 | | | | | |
| Trading account securities | | 4,726 | 26,441 | 28,108 | 28,561 | 29,273 |
| Money held in trust | 61,009 | 56,009 | 51,008 | 59,079 | 59,454 | 62,737 |
| Investment securities | 1,381,622 | 1,570,632 | 1,489,572 | 1,409,417 | 1,446,623 | 1,372,608 |
| Loans and bills discounted | 5,004,120 | 4,774,728 | 4,768,987 | 4,593,283 | 4,556,699 | 4,579,955 |
| Foreign exchanges | 10,496 | 10,474 | 9,126 | 7,939 | 10,225 | 13,156 |
| Other assets | 34,168 | 60,286 | 47,500 | 59,377 | 42,078 | 50,793 |
| Premises and equipment | 85,619 | 87,545 | 87,037 | 81,407 | 74,514 | 73,616 |
| Customers' liabilities | | | | | | |
| for acceptances and guarantees | 95,655 | 100,827 | 90,816 | 98,392 | 103,174 | 104,983 |
| Total Assets | ¥7,783,209 | ¥7,864,279 | ¥7,786,657 | ¥7,610,095 | ¥7,660,856 | ¥7,699,444 |
| Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity: | | | | | | |
| Liabilities: | | | | | | |
| Deposits | ¥6,707,676 | ¥6,626,467 | ¥6,503,296 | ¥6,712,906 | ¥6,613,066 | ¥6,711,036 |
| Call money | 333,053 | 474,911 | 571,621 | 148,029 | 287,425 | 237,779 |
| Trading liabilities | 5,580 | | | | | |
| Borrowed money | 13,348 | 17,484 | 12,251 | 25,942 | 19,166 | 21,894 |
| Foreign exchanges | 219 | 510 | 576 | 313 | 382 | 441 |
| Convertible bonds | | 706 | 1,112 | 1,189 | 1,290 | 1,636 |
| Other liabilities | 89,873 | 125,615 | 104,636 | 142,686 | 178,891 | 183,193 |
| Reserve for possible loan losses | 54,615 | 34,640 | 34,565 | 27,121 | 21,505 | 19,501 |
| Reserve for retirement allowances | 14,129 | 13,949 | 14,120 | 14,338 | 14,258 | 14,211 |
| Reserve for losses on sales | | | | | | |
| of trading account securities | | 2,217 | 2,127 | 2,021 | 1,908 | 1,767 |
| Acceptances and guarantees | 95,655 | 100,827 | 90,816 | 98,392 | 103,174 | 104,983 |
| Total Liabilities | 7,314,153 | 7,397,330 | 7,335,125 | 7,172,941 | 7,241,070 | 7,296,445 |
| Stockholders' Equity: | | | | | | |
| Common stock | 90,845 | 90,546 | 90,343 | 90,304 | 90,254 | 90,081 |
| Capital surplus | 54,884 | 54,585 | 54,382 | 54,344 | 54,293 | 54,120 |
| Legal reserve | 90,845 | 90,399 | 90,308 | 90,279 | 90,201 | 90,039 |
| Retained earnings | 232,480 | 231,416 | 216,497 | 202,225 | 185,035 | 168,757 |
| Total Stockholders' Equity | 469,056 | 466,948 | 451,532 | 437,153 | 419,785 | 402,999 |
| Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity | ¥7,783,209 | ¥7,864,279 | ¥7,786,657 | ¥7,610,095 | ¥7,660,856 | ¥7,699,444 |
| NON CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF IN | 100ME ()/ | -ll-M | | | | |
| NON-CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF IN Income: | ICOME (Years er | ided March 31) | | | | |
| Interest on loans and discounts | ¥ 130,095 | ¥ 132,240 | ¥ 156,425 | ¥ 191,147 | ¥ 213,106 | ¥ 261,521 |
| Other income | 177,351 | 161,345 | 172,201 | 168,631 | 161,814 | 166,154 |
| Total Income | 307,447 | 293,586 | 328,626 | 359,778 | 374,921 | 427,675 |
| Expenses: | | | | | | |
| Interest on deposits | 70,734 | 78,952 | 127,655 | 152,310 | 175,877 | 225,508 |
| Other expenses | 194,408 | 179,765 | 161,593 | 165,428 | 156,448 | 157,862 |
| Total Expenses | 265,142 | 258,718 | 289,248 | 317,738 | 332,326 | 383,370 |
| Income before income taxes | 42,305 | 34,868 | 39,378 | 42.039 | 42,594 | 44,305 |
| Income taxes | 25,907 | 14,970 | 20,170 | 19,865 | 20,445 | 22,427 |
| Net Income | ¥ 16,398 | ¥ 19,898 | ¥ 19,208 | ¥ 22,174 | ¥ 22,149 | ¥ 21,878 |
| Net income Net income per share (Yen) | ¥ 20.38 | ¥ 19,898 ¥ 24.72 | ¥ 19,208 ¥ 23.87 | ¥ 22,174 ¥ 27.56 | ¥ 22,149 ¥ 27.53 | ¥ 27.21 |
| Number of branches | ∓ 20.36 197 | * 24.72 201 | * 23.67 203 | [‡] 27.56 | * 27.53 204 | * 27.21 204 |
| Number of employees | 4,688 | 4,865 | 4,982 | 5,215 | 5,338 | 5,282 |
| inamper or embiohees | 4,000 | 4,000 | 4,702 | 0,210 | ٥,٥٥٥ | 5,262 |

ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL ENVIRONMENT

The Japanese economy maintained a gradual recovery during the first half of fiscal 1997, ended March 31, 1998, as exports were firm and private-sector capital investment grew. The economy slowed and began contracting during the latter half of the year, however, as housing and public-sector investment decreased and personal consumption cooled down due to a rise in the national consumption tax rate and concerns regarding economic prospects.

In Shizuoka Prefecture, slack internal demand and inventory adjustments spurred increasingly widespread reductions in manufacturing volumes, causing the employment situation to deteriorate and otherwise accentuating the trend of economic sluggishness.

Japan's official discount rate remained at a record low level, and market rates were also generally low. The bankruptcy of a number of financial institutions led to growing concerns regarding the stability of the domestic financial system. As the full-scale start of Japan's Big Bang financial reforms approached, financial institutions accelerated the pace of their restructuring measures, including interindustry and international initiatives.

PROFIT AND LOSS

The following analysis of profit and loss is based on statements filed with the Ministry of Finance in Japan, and some figures may differ from those presented in the accompanying statements of income. The differences are explained in notes to the following tables.

Gross Operating Revenues

Despite declines in net fees and commissions and net other operating profits, gross operating revenues grew ¥2.7 billion, to ¥134.0 billion, due to a rise in net interest income as well as the recording of trading income. Operating profits from domestic banking rose ¥4.5 billion, while operating losses from international banking increased ¥1.8 billion.

Net Interest Income

Interest income (interest income from fund-management operations) declined \(\frac{1}{2}\)22.6 billion, and interest expenses (interest expenses from fund-procurement operations) decreased ¥24.2 billion. As a result, net interest income—interest income less interest expenses—grew 1.4%, or \$1.6 billion, to \$121.1 billion.

For domestic operations, average interest-earning assets and average interest-bearing liabilities both increased, and the net interest-spread margin grew. Consequently, net interest income from domestic operations advanced 2.5%, or ¥2.8 billion, to ¥115.3 billion. For international operations, average interest-earning assets and average interest-bearing liabilities both decreased, and the net interest-spread margin shrank. As a result, net interest income from international operations fell 17.4%, or ¥1.2 billion, to ¥5.7 billion.

The \(\frac{\pma}{1.6}\) billion increase in net interest income was attributable to a \{3.8\) billion rise in net interest income due to growth in the net interest-spread margin and a ¥2.2 billion drop in net interest income owing to a decrease in average interest-earning assets and average interest-bearing liabilities.

Summary of Profits

| | | Millions of Yen | | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Years ended March 31 | 1998 | 1997 | Increase (Decrease) | Percentage Change | |
| Gross operating revenues (Note): | ¥134,038 | ¥131,312 | ¥2,726 | 2.19 | |
| Net interest income | 121,105 | 119,450 | 1,654 | 1.4 | |
| Trading income | 1,339 | | 1,339 | | |
| Net fees and commissions | 11,384 | 11,534 | (150) | (1.3) | |
| Net other operating profits | 209 | 326 | (117) | (35.9) | |
| General and administrative expenses | 90,441 | 88,358 | 2,082 | 2.4 | |
| Net other recurring profits (losses) | (2,597) | (7,284) | 4,686 | 64.3 | |
| Recurring profits | 40,633 | 35,219 | 5,414 | 15.4 | |
| Corporation and inhabitants tax | 25,907 | 14,970 | 10,937 | 73.1 | |
| Net income | 16,398 | 19,898 | (3,500) | (17.6) | |
| Operating profits (losses): | 43,970 | 43,488 | 482 | 1.1 | |
| Domestic banking | 45,743 | 43,504 | 2,239 | 5.1 | |
| International banking | (1,772) | (15) | (1,757) | (11,059.1) | |

Breakdown of Net Interest Margin

| | | Billions of Yer | 1 |
|---|---------|-----------------|------------------------|
| Years ended March 31 | 1998 | 1997 | Increase (Decrease) |
| Interest income | ¥ 234.3 | ¥ 256.9 | ¥(22.6) |
| Average interest-earning assets | 7,248.1 | 7,285.9 | (37.8) |
| Average interest rate of interest-earning assets (%) | 3.23 | 3.52 | (0.29)* |
| Interest expenses (Note) | 113.2 | 137.4 | (24.2) |
| Average interest-bearing liabilities | 7,001.7 | 6,956.0 | 45.6 |
| Average interest rate of interest-bearing liabilities (%) | 1.61 | 1.97 | (0.36)* |
| Net interest income | 121.1 | 119.4 | 1.65 |
| Funding cost (%) | 2.88 | 3.23 | (0.35)* |
| Net interest margin (%) | 0.34 | 0.28 | 0.05* |

*percentage point

Note: "Interest expenses" here excludes interest paid in relation to investment in "Money held in trust." See Note to preceding table.

