

# Year Ended March 31, 2025 (78th Term) Financial Results Briefing



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#### Summary of the Business Performance in FY 3/25 (78th Term)

# Net sales and profit increased.

- Net sales increased as we took over the brand "NYANTOMO" and added it to the PET Care Business, the sales of high value-added products in the AIR Care Business increased, and so on.
- Operating profit grew from the previous year.

#### Gross profit rose.

 Gross profit rose from the previous year, as the sales of products with a high gross profit margin increased although costs augmented due to the rise in procurement prices caused by the yen depreciation, the skyrocketing of raw material prices, etc.

#### SG&A augmented.

- Advertising expenses decreased.
- Personnel expenses, depreciation, and other SG&A augmented.

#### Highlights of the Business Performance in FY 3/25 (78th Term)



#### <Consolidated>

### Increase in net sales and profit

	Consolidated	Sales ratio	YOY	Vs. Forecast
Net sales	48.1 billion yen	100.0%	108.2%	97.8%
Operating profit	1.5 billion yen	3.2%	115.1%	77.2%
Ordinary profit	1.9 billion yen	4.1%	102.1%	85.7%
Profit attributable to owners of parent	3.2 billion yen	6.8%	255.7%	130.4%
ROE	9.9%	-	+6.0pt	-

#### Highlights of the Business Performance in FY 3/25 (78th Term)



#### <Consolidated>

	FY3/24		FY3/25		
	Sales ratio	Sales ratio	Sales ratio	Sales ratio	YOY
Net sales	¥44.4 bn	100.0%	¥48.1 bn	100.0%	108.2%
Cost of sales	¥28.0 bn	63.1%	¥30.1 bn	62.7%	107.6%
Gross profit	¥16.4 bn	36.9%	¥17.9 bn	37.3%	109.2%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	¥15.0 bn	33.9%	¥16.3 bn	34.1%	108.7%
Operating profit	¥1.3 bn	3.0%	¥1.5 bn	3.2%	115.1%

## Highlights of the Business Performance in FY 3/25(78th Term) < Consolidated > [Sales in each Business Category]



	Category	Sales	YOY	Sales ratio
AIR Care	(Deodorizers/air fresheners)	21.1 billion yen	104.2%	43.9%
PET Care	(Goods for cat litter boxes)	3.5 billion yen	-	7.5%
CLOTH Care	(Mothproofing agents)	6.8 billion yen	95.7%	14.2%
HOME Care	(Food care/Cleaner etc.)	4.3 billion yen	104.3%	9.0%
HUMIDITY Control	(Dehumidifiers)	2.7 billion yen	95.9%	5.7%
THERMAL Care	(Disposable warmers)	4.0 billion yen	97.0%	8.5%
HAND Care	(Household gloves)	5.3 billion yen	95.2%	11.2%
	Total	48.1 billion yen	108.2%	100.0%

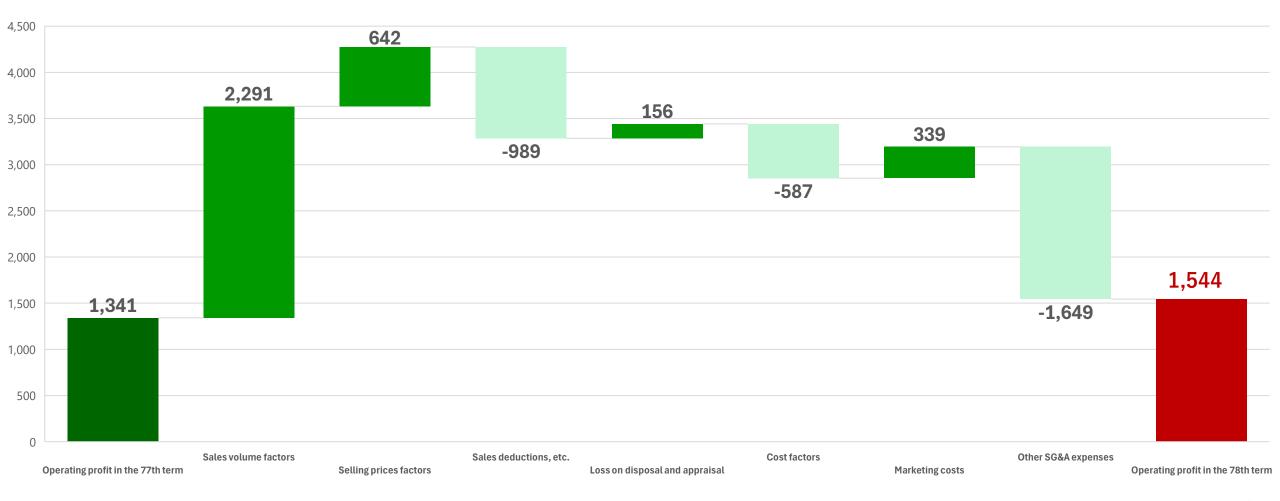
(Notes) Year-on-year increase/decrease rate was calculated from the figures after the adjustment for PET Care (goods for cat litter boxes). Since the year-on-year increase/decrease rate for PET Care (goods for cat litter boxes) exceeds 1,000%, "-" is indicated.



