

# Results Briefing for Fiscal Year Ended January 31, 2022

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# Overview of Fiscal Year Ended January 31, 2022

# Intentions for the annual business plan at beginning of year and subsequent changes

#### Intentions at beginning the year

#### **Actual changes**

previous year is more apparent in a wide range of fields.

As initially expected, the recovery trend from the

Overall market conditions

Overall market conditions are expected to recover compared to FY2021/1, although COVID-19 effects are expected to remain in some areas, among them corporate IT-related investment..

No significant impact was seen at the beginning of the year, and with uncertainty regarding future prospects, impact was not factored into the plan.

Semiconductors & devices were supported by robust demand, with procurement of some ICT & solutions products impacted.

Semiconductors & devices

Despite an expected decrease in orders for TVs, which had been strong in the previous fiscal year, a slight YoY increase is forecasted for the fiscal year due to the normalization of production activities and contributions from new orders.. Orders for TVs, which were expected to decrease, increased due to the development of new customers, and favorable demand amid the aforementioned semiconductor supply shortage also contributed to the increase.

#### **ICT & solutions**

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Ryoyo will capture demand related to the online eligibility verification system using IC chips for the Individual Number Cards which will start this fiscal year. In addition, the business environment is expected to gradually improve toward the end of the fiscal year. Introduction of the online eligibility verification system was postponed, and projects overall were postponed (some were carried over to the next fiscal year). Other projects, with the exception of software-related projects, were relatively steady.







Impact of semiconductor supply shortages



- Sales and income were up both YOY and vs. initial plans.
- Increase in ordinary profit and profit attributable to owners of parent expanded, mainly due to the absence of non-operating expenses allocated in the previous year (expenses related to the buyback of treasury stock: ¥490 million).
- ► ROE improved significantly due to growth in profits and adjustment of capital structure. (→High levels reached for the first time in 20 years)

|  | FY2021/1* | FY2022/1*         |        | YoY Change |         | Compared to Initial Target |        |
|--|-----------|-------------------|--------|------------|---------|----------------------------|--------|
| (Billion yen)                                | Result    | Initial<br>Target | Result |            | %       |                            | %      |
| Net sales                                    | 95.8      | 100.0             | 112.1  | +16.3      | +17.0%  | +12.1                      | +12.1% |
| Gross profit                                 | 9.19      | 10.10             | 10.73  | +1.54      | +16.7%  | +0.63                      | +6.3%  |
| (%)  | 9.6%      | 10.1%             | 9.6%   |            |         |                            |        |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 7.93      | 8.10              | 8.47   | +0.55      | +6.9%   | +0.37                      | +4.6%  |
| Operating profit                             | 1.27      | 2.00              | 2.26   | +0.99      | +78.2%  | +0.26                      | +12.9% |
| (%)  | 1.3%      | 2.0%              | 2.0%   |            |         |                            |        |
| Ordinary profit                              | 0.91      | 1.95              | 2.40   | +1.50      | +165.2% | +0.45                      | +23.1% |
| Profit attributable to owners of parent      | 0.81      | 1.35              | 1.87   | +1.07      | +132.4% | +0.52                      | +38.8% |
| ROE  | 1.6%      |                   | 4.7%   |            |         |                            |        |

\* FY2021/1: Fiscal year ended January 2021, FY2022/1: Fiscal year ended January 2022



- In semiconductors & devices, in addition to significant growth in products for TVs and other digital consumer electronics, overall sales were supported by robust demand amid semiconductor supply shortages.
- In ICT & solutions, sales of software for PCs declined (reaction to special demand up to the first half of the previous fiscal year), but sales of other items were generally firm.



## Supplement: Net sales by product







- Semiconductors & devices and ICT & solutions both grew in the fourth quarter of FY2022/1, with quarterly net sales exceeding ¥30 billion.
- Quarterly operating profit has been increasing compared to the previous quarter since Q4 of FY2021/1. In Q4, the operating margin rose to 2.4% as sales expanded and gross profit also improved.



- Trade receivables, inventories, and trade payables increased as sales increased, and borrowings were also increased in order to fund working capital requirements.
- > Non-current assets decreased, mainly due to sale of investment securities.
- > Net assets increased due to procurement of funds through warrant issues.

Note: Procurement of funds through warrant issues overlapped fiscal years and was completed at the end of February, with a total of ¥6 billion procured.



**Liabilities & Net Assets** 



VALUE and PRIDE



# Business Plan for Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 2023

**RYOYO** VALUE and PRIDE

Ryoyo had originally planned to postpone the achievement of the targets in the previous three-year business plan (net sales: ¥110 billion, operating profit: ¥3 billion) by one year, to the fiscal year ending January 31, 2023. However, the Company adjusted the targets downward, mainly due to changes in the business environment for large projects.

#### Semiconductors & devices

- The impact of semiconductor supply shortage remains severe and is expected to continue until the latter half of the fiscal year.
- Meanwhile, sales for TVs, the company's mainstay products, remains high, but the sense of overheating is expected to subside.