Net Fees and Commissions

Fee and commission income grew only 1.2%, or \u20e40.1 billion, while fee and commission expenses advanced 7.3%, or ¥0.3 billion. Thus, net fees and commissions edged down slightly, to \\ \text{11.3 billion.}

Trading Income

The trading income account was established in April 1997 in line with the contemporaneous introduction of a market-value-based, fair-value accounting method for trading accounts. The Bank recorded ¥1.3 billion in trading income, which comprised ¥0.8 billion in trading profits and interest receipts from trading account securities as well as ¥0.4 billion in interest receipts from commercial paper and other sources.

Net Other Operating Profits

Other operating profits surged 33.0%, or \(\frac{1}{2}\)3.3 billion, due to gains on foreign exchange transactions and on the sale of government bonds and other bonds. Beginning from the period under review, gains on trading in trading account securities is accounted for in the trading income item. Other operating expenses jumped 35.3%, or ¥3.4 billion. Thus, net other operating profits declined ¥0.1 billion, to ¥0.2 billion.

General and Administrative Expenses

Personnel expenses grew ¥0.7 billion, due to factors including the disbursement of special payments for employee welfare annuities and retirement bonuses. Nonpersonnel expenses advanced ¥1.1 billion, principally because of a rise in payments for the lease of computer equipment and other items. Consequently, general and administrative expenses were up \(\frac{1}{2}\).0 billion, to \(\frac{1}{2}\)90.4 billion.

Net Other Operating Profits

| | | Millions of Yen | | | |
|--|--------|-----------------|------------------------|--|--|
| Years ended March 31 | 1998 | 1997 | Increase (Decrease) | | |
| Other operating profits: | | | | | |
| Gains on foreign exchange transactions | ¥ 951 | ¥ 91 | ¥ 860 | | |
| Gains on trading account securities | | 895 | (895) | | |
| Net profits from bonds: | (744) | (661) | (83) | | |
| Gains on sales of bonds | 11,858 | 8,789 | 3,068 | | |
| Gains on redemption of bonds | 557 | 271 | 286 | | |
| Losses on sales of bonds | 8,576 | 6,874 | 1,701 | | |
| Losses on redemption of bonds | 4,583 | 2,775 | 1,808 | | |
| Losses on devaluation of bonds | | 72 | (72) | | |
| Other | 2 | 1 | O | | |
| Net other operating profits | ¥ 209 | ¥ 326 | ¥ (117) | | |

Net Other Recurring Profits (Losses)

Other recurring profits grew ¥29.0 billion, to ¥38.8 billion, principally as the result of gains on the sale of stocks and other securities.

Based on the Self-Assessment System being adopted by Japanese banks in line with the April 1998 introduction of the principle of Prompt Corrective Action in Japan, the Bank accelerated its efforts to deal with nonperforming assets and increased the value of its additions to the reserve for possible loan losses, primarily additions to the

specific reserve for possible bad debts. In addition, losses on the devaluation of stocks and other securities increased due to the year-to-year drop in stock prices at period-end, and enterprise taxes grew owing to the increase in taxable income, causing total other recurring expenses to rise ¥24.3 billion, to ¥41.4 billion.

Thus, net other recurring profits (losses) amounted to a loss of \(\pm\)2.5 billion, \(\pm\)4.6 billion less than the loss of \(\pm\)7.2 billion in the previous period.

Net Other Recurring Profits (Losses)

| | | Millions of Ye | Yen | |
|--|-----------|----------------|------------------------|--|
| Years ended March 31 | 1998 | 1997 | Increase (Decrease) | |
| Other recurring profits (losses): | | | | |
| Provision for reserve for possible loan losses | ¥25,937 | ¥ 6,725 | ¥19,212 | |
| Loans on written-off claims | 294 | 252 | 42 | |
| Net profits from stocks and other securities: | 29,593 | 4,033 | 25,559 | |
| Gains on sales of stocks and other securities | 36,852 | 8,445 | 28,406 | |
| Losses on sales of stocks and other securities | 234 | 184 | 49 | |
| Losses on devaluation of stocks and other securities | 7,024 | 4,227 | 2,797 | |
| Gains on money held in trust | 375 | 245 | 129 | |
| Losses on devaluation of money held in trust | 23 | 125 | (102) | |
| Enterprise taxes | 7,345 | 4,213 | 3,132 | |
| Other recurring profits | 1,671 | 1,188 | 482 | |
| Other recurring losses | 637 | 1,436 | (799) | |
| Net other recurring profits (losses) | ¥ (2,597) | ¥(7,284) | ¥ 4,686 | |

ASSETS

Total Assets

At the end of the period, total assets amounted to ¥7,783.2 billion, down ¥81.0 billion from the previous fiscal year-end. Although loans and bills discounted and call loans increased, the decline in total assets reflected drops in cash and due from banks as well as in investment securities.

Assets

| | | Billions of Yen | | | |
|---|----------|-----------------|------------------------|--|--|
| March 31 | 1998 | 1997 | Increase (Decrease) | | |
| Assets: | | | | | |
| Cash and due from banks | ¥ 816.1 | ¥1,020.3 | ¥(204.2) | | |
| Call loans | 159.7 | 40.6 | 119.0 | | |
| Monetary claims bought | 85.8 | 138.0 | (52.2) | | |
| Trading assets | 48.8 | | 48.8 | | |
| Trading account securities | | 4.7 | (4.7) | | |
| Money held in trust | 61.0 | 56.0 | 5.0 | | |
| Investment securities | 1,381.6 | 1,570.6 | (189.0) | | |
| Loans and bills discounted | 5,004.1 | 4,774.7 | 229.3 | | |
| Foreign exchanges | 10.4 | 10.4 | 0.0 | | |
| Other assets | 34.1 | 60.2 | (26.1) | | |
| Premises and equipment | 85.6 | 87.5 | (1.9) | | |
| Customers' liabilities for acceptances and guarantees | 95.6 | 100.8 | (5.1) | | |
| Total assets | ¥7,783.2 | ¥7,864.2 | ¥ (81.0) | | |

Loans and Bills Discounted

In addition to maintaining a consistent level of responsiveness to the needs of corporations, individuals, and local public entities, the Bank worked to develop relationships with new customers in its region. As a result, the balances of loans to corporations and individuals both grew, and the total balance of loans and bills discounted at period-end was \\$5,004.1 billion, up \\$229.3 billion.

Securities

Due to factors including the sale of foreign currency denominated securities, which reduced the balance of other securities, the balance of investment securities declined ¥189.0 billion during fiscal 1997 and amounted to ¥1,381.6 billion at period-end. Reflecting the introduction of a market price-based accounting system for trading securities, these securities were accounted for as trading assets.

Investment Securities

| | | of Yen | |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|--|
| March 31 | 1998 | 1997 | |
| National government bonds | ¥ 104.4 | ¥ 95.9 | |
| Local government bonds | 130.5 | 236.9 | |
| Corporate debentures | 540.6 | 461.9 | |
| Corporate stocks | 165.1 | 171.7 | |
| Other securities | 440.7 | 604.0 | |
| Total | ¥1,381.6 | ¥1,570.6 | |

Note: For market value of securities, see Note 23 of notes to non-consolidated financial statements

Premises and Equipment

The value of premises and equipment at fiscal year-end stood at ¥85.6 billion, down ¥1.9 billion. This decrease resulted from depreciation and other factors.

LOAN PORTFOLIO

Loans Outstanding by Type of Borrower

| | Billions of Yen, % Share | | | | |
|---|--------------------------|-------|----------|-------|--|
| March 31 | 1998 | | 1997 | | |
| Domestic branches: | | | | | |
| Manufacturing | ¥1,066.5 | 21.6% | ¥1,021.6 | 21.7% | |
| Agriculture | 11.4 | 0.2 | 11.2 | 0.2 | |
| Forestry | 0.8 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 0.0 | |
| Fishery | 12.0 | 0.3 | 10.3 | 0.2 | |
| Mining | 11.4 | 0.2 | 12.8 | 0.2 | |
| Construction | 335.8 | 6.8 | 320.5 | 6.8 | |
| Utilities | 35.3 | 0.7 | 35.1 | 0.7 | |
| Transportation and communication | 212.0 | 4.3 | 171.9 | 3.7 | |
| Wholesaling and retailing | 766.2 | 15.6 | 767.6 | 16.3 | |
| Finance and security | 276.5 | 5.6 | 215.7 | 4.6 | |
| Real estate | 320.4 | 6.5 | 329.2 | 7.0 | |
| Services | 588.3 | 11.9 | 554.6 | 11.8 | |
| Local governments | 135.0 | 2.8 | 132.7 | 2.8 | |
| Other | 1,158.1 | 23.5 | 1,132.4 | 24.0 | |
| Subtotal | 4,930.2 | 100.0 | 4,717.2 | 100.0 | |
| Overseas branches and offshore account: | | | | | |
| Governments and official institutions | 1.9 | 2.6 | 3.5 | 6.2 | |
| Banks and other financial institutions | 1.0 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 1.7 | |
| Commercial and industrial | 70.9 | 96.0 | 52.9 | 92.1 | |
| Subtotal | 73.9 | 100.0 | 57.4 | 100.0 | |
| Total | ¥5,004.1 | | ¥4,774.7 | | |

Reserve for Possible Loan Losses

The reserve for possible loan losses—the cumulative total of a general reserve for possible loan losses, a specific reserve for possible bad debts, and a reserve for specific foreign credit—grew ¥19.9 billion, to ¥54.6 billion, primarily due to a rise in the specific reserve for possible

bad debts. Of this total, ¥14.8 billion was accounted for in the general reserve for possible loan losses, ¥39.6 billion in the specific reserve for possible bad debts, and ¥0.1 billion in the reserve for specific foreign credit.