### Factors behind the Increase/Decrease in Operating Profit in FY3/25(78th Term) < Consolidated >

Change in operating profit: Increase 203 million yen

Unit: million yen





#### **Sales volume factors** Increase 2,291 million yen

The increase in sales volume boosted operating profit by 2,291 million yen

- The PET Care business contributed to sales quantity the most.
- In the AIR Care business, "SHOSHURIKI Premium Aroma" and other products contributed













#### **Selling prices factors** Increase 642 million yen

The increase in price increases operating profit by 988 million yen.

Major products whose prices will increase from autumn onwards.













The decrease in price decreases operating profit by 346 million yen.

• The discount of prices for products whose manufacturing has been discontinued.



#### [Sales deductions, etc.] Decrease 989 million yen

Deduction from sales (such as rebates), etc. decreases operating profit by 989 million yen.

#### Increased due to sales growth and promotional activities.

- The increase in rebates following the growth of sales from PET Care
- Rebates for AIR Care products increased in proportion to the sales growth.
   Meanwhile, rebates for mothproofing agents and disposable warmers decreased slightly.
- The ratio of rebates to sales was almost unchanged from the previous year.
- Rebates for items other than products and slotting fees augmented due to active sales promotion.



#### **Cost factors** Decrease 587 million yen

Reduction of manufacturing costs, etc. increases operating profit by 312 million yen.

- Change in formulation.
- Change in specs due to review of raw materials.
- Review and modification of containers for environmental conservation.

The rise in raw material prices, etc. decreases operating profit by 899 million yen.

- Molded plastic items, chemical raw materials, etc.
- Effects of exchange rate fluctuations.
- Increase in processing costs due to the rise in personnel expenses.



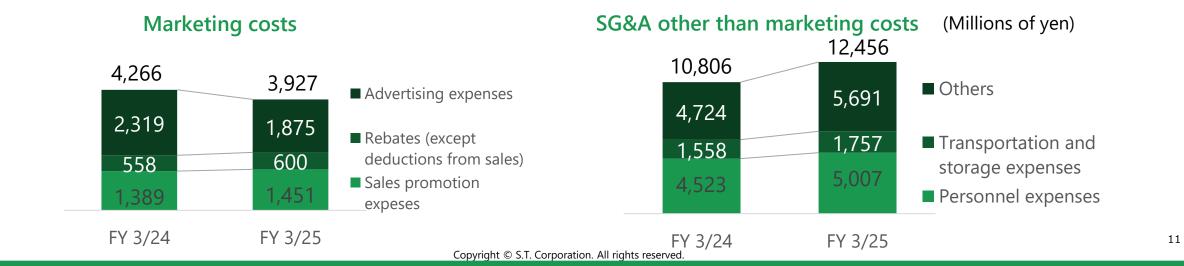
#### [SG&A] Decrease 1,310 million yen

Marketing costs increases operating profit by 339 million yen.

- We reduced advertisement expenses through strategic allocation, while stopping TV commercials for some programs.
- After taking over the new brand in the PET Care business, we increased sales promotion expenses.

Other SG&A decreases operating profit by 1,649 million yen.