#### **ICT & solutions**

- Business related to online qualification verification is expected to peak in the fiscal year, with some projects sliding from the previous fiscal year.
- Change in forms of transaction for some large projects is expected to have an impact from the second half of the fiscal year.

#### Other

The impact on net sales of the Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition, which was adopted in the fiscal year ending January 2023, is insignificant.



- > Net sales are expected to decrease in both semiconductors & devices and ICT & solutions.
- Operating profit is expected to increase slightly YoY due to improvement in profit margins from changes in sales composition and expansion of high-profitability products and services.
- Ordinary profit and profit attributable to owners of parent are expected to decline due to the absence of foreign exchange gains and gains on sale of investment securities that were recorded in FY2022/1.

|  | FY2022/1* | FY2023/1* | YoY C | hange  |
|--|-----------|-----------|-------|--------|
| (Billion yen)                                | Result    | Target .  |       | %      |
| Net sales                                    | 112.1     | 100.0     | -12.1 | -10.8% |
| Gross profit                                 | 10.73     | 10.80     | +0.07 | +0.6%  |
| (%)  | 9.6%      | 10.8%     |       |        |
| Selling, general and administrative expenses | 8.47      | 8.50      | +0.03 | +0.3%  |
| Operating profit                             | 2.26      | 2.30      | +0.04 | +1.9%  |
| (%)  | 2.0%      | 2.3%      |       |        |
| Ordinary profit                              | 2.40      | 2.20      | -0.20 | -8.4%  |
| Profit attributable to owners of parent      | 1.87      | 1.53      | -0.34 | -18.3% |
| ROE  | 4.7%      | 3.6%      |       |        |

\* FY2022/1: Fiscal year ended January 2022, FY2023/1: Fiscal year ending January 2023

- RYOYO VALUE and PRIDE
- Semiconductors & devices sales are expected to decline mainly due to a lull in overheating of orders for TVs.
- In ICT & solutions, although some software-related orders are expected to be affected by a review of forms of transaction, sales of other items are expected to remain strong.



## Supplement: Net sales by product

## RYOYO VALUE and PRIDE







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## New Three-Year Business Plan (February 2022 – January 2025)

# The external environment around electronics trading companies







In the previous three-year business plan, the company was on the verge of an operating loss, and it proceeded to rebuild. The plan showed a certain degree of recovery in business performance. However, profits fell short of targets, leaving issues to be addressed for future growth.



## Ryoyo's vision





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## Strategic framework





Although it will depend on the situation going forward, given that certain reforms have been made, Ryoyo will also consider leveraging growth opportunities including alliances.



Expand the business base by maximizing management resources (superior products and customer relations) cultivated over Ryoyo's long history.



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Promote value-added business that provides unique solutions by combining products (conventional business of product sales) and services.

For the time being, Ryoyo will focus on the following three fields



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- **RYOYO** VALUE and PRIDE
- In order to support preceding two strategies (i.e. "expand and deepen customer engagement" and "pursue uniqueness"), Ryoyo will work on productivity improvement in five themes to strengthen its business foundation.



## Numerical targets of the new three-year business plan





Intentions of Numerical Targets

#### Net Sales

Even factoring in the negative impact (about ¥18 billion) of anticipated changes in the business environment in future, Ryoyo will expand its business base through expanded customer engagement and new products and services.

## Operating profit

Ryoyo aims at transforming profit structure to achieve operating margin over 3% by promoting value-added business that combines products and services and productivity improvement initiatives.

### > ROE

Ryoyo aims at achieving ROE that exceeds the cost of capital stock recognized by the Company (approx. 5%) by implementing various measures to improve profit levels.



## **Shareholder Returns**



Ryoyo will maintain its dividend policy of 5.0% DOE under the new three-year business plan.

 $\rightarrow$  The Company plans to pay an annual dividend of ¥100 per share for FY2023/1 (a decrease of ¥20 yen per share from FY2022/1).

|           |          | Divid   | end per Share | Dividend  | DOE          |      |  |
|-----------|----------|---------|---------------|-----------|--------------|------|--|
|           |          | Interim | Year-End      | Full Year | Payout Ratio | DOL  |  |
| FY2023/1* | Forecast | 50      | 50            | 100       | 129.7%       | 4.8% |  |
| FY2022/1* | Target   | _       | 60            | 120       | 115.4%       | 5.6% |  |
|           | Result   | 60      |               |           |              | —    |  |

\*FY2023/1: Fiscal year ending January 2023, FY2022/1: Fiscal year ended January 2022

