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# ABOUT the Ryoyo Group

Ryoyo Electro Corporation was founded in 1961 as a semiconductor trading company. Since its foundation, the Company has continued to expand the range of its operations in step with changes in the electronics industry while maintaining close and functional business relationships with world-leading suppliers. In our core semiconductor and device business, we have established a robust product lineup featuring a wide range of promising products from both Japan and overseas, and we take great pride in our skillful support services, which are backed by the experience accumulated over our long history. The second pillar supporting the Company's operations is its information and communication technology (ICT) and solutions business. The diverse range of solutions we provide in this business begins with kitting services in which we select hardware, operating systems, applications, and other items after providing consultation to determine customer needs. Our solutions do not end with sales, however, as we also provide follow-up support after systems are introduced.

The Ryoyo Group has been guided by its corporate philosophy of "creating value in tune with the times" since its foundation. Exercising this philosophy, we will continue to raise corporate value by creating new business opportunities as we aim to act as a solutionsproviding partner that leaves an impression on the intrinsically interconnected "smart society."

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#### **Caution on Forward-Looking Statements**

The contents of this annual review that are not historical fact represent projections based on expectations and plans for the future. These projections contain elements of risk and uncertainty. As a result, forward-looking statements made in this annual review may differ from actual results and performance.

#### Notes on Performance Figures in this Annual Review

The performance figures used in this annual review, including those from previous fiscal years, are based on Ryoyo Electro Corporation's audited Japanese financial reviews.

#### Notes on the Scope of this Annual Review

With respect to the contents of this annual review, "the Company" refers to Ryoyo Electro Corporation, while "the Ryoyo Group" refers to Ryoyo Electro Corporation and its consolidated subsidiaries Ryoyo Semicon Corporation, Ryoyo Electro (Shanghai) Co., Ltd., Ryoyo Electro Hong Kong Ltd., and Ryoyo Electro Singapore Pte., Ltd.

## **CORPORATE PHILOSOPHY**

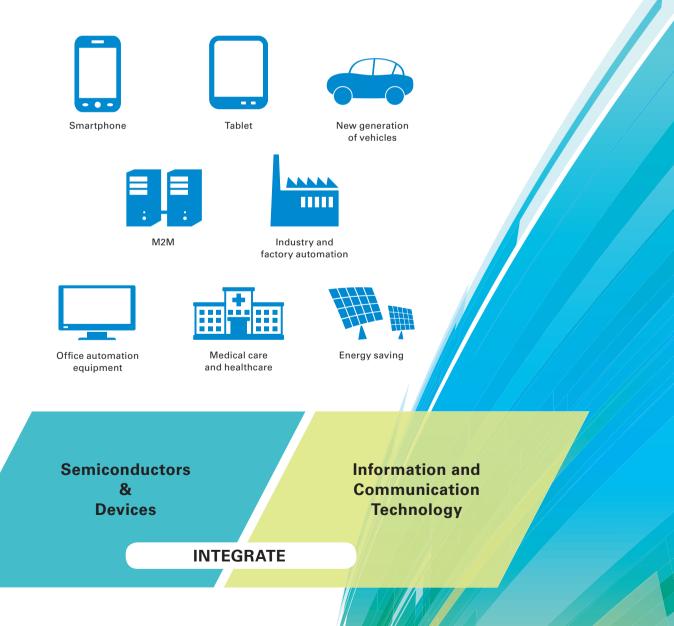
"Creating value in tune with the times"

## **MISSION**

We shall strive to always be a corporate group that grows together with stakeholders.

## **MEDIUM-TERM VISION**

The Ryoyo Group will act as a solutions-providing partner that leaves an impression on the intrinsically interconnected "smart society."



## **To Our Shareholders**

Kenhachiro Ogawa Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Takayoshi Oouchi President and Chief Operating Officer

## ACCELERATING INITIATIVES GEARED TOWARD REALIZING OUR MEDIUM-TERM VISION

#### **Operating Environment and Performance in the Year Under Review**

During the year under review, the fiscal year ended January 31, 2015, the electronics industry, which the Ryoyo Group operates in, saw PC-related products benefit from special demand in early spring 2014. Sales of industrial equipmentand smartphone-related products remained strong after this demand ended.

Under these conditions, the Ryoyo Group promoted sales of its products and services—including its mainstay semiconductors,

devices, and ICT-related products. We also endeavored to develop new high-value-added services and solutions targeting increased revenue in the medium to long term. As a result of these efforts, we witnessed increases in both sales and income as net sales increased 12.5% year on year, to ¥110.1 billion; operating income rose 24.3%, to ¥2.0 billion; and net income was up 25.4%, to ¥1.6 billion.

#### **Three Basic Strategies for Charting a Course Toward Ongoing Growth**

Since its founding, the Ryoyo Group has continued to operate in accordance with its corporate philosophy of "creating value in tune with the times." Guided by this philosophy, we have defined "Change, Challenge, Speed" as our management principle, based on which we strive to realize our mediumterm vision—the Ryoyo Group will act as a solutions-providing partner that leaves an impression on the intrinsically interconnected "smart society."

In charting a course toward ongoing growth, the Ryoyo Group has formulated three basic strategies: (1) reinforce and expand the base of core businesses, (2) develop high-valueadded businesses, and (3) accelerate global strategies. The semiconductor / device business and the ICT / solutions business are our two core businesses, and both represent areas in which we have continued to accumulate strength since the Company's founding. Firmly grounded on the foundation formed by these businesses, we will differentiate ourselves from the competition by developing new services and solutions that derive from these core businesses to develop high-value-added businesses as we strive to increase corporate value.

The two core businesses of semiconductors / devices and ICT / solutions have both traditionally extended beyond simply supplying customers with parts. We have always conducted these businesses together with customers, expanding points of contact and positioning the people we serve as "business partners" rather than merely as "one of our customers."

