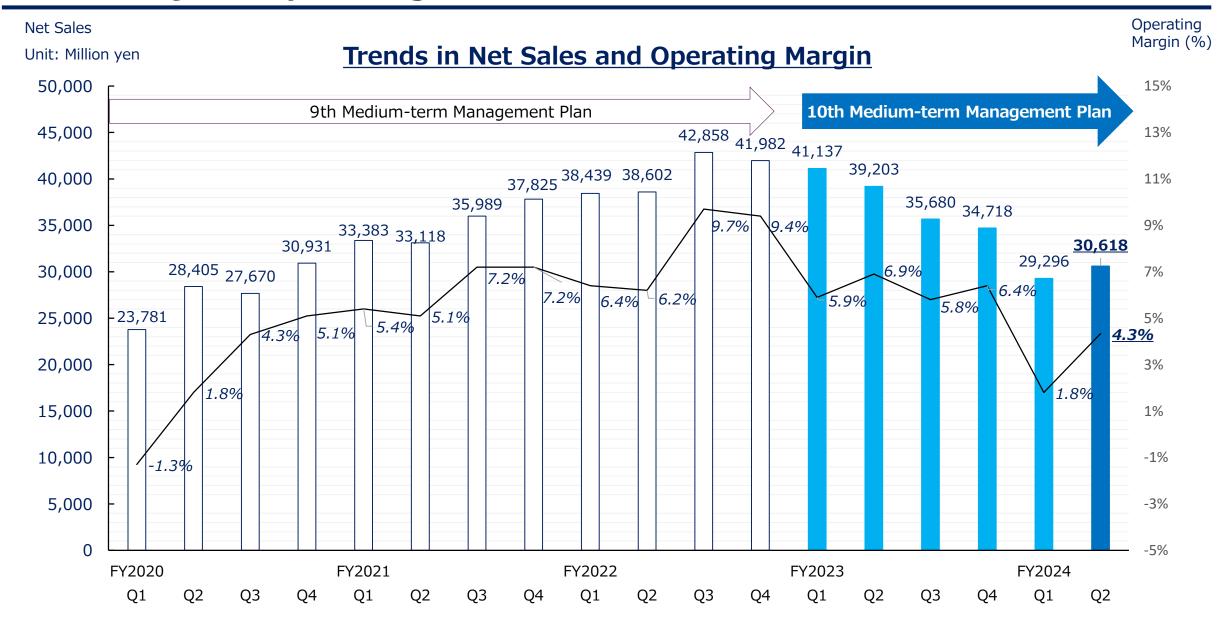
# Financial Results Explanatory Material for 2Q FY2024 (Six months ended September 30, 2024)

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# **Trends in Quarterly Earnings**





# **2Q FY2024 Consolidated Earnings Summary**

Revenues declined amid sluggish demand on markets other than the ICT market.

Profit decreased on decline in gross margin and utilization

Unit: Million yen	1H/FY2023 Results	1H/FY2024 Results	Change	Rate of Change (%)	
Net Sales	80,341	59,914	-20,426	-25.4%	
Operating income	5,123	1,850	-3,273	-63.9%	
Operating margin	6.4%	3.1%	-3,3pt	-	
Net income	-22,781	78	+22,859	-	
ROA	-14.0%	0.0%	+14.0pt	-	
ROE	-56.5%	0.1%	+56.6pt	-	
Capital investment	5,332	5,218	-114	-2.1%	
Depreciation and amortization	3,095	3,285	+189	+6.1%	
R&D expenses	2,259	2,056	-203	-9.0%	
Currency rate vs USD (yen)	141.00	152.63	Yen depreciation: 8.2%		
vs. EUR (yen)	153.39	165.95	Yen depreciation: 8.2%		



# **2Q FY2024 Consolidated Earnings Highlights**

### **Net Sales**

¥59.9 bn

**YoY -25.4%** 

**Operating income** 

**¥1.8** bn

YoY -63.9%

Profit/loss attributable to owners of parent

¥80 mn

### **1H Main Points**

- Net sales

ICT market orders received were favorable thanks mainly to servers as performance exceeded initial forecasts. However, the recovery of the industrial equipment market was delayed by economic downturn in China, among other factors. Also, net sales from the automotive electronics market fell below initial forecasts due to transitional inventory adjustments