- Personnel expenses augmented due to the rise in wages, etc.
- "Other" includes depreciation and amortization (goodwill).
- In addition, there are costs for formulating a medium-term management plan, expenses for fortifying the business base, etc.



#### Situation of the Core Business in FY 3/25(78th Term)



# AIR Care Business (Deodorizers/air fresheners)

#### The sales of the AIR Care Business grew.

- Our share in the market of air fresheners rose 1.7 points, becoming the largest\*. Seasonal products attracted customers, so users of "SHOSHURIKI Premium Aroma" increased.
- The new product "DASHUTAN for trash boxes" was released in March.
- The market share of deodorizers for refrigerators remained over 80%\*, but sales declined slightly.

#### <Graph showing the increase of loyal users of PA>

<New products>

\*Source:

INTAGE Inc. "SRI+" share in terms of amount (for each maker) "Air fresheners"

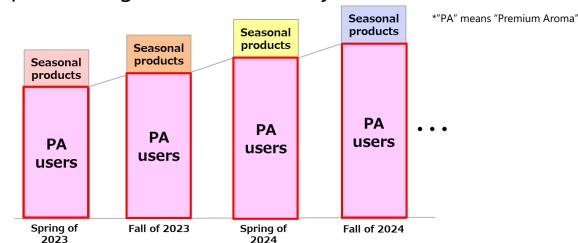
Apr. 2024 to Mar. 2025 (Cumulative total in 1 year)

"Deodorizers"

Apr. 2022 to Mar. 2025 (Cumulative total in 3 years)









#### Situation of the Core Business in FY 3/25(78th Term)



## PET Care Business

#### "NYANTOMO" was released, increasing sales.

- "NYANTOMO" sold well, so sales exceeded the forecast.
- We are expanding sales channels, by enhancing EC and increasing offline channels.
- We released the new series "SHOSHU PROFESSIONAL" based on our deodorizing technology in March.









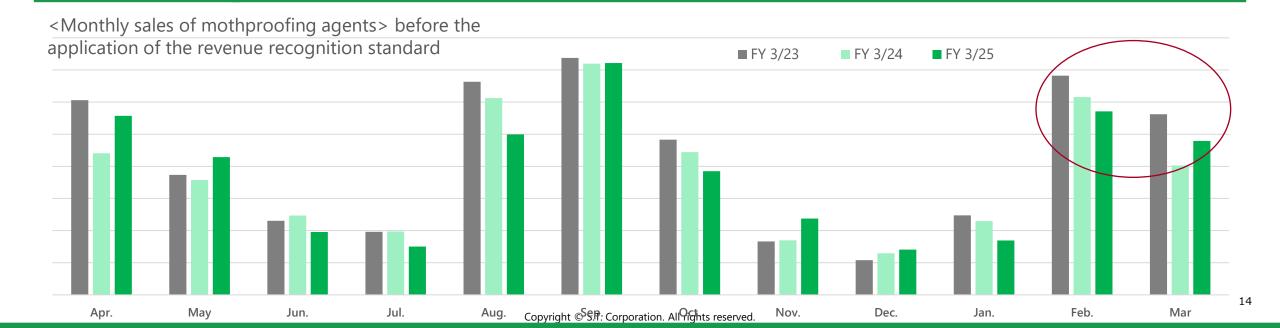
#### Situation of the Core Business in FY 3/25(78th Term)

\*Source: INTAGE Inc. "SRI+" share in terms of amount (for each maker)
"Mothproofing agents for cloths" (excluding those for dolls) Apr. 2024 to Mar. 2025 (cumulative total in 1 year)

CLOTH Care
Business
(Mothproofing agents)

#### The sales of the Cloth Care Business declined.

- Sales dropped, because of the stagnant shipment during the start-up period in Feb. to Mar. this spring.
- The estimated sales in the entire market of mothproofing agents for cloths rose 1.5% from the previous year, and our market share is 51.3%, unchanged from the previous year\*.



