

# Results of Operations for the First Half of the Fiscal Year Ending February 28, 2023

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# 1H FY2/23 Financial Summary

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### 1H FY2/23 Results of operations

1H consolidated sales increased but operating profit were down.

Consolidated sales: 21,823 million yen (+7.9% YoY) Consolidated operating profit: 1,091 million yen (-20.9% YoY)

- Sales in the food packaging and containers category increased due to firm sales of packaging materials for frozen food, dairy products, prepared food items and tofu.
- In the IT and industrial materials category, there were strong sales of all types of production process film for use in electronic materials, smartphones and electronic component packaging.
- Earnings decreased because of the higher cost of electricity, fuel, ink and other components of the cost of manufacturing products.

# First Half Highlights



New Vietnam subsidiary established for more growth outside Japan Shipments of automobile interior materials have started.



The new plant will supply products for growing markets in SE Asia and improve Nakamoto Packs' risk diversification. Shipments of samples of some automobile interior materials have started.

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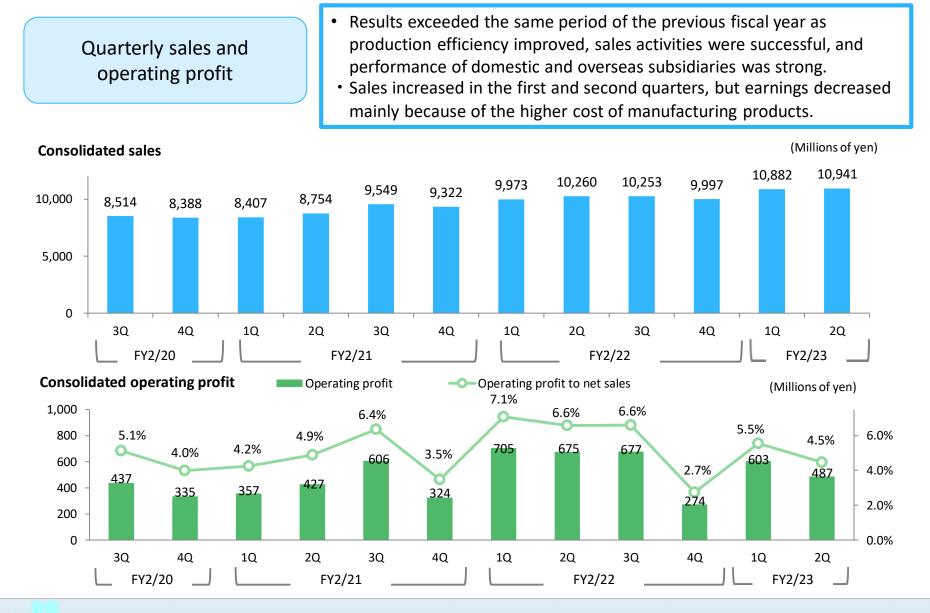
(Consolidated)

(Millions of yen; (% to sales))

				1H F)	(2/23		
	1H FY2/22 Results	Results	YoY cl	nange	Plan	Vs.	plan
			Amount	%		Amount	%
Net sales	20,234 (100.0%)	21,823 (100.0%)	+1,588	+7.9%	21,186 (100.0%)	+637	+3.0%
Gross profit	3,596 (17.8%)	3,397 (15.6%)	(199)	(5.5)%	3,679 (17.4%)	(281)	(7.6)%
Selling, general and administrative expenses	2,216 (11.0%)	2,305 (10.6%)	+89	+4.1%	2,412 (11.4%)	(106)	(4.4)%
Operating profit	1,380 (6.8%)	1,091 (5.0%)	(288)	(20.9)%	1,267 (6.0%)	(175)	(13.8)%
Ordinary profit	1,534 (7.6%)	1,392 (6.4%)	(141)	(9.2)%	1,307 (6.2%)	+85	+6.6%
Profit attributable to owners of parent	858 (4.2%)	915 (4.2%)	+57	+6.7%	818 (3.9%)	+96	+11.8%
Capital expenditures*1	735 (3.6%)	611 (2.8%)	(124)	(16.9)%	1,363 (6.4%)	(752)	(55.2)%
Depreciation*2	634 (3.1%)	643 (2.9%)	+8	+1.3%	677 (3.2%)	(34)	(5.0)%

\*1. Construction in progress is not included in capital expenditures. \*2. Amortization of goodwill is not included. Note: Exchange rate for 1H FY2/23: 20.4 yen/yuan; 136.7 yen/dollar

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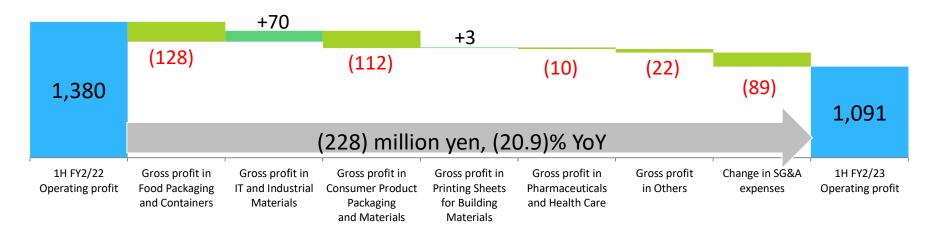