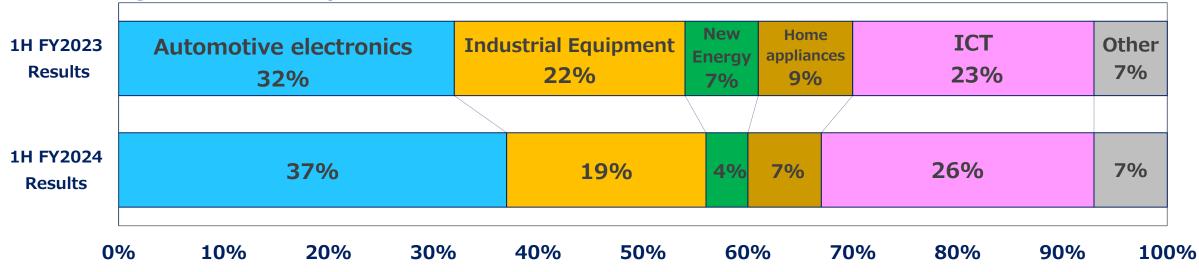
- Operating income

With the decline in net sales, net production also decreased. This caused utilization losses that resulted in a decline in gross margin ratio

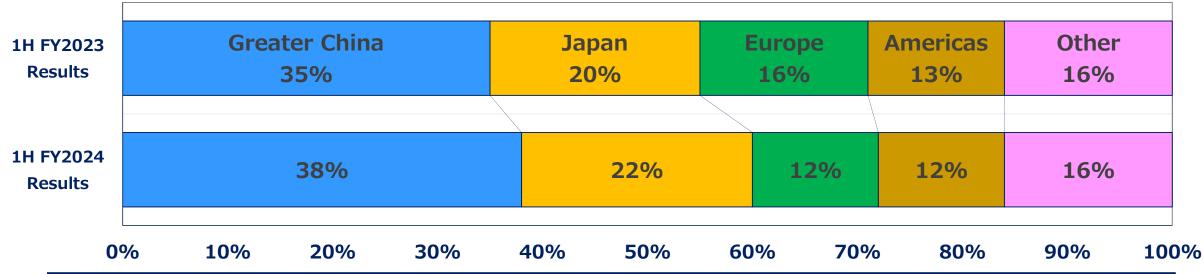
We benefited from yen depreciation and worked to constrain fixed costs but operating income fell below initial forecasts