To create such a relationship, we provide support for developing business schemes that begin from the business plan proposal phase, and follow this up with a range of services including sales of products and after sales maintenance.

At the same time, we have worked to link our networks in the device field, where we develop our semiconductor / device business, and in the service field, which is home to our ICT / solutions business. In this manner, we have constructed a business model for providing comprehensive support encompassing devices, networks, services, and everything between. Leveraging this business model, we are creating new value in tune with the times, which is currently characterized by trends such as seen in the Internet of things (IoT) and machine to machine (M2M) fields. For example, as part of our inter-connectivity growth strategies, we are focusing on field and mobile work innovations, which entail using IoT systems to evolve customers' work styles.

In overseas businesses, meanwhile, we are enhancing our support services for our clientele of Japanese electronics manufacturers amidst the rising trend of these companies shifting manufacturing operations overseas. In addition, we are accelerating efforts to acquire local customers, uncover viable local products, develop ICT businesses, and strengthen design and development functions, especially in the Greater China and ASEAN regions, in order to take advantage of the growth potential of overseas markets. Furthermore, information on leading-edge technologies and industry trends is being collected through bases in the United States to help improve service quality on a global basis.

In the fiscal year ending January 31, 2016, the Company will work to expand and strengthen self-driven business operations while also cooperating with local companies in Thailand and China and developing overseas ICT businesses.

#### **MEDIUM-TERM VISION**

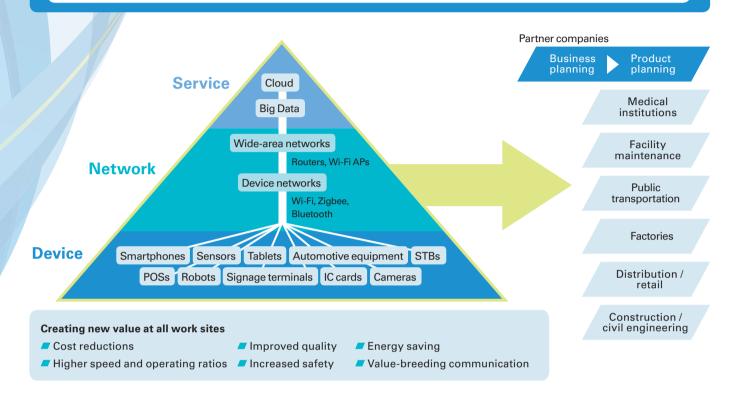
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Basic Strategy I	Reinforce and expand the base of core businesses	$\Rightarrow$	Increase scale of sales
Basic Strategy II	Develop high-value-added businesses	$\Rightarrow$	Advance inter-connectivity growth strategies
Basic Strategy III	Accelerate global strategies	$\rightarrow$	Expand overseas businesses

Chart a course toward ongoing growth by accelerating initiatives geared toward realizing our medium-term vision

#### **DEVELOP HIGH-VALUE-ADDED "IoT BUSINESSES"**

Field and mobile work innovations that evolve the businesses of all industries (customers)



#### New Trial of Becoming "One Ryoyo"

In the fiscal year ending January 31, 2016, the Ryoyo Group will come together under the corporate ideal of "One Ryoyo" to further accelerate initiatives geared toward realizing our medium-term vision—the Ryoyo Group will act as a solutionsproviding partner that leaves an impression on the intrinsically interconnected "smart society." In particular, we will endeavor to rapidly develop high-value-added businesses by advancing efforts related to field and mobile work innovations as we target our third consecutive year of increases in both sales and income.

#### **Shareholder Returns**

The Company views returning profits to its shareholders as one of its most important management tasks. Accordingly, we issue cash dividend payments in consideration of the Company's financial position and the operating environment, while also retaining internal revenues sufficient enough to maintain a stable operating foundation and pursue future business expansion. Beginning with the fiscal year ending January 31, 2016, we plan to target a total payout ratio of 100% of net income for the foreseeable future.

I would like to thank our shareholders for their ongoing support and ask for their continued support and understanding.

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Kenhachiro Ogawa

Takayoshi Oouchi

## **Corporate Governance**

As of April 28, 2015



Kenhachiro Ogawa Chairman and CEO



Yoshiharu Hayakawa Outside Director (Independent Director)



Takayoshi Oouchi President and COO



Apr. 1985 Representative Director, Chuo Coopers and Lybrand Consulting Co., Ltd. Jan. 1992 Representative, Chuo Audit Corporation Nov. 1997 Representative, Kasumi Empowerment

Research Institute (incumbent) June 2007 Outside Director, Mitsui Eudosan Co., Ltd.

June 2012 External Director, Kakaku.com, Inc. (incumbent) Apr. 2013 Outside Director, Ryoyo Electro (incumbent) June 2014 Outside Director, Sanrio Company, Ltd. (incumbent)

#### Reason for appointment

The Company intends to utilize his expert knowledge as a Certified Public Accountant, as well as his extensive experience and broad insight as a management consultant, to help strengthen the corporate governance of the Company.

Standing Statutory Auditor Akio Tanaka

Outside Auditors Katsumasa Yasui Ryoji Kimura Tsutomu Nobechi

#### **Basic Corporate Governance Philosophy**

At Ryoyo Electro, we recognize enhancing corporate governance as an important task of management. Therefore, in order to continue to guarantee the soundness, transparency, and effectiveness of management, as well as increase corporate value and fulfill our responsibilities to society, we are striving to develop internal systems that ensure the functionality of corporate governance.

#### **Company Organizations**

#### Directors and Board of Directors

The Board of Directors, which consists of eight directors (as of April 28, 2015), is responsible for making decisions as stipulated in laws, regulations, and the articles of incorporation; making important management decisions; and overseeing the execution of operations. In principle, the Board of Directors meets once a month, and met a total of 12 times during the year under review.