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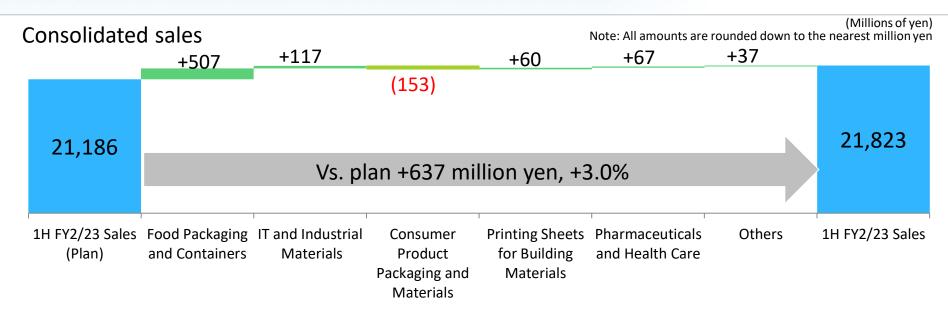
# Change in Net Sales and Operating Profit (YoY) S NAKAMOTO PACKS CO., LTD.



#### Consolidated Operating Profit



### Change in Net Sales and Operating Profit (Vs. Plan) (\$) NAKAMOTO PACKS CO., LTD.

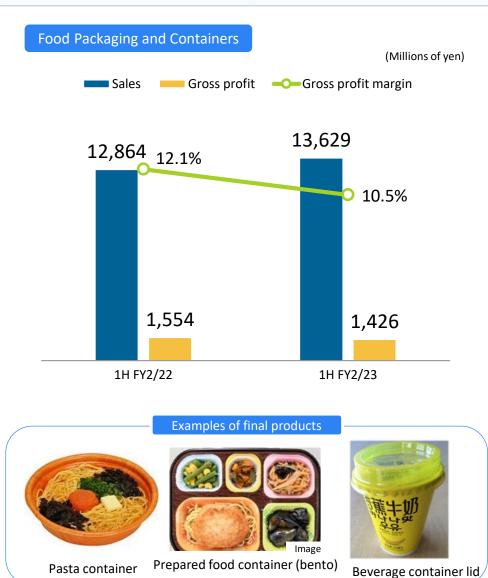


#### Consolidated operating profit

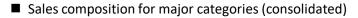
		+25			+8	+3	+106	
1,267	(267)		(34)	(16)				1,091
·		Vs.	plan (175	) million y	en, (13.8)%	2 D		1,091
1H FY2/23 Operating profit (Plan)	Gross profit in Food Packaging and Containers	Gross profit in IT and Industrial Materials	Gross profit in Consumer Product Packaging and Materials	Gross profit in Printing Sheets for Building Materials	Gross profit in Pharmaceuticals and Health Care	Gross profit in Others	Change in SG&A expenses	1H FY2/23 Operating profit

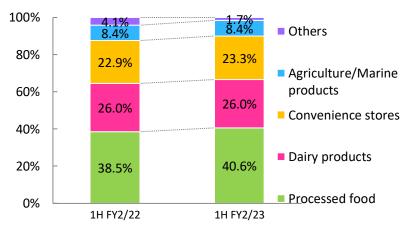
# Applications – Food Packaging and Containers 🕸 NAKAMOTO PACKS CO., LTD.

Sales in major product categories

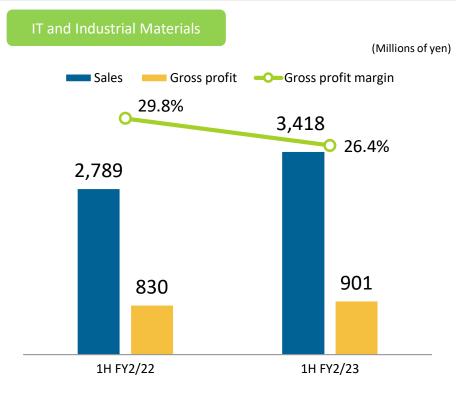


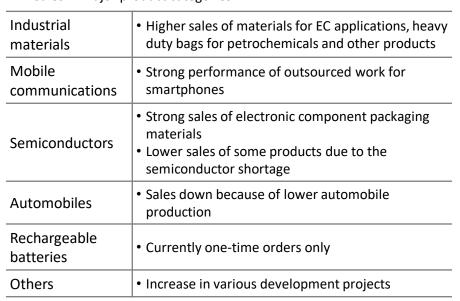
 Strong sales of packaging materials for frozen food, prepared food and tofu Processed food • Sales of packaging for products sold at department stores and confectionery packaging are recovering Strong sales of packaging for consumer yogurt Dairy products and cheese products Convenience • Strong sales of containers and packaging stores Agriculture/ • Strong sales of packaging for agricultural products Marine products





# Applications – IT and Industrial Materials



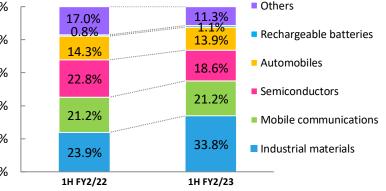


\*The composition of major product categories was revised. 1H FY2/22 percentages have been adjusted for consistency with these revisions.