# 2Q FY2024 Net Sales by Market and by Region

**■** Percentage of Net Sales by Market



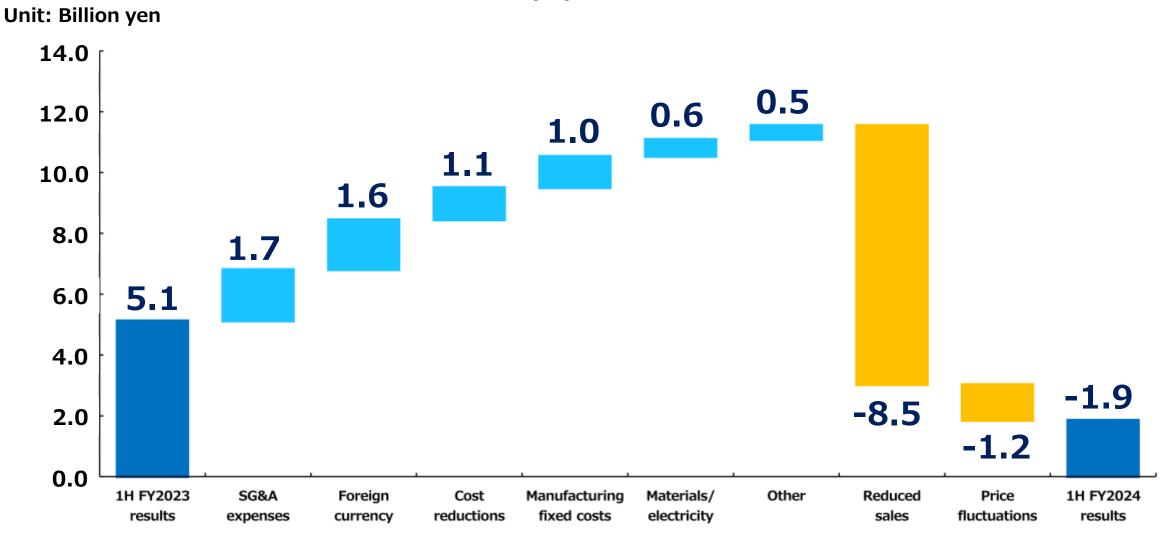
■ Percentage of Net Sales by Region





# 2Q FY2024: Operating Income YoY

Income decreased on lower sales due to sluggish recovery in demand on industrial equipment market and other markets





### **FY2024 Full-Year Consolidated Earnings Forecast**

Forecasting decreased net sales and income on inability to achieve sales targets due to sluggish recovery on industrial equipment market and stagnant automotive electronics market

Unit: Million yen	FY2023 1H Results	FY2023 2H Results	FY2023 Full-year Results	FY2024 1H Results	FY2024 2H Forecast	FY2024 Full-year Earnings Forecast	YoY Rate of Change (%)
Net Sales	80,341	70,398	150,740	59,914	73,086	133,000	-11.8%
Operating income	5,123	4,298	9,422	1,850	5,349	7,200	-23.6%
Operating margin	6.4%	6.1%	6.3%	3.1%	7.3%	5.4%	-
Net income	-22,781	1,490	-21,291	78	3,921	4,000	-
ROA	-14.0%	-	-12.7%	0.0%	-	2.4%	-
ROE	-56.5%	-	-41.2%	0.1%	-	7.1%	-
Capital investment	5,332	5,862	11,195	5,218	3,282	8,500	-24.1%
Depreciation and amortization	3,095	3,243	6,339	3,285	3,115	6,400	+1.0%
R&D expenses	2,259	2,229	4,489	2,056	2,144	4,200	-6.5%
Currency rate vs USD (yen)	141.00	148.25	144.62	152.63	145.00	148.82	Yen depreciation: 2.9%
vs. EUR (yen)	153.39	160.21	156.80	165.95	160.00	162.97	Yen depreciation: 3.9%



### 2H FY2024 Consolidated Earnings Forecast: Main Points

### **Net Sales**

**¥73.0** bn vs. 1H +22.0%

### **Operating income**

**¥5.3** bn vs. 1H +189.2%

Profit/loss attributable to owners of parent

¥3.9 bn

### **2H Main Points**

### - Net sales

- The automotive electronics market saw transitional inventory adjustments but hybrid capacitor demand was firm and we will continue with full-scale production during 2H
- The industrial equipment market is expected to see inventory adjustments subside towards the end of 3Q so we are forecasting demand recovery from 4Q
- The ICT market saw favorable demand with servers for data centers in North America from 1Q, and we forecast further growth in 3Q and beyond

### - Operating income

With increased net sales, net production will also increase, which will improve utilization gains.
 We forecast that the product mix will improve with growth in hybrid capacitors and other products, which will further improve gross margin and lead to a significant increase in income

# **Outlook for Current Operating Environment and Three Major Markets**

	1H FY2024	2H FY2024	1H FY2025	Market Outlook
Automotive electronics				<ul> <li>✓ While there is concern about a slowdown in the EV shift in the West, the adoption of automotive electronics such as advanced driver assistance systems (ADAS) is advancing steadily, and the number of components per vehicle is trending upward</li> <li>✓ FY2024 global production volume projected to improve from 2H</li> </ul>
Industri equipme Vew ener				✓ Inventory adjustment is requiring more time than expected, causing a delay in market recovery in China and Europe
rial nent ergy				✓ Looking at current orders received, we are beginning to see orders in anticipation of a recovery in FY2025
ICT				✓ Orders received recovering thanks to servers in North America, particularly orders for AI servers (demand for high-capacitance capacitors is trending upwards due to increasing power consumption)
			_	✓ Demand for mobile base station products is increasing in India and other emerging nations