Reserve for Possible Loan Losses

| | Millions | of Yen |
|--|----------|---------|
| March 31 | 1998 | 1997 |
| General reserve | ¥14,830 | ¥14,152 |
| Specific reserve | 39,617 | 20,240 |
| Reserve for specific foreign credit | 167 | 247 |
| Total | ¥54,615 | ¥34,640 |
| [Loans on written-off claims for the year] | ¥ [294] | ¥ [252] |

Balance of Specific Foreign Credit

| | Millior | ns of Yen |
|--|------------|------------|
| March 31 | 1998 | 1997 |
| Balance of specific foreign credit: Algeria Honduras | ¥607 30 | ¥587 31 |
| Total | ¥638 | ¥619 |
| (Ratio to total assets) | (0.0%) | (0.0%) |
| Reserve for specific foreign credit | ¥167 | ¥247 |

Note: "Specific foreign credit" here is certain loans to foreign sovereign borrowers on which special reserve is provided for loan loss in accordance with the Standard Rules for Bank Accounting in Japan.

LIABILITIES Deposits

During fiscal 1997, the deposit balance at domestic branches increased ¥151.0 billion, including a ¥305.9 billion rise in the deposit balance of individuals. Reflecting the Bank's emphasis on profitability in its fund procurement activities, deposits at overseas branches and the Tokyo offshore market decreased ¥107.4 billion. The balance of Negotiable Certificates of Deposit (NCDs) increased ¥37.5 billion; consequently, the balance of total deposits at period-end was \(\frac{1}{2}\)6,707.6 billion, up \(\frac{1}{2}\)81.2 billion from the end of fiscal 1996.

Stockholders' Equity

Stockholders' equity grew \(\pm\)2.1 billion, to \(\pm\)469.0 billion, mainly because of a rise in voluntary reserves.

During the period, aiming to improve stockholders' return and other financial indicators, the Bank became the first Japanese bank to use its profits to repurchase and retire its own shares. At the end of the period, the Bank had repurchased 7.2 million of its shares on the open market for ¥9.9 billion. The retirement of these shares reduced the number of outstanding shares to 798,307,069.

Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity

| | | Billions of Yer | า |
|---|----------|-----------------|------------------------|
| March 31 | 1998 | 1997 | Increase (Decrease) |
| Liabilities: | | | |
| Deposits | ¥6,707.6 | ¥6,626.4 | ¥ 81.2 |
| Call money | 333.0 | 474.9 | (141.8) |
| Trading liabilities | 5.5 | | 5.5 |
| Borrowed money | 13.3 | 17.4 | (4.1) |
| Foreign exchanges | 0.2 | 0.5 | (0.2) |
| Convertible bonds | | 0.7 | (0.7) |
| Other liabilities | 89.8 | 125.6 | (35.7) |
| Reserve for possible loan losses | 54.6 | 34.6 | 19.9 |
| Reserve for retirement allowances | 14.1 | 13.9 | 0.1 |
| Reserve for losses on sales of trading account securities | | 2.2 | (2.2) |
| Acceptances and guarantees | 95.6 | 100.8 | (5.1) |
| Stockholders' Equity | 469.0 | 466.9 | 2.1 |
| Total Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity | ¥7,783.2 | ¥7,864.2 | ¥ (81.0) |

Type of Deposits

| | | Billions of Yen, % Share | | | |
|--|---|-------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|--|
| March 31 | 1998 | 3 | 1997 | 7 | |
| Demand deposits Interest-bearing demand deposits Time deposits Other | ¥1,734.8 1,505.8 3,973.1 915.9 | 25.9% 22.4 59.2 13.7 | ¥1,585.2 1,350.1 4,093.9 901.1 | 23.9% 20.3 61.8 13.6 | |
| Subtotal | 6,623.9 | 98.8 | 6,580.3 | 99.3 | |
| Negotiable certificates of deposit | 83.6 | 1.2 | 46.1 | 0.7 | |
| Total | ¥6,707.6 | 100.0% | ¥6,626.4 | 100.0% | |

Financial Index

| Years ended March 31 | 1998 | 1997 | Increase (Decrease) |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|------------------------|
| Per share (Yen): | | | |
| Net income | ¥ 20.38 | ¥ 24.72 | ¥(4.34) |
| Net assets | 587.56 | 580.07 | 7.49 |
| Cash dividends | 6.00 | 6.00 | |
| Dividend payout ratio (%) | 29.34 | 24.26 | 5.08* |
| Return on assets (ROA) (%) (Note 1) | 0.21 | 0.26 | (0.05)* |
| Return on equity (ROE) (%) (Note 2) | 3.53 | 4.43 | (0.90)* |
| Capital adequacy ratio (BIS) (%) | 13.45 | 13.61 | (0.16)* |
| Tier I | 10.80 | 10.46 | 0.34* |

Notes: 1. Net income as a percentage of average balance of assets. Assets exclude customers' liabilities for acceptances and guarantees.

2. Net income as a percentage of average balance of stockholders' equity.

CAPITAL ADEQUACY RATIO

At fiscal year-end, the Bank's capital adequacy ratio, computed according to standards set by the Bank for International Settlements (BIS), stood at 13.45%, one of the highest levels among Japanese banks. The Tier I ratio, which does not encompass unrealized gains on securities, was also high, at 10.80%. These ratios were maintained

without resorting to such steps newly permitted by Japan's Financial System Stabilization Law as the receipt of investments of public funds, the shift to the valuation at cost method for holdings of listed stocks, or the revaluation of land assets.

Capital Adequacy Ratio

| | Billions | of Yen | |
|--|----------|---------|--|
| March 31 | 1998 | 1997 | |
| Tier I | | | |
| Common stockholders' equity | ¥ 497.4 | ¥ 488.4 | |
| Tier II capital included as Tier I | | | |
| Total adjusted Tier I capital | 497.4 | 488.4 | |
| Tier II | | | |
| Unrealized valuation gains on securities, after 55% discount | 106.9 | 132.6 | |
| Reserve for possible loan losses, excluding specific reserve | 14.8 | 14.1 | |
| Others | | | |
| Tier II capital included as Tier I | | | |
| Total adjusted Tier II capital | 121.7 | 146.8 | |
| Tier II capital included as qualifying capital | 121.7 | 146.8 | |
| Tier III (Note 3) | | | |
| Short-term subordinated debt (Capital for covering market risks) | | | |
| Total capital | 619.2 | 635.2 | |
| Total risk-adjusted assets (Note 1, 3) | 4,602.8 | 4,666.3 | |
| Capital adequacy ratio (Note 2) | 13.45% | 13.61% | |

Notes: 1. The ratio of capital to risk-adjusted assets is based on Ministry of Finance guidelines formulated in accordance with the BIS agreement.

2. Capital adequacy ratio is calculated on a consolidated basis

3. Subordinated debt with two or more years remaining to redemption may be counted as Tier III capital for covering market risks. Accompanying the January 1, 1998 introduction of BIS market risk regulations, the Bank has recorded "Quasi-supplementary Items" and "Amounts corresponding to market risk" beginning in the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998.

CREDIT-RELATED FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

| March 31, 1998 | Contract Amount (Billions of Yen) |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| Commitments to extend credit Guarantees | ¥2,305.3 91.7 |
| Total | ¥2,397.0 |