100% 17.0% 11.3% 1.1% 0.8% 80% 13.9% 14.3%



Sales composition for major categories (consolidated)





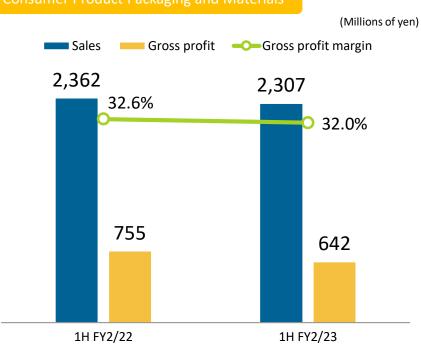
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Sales in major product categories

### **Applications**



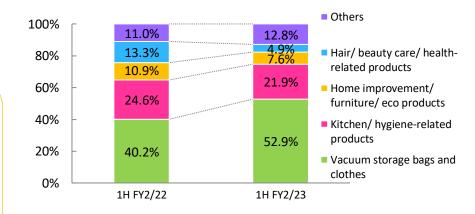
### Consumer Product Packaging and Materials



#### Sales in major product categories

Vacuum storage bags and clothes	<ul> <li>Higher sales of products sold on TV shopping channels</li> </ul>
Kitchen/hygiene-related products	<ul> <li>Higher sales of kitchen products, but demand for cutting board sheets decreased</li> <li>Lower sales of hygiene products sold at home improvement stores</li> </ul>
Home improvement/ furniture/eco products	<ul> <li>Sales of seasonal products are declining</li> </ul>
Hair/beauty care/health-related products	<ul> <li>Lower sales of packaging for healthcare products</li> </ul>

■ Sales composition for major categories (consolidated)







Kitchen cutting board sheet

insulation sealing

### Applications – Printing Sheets for Building Materials



#### Printing Sheets for Building Materials

(Millions of yen) Sales Gross profit Gross profit margin 966 16.2% 15.9% 15.9% 160 1H FY2/22 1H FY2/23



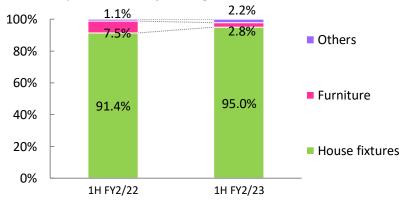
Sales in major	Sales in major product categories			
House fixtures	<ul> <li>Strong sales of building materials with functional surface coatings for houses and apartment buildings</li> </ul>			
Furniture	<ul> <li>Lower volume of orders involving exported furniture</li> </ul>			

#### N coat

N coat is a polypropylene-based synthetic paper. Due to its excellent resistance to water, N coat is used primarily for vending machine labels and floor materials.



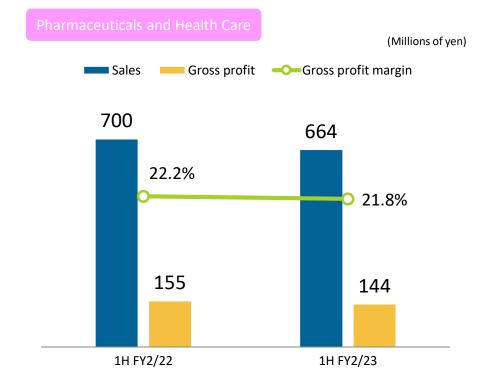
■ Sales composition for major categories (consolidated)



### Applications

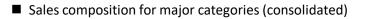
Pharmaceuticals and Health Care



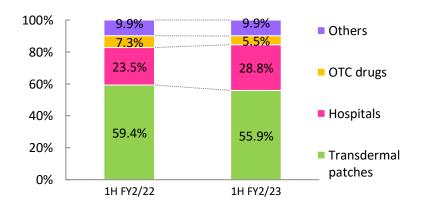




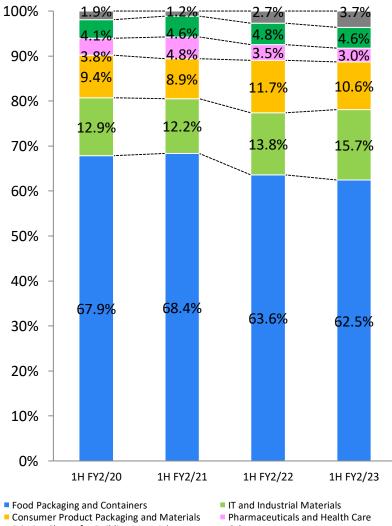
Transdermal patches	<ul> <li>Sales of patented products down as sales shift primarily to generic products</li> <li>Prices decreased mainly due to national health insurance price revisions</li> <li>Much higher cost of raw materials for some products</li> </ul>
Hospitals	• Strong sales of materials involving transfusions
OTC drugs	<ul> <li>Sales of packaging for OTC drugs decreased</li> </ul>