# 2H FY2024 Forecast Operating Income (vs. 1H)

# <u>Projecting increased sales and income on increased server demand in</u> the ICT market and recovery in the industrial equipment market





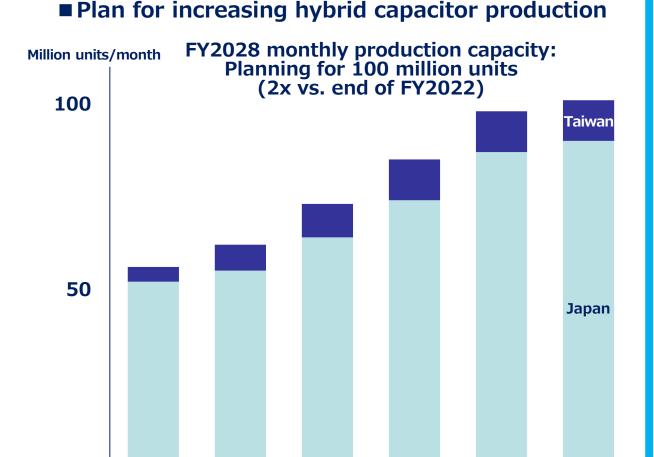
### 10th Medium-term Management Plan Growth Strategy: Establish structure for increasing production of hybrid capacitors and develop new products

### Establish structure for increasing production of hybrid capacitors

- **Chemi-Con East Japan Miyagi Plant**
- -Construction completed on new manufacturing building (end of June). Completion ceremony held on August 8 and production started in October (first shipments scheduled for November)



- Taiwan Chemi-Con
- -Number of production lines April 2023 → Doubled number of production lines in 1H FY2024

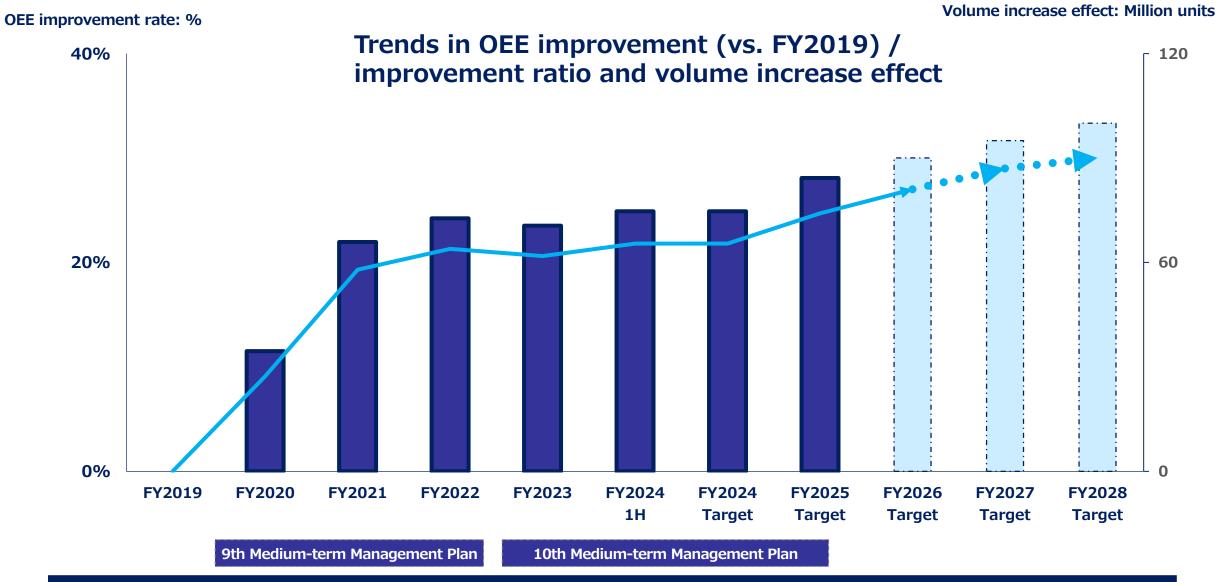


FY2023 FY2024 FY2025 FY2026 FY2027 FY2028



# 10th Medium-term Management Plan Growth Strategy: Use OEE improvements to increase volume without adding workers or upgrading facilities