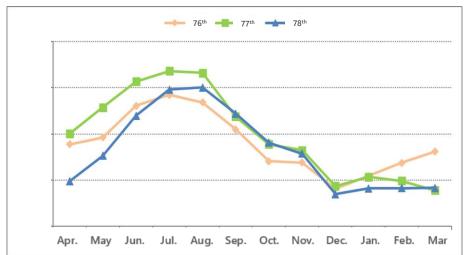
#### Inventory Status in FY 3/25 (78th Term)



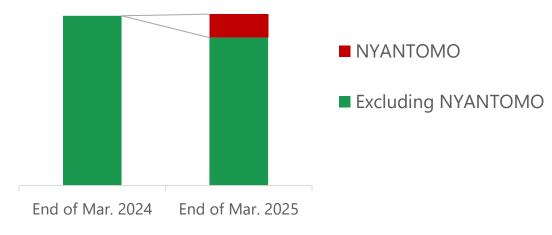
# Reduction of Inventory and SKU

- The inventory as of the end of FY 3/25 was up 1% year on year.
  - Inventory increased as we took over the brand "NYANTOMO"
- When "NYANTOMO" is excluded, inventory value was 5billion yen, amount decreased significantly by 12.9% year on year.
- Achieved the goal of reducing the number of SKUs by 30% from the end of Aug. 2023.

<Variation in monthly inventory amount of products> Apr. to Mar.



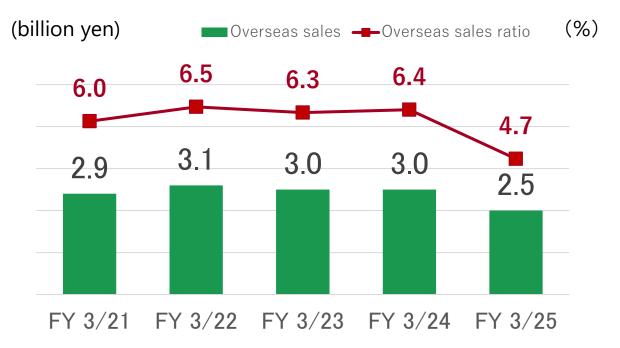




#### Situations of the Overseas Business and the BtoB Business in FY 3/25(78th Term)

#### Variation in overseas sales

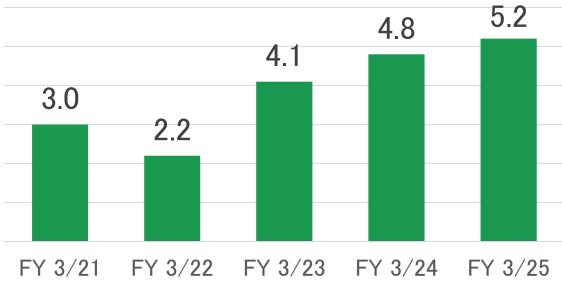
Consolidated results of the S.T. Group (before the application of the revenue recognition standard)



#### Variation in sales of the BtoB business

Sales of ST PRO CORPORATION (before the application of the revenue recognition standard)

(billion yen)



\*EC (BtoB) was transferred from S.T. CORPORATION in July 2022.

#### New BtoB Business in FY 3/25 (78th Term)



Service of coating bathrooms of hotels (Launched in Feb. 2025)

Coating based on the technology of KeePer Technical Laboratory

- Merits •To improve the efficiency of cleaning of bathrooms of hotels
  - To keep bathrooms immaculate for hotel guests

We aim to achieve sales of 400 million yen by 2027.







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#### Initiatives in FY 3/26 (79th Term)



#### To improve profitability and create new value

## Remaining issues from the 78<sup>th</sup> term

## Measures against the skyrocketing of costs

#### **Reduction of losses**

#### Value creation

Strengthening of the management base

#### Initiatives in the 79th term

- Rise in prices of core products
- Cost reduction
- ·Revenue structure reform
- Reduction of return
- Optimal inventory (measures against stockouts and excessive inventory)
- Response to changes in lifestyles
- Promotion of addition of high value

•Investment in non-financial capital (ESG, human resources, organizations, and DX)

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#### "Measures Against the Skyrocketing of Costs" in FY 3/26 (79th Term)



# Rise in prices of core products

We plan to raise the wholesale prices of the following products.

- Disposable warmers (excluding some products)
   From Aug. 2025
- "SHOSHURIKI for entrances/living rooms" and "SHOSHURIKI for toilets" From Sep. 2025



# Cost reduction

 To change procurement methods, purchase materials from multiple companies, conduct value analysis and value engineering (VAVE), etc.