Sales in major product categories



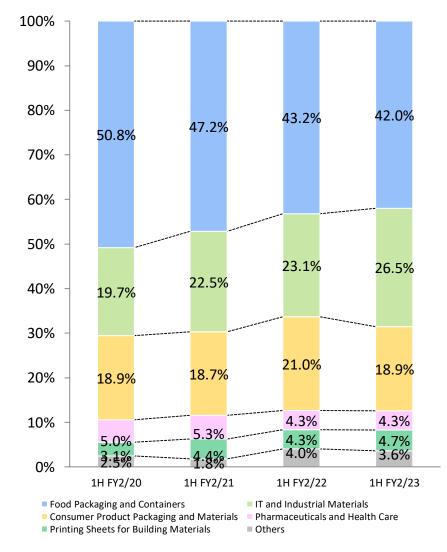
# Trends in Sales and Gross Profit Composition for Product Applications



**Consolidated sales** 

Others





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Printing Sheets for Building Materials

## Assets and Liabilities



#### (Consolidated)

(Millions of yen; (% to total assets/total liabilities and net assets))

		As of Feb. 28,	As of Aug. 31, 2022		
		2022		YoY change	Major factors
	Current assets	<b>18,801</b> (55.4%)	20,157 (57.2%)	+1,355	Notes and accounts receivable-trade, and contract assets +1,055, Electronically recorded monetary claims-operating +242, Inventories +432, Cash and deposits (443)
	Non-current assets	15,132 (44.6%)	15,100 (42.8%)	(32)	
Т	otal assets	33,934 (100.0%)	<b>35,257</b> (100.0%)	+1,323	
	Current liabilities	15,674 (46.2%)	<b>15,932</b> (45.2%)	+257	Notes and accounts payable-trade +329 Electronically recorded obligations-operating +363, Short-term borrowings (317), Other (137)
	Non-current liabilities	<b>2,582</b> (7.6%)	<b>2,587</b> (7.3%)	+4	Long-term borrowings +22
Тс	otal liabilities	<b>18,257</b> (53.8%)	<b>18,519</b> (52.5%)	+261	
Тс	otal net assets	<b>15,676</b> (46.2%)	<b>16,737</b> (47.5%)	+1,061	Retained earnings +671 Foreign currency translation adjustment +385
Тс	otal liabilities and net assets	<b>33,934</b> (100.0%)	<b>35,257</b> (100.0%)	+1,323	
Ν	let interest-bearing debt	<b>3,107</b> (9.2%)	<b>3,251</b> (9.2%)	+143	Long-term borrowings +22, Cash and deposits (443), Short-term borrowings (317)

# **Cash Flows**

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#### (Consolidated)

(Millions of yen)

		1H FY2/22	1H FY2/23	
		Results	YoY change	Components
	Cash flows from operating activities	1,950	271	Profit before income taxes +1,463, Depreciation +643, Trade payables +504, Foreign exchange gains (166), Trade receivables (948), Inventories (423), Accrued consumption taxes (91), Other (152), Income taxes paid (559)
	Cash flows from investing activities	(1,064)	(120)	Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment +363, Purchase of property, plant and equipment (525)
Fre	ee cash flows	885	151	
Ca	sh flows from financing activities	(449)	(783)	Proceeds from long-term borrowings +400 Short-term borrowings (429) Repayments of long-term borrowings (376) Cash dividends paid (270)
	ect of exchange rate change on cash and sh equivalents	92	188	
	t increase (decrease) in cash and cash uivalents	528	(443)	
	sh and cash equivalents at beginning of riod	3,707	4,792	
Ca	sh and cash equivalents at end of period	4,235	4,348	





# FY2/23 Outlook

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# FY2/23 Current Performance and Outlook (Overview)



#### First half

Food Packaging

and Containers

IT and

Industrial

**Materials** 

Consumer Product

Printing Sheets

for Building

**Materials** 

and Health Care

- Strong sales of packaging for frozen food, dairy products and prepared food
- Decrease in demand for takeout/delivery containers and trays
- Recovery of sales of confectionery packaging and packaging for food products sold at dept. stores
- Strong sales of production process film for smartphones and other applications; higher sales of materials for EC applications
- Lower sales of some products due to the semiconductor shortage
- Strong sales of products for preventive cleaning and easy household chores
- Brisk sales of functional surface coatings
- Higher sales of wallpaper and printed sheets for residential doors and windows
- Most transdermal patch sales are for generic products
- Prices down due to national health insurance price revisions

#### Third quarter and afterward

- Strengthening activities for functional and environmentally responsible packaging
- Expect demand recovery as restrictions are eased and foreign tourists return to Japan
- Moving quickly to raise prices to reflect the higher cost of energy
- Worsening market conditions continue to impact the electronic components category
- Strong sales in the outsourced processing and EC categories
- Prototypes and mass production in growing market sectors
- Activities to increase regular buyers of Nakamoto Packs products in all sales channels
- Improve production efficiency of existing products
- Create new types of functional building materials
- Focus on capturing new orders involving transfusions