### **OEE** overall equipment efficiency





### 10th Medium-term Management Plan Growth Strategy: Progress for smart factory initiatives

through FY2022 FY2023 results (Year 1 of Plan) 1H FY2024 results Highly feasible plan not dependent on human labor to build SCM **Operations requiring** operations (scheduler/MES) with no waste human labor/decisions Improve delivery times, reduce inventory **Reduce AIR costs** SCM **KPI** reform Delivery schedule **Delivery schedule** adherence rate: 20% UP adherence rate: 23% UP BASE (vs. FY2022) (vs. FY2022) (Inventory turnover: (Inventory turnover: 3.3 months) (Inventory turnover: 2.34 months) **2.52 months**) \*Impact of inventory investments for responding to 2H orders received Product exterior checks and Automation of product visual checks and transport between transport between processes processes ⇒ Switched from human judgment to automated checks, reliant on human visual used transport AGV to automate checks **Constrain inconsistency Production** Inconsistency, misses, and misses, worker process numerous workers, numbers reduced automation process transport delays **KPI** Labor savings of 50 people Labor savings of approx. 40 (Progress rate: 83%) BASE people (\*FY2024 plan: labor savings of 60 people in total during Medium-term Management Plan)

### 10th Medium-term Management Plan: Strengthen sales in emerging nations and BCP response

### Next CHINA response ⇒ Strengthen markets in India, BCP response



(China)

- Currently, some 35 to 40% of sales are in Greater China
- ✓ It is an important region for our Company and risk response is critical

(Geopolitics, environment, economic security, supply chain risks, rising labor costs, etc.)

#### Our response

- Build sales network and logistics structure to respond to relocation of the customer production sites and manufacturing contractors (EMS)
- Strengthen BCP response to address various risks (geopolitical, economic security, etc.)



- (India)
- ✓ Built a local sales support system by establishing a base in India (Gurugram, Haryana)
- ✓ Utilize agents residing in India, advertising
- \*
- (Vietnam)
- ✓ Build a sales system for Vietnam by utilizing sales bases in the ASEAN/East Asia region
- ✓ Secure commercial channels when European, American, and Taiwanese companies enter Vietnam

# Global business strategy of focusing on emerging nations **Risk reduction** Geopolitical risks Economic downturn and sudden market change Supply chain risks **Strengthen sales** Strengthen sales in emerging regions (India market in particular projected to see rapid market growth) **BCP** response Response by supplying from our production plants in Malaysia and Indonesia

### 10th Medium-term Management Plan Growth Strategy: New Product Development and New Product Income Contributions

Contributions by new products to 10th Medium-term Management Plan

Data centers, AI servers



 High-capacitance capacitors to respond to high-output power sources

5G communications

 High-capacitance, highperformance hybrid, conductive capacitors for high power mobile base stations

Automotive electronics: ADAS, autonomous driving





 High-performance hybrid capacitors for autonomous driving computers

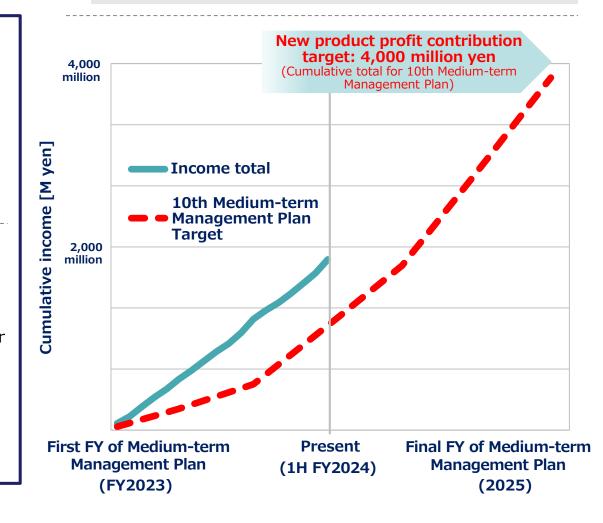


 Safety equipment using super capacitors



✓ High-voltage, high capacitance capacitors that contribute to equipment size reductions