NON-CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

THE SHIZUOKA BANK, LTD. March 31, 1998 and 1997

| | Millions of Yen | | Thousands of U.S. Dollars (Note | |
|--|--|--|---|--|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 | |
| ssets: | | | | |
| Cash and due from banks | ¥ 816,118 | ¥1,020,319 | \$ 6,178,035 | |
| Call loans | 159,757 | 40,668 | 1,209,371 | |
| Monetary claims bought | 85,804 | 138,062 | 649,539 | |
| Trading assets (Note 4) | 48,837 | | 369,698 | |
| Trading account securities (Notes 4 and 23) | | 4,726 | | |
| Money held in trust | 61,009 | 56,009 | 461,842 | |
| Investment securities (Notes 5 and 23) | 1,381,622 | 1,570,632 | 10,458,912 | |
| Loans and bills discounted (Note 6) | 5,004,120 | 4,774,728 | 37,881,304 | |
| Foreign exchanges (Note 7) | 10,496 | 10,474 | 79,461 | |
| Other assets (Note 8) | 34,168 | 60,286 | 258,654 | |
| Premises and equipment (Note 9) | 85,619 | 87,545 | 648,139 | |
| Customers' liabilities for acceptances and guarantees (Note 10) | 95,655 | 100,827 | 724,118 | |
| Total Assets | ¥7,783,209 | ¥7,864,279 | \$58,919,073 | |
| Call money Trading liabilities (Note 4) Borrowed money | 333,053 5,580 | 474,911 | 2,521,225 | |
| Foreign exchanges (Note 7) | 13,348 219 | 17,484 510 | 42,247 101,051 1,664 | |
| Foreign exchanges (Note 7) Convertible bonds (Note 12) | 13,348 219 | 17,484 510 706 | , | |
| | • | 510 | 101,051 | |
| Convertible bonds (Note 12) | 219 | 510 706 | 101,051 1,664 | |
| Convertible bonds (Note 12) Other liabilities (Note 13) | 219 89,873 | 510 706 125,615 | 101,051 1,664 680,343 | |
| Convertible bonds (Note 12) Other liabilities (Note 13) Reserve for possible loan losses | 219 89,873 54,615 | 510 706 125,615 34,640 | 101,051 1,664 680,343 413,437 | |
| Convertible bonds (Note 12) Other liabilities (Note 13) Reserve for possible loan losses Reserve for retirement allowances | 219 89,873 54,615 | 510 706 125,615 34,640 13,949 | 101,051 1,664 680,343 413,437 | |
| Convertible bonds (Note 12) Other liabilities (Note 13) Reserve for possible loan losses Reserve for retirement allowances Reserve for losses on sales of trading account securities | 89,873 54,615 14,129 | 510 706 125,615 34,640 13,949 2,217 | 101,051 1,664 680,343 413,437 106,961 | |
| Convertible bonds (Note 12) Other liabilities (Note 13) Reserve for possible loan losses Reserve for retirement allowances Reserve for losses on sales of trading account securities Acceptances and guarantees (Note 10) Total Liabilities | 219 89,873 54,615 14,129 95,655 | 510 706 125,615 34,640 13,949 2,217 100,827 | 101,051 1,664 680,343 413,437 106,961 724,118 | |
| Convertible bonds (Note 12) Other liabilities (Note 13) Reserve for possible loan losses Reserve for retirement allowances Reserve for losses on sales of trading account securities Acceptances and guarantees (Note 10) Total Liabilities | 219 89,873 54,615 14,129 95,655 | 510 706 125,615 34,640 13,949 2,217 100,827 | 101,051 1,664 680,343 413,437 106,961 724,118 55,368,308 | |
| Convertible bonds (Note 12) Other liabilities (Note 13) Reserve for possible loan losses Reserve for retirement allowances Reserve for losses on sales of trading account securities Acceptances and guarantees (Note 10) Total Liabilities *tockholders' Equity: Common stock (Note 14) | 219 89,873 54,615 14,129 95,655 7,314,153 | 510 706 125,615 34,640 13,949 2,217 100,827 7,397,330 | 101,051 1,664 680,343 413,437 106,961 724,118 55,368,308 | |
| Convertible bonds (Note 12) Other liabilities (Note 13) Reserve for possible loan losses Reserve for retirement allowances Reserve for losses on sales of trading account securities Acceptances and guarantees (Note 10) Total Liabilities *tockholders' Equity: Common stock (Note 14) Capital surplus (Note 14) | 219 89,873 54,615 14,129 95,655 7,314,153 | 510 706 125,615 34,640 13,949 2,217 100,827 7,397,330 | 101,051 1,664 680,343 413,437 106,961 724,118 55,368,308 | |
| Convertible bonds (Note 12) Other liabilities (Note 13) Reserve for possible loan losses Reserve for retirement allowances Reserve for losses on sales of trading account securities Acceptances and guarantees (Note 10) Total Liabilities Stockholders' Equity: Common stock (Note 14) | 219 89,873 54,615 14,129 95,655 7,314,153 90,845 54,884 | 510 706 125,615 34,640 13,949 2,217 100,827 7,397,330 | 101,051 1,664 680,343 413,437 106,961 724,118 55,368,308 | |
| Convertible bonds (Note 12) Other liabilities (Note 13) Reserve for possible loan losses Reserve for retirement allowances Reserve for losses on sales of trading account securities Acceptances and guarantees (Note 10) Total Liabilities Stockholders' Equity: Common stock (Note 14) Capital surplus (Note 14) Legal reserve (Note 15) | 90,845 54,884 90,845 | 510 706 125,615 34,640 13,949 2,217 100,827 7,397,330 90,546 54,585 90,399 | 101,051 1,664 680,343 413,437 106,961 724,118 55,368,308 687,704 415,474 687,704 | |

See notes to non-consolidated financial statements.

NON-CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

THE SHIZUOKA BANK, LTD. Years ended March 31, 1998 and 1997

| | Million | s of Yen | Thousands of U.S. Dollars (Note 2 |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 |
| Income: | | | |
| Interest income: | | | |
| Interest on loans and discounts | ¥130,095 | ¥132,240 | \$ 984,829 |
| Interest and dividends on securities | 65,445 | 79,832 | 495,421 |
| Other interest income (Note 16) | 38,780 | 44,853 | 293,568 |
| Subtotal | 234,321 | 256,926 | 1,773,818 |
| Fees and commissions | 16,374 | 16,186 | 123,957 |
| Trading income | 1,339 | | 10,143 |
| Other operating income (Note 17) | 13,369 | 10,049 | 101,207 |
| Other income (Note 18) | 42,042 | 10,424 | 318,262 |
| Total Income | 307,447 | 293,586 | 2,327,387 |
| Expenses: Interest expense: Interest on deposits Interest on borrowings and rediscounts Other interest expenses (Note 19) | 70,734 10,236 32,610 | 78,952 15,154 43.818 | 535,463 77,493 246,866 |
| Subtotal | 113,582 | 137,925 | 859,822 |
| Fees and commissions | 4,990 | 4,652 | 37,777 |
| Other operating expenses (Note 20) | 13,160 | 9,722 | 99,622 |
| General and administrative expenses (Note 21) | 90,441 | 88,358 | 684,644 |
| Other expenses (Note 22) | 42,968 | 18,059 | 325,272 |
| Total Expenses | 265,142 | 258,718 | 2,007,137 |
| Income before income taxes | 42,305 | 34,868 | 320,250 |
| Income taxes | 25,907 | 14,970 | 196,116 |
| Net Income | ¥ 16,398 | ¥ 19,898 | \$ 124,134 |
| | Y | en | U.S. Dollars (Note 2 |
| Per share: | | | |
| Net income | ¥ 20.38 | ¥ 24.72 | \$ 0.15 |
| Fully diluted net income | 20.38 | 24.71 | 0.15 |
| Cash dividends applicable to the year (Note 26) | 6.00 | 6.00 | 0.04 |

See notes to non-consolidated financial statements.

NON-CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

THE SHIZUOKA BANK, LTD. Years ended March 31, 1998 and 1997

| | | Numb | er of Shares |
|---|---------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | 1998 | 1997 |
| Number of shares (Note 14): | | | |
| Balance at beginning of year | | 804,986,023 | 804,614,58 |
| Shares retired (Note 14) | | (7,226,000) | |
| Conversion of convertible bonds | | 547,046 | 371,43 |
| Balance at End of Year | | 798,307,069 | 804,986,02 |
| | Millions | s of Yen | Thousands of U.S. Dollars (Note 2 |
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 |
| Common stock (Note 14): | | | |
| Balance at beginning of year | ¥ 90,546 | ¥ 90,343 | \$ 685,439 |
| Conversion of convertible bonds | 299 | 203 | 2,265 |
| Balance at End of Year | ¥ 90,845 | ¥ 90,546 | \$ 687,704 |
| | | | |
| Capital surplus (Note 14): | | | |
| Balance at beginning of year | ¥ 54,585 | ¥ 54,382 | \$ 413,213 |
| Conversion of convertible bonds | 298 | 202 | 2,261 |
| Balance at End of Year | ¥ 54,884 | ¥ 54,585 | \$ 415,474 |
| Legal reserve (Note 15): | | | |
| Balance at beginning of year | ¥ 90,399 | ¥ 90,308 | \$ 684,329 |
| Transfer from retained earnings | 445 | 91 | 3,375 |
| Balance at End of Year | ¥ 90,845 | ¥ 90,399 | \$ 687,704 |
| Retained earnings: | | | |
| Balance at beginning of year | ¥231,416 | ¥216,497 | \$1,751,831 |
| Net income | 16,398 | 19,898 | 124,134 |
| Shares retired (Note 14) | (9,997) | (4.007) | (75,678) |
| Cash dividends | (4,831) | (4,827) | (36,575) |
| Bonuses to directors and corporate auditors Transfer to legal reserve | (60) (445) | (60) (91) | (454) (3,375) |
| Balance at End of Year | ¥232,480 | ¥231.416 | \$1,759,883 |
| Dalarice at Elia of Teal | +232,400 | +231,410 | φ1,739,003 |
| Fotal stockholders' equity: | | | |
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15,953

See notes to non-consolidated financial statements.

Balance at End of Year

Balance at beginning of year

Changes during the year, net

NOTES TO NON-CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

THE SHIZUOKA BANK LTD

1 BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared from the accounts maintained by The Shizuoka Bank, Ltd. (the "Bank") in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Japanese Commercial Code (the "Code"), the Securities and Exchange Law of Japan, the Bank Law of Japan and the Standard Rules for Bank Accounting of Japan (the "Standard Rules") and accounting principles and practices generally accepted in Japan which are different in certain respects as to application and disclosure requirements of international accounting standards.

In order to facilitate understanding by readers outside Japan, certain reclassifications and rearrangements have been made to the financial statements submitted to the stockholders in Japan.

The financial statements include only the accounts of the Bank and have not been consolidated with its subsidiaries. Consolidation of the subsidiaries would not have a significant effect on the accompanying financial statements.

The financial statements exclude the statements of cash flows, which are not required as part of the basic financial statements in Japan.

2 YEN AND U.S. DOLLAR AMOUNTS

In accordance with the Bank Law of Japan and the Standard Rules, yen amounts less than one million have been omitted. As a result, the totals in yen shown in the accompanying financial statements and the notes thereto do not necessarily agree with the sum of the individual account balances.

The financial statements are stated in Japanese yen, the currency of the country in which the Bank is incorporated and operated. The translations of Japanese yen amounts into U.S. dollar amounts are included solely for the convenience of readers outside Japan and have been made at the rate of ¥132.10 to \$1, the approximate rate of exchange at March 31, 1998. Such translations should not be construed as representations that the Japanese yen amounts could be converted into U.S. dollars at that or any other rate.

3 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Investment securities:

Securities quoted on stock exchanges (except foreign currency bonds in 1998) are valued at the lower of cost or market value. Securities other than noted above are valued at cost. The cost of securities is computed by the weighted-moving-average method.