#### Trends in Dividend per Share, Dividend on Equity Ratio (DOE), and Payout Ratio

| Return Policy             | T        | otal Return | n Ratio: 100 | )%       | DOE: 3%  |                           | DOE: 5%        |                    |
|---------------------------|----------|-------------|--------------|----------|----------|---------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| Dividend<br>Payout Ratio: | 100.0%   | 119.2%      | 691.0%       | 144.2%   | 150.8%   | 511.5%<br>7.6%            | 115.4%         | 129.7%             |
|                           | 1.2%     | 1.5%        | 2.3%         | 2.3%     | 3.2%     | 180                       | 5.6%           | 4.8%               |
| DOE:                      | •        | •           |              | •        | ·        | Commemorativ<br>dividend) | /e 120         | 100                |
| Dividend per              | 30       | 40          | 60           | 60       | 80       | 120                       | 60             |                    |
| Share (Yen):              | FY2016/1 | FY2017/1    | FY2018/1     | FY2019/1 | FY2020/1 | FY2021/1                  | 60<br>FY2022/1 | FY2023/1           |
|                           | Results  | Results     | Results      | Results  | Results  | Results                   | Targets        | Forecasts          |
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# **Corporate Governance**



Ryoyo continues to enhance governance system with the purpose of improving management effectiveness and transparency.



| Organizational Structure of the Company                | Company with Audit & Supervisory Board   |
|--|--|
| Chairperson of the Board of Directors*                 | Outside Director   |
| Number of Directors*                                   | 8 (including 4 outside directors)  |
| Number of Auditors                                     | 4 (including 3 outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members)  |
| Number of Independent Officers*                        | 4 outside Directors and 3 outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members  |
| Voluntary Advisory Committee to the Board of Directors | Nominating and Compensation Committee  |
| Structure of Compensation for Directors                | Fixed compensation (basic compensation)<br>Performance-linked compensation (monetary)<br>Medium- to long-term performance-linked compensation<br>(restricted stock compensation) |

\*Includes items to be formally decided upon approval of the agenda at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on 4/26

## **Reference:** Ryoyo's transition in corporate governance



| Fiscal<br>Year | Board of Directors   | Officers   | Nomination and Compensation   | Others   |
|----------------|--|--|---|--|
| 2022/1         | <ul> <li>Ratio of independent outside<br/>directors increased to 50% (Ratio of<br/>outside officers: 58%)</li> </ul> |  | <ul> <li>Executive Officer System revised<br/>(delegated executive officer<br/>system introduced)</li> <li>Director term of office shortened</li> <li>Number of directors reduced</li> <li>Performance-linked compensation<br/>(monetary) introduced</li> </ul> |  |
| 2021/1         |  | <ul> <li>Number of independent outside<br/>directors increased to 4</li> <li>Number of women in the Board of<br/>Directors increased to 2</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Outside officers account for a<br/>majority of Nomination and<br/>Compensation Committee</li> </ul>  |  |
| 2020/1         | <ul> <li>An outside Director assumes<br/>chairmanship of the Board of<br/>Directors</li> </ul>                       |  |   |  |
| 2019/1         |  |  | <ul> <li>Nomination and Compensation<br/>Committee established (chaired<br/>by an outside Director)</li> </ul>  |  |
| 2018/1         |  |  |   |  |
| 2017/1         | <ul> <li>Begins evaluating effectiveness of<br/>the Board of Directors</li> </ul>                                    | <ul> <li>Number of independent outside<br/>Audit &amp; Supervisory Board<br/>Members increased to 3</li> </ul>                                       |   | <ul> <li>Legal counsel added as a<br/>reporting contact in the internal<br/>reporting system</li> </ul>                        |
| 2016/1         |  | <ul> <li>Number of independent outside<br/>Directors increased to 2</li> <li>A woman appointed as a board<br/>member</li> </ul>                      |   | <ul> <li>Electronic voting platform<br/>established</li> <li>Exercise of voting rights via the<br/>Internet enabled</li> </ul> |
| 2015/1         |  |  |   |  |
| 2014/1         |  | An independent outside Director<br>appointed   | <ul> <li>Standards of independence for<br/>outside officers established</li> </ul>  |  |
| 2013/1         |  |  |   |  |

## Summary



#### **Overview of Fiscal Year Ended January 31, 2022**

- Sales and income were up both YOY and vs. initial plans.
- ROE improved significantly due to growth in profits and adjustment of capital structure. (High levels reached for the first time in 20 years)

#### Target for Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 2023

- Net sales is expected to decrease YoY mainly due to changes in the business environment for large projects.
- Operating profit is expected to increase slightly YoY due to improvement in profit margins from factors including changes in sales composition.

#### **New Three-Year Business Plan**

- Establish the strategic framework of "expand and deepen customer engagements," "pursue uniqueness," and "improve productivity," to provide the best solutions for our customers' issues and problems in a faster and better manner than anyone else.
- Net sales target in FY2025/1 remains the same level as in FY2022/1, factoring in the anticipated negative impact in future with an unchanged plan. However, Ryoyo aims at transforming profit structure to achieve operating margin over 3%.

#### **Shareholder Returns**

Ryoyo pays dividends based on its conventional dividend policy of 5.0% DOE.



### <u>Note</u>

The business results and forecasts for the future contained in this presentation are based on certain assumptions deemed reasonable at the time of release. Actual results may differ from the original forecasts due to economic conditions and various other factors.

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