# Revenue structure reform

- In the AIR Care business, we will shift to products with a high gross profit margin (new products, etc.).
- To earn gross profit by growing "KOMETOBAN" and "DASHUTAN CHARCOAL"





#### "Reduction of Losses" in FY 3/26 (79th Term)



# Reduction of return

#### To enhance the efforts to reduce return in marketing

- To curtail the return of seasonal products and discontinued products (by stopping early order placement)
- To cooperate with the distribution sector for reducing the return of products (rebates for enlisting cooperation in rejecting return, etc.)

# **Optimal** inventory

#### To strengthen supply chain management (SCM)

 To eliminate the cases of stockouts and excessive inventory by improving the SCM system

#### "Value Creation" in FY 3/26 (79th Term)



#### Response to changes in lifestyles

#### Shift from mothproofing agents to "storage care"

 We plan to release a new product from the "NOTE"series, which would redefine the category as "clean storage care for clothes."



This photo shows the current moth repellent.

# Promotion of addition of high value

#### **AIR Care**

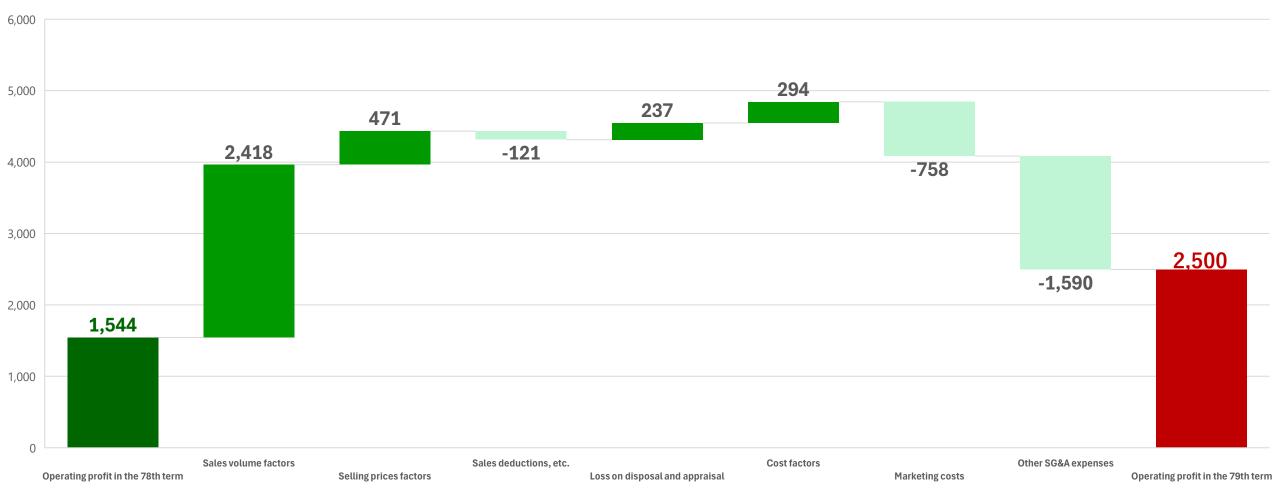
 To release a new product with a high gross profit margin, following "SHOSHURIKI Premium Aroma"



### Factors behind increase/decrease in operating profit plan in FY 3/26 (79th Term) < Consolidated >









### Increase in net sales and profit

	Consolidated	YOY
Net sales	52.7 billion yen	109.5%
Operating profit	2.5 billion yen	161.8%
Ordinary profit	2.8 billion yen	142.1%
Profit attributable to owners of parent	1.6 billion yen	49.1%

Estimated dividend: 44 yen

\*Payout ratio: 57.4%



# Medium-Term Management Plan - SMILE 2027 -

< Apr. 2024 to Mar. 2027 >

#### Progress in the initial fiscal year

as of the announcement of financial results in FY 3/25

#### Overview of the Progress of the Medium-Term Management Plan SMILE 2027



- Overview of the progress after the initial fiscal year of the 3-year plan disclosed in May 2024. There is no change in the gist, but we have added measures for closing the gap between the initial plan and the results.