Nobuo Kikutsugi Director



Tsumiko Nakahara Outside Director (Independent Director)



Kenjiro Kobayashi Director



Apr. 1990 Joined Tokio Marine & Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. (currently Tokio Marine & Nichido Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.) Oct. 2000 Registered as attorney (Yokohama Bar Association)

- Dec. 2000 Joined Shoji Ninpei Law Office (currently Yokohama Kannai Law Office)
- Apr. 2007 Established Yokohama Kaikou Law Firm
- Apr. 2013 Domestic Relations Conciliation Commissioner, Yokohama Family Court
- Apr. 2015 Outside Director, Ryoyo Electro (incumbent)

#### Reason for appointment

Ms. Nakahara possesses sophisticated expertise with regard to all areas of corporate legal affairs based on her long history as an attorney and related knowledge and experience. She was selected to be an outside director with the aim of utilizing this expertise in strengthening the Company's corporate governance systems.

Senior Managing Executive Officer Yutaka Horikiri

Managing Executive Officer Nobuo Kikutsugi

Senior Executive General Managers Kenjiro Kobayashi Masaaki Tanabe Kiyoshi Waki Haruo Nakayama Executive General Managers

Satoru Fukumoto Takumi Tokunaga

#### Outline of the corporate governance framework

Organizational format	Company with a corporate auditor system
Chairman of the Board of Directors	Chairman and CEO
Number of directors	Eight (including two outside directors)
Number of auditors	Four (including three outside auditors)
Independent officers	Two outside directors and two outside auditors
Number of Board of Directors' meetings held during the fiscal year ended January 31, 2015	12
Number of Board of Auditors' meetings held during the fiscal year ended January 31, 2015	17

#### Attendance rate

	Board of Directors' me	etings	Board of Auditors' m	eetings
Outside director	Yoshiharu Hayakawa	75%	—	
Outside auditors	Katsumasa Yasui Ryoji Kimura Tsutomu Nobechi	100%	Katsumasa Yasui Ryoji Kimura Tsutomu Nobechi	100% 100% 100%

#### Corporate Auditors and Board of Auditors

Ryoyo Electro is a Company with a corporate auditor system, whereby corporate auditors act independently of directors and oversee directors' execution of operations. The Board of Auditors consists of four corporate auditors (as of April 28, 2015), of which three are external corporate auditors. In principle, the Board of Auditors meets once a month, and met a total of 17 times during the year under review.

#### The Criteria for the Selection of Outside Officers

In order to ensure the independence of the candidates it recommends for outside officer (outside Director and outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member), the Company has formulated criteria for the selection of outside officers.

The criteria for the selection of outside officers require that candidates shall not fall under any of the following categories.

- 1. A party who is or has been a Director, an Auditor, or an employee at the Ryoyo Group in the past ten years or a relative within the second degree of kinship of such a party
- 2. A party that is or has been a Director, an Auditor, or an employee of a major business partner\* of the Ryoyo Group in the past five years
- 3. A shareholder that holds 10% or more of the voting rights of the Company' shares (in the case of an institutional shareholder, this shall apply to business executives at such an institutional shareholder)
- 4. A provider of specialist services\*\* that has received ¥10 million or more of remuneration on an annual basis from the Ryoyo Group in the past five years
- 5. A party that has received a donation of ¥10 million or more on an annual basis from the Ryoyo Group in the past five years
- A party that has a relationship with the Ryoyo Group in which exchange of Directors is carried out by mutual dispatch
- 7. Any other party with a significant interest in the Ryoyo Group
- \* This signifies a business partner that has a relationship with the Ryoyo Group that constitutes 2% or more of the consolidated net sales of the Ryoyo Group in the most recent fiscal year.
- \*\* This signifies an attorney, a certified public accountant, a certified public tax accountant, a judicial scrivener, a consultant, or an advisor.

#### **Internal Control Systems**

The following are our basic principles for establishing internal control systems. These principles help us maintain systems for sound internal control.

- System for ensuring that the execution of duties by directors and employees is in compliance with all laws, regulations, and the articles of incorporation
- 2. Items concerning the storage and management of information related to the execution of duties by directors
- 3. Rules and other systems for containing the risk of damages
- 4. System for ensuring the efficient execution of duties by directors

- System for ensuring the appropriateness of operations undertaken by the corporate group consisting of Ryoyo Electro and its subsidiaries
- System concerning employees requested by the Board of Auditors to serve as assistants and items concerning the independence of these employees from directors
- System concerning reports submitted by directors and employees to the Board of Auditors and other systems concerning reports to the Board of Auditors
- 8. Other systems for ensuring effective auditing by the Board of Auditors

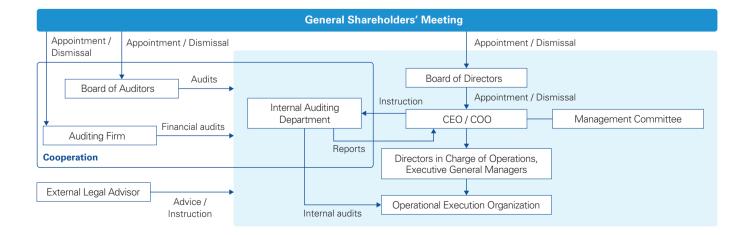
#### **Risk Management Systems**

Risks that may affect our operations include those related to compliance, the environment, disasters, information security, product quality, foreign exchange rates, and financial reporting. Each department maintains effective risk management systems managed by employees who are responsible for risk management. In the event that any disruption occurs, these employees will guide their department in responding quickly and effectively to those disruptions in order to reduce the impact on operations.