#### (Consolidated)

(Millions of yen; (% to sales))

		FY2/23				
	FY2/22 Results		YoY change			
		Fidit	Amount	%		
Net sales	40,485 (100.0%)	42,500 (100.0%)	+2,014	+5.0%		
Gross profit	6,889 (17.0%)	7,346 (17.3%)	+456	+6.6%		
Selling, general and administrative expenses	4,557 (11.3%)	4,800 (11.3%)	+242	+5.3%		
Operating profit	2,332 (5.8%)	2,546 (6.0%)	+213	+9.2%		
Ordinary profit	2,585 (6.4%)	2,600 (6.1%)	+14	+0.6%		
Profit attributable to owners of parent	1,470 (3.6%)	1,529 (3.6%)	+59	+4.0%		

\*All sales and earnings targets for FY2/23 and afterward incorporate the Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition (ASBJ Statement No. 29).

Projected exchange rate: 17.2 yen/yuan

# Plan for Capital Expenditures and Depreciation Expenses



#### (Consolidated)

(Millions of yen; (% to sales))

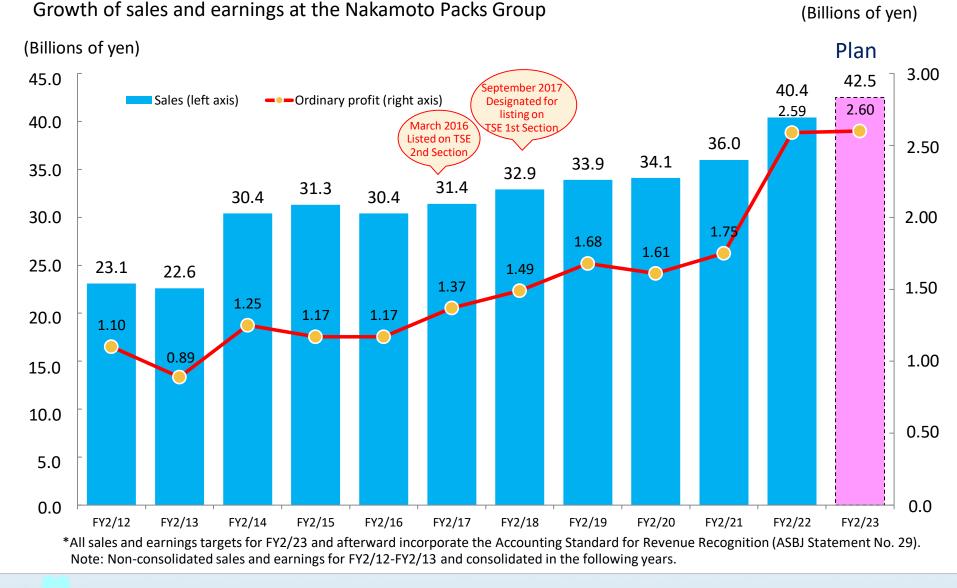
		FY2/23				
	FY2/22 Results	Plan	YoY cl	nange		
		Pidii	Amount	%		
Capital expenditures	1,336 (3.3%)	1,806 (4.3%)	+470	+35.2%		
Depreciation	1,312 (3.2%)	1,422 (3.4%)	+109	+8.4%		

#### Major capital expenditures in FY2/23

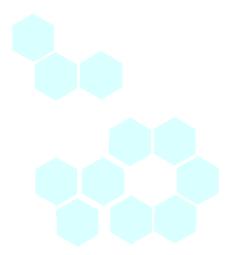
Project	Description	Investment (Millions of yen)
Factory equipment update/replacement	Expansion of factory warehouse (Extrusion molding), molding machine (NI Packs Co., Ltd.), others	About 1,010
IT/System service equipment	New primary IT system and others	About 220
Air conditioning equipment	Air conditioning equipment (Saitama, Ryugasaki, Nakamoto Inshokan Co., Ltd. and others)	About 100
Inspection/measurement/ analysis equipment	Inspection, measurement and analysis equipment (Nabari, printing plate factory, Saitama) and others	About 230
Others	Hand crane, label printer and others	About 230

### A Business Model Capable of Steady Growth in All Market Conditions

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# Business Climate and Medium and Long-term Management Strategy

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### **Business Climate**



Declining population	Declining purchasing power	Saturated convenience store market	Sluggish demand for containers	
Environmental problems	Discontinue use of plastic	Transition to paper containers	Decline in demand for printed sheets and films	
Food loss	Extend shelf life	Use of top-seal packaging	More soft packaging	
External factors	COVID-19	Ukraine conflict	Higher raw material prices Downturn in consumption	