### 10th Medium-term Management Plan: Trends in New Product Income Contributions





### 10th Medium-term Management Plan Growth Strategy: New Product Development and New Product Income Contributions

### Increased income with new cathode foil

- ✓ Proprietary cathode material technology
- Mass production started in May 2023



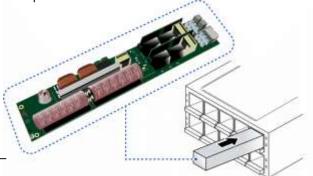
#### Effect of adopting new cathode foil

# Cost superiority/high-performance (high capacitance)

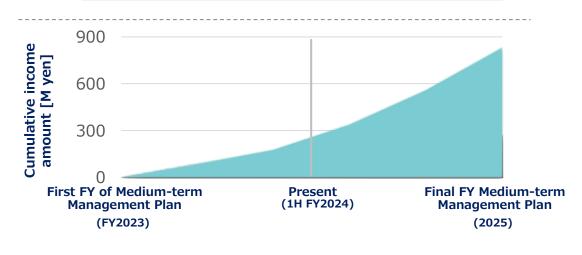
- Applicable for high-performance (smaller size, longer life) and highly reliable products
  - (Achieved high capacitance through the innovation of our etched foil)
- Cost advantage thanks to mass production using standard processes
  - (Reduced raw material costs compared to conventional foil)
- Launch products that enable increased capacitance for data centers and generative AI, which are high-profit markets



Already used in snap-in type and SMD type aluminum electrolytic capacitors



# Income contributions from products using new cathode foil



■ In the future, we will further strengthen profitability by adopting the new cathode foil in many of our aluminum electrolytic capacitors (hybrid capacitors, etc.)

Data center power supplies and mounted capacitors



# **Appendix**



# Q2 FY2024 Product-specific Sales (YoY)

Significant decrease in sales of products other than hybrid capacitors, conductive products for the ICT market, and capacitor materials

Unit: million yen	1H/FY2023 Results	2H/FY2023 results	1H/FY2024 Results	YoY Change	YoY Rate of Change (%)
Aluminum electrolytic	71,205	61,292	51,717	-19,487	-27.4%
Conductive polymer	10,610	10,621	9,943	-667	-6.3%
DLCAP™	2,656	2,538	1,921	-735	-27.7%
Ceramic capacitors/ varistors	1,773	1,616	1,260	-513	-28.9%
Mechanical parts and other parts	1,872	1,628	1,712	-159	-8.5%
Capacitor materials	2,141	2,474	2,750	+609	+28.4%
Other	692	848	553	-139	-20.1%
Total	80,341	70,398	59,914	-20,426	-25.4%



## FY2024 Full-Year Product-specific Sales Forecast

Sales expected to increase due to recovery in the industrial equipment and automotive electronics markets, and further growth in the ICT market (server demand for data centers)

Unit: Million yen	FY2023 1H Results	FY2023 2H Results	FY2023 Full-year Results	FY2024 1H Results	FY2024 2H Forecast	vs. 1H Rate of Change (%)	FY2024 Full-year Earnings Forecast
Aluminum electrolytic	71,205	61,292	132,497	51,717	64,783	+25.3%	116,500
Conductive polymer	10,610	10,621	21,231	9,943	10,857	+9.2%	20,800
DLCAP™	2,656	2,538	5,195	1,921	1,779	-7.4%	3,700
Ceramic capacitors/ varistors	1,773	1,616	3,389	1,260	1,240	-1.6%	2,500
Mechanical parts and other parts	1,872	1,628	3,500	1,712	1,688	-1.4%	3,400
<b>Capacitor materials</b>	2,141	2,474	4,615	2,750	3,050	+10.9%	5,800
Other	692	848	1,541	553	547	-1.1%	1,100
Total	80,341	70,398	150,740	59,914	73,086	+22.0%	133,000



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