For securities included in money held in trust account, the same method mentioned above was applied in accordance with the Standard Rules.

Effective April 1, 1997, the Bank changed its method of valuation of quoted foreign currency bonds, included in investment securities and money held in trust, from the lower of cost or market value to the cost method. The Bank believes that the cost method is more appropriate for reporting the results of its operations, excluding the temporarily declined value of foreign currency bonds which are held for a longer period. The effect of this change was to increase income before income taxes for the year ended March 31, 1998, by ¥23 million (\$174 thousand).

Trading accounts:

Trading accounts securities:

Trading account securities are included in trading assets and stated at market value in 1998 (see "Implementation of mark-to-market accounting for trading purpose transactions"), although they were accounted for in 1997 as follows:

Securities quoted on stock exchanges are valued at the lower of cost or market value. Securities other than noted above are valued at cost. The cost of securities is computed by the weighted-moving-average method.

Implementation of mark-to-market accounting for trading purpose transactions:

Effective April 1, 1997, pursuant to Article 17-2 of the Bank Law, "Transactions for Trading Purposes" (the purpose of seeking to capture gains arising from short-term fluctuations in interest rates, currency exchange rates or market prices of securities and other market-related indices or from gaps among markets) are included in "Trading assets" and "Trading liabilities" on a trade date basis. Trading securities and monetary claims purchased for trading purposes recorded in these accounts are stated at market value and trading-related financial derivatives are at the amounts that would be settled if they were terminated at the end of the fiscal year. As a result, total assets and total liabilities at March 31, 1998 increased by ¥5,384 million (\$40,758 thousand) and ¥5,406 million (\$40,927 thousand) from March 31, 1997, respectively.

Due to the amendment of the regulations for the Bank Law, with respect to the establishment of trading assets and liabilities, the non-consolidated balance sheet presentation has been revised as follows:

- (1) "Trading account securities" are included in "Trading assets." The outstanding balance of bond underwriting for which the offering period has not been completed at the end of the fiscal year is also included in "Trading assets."
- (2) Derivatives associated with trading account securities are included in "Trading assets" or "Trading liabilities." As a result, option premiums on trading account securities, which were previously included in "Other assets" or "Other liabilities," are now included in "Trading assets" and "Trading liabilities."

Premises and equipment:

Premises and equipment are carried at cost, or cost less deferred gain on sales of certain fixed assets permitted under the Corporation Tax Law. Depreciation of premises and equipment is computed using the declining-balance method over the estimated useful lives.

Reserve for possible loan losses:

The amount of the provision for the reserve for possible loan losses is determined based on management's judgement and assessment of future losses based on the self-assessment system. This system reflects past experience of credit losses, possible credit losses, business and economic conditions, the character, quality and performance of the portfolio, and other pertinent indicators.

From the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998, in accordance with the amendment of the Standard Rules, the Bank implemented a self-assessment system for its asset quality. The quality of all loans are assessed by branches and the Credit Supervision Department with a subsequent audit by the Credit Examination Department in accordance with the Bank's policy and rules for self-assessment of asset quality.

The Bank has established a credit rating system under which its customers are classified into five categories. The credit rating system is used for self-assessment of asset quality. All loans are classified into five categories for self-assessment purposes, such as "normal," "caution," "possible bankruptcy," "virtual bankruptcy," and "legal bankruptcy."

The reserve for possible loan losses is calculated based on the specific actual past loss ratio for normal and caution categories, and the fair value of the collateral for collateral-dependent loans and other factors of solvency including the value of future cash flows for other self-assessment categories.

Prior to the fiscal year ended March 31, 1997, the reserve for possible loan losses of the Bank comprised three categories of reserves. A general reserve was established based on a fixed percentage (0.3 percent) of certain outstanding loans as specified by Japanese tax regulations and the Standard Rules. Secondly, further provisions were made of the specific loans based on management's evaluation of the status of such loans. Thirdly, the Standard Rules provided that a reserve be provided for possible loan losses relating to restructuring countries. This provision as of March 31, 1997, was made at 40 percent of the related loans.

- (3) Trading-related financial derivatives (other than those related to securities) are included in "Trading assets" or "Trading liabilities." As a result, premiums on interest rate options for trading purposes which were previously included in "Other assets" or "Other liabilities" are now included in "Trading assets" or "Trading liabilities."
- (4) "Commercial paper" which is held for trading purposes is included in "Trading assets."

Profits and losses on transactions for trading purposes are shown as "Trading income (losses)" on a trade date basis.

Due to the amendment of the regulations for the Bank Law, with respect to the establishment of trading accounts, the non-consolidated statement of income presentation has been revised as follows:

- (1) Gains or losses on trading securities, which were previously included in "Other operating income" or "Other operating expenses," are included in "Trading income (losses)" together with the related evaluation profit or loss, interests on trading account securities, which were previously included in "Interest income" or "Interest expenses," the securities transaction tax and the exchange tax on trading securities, which were previously included in "General and administrative expenses," and underwriting fees on trading securities which were previously included in "Fees and commissions."
- (2) Interest received or paid on interest rate swaps and other interest received or paid on trading-related financial derivatives, which were previously included in "Interest income" or "Interest expenses" are now included in "Trading income (losses)" together with the related evaluation profit or loss and the exchange tax on trading-related financial derivatives, which were previously included in "General and administrative expenses."
- (3) Interest on commercial paper for trading purposes, which was previously included in "Interest income," is included in "Trading income (losses)" together with the related evaluation profit or loss.

As a result of these changes, the following accounts for the year ended March 31, 1998 were affected:

| Interest Income | decreased by | ¥6,903 million |
|--------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Trading Income | increased by | ¥1,339 million |
| Total Income | decreased by | ¥6,316 million |
| Interest Expenses | decreased by | ¥6,225 million |
| Total Expenses | decreased by | ¥6,225 million |
| Loss before Income Taxes | decreased by | ¥ 22 million |

Reserve for retirement allowance and pension plans:

The Bank has two plans for retirement benefits covering substantially all of its employees.

Initially, the Bank established an unfunded lump-sum retirement allowance plan on which an accrual has been recorded annually to reflect the retirement allowance that would become payable should all employees retire on a voluntary basis at each balance sheet date.

In addition, the Bank has a contributory funded pension plan and a non-contributory funded pension plan covering substantially all of its employees, which generally provide for an annuity payable for life upon retirement. The unfunded actuarial present values of past service costs for the pension plans, estimated to be ¥1,606 million (\$12,150 thousand) and ¥1,244 million at March 31, 1998 and 1997, respectively, are amortized over 9 years and charged to income when paid.

Expenses for the unfunded lump-sum and the funded pension plans in 1998 and 1997 amounted to ¥3.994 million (\$30.237 thousand) and ¥3,147 million, respectively.

Reserve for losses on sales of trading account securities:

Prior to March 31, 1997, a reserve for possible securities losses had been provided as a special reserve at 10 percent of the gain during the year from bond dealing in accordance with the provisions of the Standard Rules. In the event of a loss during the year from bond dealing, the reserve was reduced by 40 percent of the loss and the amount was required to be credited to income.

Effective the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998, as the Standard Rules were amended, the Bank abolished the reserve for losses on sales of trading account securities, and reversed all of the amount of a reserve for losses on sales of trading account securities as of April 1, 1997. The effect of this change was to increase income before income taxes for the year ended March 31, 1998 by ¥2,216 million (\$16,782 thousand).

Leases:

All leases are accounted for as operating leases. Under new Japanese accounting standards for leases, finance leases that do not transfer ownership of the leased property to the lessee are permitted to be accounted for as rental transactions if certain "as if capitalized" information is disclosed in the notes to the lessee's non-consolidated financial statements.

Foreign currency items:

Assets and liabilities which are payable or receivable in foreign currencies are converted into Japanese yen at the rates prevailing at each balance sheet date.

Income taxes:

An accrual has been recorded for national corporate tax, local inhabitants and enterprise taxes currently payable, based on the taxable income for the year. The enterprise tax is charged to general and administrative expenses. The tax effect of temporary differences between financial and tax reporting has not been recognized in the financial statements.

Per share information:

Net income per share is computed based on the weighted average number of shares outstanding during each year.

Diluted net income per share of common stock assumes full conversion of the outstanding convertible bonds at the beginning of the year (or at the time of issuance) with an applicable adjustment for related interest expense and net of tax.

Cash dividends per share represent actual dividends applicable to earnings for each period.

4 TRADING ACCOUNTS

Trading accounts at March 31, 1998 and 1997 consisted of the following. In 1997, amounts were included in separate accounts as "Notes":

(a) Trading assets:

| | Millions | Millions of Yen | |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 |
| Trading securities: National government bonds Local government bonds Government guaranteed bonds | ¥ 9,766 34 0 | (Note 1) | \$ 73,931 262 1 |
| Subtotal | 9,801 | | 74,194 |
| Financial derivatives: Option premium Other (Note 5) Subtotal | 294 5,266 5,560 | (Note 2) | 2,226 39,869 42,095 |
| Other trading assets: Commercial paper Other (Note 5) | 33,416 58 | (Note 3) | 252,965 444 |
| Subtotal | 33,475 | | 253,409 |
| Total | ¥48,837 | | \$369,698 |

(b) Trading liabilities:

| | Millions o | Millions of Yen | |
|---|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 |
| Derivative trading securities Financial derivatives: | ¥ 11 | | \$ 88 |
| Option premium Other (Note 5) | 295 5,273 | (Note 4) | 2,235 39,924 |
| Total | ¥5,580 | | \$42,159 |

Notes: 1. In 1997, ¥4,726 million was included in "Trading account securities."