#### **Investor Relations Activities**

Ryoyo Electro recognizes that disclosing accurate, unbiased, and timely information about the management of the Company to our shareholders and other investors is an important function of management. In correspondence with the release of second quarter and annual financial reviews, we also offer information about the current business situation and future direction of the Company through our website\* as well as at information sessions held for analysts and institutional investors. Through these efforts, we will continue to disclose accurate unbiased information in a timely manner.

\* http://www.ryoyo.co.jp/english



## **Corporate Social Responsibility**

#### **Outlining our Basic CSR Philosophy**

In accordance with our corporate philosophy of "creating value in tune with the times," the Ryoyo Group conducts its business with high ethical standards for the greater good of society. In order to fulfill our responsibilities toward society in every aspect of our business, we will continue to act in compliance with this philosophy, as well as with all laws and regulations, throughout our domestic and overseas operations.

#### **Promoting Compliance**

In 2007, we established the Ryoyo Group Codes of Conduct, which serves as a foundation for our operations moving forward.

We have also set up the "Ryoyo Group Compliance Hotline" so that we can quickly identify violations of the Ryoyo Group Codes of Conduct and carry out the necessary steps to rectify such issues. This hotline serves as a communication channel for employees to discuss and report compliance-related concerns.

#### Implementing Environmental Protection, Quality Control, and Information Security Initiatives

All domestic Ryoyo Group companies (excluding the satellite office) have acquired ISO 14001, ISO 9001, and ISO 27001 certification, and the Group effectively employs an integrated management system that collectively functions as an environmental management system, a quality management system, and an information security management system. This integrated management system allows us to contribute to the protection of the environment by reducing the environmental impact and the environmental risks of our operations, respond to customer needs through ongoing efforts to improve the quality of our products, and raise awareness regarding information security within the Company. This will help to further enhance the trust placed in us by our customers, our business partners, and society as a whole.

#### **Implementing Green Procurement Initiatives**

In selecting business partners, we assess them on the basis of their compatibility with Ryoyo's Green Procurement Guidelines. In this way, we are actively promoting green procurement throughout the supply chain. Additionally, we are working to reduce the environmental impact of the products and secondary supplies that we use by examining their compatibility with our Management Standards on Chemical Substances from the procurement stage onward. We will continue to promote environmental consideration in our operations and strive to be an increasingly environment-friendly corporation.

#### **Addressing Conflict Mineral Issues**

While the Dodd–Frank Act enacted by the United States does not apply to the Company directly, Ryoyo Electro is supportive of the Act's goal of protecting human rights. Accordingly, the Company is supporting this Act through activities in two different areas. First of all, we are addressing this issue throughout the supply chain by encouraging suppliers to refrain from using conflict minerals. Secondly, we are responding to conflict mineral inspections of products delivered to companies to which the Dodd–Frank Act applies.

#### Ryoyo's CSR website

http://www.ryoyo.co.jp/english/csr.html

#### **Advancing the Women's Diversity Plan**

Conditions in Japan's labor market have changed substantially against the backdrop of an aging population and a declining birth rate. Consequently, it will be important for the Company to promote female employees to management positions, including those in senior management, in order to keep growing in a sound manner. To accomplish this goal, the Company is advancing the Women's Diversity Plan as a voluntary initiative. Under this plan, we have established a special in-house women's empowerment taskforce, and are taking steps to actively utilize the skills of female employees, steadily increase the number of female managers, and otherwise assist female employees in shaping their careers.



Specifically, we are conducting measures focused on the following key areas: proactively employing women, broadening the range of work fields (roles) in which female employees are able to work actively, providing training to support these employees in their career development, and improving the Company's workplace environment and systems in order to give all employees peace of mind when going through life events, such as child birth, child rearing, and nursing relatives.

### FINANCIAL SECTION Consolidated Financial Highlights

Ryoyo Electro Corporation For the years ended January 31, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, and 2011

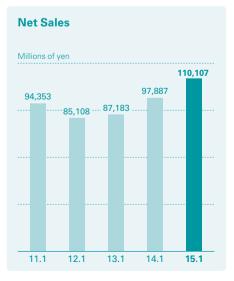
	Thousands Millions of yen U.S. dollars							
	2015.1	2014.1	2013.1	2012.1	2011.1	2015.1		
For the Year								
Net sales	¥ 110,107	¥ 97,887	¥ 87,183	¥ 85,108	¥ 94,353	\$931,140		
Gross profit	8,801	8,279	7,373	7,932	8,158	74,428		
Selling, general and administrative expenses	6,747	6,627	6,651	6,559	6,790	<b>57,061</b>		
Operating income	2,053	1,651	722	1,372	1,368	17,367		
Net income	1,683	1,342	423	879	1,112	14,239		
Free cash flows	467	(1,369)	328	3,359	(8,145)	3,955		
At Year-End								
Total assets	¥ 82,937	¥ 79,893	¥ 72,490	¥ 70,602	¥ 72,857	\$701,374		
Total net assets	65,583	63,112	61,303	61,155	62,227	554,619		
Per Share of Common Stock (Yen / U.S. dollars)								
Net income	¥ 66.74	¥ 52.17	¥ 16.41	¥ 33.00	¥ 40.48	\$ 0.56		
Total net assets	2,595.83	2,498.70	2,371.67	2,367.83	2,329.00	21.95		
Cash dividends	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	0.25		
Ratios (%)								
Gross profit margin	8.0	8.5	8.5	9.3	8.6			
Operating margin	1.9	1.7	0.8	1.6	1.5			
Net income margin	1.5	1.4	0.5	1.0	1.2			
Equity ratio	79.0	78.9	84.5	86.6	85.4			
Return on equity	2.6	2.2	0.7	1.4	1.8			
Other Information								
Number of shares issued**	25,237,095	25,226,060	25,826,926	25,827,768	26,718,436			
Number of employees	510	513	517	504	528			

\* U.S. dollar amounts have been translated from yen, for convenience only, at the rate of ¥118.25=U.S.\$1.00, the exchange rate prevailing on January 31, 2015.