### Yen's depreciation

# Worldwide recession

# Major Medium/Long-term Activities

Number one for major products	Increase market share for printed film and sheets for molded containers by using advanced production equipment and expertise and maximizing customer satisfaction	Reduce cost of manufacturing for higher core business and product earnings	Increase earnings by reexamining raw materials and production processes and machinery and purchasing efficient, energy-saving equipment
Develop more IT/industrial materials products	Strengthen activities for developing film coating processes in growing market sectors such as 5G, semiconductors, displays, smartphones and batteries; more investments in new coating machines and	Mergers and acquisitions	To grow even faster by supplementing internal activities for growth, M&A will be used for increasing the scale of operations and adding technologies, products and equipment needed for the future.
New customers New products	Develop new products to attract new customers by using the resources of the technology, customer satisfaction and engineering departments	Growth outside Japan	Quickly start operations at the new Vietnam factory, which has excellent prospects for growth, and expand U.S. sales channels with the goal of raising the overseas sales ratio to more than 10% within three years.
Environmental management Reduce CO <sup>2</sup> emissions Reduce VOC	Step up development of paper containers, biodegradable resins, bioplastics and other environmental products; use biomass ink, biomass adhesives, water-based adhesives and other materials that reduce CO2/VOC emissions; more business activities for		In February 2021 started internal production for faster deliveries and lower expenses; established an extrusion technology development department that allows developing products with an even smaller environmental impact.
emissions	recycling and repelleting	Recruit and train qualified people	Invest in recruiting activities; upgrade and expand training programs to increase the skills of employees



# **Environmental Responsibility**

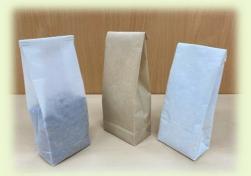
# Cut CO2 emissions, lower the use of solvents, cut VOC emissions, reduce the use of fossil fuels

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# **Environmental Responsibility**

#### **Environmentally Friendly Products**

Biodegradable gas barrier coated paper



Developing a barrier packaging for paper that uses a biodegradable resin made by using starch

#### Use of paper and biodegradable resins



Developing products made of a marine degradable resin

#### **A Smaller Environmental Impact**

Use of biomass materials



Material with 25% biomass PET "Bio NAK-A-PET"

- Biomass ink
  - Switching to biomass ink as products are revised and new products are launched
  - Biomass/water-based ink is currently about 30% of all ink used (goal is 50% in FY2/23)

#### Reduce plastic use and increase recycling

- New ideas for packaging that cuts the use of plastics
- Increasing use of monomers for greater ease of recycling
- Growth of the recycled pellet business

## Products Developed by Nakamoto Packs (N Brand)



NAK-A-PET	Food Packaging and Containers		
Features	<ol> <li>Thinner products (trays, etc.) due to high rigidity; conserves resources and reduces cost</li> </ol>		
	(2) Can be made by using a mixture of recycled materials and biomass materials		1 m
	(3) Recyclable material; designed for reduced environmental impact, food hygiene requirements and other characteristics		
Applications	Trays and food packaging mainly for confectionery products and agricultural products		
Strategy	Extensive sales activities for NAK-A-PET, which can make thin yet rigid items, as a replacement for oriented polystyrene (OPS) sheets	Confectionery product tray	Dry noodle tray

Food Packaging and Containers
(1) Outstanding heat resistance (220°C, if molded as needed)
(2) Outstanding resistance to cold, retention of aromas and rigidity
Containers mainly for baked food items like gratin dishes
Promote the advantage of using the same container for cooking, freezing and distribution, and defrosting and serving

NS Separato	IT and Industrial Materials And Health Care	
Features	<ol> <li>Manufactured using a fully integrated production line in a cleanroom environment</li> <li>A lineup of products suitable for a broad array of applications</li> <li>Unmatched level of customization, such as for peel adhesions and types of film</li> </ol>	
Applications	Mainly film used in electronic material production processes and film for transdermal patches	NS Separator