- 2. In 1997, ¥2,726 million (including banking transactions) was included in "Other assets."
- In 1998, Option premium of ¥2,114 million (US\$16,008 thousand) as banking transactions is included in "Other assets."
- 3. In 1997, \pm 40,000 million was included in "Monetary claims bought."
- 4. In 1997, ¥381 million (including banking transactions) was included in "Other liabilities."
 - In 1998, there is no balance of Option premium as banking transactions.
- 5. Other on the assets and liabilities sides represents unrealized gains and losses, respectively.

5 INVESTMENT SECURITIES

Investment securities at March 31, 1998 and 1997 consisted of the following:

| | Millions of Yen | | | Thousands of U.S. Dollars | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|-----|---------|---------------------------|-----------|
| | 1998 | | 1997 | | 1998 |
| National government bonds | ¥ 104,432 | ¥ | 95,967 | \$ | 790,555 |
| Local government bonds | 130,579 | | 236,932 | | 988,492 |
| Corporate debentures | 540,699 | | 461,954 | | 4,093,108 |
| Corporate stocks | 165,118 | | 171,705 | | 1,249,949 |
| Other securities | 440,792 | | 604,071 | | 3,336,808 |
| Total | ¥1,381,622 | ¥1, | 570,632 | \$10 | 0,458,912 |

Note: Corporate stocks and other securities include ¥7,770 million in shares of subsidiaries.

6 LOANS AND BILLS DISCOUNTED

Loans and bills discounted at March 31, 1998 and 1997 consisted of the following:

| | Millions | Millions of Yen | |
|--|--|--|--|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 |
| Bills discounted Loans on bills Loans on deeds Overdrafts | ¥ 204,621 627,103 2,967,357 1,205,038 | ¥ 215,487 622,028 2,908,776 1,028,436 | \$ 1,548,989 4,747,184 22,462,963 9,122,168 |
| Total | ¥5,004,120 | ¥4,774,728 | \$37,881,304 |

In accordance with the Standard Rules, claims in bankruptcy, representing loans receivable on which no interest is accrued, are included in loans and bills discounted and at March 31, 1998 amounted to ¥25,915 million (\$196,177 thousand) and ¥26,395 million (\$199,811 thousand), respectively.

Of total loans, restructured loans amounted to ¥4,756 million (\$36,009 thousand) at March 31, 1998. Restructured loans designed to assist in the recovery of the financial health of debtors are loans for which interest rates have been reduced from the rate of the original loan agreement to levels below the official discount rate; loans for which a profit margin has not been maintained; and nonaccrual loans for which interest payments are exempted.

(Reference)

| 1. Value of three month past due loans (unaudited) | (¥ million) |
|--|-------------|
| Period | Value |
| March 31, 1998 | 2,920 |

Note: Three month past due loans include loans for which payments of principal or interest are delinquent by three months or more, as calculated from the day following the contracted payment date, but do not include Loans to bankrupt borrowers or Past due loans.

| 2. Value of loans with relaxed conditions (unaudited) | (¥ million) |
|---|-------------|
| Period | Value |
| March 31, 1998 | 79,209 |

Note: Loans with relaxed conditions include loans for which certain conditions have been relaxed for the benefit of the borrower (through means such as the reduction or elimination of interest payments, the deferral of principal repayments, and the abandonment of a portion of assets) with the goal of supporting the recuperation of borrowers that have fallen into financial difficulties and thereby promoting the recovery of the loan. Loans with relaxed conditions include loans in the previous Restructured loans and Loans for management support categories.

7 FOREIGN EXCHANGES

Foreign exchange assets and liabilities at March 31, 1998 and 1997 consisted of the following:

(a) Assets

| | Millions | Millions of Yen | |
|-----------------------------------|----------|-----------------|----------|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 |
| Due from foreign banks | ¥ 1,053 | ¥ 1,034 | \$ 7,972 |
| Foreign exchange bills bought | 1,461 | 1,685 | 11,063 |
| Foreign exchange bills receivable | 7,982 | 7,754 | 60,426 |
| Total | ¥10,496 | ¥10,474 | \$79,461 |

(b) Liabilities

| | Millions o | Millions of Yen | |
|---|-----------------|-------------------|----------------------|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 |
| Due to foreign banks Foreign exchange bills sold Foreign exchange bills payable | ¥ 7 206 5 | ¥ 17 472 21 | \$ 55 1,566 42 |
| Total | ¥219 | ¥510 | \$1,664 |

8 OTHER ASSETS

Other assets at March 31, 1998 and 1997 consisted of the following:

| | Millions | Millions of Yen | |
|------------------|----------|-----------------|-----------|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 |
| Accrued income | ¥23,972 | ¥31,131 | \$181,472 |
| Prepaid expenses | 109 | 200 | 831 |
| Others | 10,085 | 28,955 | 76,351 |
| Total | ¥34,168 | ¥60,286 | \$258,654 |

9 PREMISES AND EQUIPMENT

Premises and equipment at March 31, 1998 and 1997 consisted of the following:

| | Million: | s of Yen | Thousands of U.S. Dollars | |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|---------------------------|--|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 | |
| Land | ¥30,096 | ¥30,676 | \$227,833 | |
| Buildings | 39,974 | 43,669 | 302,608 | |
| Equipment | 11,518 | 10,769 | 87,198 | |
| Construction in progress | 1,750 | 67 | 13,249 | |
| Guarantee deposits on office space | 2,278 | 2,362 | 17,251 | |
| Total | ¥85,619 | ¥87,545 | \$648,139 | |

Premises and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation of ¥85,691 million (\$648,688 thousand) and ¥82,492 million in 1998 and 1997, respectively.

© CUSTOMERS' LIABILITIES FOR ACCEPTANCES AND GUARANTEES

All contingent liabilities for acceptances and guarantees are recorded and reflected in acceptances and guarantees. Correspondingly, customers' liabilities for acceptances and guarantees have been

recorded and reflected as assets in the balance sheets representing the Bank's right of indemnity from the applicant.

11 DEPOSITS

Deposits at March 31, 1998 and 1997 consisted of the following:

| | Millions of Yen | | Thousands of U.S. Dollars | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|------------|---------------------------|--|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 | |
| Current deposits | ¥ 229,054 | ¥ 235,052 | \$ 1,733,945 | |
| Savings deposits | 1,459,283 | 1,299,325 | 11,046,811 | |
| Deposits at notice | 46,525 | 50,855 | 352,202 | |
| Time deposits | 3,973,148 | 4,093,932 | 30,076,828 | |
| Negotiable certificates of deposit | 83,694 | 46,123 | 633,572 | |
| Other | 915,968 | 901,178 | 6,933,904 | |
| Total | ¥6,707,676 | ¥6,626,467 | \$50,777,262 | |

12 CONVERTIBLE BONDS

Convertible bonds at March 31, 1998 and 1997 consisted of the following:

| | Millions | of Yen | Thousands of U.S. Dollars | |
|--|----------|------------------|---------------------------|--|
| | 1998 | 1998 1997 | 1998 | |
| 1.6 percent unsecured convertible bonds, due July 1997 | 1,189 | ¥706 | 13,307 | |

13 OTHER LIABILITIES

Other liabilities at March 31, 1998 and 1997 consisted of the following:

| | Millior | Millions of Yen | |
|-------------------------|---------|-----------------|-----------|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 |
| Income tax payable | ¥23,524 | ¥ 12,516 | \$178,084 |
| Accrued expenses | 32,465 | 49,137 | 245,768 |
| Deposits from employees | 4,454 | 4,385 | 33,724 |
| Unearned income | 4,217 | 4,152 | 31,926 |
| Other | 25,210 | 55,423 | 190,841 |
| Total | ¥89,873 | ¥125,615 | \$680,343 |

14 COMMON STOCK

(a) Common stock is represented as follows:

(i) Par value: ¥50 per share

(ii) Authorized: 2,492,774,000 shares in 1998

2,500,000,000 shares in 1997

(iii) Issued and outstanding: 798,307,069 shares in 1998

804,986,023 shares in 1997

(b) New shares issued during the year per conversion of convertible bonds consisted of the following:

| | Number of Shares | Millions of Yen | Thousands of U.S. Dollars |
|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Shares issued | 547,046 | | |
| Common stock | | ¥299 | \$2,265 |
| Capital surplus | | 298 | 2,261 |

(c) 7,226,000 shares (¥9,997 million) of common stock have been retired in the fiscal year ended March 31, 1998.

In accordance with the provisions of the Code, at least 50 percent of the issue price of new shares, with a minimum of the par value, is to be designated as stated capital. The portion which is to be designated as stated capital is determined by resolution of the Board of Directors. Proceeds in excess of amounts designated as stated capital are credited to capital surplus.

15 LEGAL RESERVE

Under the Bank Law of Japan, the Bank is required to appropriate as a legal reserve a portion of retained earnings in an amount equal to at least 20 percent of cash payments, including dividends and officers' bonuses, in each financial period, until the reserve equals 100 percent of the Bank's common stock. This reserve is not available for dividends but may be used to reduce a deficit by resolution of the stockholders or transferred to the stated capital by resolution of the Board of Directors.

The Code permits, upon approval of the Board of Directors, the transfer of amounts from capital surplus to the common stock account.

The Code permits, upon approval of the stockholders, the transfer of a portion of unappropriated retained earnings available for dividends to the common stock account.

The Code permits the amount available for dividends to be appropriated for the retirement of stock on condition that it is stated in the articles of association of the Bank.

Cash dividends for a fiscal year must be approved by the stockholders at an annual meeting to be held subsequent to the year-end, while interim dividends may be paid after the half-year-end upon resolution of the Board of Directors subject to limitations imposed by the Code.