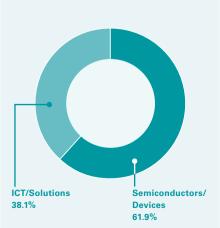
\*\* Number of shares issued does not include treasury stock.

Notes: 1. The financial section is a translation of the Japanese financial statements. The Japanese version will be used for matters of a legal nature.

2. Unless otherwise noted, figures are rounded down to the nearest million.











## **Consolidated Financial Review**

#### OPERATING ENVIRONMENT

During the year under review, the fiscal year ended January 31, 2015, the Japanese economy saw an improved export market and increased internal demand stemming from the benefits of the economic stimulus measures instituted by the Japanese government and the depreciated yen. These factors offset the negative impact of the consumption tax hike on consumer spending, and the overall economy continued to display a modest recovery trend as a result.

In the electronics industry, which the Ryoyo Group operates in, PC-related products benefited from special demand in early spring 2014, and sales of industrial equipment- and smartphone-related products remained strong after this demand ended.

#### RESULTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JANUARY 31, 2015

Under these conditions, the Ryoyo Group promoted sales of its products—including its mainstay semiconductors, devices, and ICT-related products. We also endeavored to develop high-value-added services and solutions to increase revenue in the medium to long term.

As a result of these efforts, net sales increased 12.5% year on year, to ¥110.1 billion; operating income rose 24.3%, to ¥2.0 billion; and net income was up 25.4%, to ¥1.6 billion.

#### Semiconductors/Devices

Net sales of semiconductors increased  $\pm 9.1$  billion year on year, or 15.6%, to  $\pm 68.1$  billion.

Sales of products for communications systems increased 68.8%, to ¥13.5 billion, due to the expansion of our LCD business that deals with communications equipment.

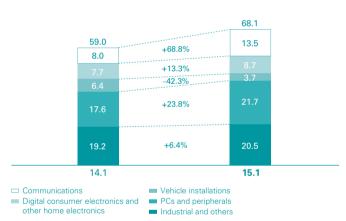
Sales of products for digital consumer electronics and other home electronics grew 13.3%, to ¥8.7 billion, due to higher sales of semiconductors for use in gaming devices and televisions.

Sales of vehicle installations decreased 42.3%, to  $\pm$ 3.7 billion, following the transfer of certain sales channels.

Sales of products for PCs and peripherals grew 23.8%, to ¥21.7 billion, as sales of PC-use products rose on the back of special demand while sales of semiconductors for use in office automation equipment and other peripherals also increased.

#### Sales by Applications

Billions of yen



#### Selling, General and Administrative Expenses / Number of Employees



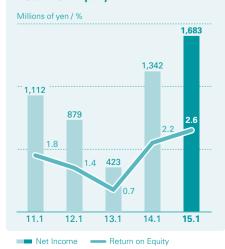
Selling, General and Administrative Expenses
 Number of Employees

#### Operating Income / Operating Margin

Millions of yen / %



#### Net Income / Return on Equity



Sales of products for industrial and other applications were up 6.4%, to ¥20.5 billion, following strong sales of products for use in factory automation equipment and heavy electric machinery.

#### **ICT/Solutions**

Net sales of ICT and solutions increased  $\pm 3.0$  billion year on year, or 7.8%, to  $\pm 41.9$  billion.

Sales of PC, server, and network products were relatively unchanged year on year, decreasing only 0.8%, to ¥14.0 billion. This outcome was a result of the full-year sales contributions of our enterprise business being counteracted by a decline in large-scale orders and by certain orders being delayed until the fiscal year ending January 31, 2016.



PC / Server / Network I/O equipment Software / Embedded

Sales of I/O equipment decreased 3.8%, to  $\pm$ 6.4 billion, due in part to certain suppliers withdrawing from their business operations.

Sales of software and embedded products were up 18.7%, to ¥21.5 billion, as a result of higher sales of PC software coupled with a rise in sales of embedded products for industrial applications.

#### **Sales by Region**

#### Japan

In the year under review, sales to external customers in Japan increased ¥9.7 billion year on year, or 12.0%, to ¥90.7 billion, due to higher sales of LCDs for communications equipment and semiconductors for industrial equipment. The operating income of this regional segment was up ¥0.4 billion, or 30.3%, to ¥1.8 billion.

#### Asia

Sales to external customers in Asia increased ¥2.5 billion year on year, or 14.8%, to ¥19.4 billion, as a result of an increase in sales of semiconductors for gaming devices and LCDs for communications equipment. However, the operating income of this segment decreased ¥27 million, or 12.6%, to ¥187 million.

The figure for operating income presented on the consolidated statements of income includes operating income from each segment as well as from intersegment transactions.





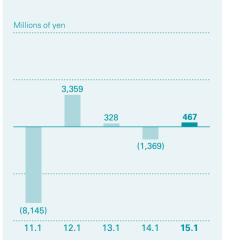
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Total Net Assets

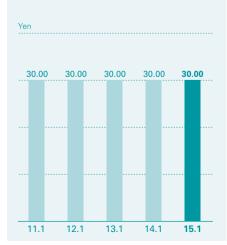
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#### Free Cash Flows



#### **Cash Dividends per Share**



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Total Assets

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#### OUTLOOK FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 2016

As of March 11, 2015, the Company forecasts net sales of ¥122.0 billion, up 10.8% year on year, in the fiscal year ending January 31, 2016, which will result in operating income of ¥2.5 billion, up 21.7%, and net income of ¥1.9 billion, up 12.8%. This performance will make for our third consecutive year of higher sales and income, a feat that is expected to be achieved due to the expansion of semiconductor and device operations as well as ICT and solutions operations.