Our corporate policy, group-wide strategy, and numerical goals

#### **Unchanged**

[Factors in the gap between the plan and the results]
Skyrocketing of manufacturing costs,
personnel expenses, etc., augmentation of sales promotion costs, worsening of the product mix, sluggish performance of new products, and shrinkage of demand for seasonal change of clothing



Revisions and additional measures

[Our Purpose] Ideas to touch the heart for moments with smiles

【Ideal state in 10 years】

From a daily necessities manufacturer to a wellness company

Strategies in four segments based on Growth Matrix

Expansion of existing business
Further strengthening of brand

Revenue growth through category redefinition

Evolution of existing businesses
Development of Pet-Care into a core
business

Sales of high value-added products in Air Care

Strengthen B2B and overseas

B2B : Shift from Hand Care to "Kuuki Business"(Air Care) Overseas : The focus on ASEAN Generation of new business
Using CLEAR FOREST

Generation of business for solving social issues

Numerical goals: sales of 56.5 billion yen, an operating profit of 4 billion yen, and an ROE of 8.3%

<To reduce the ratio of cost of sales (1)>

To review and revise our measures for cost reduction and pricing

<To reduce the ratio of cost of sales (2)>

To improve the product mix and implement measures for preventing the return of products thoroughly

<Efficient and effective investment in markets>

To review and revise the system for managing marketing expenses

<Development of products for creating new value>

To launch a cross-sectoral project, involving the core business section and the R&D section

While retaining the framework for our group-wide strategies, we adapted to changes in the business environment and implemented our business strategies and strengthened our business base for attaining our goals.

#### Progress Toward the Financial Goals for the 80<sup>th</sup> Term (FY 3/27)



We did not achieve the goals in the 78<sup>th</sup> term, the initial fiscal year, but we left the goals for the 80<sup>th</sup> term unchanged, while implementing additional measures and new initiatives.

1 3	77 <sup>th</sup> term (FY 3/24)	78 <sup>th</sup> term (FY 3/25)	79 <sup>th</sup> term (FY 3/26)	80 <sup>th</sup> term (FY 3/27)	78 <sup>th</sup> term → 80 <sup>th</sup> term
Revenue	44.4 billion yen	48.1 billion yen	52.7 billion yen	56.5 billion yen	+8.5 billion yen
Operating profit	1.3 billion yen	1.5 billion yen	2.5 billion yen	4 billion yen	+2.5 billion yen
Operating profit margin	3.0%	3.2%	4.7%	7.1%	+3.8pt
EBITDA	2.6 billion yen	3.1 billion yen	4.3 billion yen	5.4 billion yen	+2.2 billion yen
ROE	3.9%	9.9%	4.8%	8.3%	-1.6pt

#### Progress of the 4 Quadrants of the Growth Matrix SMILE 2027 in the Initial Fiscal Year



- Regarding the "enrichment of the existing business," which is a primary revenue source, operating profit margin fell below the forecast. The BtoB business and high value-added Air Care products performed well. In the "new business," there was a delay in investment plans.

#### **Evolution of existing** businesses

- Regarding Pet Care products, we enhanced the sales promotion of toilets for pet animals, but it is necessary to improve cost ratio.
- ⇒ Planning of medium/long-term measures for cost reduction
- The sales of high value-added products, such as SHOSHURIKI PREMIUM AROMA Series, grew.
- ⇒ Products with new value are under development.

**Operating profit** +1.6 billion ven ~

**Expansion of existing** 

business

Low contribution due to infrastructure construction phase

- Occupied the largest share in the Air Care market in terms of annual sales\*
- The sales of Cloth Care products fell below the forecast.
- ⇒ To provide new storage care products
- The skyrocketing of raw material prices and the augmentation of the expenses for managing the business base were not offset by cost reduction.
- ⇒ To improve the product mix and raise the prices of products

**Operating margin** +1pt~

#### Generation of new business

3-year investment period

Strengthen BtoB and

**Operating profit** +600 million yen

**overseas** 

- Release of the femcare product "Luna" Mine" and the in-vehicle air care "YOWAN"
  - ⇒ To the nurturing step after release
- The development of some new businesses was suspended.
- We started the operation of Wellness Business Headquarters in Apr.
- ⇒ New business model under development

Review investment plans

■ For BtoB services, we launched the

- coating business in Feb., expanding sales routes for hotels. ⇒ To expand the Air Care and Space
- Cleaning businesses
- Outside Japan, we closed a Chinese flagship store, and integrated a Thai subsidiary for corporate rehabilitation.
- ⇒ We are designing medium/longterm overseas growth strategies.