16 OTHER INTEREST INCOME

Other interest income for the years ended March 31, 1998 and 1997 consisted of the following:

| | Millions | Millions of Yen | |
|-----------------------------|----------|-----------------|-----------|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 |
| Interest on deposited money | ¥21,020 | ¥12,310 | \$159,129 |
| Interest on interest swaps | 2,251 | 9,209 | 17,044 |
| Other | 15,507 | 23,333 | 117,395 |
| Total | ¥38,780 | ¥44,853 | \$293,568 |

17 OTHER OPERATING INCOME

Other operating income for the years ended March 31, 1998 and 1997 consisted of the following:

| | Millions | Millions of Yen | |
|--|----------|-----------------|-----------|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 |
| Gains on foreign exchange transactions | ¥ 951 | ¥ 91 | \$ 7,204 |
| Gains on trading account securities | | 895 | |
| Gains on sales of bonds | 11,858 | 8,789 | 89,765 |
| Gains on redemption of bonds | 557 | 271 | 4,221 |
| Other | 2 | 1 | 17 |
| Total | ¥13,369 | ¥10,049 | \$101,207 |

18 OTHER INCOME

Other income for the years ended March 31, 1998 and 1997 consisted of the following:

| | Millions of Yen | | Thousands of U.S. Dollars | |
|---|-----------------|---------|---------------------------|--|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 | |
| Gains on sales of stocks and other securities | ¥36,852 | ¥ 8,445 | \$278,971 | |
| Gains on money held in trust | 375 | 245 | 2,840 | |
| Other | 4,815 | 1,732 | 36,451 | |
| Total | ¥42,042 | ¥10,424 | \$318,262 | |

19 OTHER INTEREST EXPENSES

Other interest expenses for the years ended March 31, 1998 and 1997 consisted of the following:

| | Millions of | Millions of Yen | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 |
| Interest on convertible bonds | ¥ 0 | ¥ 13 | \$ 4 |
| Interest on interest rate swaps | 12,588 | 22,131 | 95,295 |
| Other | 20,021 | 21,673 | 151,567 |
| Total | ¥32,610 | ¥43,818 | \$246,866 |

20 OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

Other operating expenses for the years ended March 31, 1998 and 1997 consisted of the following:

| | Millions | Millions of Yen | |
|--------------------------------|----------|-----------------|----------|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 |
| Losses on sales of bonds | ¥ 8,576 | ¥6,874 | \$64,922 |
| Losses on redemption of bonds | 4,583 | 2,775 | 34,700 |
| Losses on devaluation of bonds | | 72 | |
| Total | ¥13,160 | ¥9,722 | \$99,622 |

3 GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

General and administrative expenses for the years ended March 31, 1998 and 1997 consisted of the following:

| | Millions of Yen | | Thousands of U.S. Dollars | |
|-------------------------|-----------------|---------|---------------------------|--|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 | |
| Salaries and allowances | ¥38,090 | ¥38,699 | \$288,349 | |
| Depreciation | 9,222 | 9,224 | 69,813 | |
| Taxes | 4,715 | 4,594 | 35,696 | |
| Other | 38,412 | 35,840 | 290,786 | |
| Total | ¥90,441 | ¥88,358 | \$684,644 | |

22 OTHER EXPENSES

Other expenses for the years ended March 31, 1998 and 1997 consisted of the following:

| | Millions of Yen | | Thousands of U.S. Dollars | |
|--|-----------------|---------|---------------------------|--|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 | |
| Provision for reserve for possible loan losses | ¥25,937 | ¥ 6,725 | \$196,349 | |
| Loans on written-off claims | 294 | 252 | 2,231 | |
| Losses on sales of stocks and other securities | 234 | 184 | 1,774 | |
| Losses on devaluation of stocks and other securities | 7,024 | 4,227 | 53,175 | |
| Losses on devaluation of money held in trust | 23 | 125 | 175 | |
| Enterprise taxes | 7,345 | 4,213 | 55,602 | |
| Losses on disposition of premises and equipment | 1,471 | 804 | 11,142 | |
| Other | 637 | 1,525 | 4,824 | |
| Total | ¥42,968 | ¥18,059 | \$325,272 | |

23 BOOK VALUE AND MARKET VALUE INFORMATION

Book Value and Market Value of Securities

| | | Millions of Yen | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|-----------------|----------|--------------|----------|---|--|
| | Book Value | | Marke | Market Value | | Difference between Market Value and Book Value | |
| Listed Securities | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 | 1997 | |
| Trading Account Securities: | | | | | | | |
| Bonds | | ¥ 43 | | ¥ 43 | | ¥ 0 | |
| Investment Securities: | | | | | | | |
| Bonds | ¥ 75,348 | 70,003 | ¥ 87,843 | 82,429 | ¥ 12,495 | 12,426 | |
| Corporate stocks | 151,082 | 157,975 | 376,036 | 439,768 | 224,953 | 281,793 | |
| Other | 89,023 | 284,589 | 89,217 | 284,753 | 194 | 163 | |
| Total (Investment Securities) | 315,453 | 512,567 | 553,097 | 806,950 | 237,643 | 294,383 | |
| Total (Listed Securities) | ¥315,453 | ¥512,610 | ¥553,097 | ¥806,994 | ¥237,643 | ¥294,383 | |

- Notes: 1. The trading account securities and investment securities included in this table are listed securities. The bonds include national government and local government bonds as well as corporate bonds. The market price for listed securities is primarily based on the ending price on the Tokyo Stock Exchange.
 - 2. "Other" refers mainly to foreign securities.
 - 3. For unlisted securities, the appropriate market price can be calculated as detailed below.
 - 4. In accordance with the amendment to the Bank Law of Japan and related regulations, which came into effect on April 1, 1997, the fair value accounting method has been adopted, and "Trading account securities" has been transferred to "Trading assets" in the balance sheets.

| Unlisted Securities | | Millions of Yen | | | | | |
|--|----------|-----------------|----------|--------------|---------|---|--|
| (for which an equivalent market price can be calculated) | Book | Book Value | | Market Value | | Difference between Market Value and Book Value | |
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 | 1997 | |
| Trading Account Securities: | | | | | | | |
| Bonds | | ¥ 2,529 | | ¥ 2,543 | | ¥ 13 | |
| Investment Securities: | | | | | | | |
| Bonds | ¥633,317 | 444,559 | ¥680,148 | 487,285 | ¥46,831 | 42,726 | |
| Corporate stocks | 7,660 | 7,357 | 5,158 | 7,854 | (2,502) | 497 | |
| Other | 200 | 2,117 | 311 | 1,122 | 110 | (994) | |
| Total (Investment Securities) | 641,178 | 454,034 | 685,618 | 496,263 | 44,439 | 42,229 | |
| Total (Listed Securities) | ¥641,178 | ¥456,564 | ¥685,618 | ¥498,806 | ¥44,439 | ¥42,242 | |

- Notes: 1. The appropriate market value for unlisted securities, in the case of over-the-counter market securities, is determined according to prices announced by the Japan Securities

 Dealers Association; for public bonds, according to prices calculated based on index yields published in an over-the-counter bond standards quote list announced by the Japan

 Securities Dealers Association; and for investment certificates of securities investment trusts, according to the standard price. "Other" refers mainly to beneficiary certificates of
 securities investment trusts.
 - 2. In accordance with the amendment to the Bank Law of Japan and related regulations, which came into effect on April 1, 1997, the fair value accounting method has been adopted, and "Trading account securities" has been transferred to "Trading assets" in the balance sheets.

| | Millions | of Yen |
|---|----------|---------|
| | Book | /alue |
| Primary Securities Excluded from "Market Value of Securities" | 1998 | 1997 |
| Trading Account Securities: | | |
| Unlisted domestic bonds other than public issues | | ¥ 999 |
| Unlisted bonds—Public issues due in one year or less | | 1,154 |
| Investment Securities: | | |
| Unlisted domestic bonds other than public issues | ¥ 28,518 | 240,378 |
| Unlisted bonds—Public issues due in one year or less | 42,602 | 43,815 |
| Unlisted bonds other than domestic issues | 337,897 | 304,700 |
| Unlisted corporate stocks of affiliated companies | 7,770 | 7,285 |
| Beneficiary certificates held in investment trusts before | | |
| the enactment of legislation allowing banks to participate | | |
| in securities business | 1,000 | 500 |



Transactions handled:

The Bank engages in various types of derivatives transactions. Interest rate-related transactions cover interest rate futures, swaps, options, floors and caps. Currency-related transactions cover currency swaps, futures, options and forward exchange contracts. Stock-related transactions cover stock index futures. Bond-related transactions cover bond futures, futures options and over-the-counter options.

Transaction policy:

The Bank engages in derivatives transactions to meet the currencyand interest rate-related risk-hedging needs of customers, and also to follow Asset-Liability Management (ALM) designed to ensure effective management of its own market risk. In addition, the Bank maintains set positions, losses and other limits covering its own short-term derivatives

It is the Bank's policy not to engage in highly complex or speculative transactions.

Objective:

Responding to the risk-hedging needs of customers, the Bank engages in currency swaps and options transactions as hedges against currency movement risks, and handles the interest rate swaps, futures and other transactions as hedges against interest rate fluctuations.

To hedge against asset-liability risk, the Bank engages in interest rate swaps transactions, which protect against hikes in rates for fixedrate loans and declines in rates for time deposits. The Bank also deals in caps transactions as hedges against hikes in interest rates for its capped-rate housing loans and other products. Furthermore, to hedge against interest rate and currency fluctuations pertaining to its own securities investments, the Bank engages in interest rate and currency swaps transactions.