#### FINANCIAL POSITION

Total assets at the end of the fiscal year amounted to ¥82.9 billion, ¥3.0 billion higher than at the previous fiscal year-end. This was primarily due to an increase in notes and accounts receivable–trade.

Total liabilities rose ¥0.5 billion, to ¥17.3 billion, mainly due to an increase in deferred tax liabilities.

Total net assets increased ¥2.4 billion, to ¥65.5 billion. This was largely due to a rise in foreign currency translation adjustment.

#### CASH FLOWS

Cash and cash equivalents totaled ¥10.8 billion at the fiscal year-end, a ¥0.1 billion year-on-year decrease. Major factors included an increase in working capital.

Net cash used in operating activities was ¥4.8 billion, compared with ¥3.0 billion in the previous fiscal year. Income before income taxes of ¥2.6 billion was recorded, but this was outweighed by the rise in working capital resulting from increase in notes and accounts receivable–trade of ¥3.6 billion, which was due to higher net sales.

Net cash provided by investing activities was ¥5.2 billion, a ¥3.5 billion year-on-year increase. This was because proceeds from redemption of securities of ¥9.5 billion counteracted outflows for purchase of investment securities of ¥5.7 billion.

Net cash used in financing activities amounted to ¥0.7 billion, compared with ¥1.4 billion in the previous fiscal year. Major outflows included cash dividends paid of ¥0.7 billion.

#### RETURNING PROFITS TO SHAREHOLDERS Shareholder Returns Policy

The Company views returning profits to its shareholders as one of its most important management tasks. Accordingly, we return profit to shareholders while considering the Company's financial position and the operating environment, while also retaining internal revenues sufficient enough to maintain a stable operating foundation and pursue future business expansion.

## Dividend Payments in the Fiscal Year Ended January 31, 2015, and the Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 2016

For the fiscal year ended January 31, 2015, the Company will pay ¥15 per share of common stock for the year-end cash dividend, making for an annual cash dividend of ¥30 per share of common stock when combined with the interim dividend.

In regard to the fiscal year ending January 31, 2016, and subsequent fiscal years, the Company plans to target a total payout ratio of 100% of net income for the foreseeable future. Returns will be issued in the form of dividend payments and treasury stock acquisitions.

In the fiscal year ending January 31, 2016, the Company intends to pay ¥15 per share of common stock for both the interim and year-end cash dividends, for an annual cash dividend of ¥30 per share of common stock, the same as in the fiscal year ended January 31, 2015. We will examine options for enhancing shareholder returns going forward based on future trends in business performance.

#### **RISKS PERTAINING TO THE COMPANY'S BUSINESS**

Risks that may affect the business performance, stock price, and financial condition of the Company include, however are not limited to, the following.

- (1) Abrupt changes in economic conditions
- (2) Fall in the price of products
- (3) Contracts with suppliers
- (4) Fluctuation in foreign exchange rates
- (5) Customers moving operations overseas
- (6) Country-based risks
- (7) Product defects and delivery issues and problems related to services
- (8) Natural disasters and other Acts of God
- (9) Collection of accounts receivable
- (10) Retirement benefit obligations
- (11) Impairment losses on write-down of investment securities

More information pertaining to business risks can be found on the Company's website.

http://www.ryoyo.co.jp/english/ir-library/business-risk.html

FINANCIAL SECTION

## **Consolidated Balance Sheets**

Ryoyo Electro Corporation At January 31, 2015 and 2014

	Millions	Millions of yen		
	2015.1	2014.1	2015.1	
Assets				
Current assets				
Cash and deposits	¥11,616	¥11,215	\$ 98,235	
Notes and accounts receivable-trade	34,446	30,185	291,302	
Short-term investment securities	2,000	8,500	16,913	
Merchandise and finished goods	14,482	13,313	122,472	
Deferred tax assets	214	218	1,814	
Other	2,438	934	20,623	
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(20)	(17)	(175)	
Total current assets	65,177	64,350	551,186	
Noncurrent assets				
Property, plant and equipment				
Tools, furniture and fixtures, net	81	95	687	
Land	5	5	48	
Other, net	109	139	925	
Total property, plant and equipment	196	240	1,660	
Intangible assets	645	536	5,457	
Investments and other assets				
Investment securities	14,979	12,558	126,673	
Net defined benefit asset	798	_	6,753	
Other	1,141	2,209	9,655	
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(1)	(1)	(12)	
Total investments and other assets	16,917	14,766	143,069	
Total noncurrent assets	17,759	15,543	150,187	
Total assets	¥82,937	¥79,893	\$701,374	

	Millions	Millions of yen		
	2015.1	2014.1	2015.1	
Liabilities				
Current liabilities				
Notes and accounts payable-trade	¥12,753	¥13,022	\$107,855	
Income taxes payable	573	620	4,847	
Accrued consumption taxes	3	36	27	
Provision for bonuses	119	128	1,010	
Other	1,356	727	11,473	
Total current liabilities	14,806	14,534	125,214	
Noncurrent liabilities				
Provision for retirement benefits	-	917	-	
Net defined benefit liability	895	-	7,569	
Deferred tax liabilities	948	477	8,021	
Other	703	851	5,949	
Total noncurrent liabilities	2,547	2,246	21,540	
Total liabilities	17,353	16,781	146,755	
Net assets				
Shareholders' equity				
Capital stock	13,672	13,672	115,619	
Capital surplus	13,336	13,336	112,782	
Retained earnings	38,813	38,555	328,234	
Treasury stock	(3,270)	(3,945)	(27,658)	
Total shareholders' equity	62,551	61,618	528,977	
Accumulated other comprehensive income				
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	1,843	1,248	15,590	
Deferred gains or losses on hedges	(0)	(0)	(4)	
Foreign currency translation adjustment	904	166	7,649	
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	211	_	1,792	
Total accumulated other comprehensive income	2,959	1,413	25,028	
Subscription rights to shares	72	79	614	
Total net assets	65,583	63,112	554,619	
Total liabilities and net assets	¥82,937	¥79,893	\$701,374	