Operating profit amounts are generally favorable.

Operating profit margin fell short of plan.

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#### Situation of the Business Portfolio Strategy

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[4 Quadrants]

- In the core business, we secured sales, but...

Focus investment on strong growth

AIR Care

(98.2% of the forecast

sales)

**PET Care** 

(106.7% of the forecast

sales)

#### Situation in the initial fiscal year

- •The campaign products of SHOSHURIKI PA and value-added products of the new series sold well.
- Deodorizing products were distributed among mainly young customers.

\*"PA" means "Premium Aroma"

- •The sale of Air Care products in the BtoB business and the overseas business was delayed.
- •The sales of core products of SHOSHURIKI were healthy.
- •The sales of the new product SHOSHURIKICOMPACT fell below the forecast.

Major initiatives in the remaining period (2 years)

- •To release new products to offer new value
- •To increase the ratio of high value-added products in sales
- ·Active investment in marketing
- •In the BtoB business, we will **commercialize** aroma space design.
- •In the overseas business, we will promote the Premium Air Care strategy.
- •For the core products of SHOSHURIKI, we will improve the revenue structure by reducing costs, revising prices, taking environmental measures, etc.

•To promote the sales of packaged toilet products, expand sales channels, and enhance digital ads via social media, etc.

- •To improve profit margin by implementing cost ratio reduction measures thoroughly
- ·Active investment in the Pet Care domain
- •To cultivate new B2B channels other than sale in the market
- ·To consider overseas business operation

•Release of NYANTOMO in June
•Offling sales channels expanded

•Offline sales channels expanded.

•Thanks to the favorable performance of EC, sales exceeded the forecast.

•Cultivation of a new channel for Pet Care products

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#### **Situation of Business Portfolio Strategies**

Delay in the revenue growth of the core business. For low-revenue businesses, we will undergo a fundamental review of strategies and take thoroughgoing measures for improving profit.
 Major initiatives in the remaining period (2 years)



[4 Quadrants

Thoroughly strengthen cash flow generation

#### **CLOTH Care**

(90.7% of the forecast sales)

- •The odorless type was displayed at stores less frequently.
- •Start of the service of a timer for replacement
- •Increase of returned products after the season
- •To promote the "new storage care" NOTE strategy (domain expansion)
- •To increase touch points for core MUSHUDA products
- •Thoroughgoing measures for reducing the return of products
- Development of products for repelling ticks

#### **HOME Care**

(100.4% of the forecast sales)

- •Exceeded plan due to strong sales of KOMETOBAN.
- •To improve the system for manufacturing KOMETOBAN, and enhance sales promotion

#### **HUMIDITY Care**

(99.4% of the forecast sales)

•Sales were almost in line with the forecast, as we revised prices and improved the product mix.

•In accordance with the "new storage care" NOTE strategy, we will promote customers to purchase mothproofing agents and dehumidifying agents together at the same time.

Identify strategic shift based on profitability and growth potential

#### **THERMAL Care**

(95.5% of the forecast sales)

#### **Hand Care**

(99.7% of the forecast sales)

- •In the business revitalization project, we are drastically revising our strategy and strengthening our earning capacity based on the results of cost structure analysis and future performance prediction.
- •To continue thoroughgoing profit improvement plans, such as the withdrawal of unprofitable products, the reform of the production system, price revision, and the reduction of return
- •To determine a medium-term strategy based on our group-wide portfolio strategy

#### Progress Toward the Non-financial Goals for the 80th Term (FY 3/27)



Progress in the first year was almost as planned. To create innovation, we will strengthen human resource development and DX utilization.