Enlarge the product lineup, meet customer needs for small lots/fast





Industrial materials

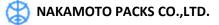


**Transdermal patches** 

deliveries

Strategy

## Increase N Brand Sales (NAK-A-PET)



#### **Trays for confections and noodles**



#### **Container lids**



#### Packaging for ham



#### **Clear cases for cosmetics**

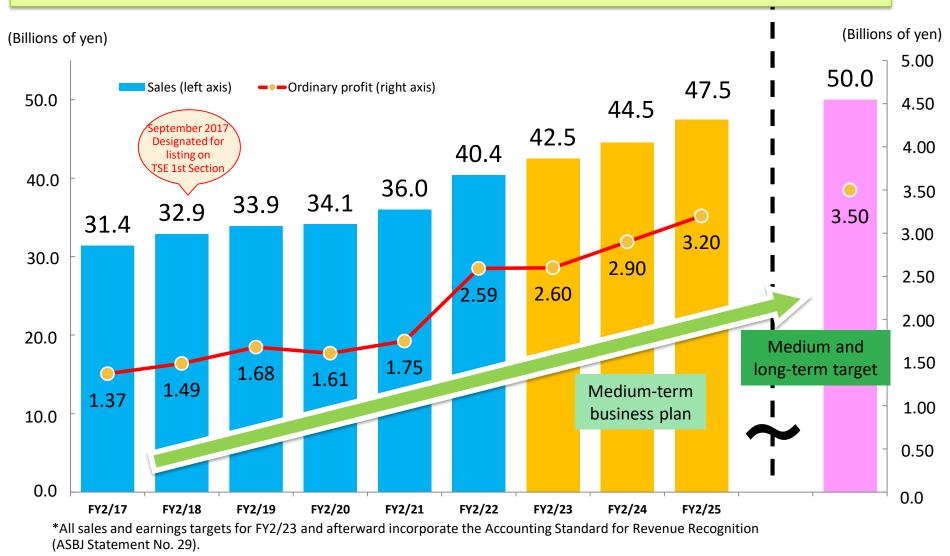


#### Stationery, toys and many other potential uses

# Medium-term Goals (Consolidated)

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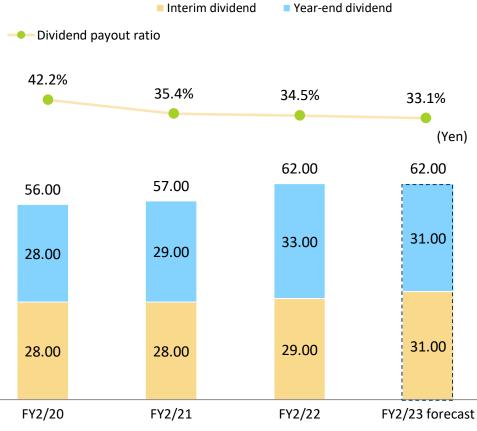
#### Medium-term plan aims for sales of 50 billion yen and ordinary profit of 3.5 billion yen

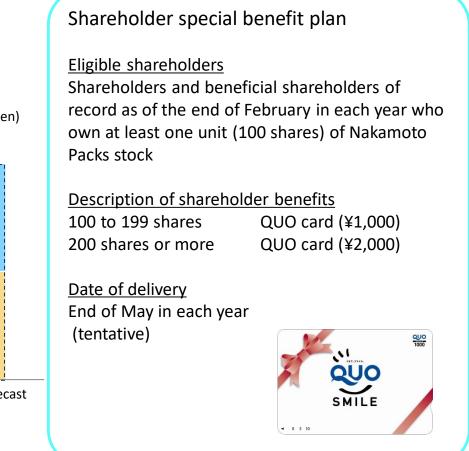


# **Policy for Shareholder Distributions**

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### Maintain a stable dividend while retaining earnings as needed





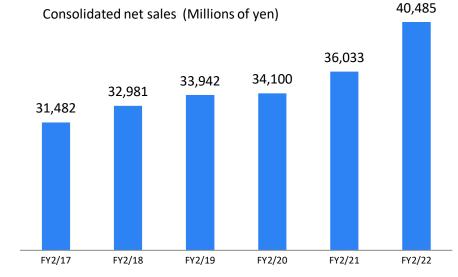


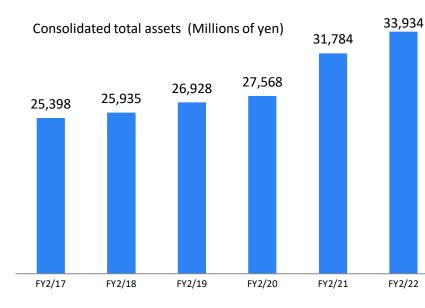


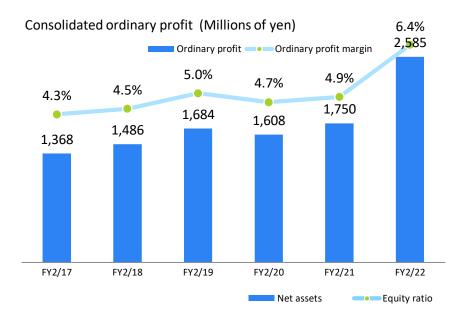
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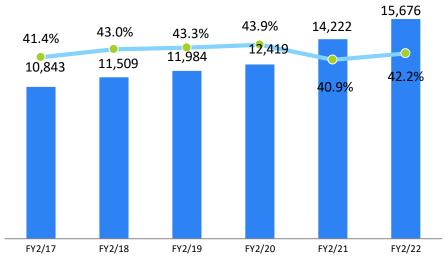
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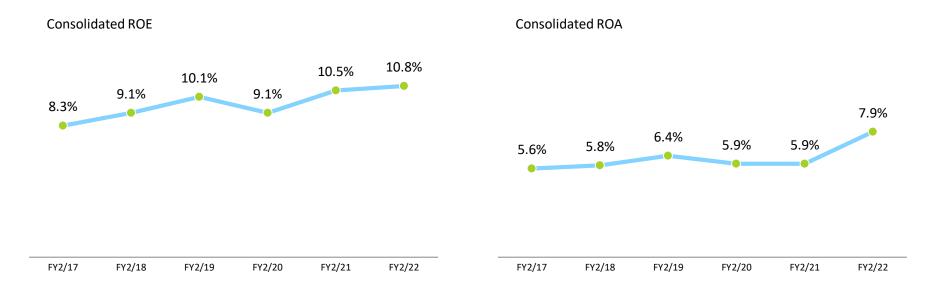