## **Consolidated Statements of Income and Consolidated Comprehensive Statements of Income**

Ryoyo Electro Corporation For the years ended January 31, 2015 and 2014

	Millions	of yen	Thousands of U.S. dollars	
Consolidated Statements of Income	2015.1	2014.1	2015.1	
Net sales	¥110,107	¥97,887	\$931,140	
Cost of sales	101,306	89,607	856,711	
Gross profit	8,801	8,279	74,428	
Selling, general and administrative expenses				
Provision of allowance for doubtful accounts	3	(3)	27	
Salaries and bonuses	2,842	2,791	24,039	
Provision for bonuses	119	128	1,010	
Retirement benefit expenses	137	137	1,161	
Rent expenses	349	356	2,951	
Depreciation	153	180	1,296	
Other	3,142	3,036	26,573	
Total selling, general and administrative expenses	6,747	6,627	57,061	
	2,053	1,651	17,367	
Non-operating income				
Interest income	145	191	1,230	
Dividends income	137	59	1,166	
Purchase discounts	12	11	102	
Gain on investments in partnership	205	137	1,734	
Other	22	32	191	
Total non-operating income	523	432	4,425	
Non-operating expenses				
Sales discounts	3	3	26	
Loss on valuation of investment securities	49	-	421	
Foreign exchange losses	15	-	132	
Commission fee	7	0	67	
Loss on abandonment of noncurrent assets	1	0	13	
Other	0	1	3	
Total non-operating expenses	78	6	666	
Ordinary income	2,498	2,077	21,126	
Extraordinary income				
Gain on sales of investment securities	212	20	1,796	
Gain on bad debts recovered	1	-	16	
Surrender value of insurance	78	-	660	
Total extraordinary income	292	20	2,474	
Extraordinary losses				
Loss on sales of investment securities	11	-	94	
Special extra retirement payments	70	-	<b>594</b>	
Settlement package	20	-	169	
Total extraordinary losses	101	_	858	
Income before income taxes and minority interests	2,689	2,097	22,742	
Income taxes-current	980	830	8,289	
Income taxes-deferred	25	(75)	213	
Total income taxes	1,005	755	8,502	
Income before minority interests	1,683	1,342	14,239	
Net income	¥ 1,683	¥ 1,342	\$ 14,239	
Consolidated Comprehensive Statements of Income				
Income before minority interests	¥ 1,683	¥ 1,342	\$ 14,239	
Other comprehensive income			_	
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	595	733	5,034	
Deferred gains or losses on hedges	0	(0)	0	
Foreign currency translation adjustment	738	1,128	6,244	
Total other comprehensive income	1,333	1,861	11,279	
Comprehensive income	3,017	3,204	25,519	
(Details)	0.047	0.004	0E E40	
Comprehensive income attributable to owners of the parent	3,017	3,204	25,519	
Comprehensive income attributable to minority interests	-	—	-	

## **Consolidated Statements of Changes in Net Assets**

Ryoyo Electro Corporation For the years ended January 31, 2015 and 2014

	Millions of yen									-	
	Shareholders' equity Accumulated other comprehensive income										
From January 31, 2014 to January 31, 2015	Capital stock	Capital surplus	Retained earnings	Treasury stock	Total shareholders' equity	Valuation difference on available- for-sale securities	Deferred gains or losses on hedges		Remeasure- ments of defined benefit plans	Subscription rights to shares	Total net assets
Balance at January 31, 2014	¥13,672	¥13,336	¥38,555	¥(3,945)	¥61,618	¥1,248	¥(0)	¥166	¥ –	¥79	¥63,112
Net increase (decrease) during the fiscal year											
Cash dividends			(756)		(756)						(756)
Net income for the fiscal year			1,683		1,683						1,683
Purchase of treasury stock				(1)	(1)						(1)
Retirement of treasury stock Exercise subscription rights			(662)	662	-						-
to shares			(6)	13	6						6
Net increase (decrease) other than shareholders' equity					_	595	0	738	211	(6)	1,538
Total increase (decrease) during the fiscal year	_	_	258	674	932	595	0	738	211	(6)	2,471
Balance at January 31, 2015	¥13,672	¥13,336	¥38,813	¥(3,270)	¥62,551	¥1,843	¥(0)	¥904	¥211	¥72	¥65,583

		Millions of yen									
		Sł	nareholders' eo	quity		Accumulated oth	ner compreh	ensive income			
From January 31, 2013 to January 31, 2014	Capital stock	Capital surplus	Retained earnings	Treasury stock	Total shareholders' equity	Valuation difference on available-for- sale securities	losses on	currency	Subscription rights to shares	Total net assets	
Balance at January 31, 2013	¥13,672	¥13,336	¥37,987	¥(3,295)	¥61,700	¥ 514	¥ 0	¥ (962)	¥50	¥61,303	
Net increase (decrease) during the fiscal year											
Cash dividends			(774)		(774)					(774)	
Net income for the fiscal year			1,342		1,342					1,342	
Purchase of treasury stock				(649)	(649)					(649)	
Disposal of treasury stock			(0)	0	0					0	
Net increase (decrease) other than shareholders' equity					_	733	(0)	1,128	28	1,890	
Total increase (decrease) during the fiscal year	_	_	567	(649)	(82)	733	(0)	1,128	28	1,808	
Balance at January 31, 2014	¥13,672	¥13,336	¥38,555	¥(3,945)	¥61,618	¥1,248	¥(0)	¥ 166	¥79	¥63,112	

