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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20549
FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of November, 2004 Commission File Number: 001-06439

SONY CORPORATION
(Translation of registrant's name into English)
7-35 KITASHINAGAWA 6-CHOME, SHINAGAWA-KU, TOKYO, JAPAN
(Address of principal executive offices)

The registrant files annual reports under cover of Form 20-F.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F,

Form 20-F X Form 40-F ___

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2 (b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Yes_ No X

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):82-____

SIGNATURE

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

SONY CORPORATION (Registrant)

By:___/s/ Katsumi Ihara
 (Signature)

Katsumi Ihara Executive Deputy President, Group Chief Strategy Officer

and Chief Financial Officer

Date: November 16, 2004

List of materials

Documents attached hereto:

i) A press release regarding Subsidiary Balance Sheet Correction

Further to the Results of Tracking Stock announcement released on 29 October 2004 at 17:49 under RNS number 5923E.

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Company name: Sony Corporation
Representative Title and Name:
Chairman, Representative Corporate Executive Officer
Nobuyuki Idei
(Stock code: 6758 Tokyo Stock Exchange 1st Section)
(Tracking Stock Subsidiary)
Company name: Sony Communication Network Corporation
Representative Title and Name:
Representative Director, President and CEO
Senji Yamamoto

(Stock code: 6758-5 Tokyo Stock Exchange 1st Section)

Notice regarding the correction of certain line items from the Consolidated Financial Results for the Quarter and Six-month Period ended September 30, 2004, previously announced as of October 28, 2004, for Sony Communication Network Corporation, a Subsidiary Tracking Stock of Sony Corporation.

The correction is of certain line items within the section "Liabilities and Stockholders' Equity" contained in Sony Communication Network Corporation's Consolidated Balance Sheets for the quarter and six-month period ended September 30, 2004. Line items that have been corrected within this section are marked with an asterisk ("*").

Original

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

		(M	illions of yen)
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS'	September 30	March 31	September 30
EQUITY	2003	2004	2004
Current liabilities	4,929	5,167	6,525*
Account payable, trade	2,454	2,463	2,561
Current portion of long-term	200	_	_

borrowing from parent company			
Accrued expense	1,461	1,711	1,322
Accrued income taxes	104	197	465
Accrued bonuses	216	239	226
Accrued customer incentive program	-	81	138
Other accruals	_	-	2
Other	494	475	1,811*
Long-term liabilities	119	140	160*
Accrued severance costs for employees	81	93	105
Accrued severance indemnities for directors	38	47	55
Total liabilities	5,048	5,306	6,685
Minority interest	47	58	704
Total stockholders' equity	7,655	7,636	10,397
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	12,751	13,001	17,786

Corrected

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' SE	eptember 30 2003	March 31 2004	(Millions of yen) September 30 2004
Current liabilities	4 , 929	5 , 167	
Account payable, trade	2,454	2,463	2 , 561
Current portion of long-term	200	_	_
borrowing from parent company			
Accrued expense	1,461	1,711	1,322
Accrued income taxes	104	197	465
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Other	494	475	1,511*
Long-term liabilities	119	140	460*
Accrued severance costs for employees	81	93	105
Accrued severance indemnities for directors	38	47	55
Other*	_*	_*	300*
Total liabilities	5,048	5,306	6,685
Minority interest	47	58	
Total stockholders' equity	7 , 655	7,636 	10,397
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	12,751	13,001	

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