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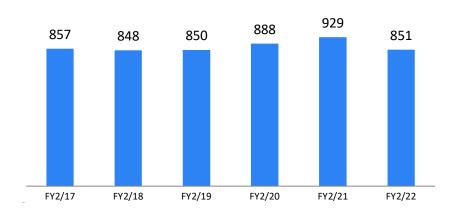


# Trends and Results 2/2

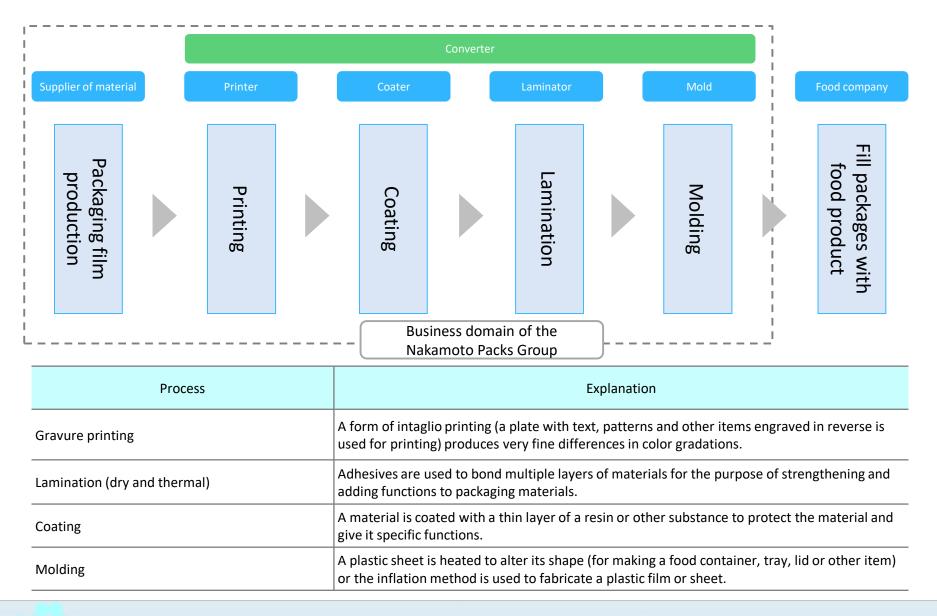


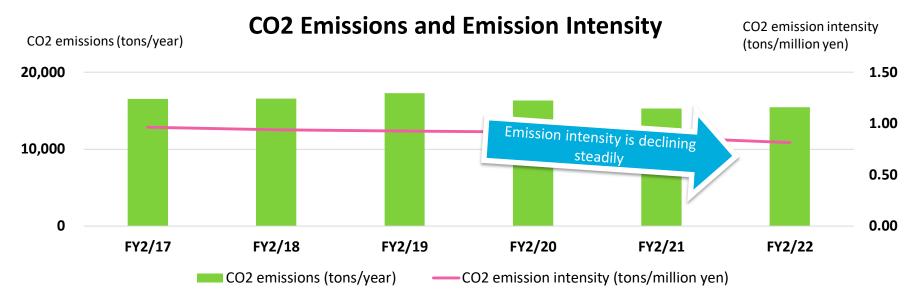


#### Number of consolidated employees (persons)



### Packaging Material Printing Process (Example)





In FY2/22, CO2 emissions at the seven factories of Nakamoto Packs were 15,442 tons, up 0.9% from FY2/21 but CO2 emission intensity was 0.82 tons/million yen, down 5.7% from FY2/21.
 \*Based on conversion of energy consumption to CO2 emissions

### Reasons for the decrease in CO2 emission intensity

- Increased power generation at the Saitama Plant as the plant's solar power unit started operating around the year.
- Production efficiency increased because of production improvement programs at all factories.

### Dedicated to being a company that is kind to people and the environment -Clean & Safety-

#### The Nakamoto Packs Motto

Our business depends on people. People depend on their hearts. An enjoyable company is the sum of diligence, dedication to serving others, and people.

#### Our Code of Conduct

Use sincerity to earn even greater trust Use perseverance to create innovative ideas Always improve yourself and cooperate with others Contribute to society through the spirit of co-existence and mutual prosperity Be dedicated to improving technologies and overcoming challenges Make good behavior and the spirit of gratitude a source of happiness

#### **Our Six Missions**

We will listen with open minds to what our customers say

We will constantly acquire new technologies for printing, packaging and containers

We will maintain close internal and external lines of communication and deliver goods and services on time with speed and in good faith

We will be responsible for maintaining co-existence and mutual prosperity with our customers

We will attract more dedicated fans of our group by using work and systems that generate strong impressions We will make the Nakamoto Packs Group an organization guided by the same destiny



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