	Thousands of U.S. dollars										
		S	hareholders'	equity		Accum	ulated other	comprehensiv	ve income	Subscription rights to shares	Total net assets
From January 31, 2014 to January 31, 2015	Capital stock	Capital surplus	Retained earnings	Treasury stock	Total shareholders' equity	Valuation difference on available- for-sale securities	Deferred gains or losses on hedges	Foreign currency translation adjustment	Remeasure- ments of defined benefit plans		
Balance at January 31, 2014	\$115,619	\$112,782	\$326,047	\$(33,362)	\$521,087	\$10,555	\$(4)	\$1,405	\$ -	\$673	\$533,716
Net increase (decrease) during the fiscal year											
Cash dividends			(6,399)		(6,399)						(6,399)
Net income for the fiscal year			14,239		14,239						14,239
Purchase of treasury stock				(9)	(9)						(9)
Retirement of treasury stock			(5,600)	5,600	-						-
Exercise subscription rights											
to shares			(52)	112	59						59
Net increase (decrease) other than shareholders' equity					-	5,034	0	6,244	1,792	(58)	13,013
Total increase (decrease) during the fiscal year	_	_	2,186	5,703	7,889	5,034	0	6,244	1,792	(58)	20,902
Balance at January 31, 2015	\$115,619	\$112,782	\$328,234	\$(27,658)	\$528,977	\$15,590	\$(4)	\$7,649	\$1,792	\$614	\$554,619

#### FINANCIAL SECTION Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

Ryoyo Electro Corporation For the years ended January 31, 2015 and 2014

	Millions	Millions of yen		
	2015.1	2014.1	2015.1	
Cash flows from operating activities				
Income before income taxes	¥ 2,689	¥ 2,097	\$ 22,742	
Depreciation and amortization	217	192	1,83	
Loss (gain) on sales and retirement of noncurrent assets	(0)	0	(	
Loss (gain) on investments in partnership	(205)	(137)	(1,73	
Foreign exchange losses (gains)	146	(29)	1,24	
Increase (decrease) in provision	(923)	41	(7,81	
Increase (decrease) in net defined benefit liability	927	-	7,84	
Interest and dividends income	(283)	(251)	(2,39	
Loss (gain) on sales of investment securities	(201)	(20)	(1,70	
Loss (gain) on valuation of investment securities	49	_	42	
Surrender value of insurance	(78)	_	(66	
Decrease (increase) in notes and accounts receivable-trade	(3,645)	(6,013)	(30,82	
Decrease (increase) in inventories	(908)	(1,592)	(7,68	
Increase (decrease) in notes and accounts payable-trade	(998)	3,370	(8,44	
Increase (decrease) in accrued consumption taxes	(33)	13	(28	
Other, net	(837)	(603)	(7,08	
Subtotal	(4,084)	(2,931)	(34,54	
Interest and dividends income received	310	243	2,62	
Income taxes refunded (paid)	(1,052)	(397)	(8,89	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(4,826)	(3,084)	(40,81	
Proceeds from withdrawal of time deposits Purchase of short-term investment securities Proceeds from redemption of securities Purchase of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets Purchase of investment securities	315 (1,000) 9,500 (287) 4 (5,766)	4,500 (3,500) 10,500 (96) 0 (7,189)	2,66 (8,45 80,33 (2,43 4 (48,76	
Proceeds from sales of investment securities	2,066	185	17,47	
Purchase of stocks of subsidiaries and affiliates	_	(10)	-	
Proceeds from distribution of investment in partnerships	514	111	4,34	
Proceeds from cancellation of insurance funds	578	-	4,88	
Other, net	125	(92)	1,06	
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	5,293	1,715	44,76	
Cash flows from financing activities				
Cash dividends paid	(754)	(772)	(6,38	
Purchase of treasury stock	(1)	(649)		
Other, net	(1)	(2)	(1	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(757)	(1,425)	(6,40	
	105	504		
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	135	591	1,14	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(154)	(2,202)	(1,30	
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	11,023	13,226	93,21	
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	¥10,868	¥11,023	\$ 91,91	

## **Corporate Data / Investor Information**

As of January 31, 2015

#### **Corporate Name**

Ryoyo Electro Corporation

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**Date of Incorporation** February 27, 1961

**Paid-in Capital** ¥13,672 million

**Authorized Shares** 119,628,800

**Shares Issued** 28,200,000

**Shareholders** 6,461

Stock Trading Unit 100 shares

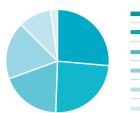
**Stock Listing** Tokyo Stock Exchange, First Section

**Ticker Code** 8068

Transfer Agent

Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation

#### **Composition of Shareholders**



Foreign corporations and other foreign investors	26.4%
Individuals and other	24.3%
Other corporations	18.8%
Financial institutions	18.0%
Treasury stock	10.5%
<ul> <li>Securities companies, etc.</li> </ul>	2.0%

#### **Major Shareholders**

	Thousands of shares	%
CGML PB CLIENT ACCOUNT/COLLATERAL	2,725	10.80
Mitsubishi Electric Corporation	2,246	8.90
SHC Corporation	2,118	8.39
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trust account)	1,559	6.18
CBNY DFA INTL SMALL CAP VALUE PORTFOLIO	767	3.04
The Master Trust Bank of Japan (Retail trust account)	552	2.19
Sheep Shokai Co.	523	2.07
The Master Trust Bank of Japan (Trust account)	513	2.03
Nippon Life Insurance Company	409	1.62
NORTHERN TRUST CO. (AVFC) RE FIDELITY FUNDS	358	1.42

Notes: 1. Ryoyo Electro Corporation possesses 2,962,905 shares of treasury stock, which represents a 10.51% holding in the Company. 2. Calculations for the ownership percentages above did not account for treasury stock.



#### **Stock Price Chart**



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