	77 <sup>th</sup> term	78th term	Goals for the 80 <sup>th</sup> term	Details of initiatives
Climate Change/CO <sub>2</sub> (GHG) Emission Reduction	S1+S2 <b>1,497t-CO</b> <sub>2</sub>	S1+S2 <b>999t-CO</b> <sub>2</sub>	Disclosure	Reduction of Scope 1 and 2 GHG emissions through the procurement of electric power generated by renewable energy For Scope 3, we roughly estimate the GHG emissions from major categories and identify sources. (The figures in the 78 <sup>th</sup> term are the projected ones before the third-party guarantee.)
Resource Recycling/Plastic Reduction	_	_	of Scope 3 emissions	Through the rough estimation of Scope 3 emissions, we found that the sources are Cat 1 (purchased products and services) and Cat 12 (disposal of sold products), so we will discuss the "reduction of environmental burdens (GHG emissions)" when designing products.
○ Feel rewarded for working	71.3%	79.8%	80% or higher	To set challenging items in the evaluation system, and hold 1-on-1 meetings between employees and superiors.
Satisfaction with work-life balance	73.3%	73.8%	80% or higher	To discuss the correlation between working hours and workloads, and measures for streamlining business operations
♦ Performance * Demonstration Level	81.6%	86.3%	85% or higher	To discuss factors in improving performance and measures for attaining goals continuously
Ratio of female managers (*Results of S.T. CORPORATION as of Apr. 1, 2025)	22.1%	22.3%	30% or higher	Nominate women for management aptitude screening as candidates for next-generation leaders.Percentage of full-time female employees = female participation rate in management aptitude screening (47%)Promoting the creation of a system for training and accumulating candidates for management positions.

The indicators with  $\Diamond$  are based on our engagement survey.

<sup>\*</sup> Under the assumption that the performance of healthy employees rightochave conditions or righteryeise 100%, the performance of employees in the past 4 weeks was evaluated.

#### **Progress of Cash Allocation**



- Investment in M&A for the Pet Care business, which is our core business. Regarding value creation, we plan to invest in the base for business development in the 78<sup>th</sup> term and in implementation in the 79<sup>th</sup> term.

Source of investment	Cash allocation policy			Overview of the progress in the initial fiscal year ended Mar. 2025	
Utilization of borrowing (+α)  Utilization of Investment for	Investment for	Utilize M&A, etc. necessary for discontinuous growth		- Acquired the business of manufacturing and selling "NYANTOMO CLEAN TOILET" of Kao.	
(~3 billion yen)	cash on hand (~3 billion yen) growth in high value-added	value-ad ded Str	Strengtheni ng value	Strengthen research and development	<ul> <li>Projects for developing products to create new value and seeking research seeds</li> </ul>
	(8 billion yen +α)	creation ability	Securing and developing human resources	<ul> <li>Young staff developing program "Next" and systems for evaluating endeavors and new remuneration</li> </ul>	
		Business po	ortfolio restructuring	- The structural reform for the less-profitable business will be planned in the 78 <sup>th</sup> term and put into practice in the 79 <sup>th</sup> term.	
Operating CF (11billion yen)		Promotion of DX		<ul> <li>We are developing a new management accounting system. We will adopt the generative AI "STAiBLE."</li> </ul>	
		Building a production system		<ul> <li>To capital investment in the manufacturing lines for major Air Care products, to improve utilization rate</li> </ul>	
	Returns to shareholders (~3 billion yen)	Dividends	and Share Buybacks	- Enrichment of shareholder return based on stable dividend payment (targeting a DOE of 3%)	

#### Summary: Important Points in the Remaining Period for Achieving "SMILE 2027"



- Reviewing the progress so far, we will study the factors in the difference from the forecast and identify issues, and then implement the following measures in order to attain the goals of SMILE 2027.

To reform the revenue structure based on the business portfolio strategy ⇒ "Earning capacity"

To develop new products to create new value ⇒ "To accumulate revenue"

To design new strategies for the overseas business and create new businesses ⇒ "To sow seeds of growth"

To find and train personnel who can take on challenges ⇒ "To trigger innovation"



# Ideas to touch the heart for moments with smiles



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[Notes on the business forecasts] The items included in this material are based on a variety of premises, and do not assure or guarantee that the numerical forecasts and policies herein will be realized.

\*The figures are rounded down.