In relation to derivatives trading, the Bank engages in such transactions as interest rate futures and bond futures. Such transactions are conducted on a short-term basis and are intended to generate

Contract or Notional Amount of Derivatives

| | Millions of Yen |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| March 31 | 1998 |
| Listed | |
| Interest rate futures | ¥ 44,796 |
| Over-the-Counter | |
| Interest rate swaps | 595,378 |
| Currency swaps | 957,072 |
| Other | 116,810 |

- Notes: 1. Forward exchange and currency option contracted amounts are reflected in the non-consolidated statements of income and are not subject to the disclosure of the above information
 - 2. The contract or notional amounts of derivatives shown in the above table do not represent the amounts exchanged by the parties and do not measure the Bank's exposure to credit or market risk.
 - 3. Credit risk equivalent amounts computed according to BIS standards were ¥27.8 billion by the current-exposure method at fiscal year-end.
 - 4. Excess of current market value over contract value of derivatives: ¥(22,630) million (interest rate transactions: ¥(22,630) million).
 - 5. Please refer to pages 5, 6 and 7 for information on the Bank's risk management policy.

25 LEASES

Lease payments under finance leases for the years ended March 31, 1998 and 1997 were ¥1,012 million (\$7,663 thousand) and ¥242 million, respectively.

Pro forma information of leased property such as acquisition cost, accumulated depreciation, obligations under finance leases, depreciation expense and interest expense of finance leases that do not transfer ownership of the leased property to the lessee on an "as if capitalized" basis for the year ended March 31, 1998 and 1997 was as follows:

| For the year ended March 31 Equipment | Millions o | Millions of Yen | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------|--|
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 | |
| Acquisition cost Accumulated depreciation | ¥6,723 1,266 | ¥2,363 370 | \$50,897 9,585 | |
| Net leased property | ¥5,457 | ¥1,992 | \$41,312 | |
| Obligations under finance leases: | | | | |
| For the year ended March 31 Equipment | Millions o | of Yen | Thousands of U.S. Dollars | |
| | 1998 | 1997 | 1998 | |
| Due within one year Due after one year | ¥1,066 4,473 | ¥ 380 1,635 | \$ 8,076 33,864 | |
| Total | ¥5,540 | ¥2,016 | \$41,940 | |

Depreciation expense and interest expense, which are not reflected in the accompanying non-consolidated statements of income, computed by the straight-line method and the interest method were ¥895 million

(\$6,779 thousand) and ¥175 million (\$1,332 thousand) for the year ended March 31, 1998 and ¥236 million and ¥44 million for the year ended March 31, 1997, respectively.

26 SUBSEQUENT EVENT

The following appropriations of retained earnings were authorized at the general stockholders' meeting held on June 25, 1998:

| | Millions of Yen | Thousands of U.S. Dollars |
|---|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Cash dividends, ¥3 (\$0.02) per share | ¥2,394 | \$18,129 |
| Bonuses to directors and corporate auditors | 45 | 341 |
| Total | ¥2,439 | \$18,470 |

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To the Board of Directors of The Shizuoka Bank, Ltd.

We have examined the non-consolidated balance sheets of The Shizuoka Bank, Ltd. as of March 31, 1998 and 1997, and the related non-consolidated statements of income and stockholders' equity for the years then ended, all expressed in Japanese yen. Our examinations were made in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in Japan and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

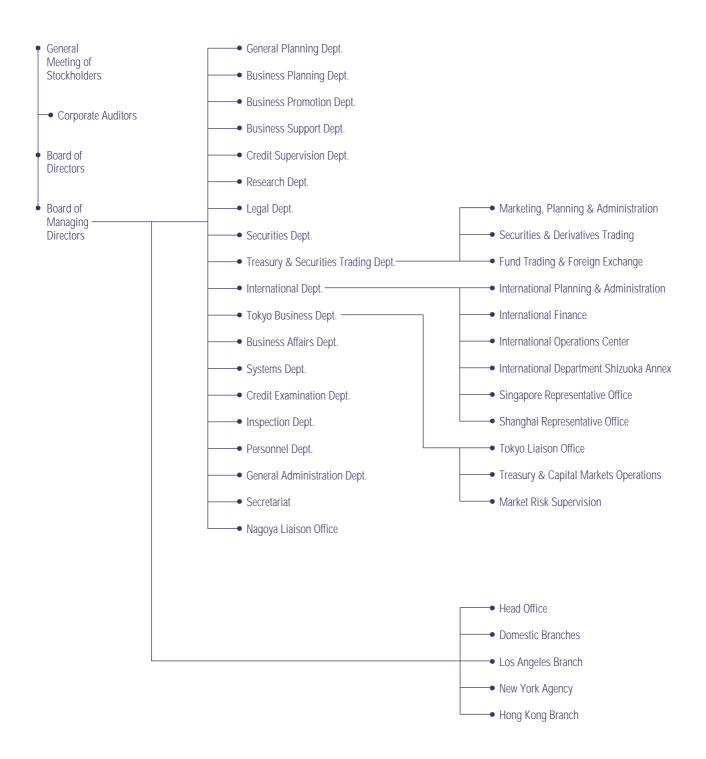
In our opinion, the non-consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly the financial position of The Shizuoka Bank, Ltd. as of March 31, 1998 and 1997, and the results of its operations for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan applied on a consistent basis.

Our examinations also comprehended the translation of Japanese yen amounts into U.S. dollar amounts and, in our opinion, such translation has been made in conformity with the basis stated in Note 2. Such U.S. dollar amounts are presented solely for the convenience of readers outside Japan.

June 26, 1998

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(As of June 1998)

DOMESTIC: 194 branches (including 14 subbranches)

(As of June 1998)

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International Department and 5 branches

Kanagawa 11 branches

Shizuoka Head Office and 164 branches

Aichi 11 branches

Osaka 2 branches

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NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

(As of March 31, 1998) 4.688

DATE OF ESTABLISHMENT

March 1, 1943

SHIZUOKA BANK GROUP

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Guarantee of housing loans, etc.

SHIZUGIN DC CARD CO., LTD.

Credit card and quarantee of consumer loans

SHIZUGIN LEASE CO., LTD.

Leasing; Factoring services

SHIZUOKA COMPUTER SERVICE CO., LTD.

Computerized accounting services

SHIZUOKA CAPITAL CO., LTD.

Public offering assistance; M&A consulting services

SHIZUGIN ASSETS MANAGEMENT CO., LTD.

Securities investment advisory services

SHIZUGIN INFORMATION SYSTEM CO., LTD.

Software development and sales

SHIZUGIN BUSINESS SERVICE CO., LTD.

Cash dispenser and ATM management and settlement services

SHIZUGIN GENERAL SERVICE CO., LTD.

Part-time employee management; Inventory management

SHIZUGIN SHIZUURA AGENCY CO., LTD.

Banking services

SHIZUOKA MORTGAGE SERVICE CO., LTD.

Appraisal of real estate for loan collateral: Real estate research; Arrangement of fire insurance

SHIZUGIN BUILDING MAINTENANCE CO., LTD.

Building maintenance services; Concert hall and art gallery operation

SHIZUOKA ASSETS ADMINISTRATION CO., LTD.

Acquisition by auction of real estate held as collateral by the Bank; Disposal, leasing and sale of such assets

SHIZUGIN JITOGATA AGENCY CO., LTD.

Banking services

SHIZUOKA ECONOMIC RESEARCH INSTITUTE

Provision of regional and business information; Contracted market research; Dispatch of instructors

SHIZUOKA FINANCE (H.K.) LIMITED

Finance- and securities-related services

SHIZUOKA BANK (EUROPE) S.A.

Finance- and securities-related services

INVESTOR INFORMATION

THE SHIZUOKA BANK, LTD.

STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY (As of March 31, 1998)

| Common stock | ¥ 90,845 million |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| Capital surplus | ¥ 54,884 million |
| Legal reserve | ¥ 90,845 million |
| Retained earnings | ¥232,480 million |
| Total stockholders' equity | ¥469,056 million |
| | |

NUMBER OF SHARES (As of March 31, 1998)

| Authorized | 2,492,774,000 shares |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| Issued and Outstanding | 798,307,069 shares |

NUMBER OF STOCKHOLDERS (As of March 31, 1998)

19,118

STOCK LISTING

First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange

PRINCIPAL STOCKHOLDERS

The 10 largest stockholders of the Bank and their respective stockholdings at March 31, 1998, were as follows:

| | Number of Shares in Thousands | Percentage of Total Shares Outstanding |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|
| The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi, Ltd. | 31,584 | 3.95% |
| The Meiji Mutual Life Insurance Company | 29,117 | 3.64 |
| Sumitomo Life Insurance Company | 26,932 | 3.37 |
| Nippon Life Insurance Company | 23,101 | 2.89 |
| The Yasuda Mutual Life Insurance Company | 21,309 | 2.66 |
| The Tokio Marine & Fire Insurance Company, Limited | 18,027 | 2.25 |
| The Nisshin Fire and Marine Insurance Company, Limited | 17,931 | 2.24 |
| The Industrial Bank of Japan, Limited | 16,604 | 2.08 |
| The Sumitomo Trust & Banking Co., Ltd. | 16,067 | 2.01 |
| The Chiyoda Mutual Life Insurance Company | 15,097 | 1.89 |
| Total | 215,774 | 27.02% |

Note: The above includes 14,371 thousand shares held in trust by The Sumitomo Trust & Banking Co., Ltd.

8,025

STOCK PRICE, TURNOVER

Month
High
Low
Turnover

(thousands of shares)

Annual high/low stock price (five years)

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(Yen)

142,323

| Years ended March 31 | 1994 | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| High | 1,550 | 1,490 | 1,430 | 1,450 | 1,510 |
| Low | 1,200 | 930 | 989 | 985 | 1,030 |

Monthly high/low stock price, turnover (six months)

8,135

| Oct. 1997 | Nov. 1997 | Dec. 1997 | Jan. 1998 | Feb. 1998 | Mar. 1998 |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1,290 | 1,250 | 1,410 | 1,510 | 1,450 | 1,500 |
| 1,200 | 1,040 | 1,180 | 1,360 | 1,360 | 1,380 |

12,499

26,465

13,034

