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#### Presentation

#### **Key Points**

inancial Resul		(100 million JPY) (YoY)	<ul> <li>Net sales increased thanks to the positive effect of foreign exchange rates and increase in sales in Electronics, despite decline in sales prices for Architectural Glass, decrease in revenue due to transfer of the Russian business, decrease in shipments of automotive glass,</li> </ul>
Net sales	20,676	(+483) -	decline in sales prices for caustic soda and PVC in Chemicals.
Operating profit	1,258	(-29) •	<ul> <li>Operating profit decreased due to the above-mentioned factors leading to a decrease in revenue, as well as cost deterioration in Automotive and Life Science, despite lower raw materials and fuel prices.</li> </ul>
Profit for the period attributable to owners of the parent	- 940	(-1,598) •—	<ul> <li>prices.</li> <li>Profit for the period attributable to owners of the parent decreased due to the impact of other expenses incurred in 1H, including impairment losses related to Biopharmaceuticals CDMO in Life</li> </ul>
Outlook for FY	2025		Science and losses on sale of shares of subsidiaries and associates in connection with the transfer of the Russian business.
		(100 million JPY) (YoY)	
Net sales	21,500	(+824)	<ul> <li>Sales and operating profit will increase due to recovery in</li> </ul>
Operating profit	1,500	(+242)	Life Science and Automotive.
Profit for the period attributable to owners of the parent	800	(+1,740)	

**Miyaji:** Let's start with page 3. Here are the key points for today. Regarding net sales for FY2024, despite a decrease in selling prices for Architectural glass, revenue reduction due to withdrawal from the Russian operations and the business transfers, decreased shipments of automotive glass, and lower selling prices of caustic soda and PVC in Chemicals, we achieved JPY2,067.6 billion in net sales, an increase of JPY48.3 billion, due to the positive effects of foreign exchange rates and increased sales in Electronics. This is a record high.

As for operating profit, despite a decrease in raw material and fuel prices, it decreased by JPY2.9 billion to JPY125.8 billion due to the aforementioned revenue decrease and cost deterioration in Automotive and Life Science.

Profit for the period attributable to owners of the parent resulted in a loss of JPY94 billion, a decrease of JPY159.8 billion, due to other expenses including impairment losses related to Life Science and losses on sale of shares of subsidiaries and associates related to the transfer of the Russian business, which occurred in H1.

For 2025, we expect net sales of JPY2,150 billion and operating profit of JPY150 billion, driven by the recovery in Life Science and Automotive.

# Highlights of the Financial Results for FY2024

			(100	) million JPY)	
		FY2023 Full-year	FY2024 Full-year	Change	Main factors in the change (+) Increasing factors (-) Decreasing factors
Net sales		20,193	20,676	+ 483 •	<ul> <li>(+) Yen depreciation</li> <li>(+) Increase in shipments of Electronic Materials and higher sales prices of LCD glass substrates</li> <li>(-) Decline in sales prices and decrease in revenue due to transfer of the Russian business in Architectural Glass</li> <li>(-) Decrease in shipments of Automotive</li> <li>(-) Decline in sales prices of caustic soda and PVC</li> </ul>
Operating profi	t	1,288	1,258	- 29	<ul> <li>(+) Decline in raw materials and fuel costs</li> <li>( - ) Decline in sales prices and decrease in shipments mentioned above</li> <li>( - ) Cost deterioration in Automotive and Life Science</li> </ul>
Profit before tax Profit for the period attributable to owners of the parent		1,228	- 501	- 1,728	In addition to the above, ( - ) Other expenses related to Life Science (Biopharmaceuticals CDMO) ( - ) Other expenses related to transfer of Architectural Glass and
		658	- 940	- 1,598	Automotive businesses in Russia
FOREX (Average)	1USD	JPY 140.56	JPY 151.58		
	1EUR	JPY 152.00	JPY 163.95		
Crude oil (Dubai, Average)	USD/BBL	82.10	79.61		* FOREX impact was +941, change in the scope of consolidation was -290

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Please look at page 6. Net sales, operating profit, and profit for the period attributable to owners of the parent are as I mentioned earlier. Profit before tax resulted in a loss of JPY50.1 billion.

#### **Other Income/Expenses Breakdown for FY2024**

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Impairment losses related to Life Science (Biopharmaceuticals CDMO) and losses on sale of shares
of subsidiaries and associates accompanying the transfer of the Russian business were recorded in
the first half of the year.
 (100 million JPY)

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	FY2024	Factors
Other income	172	
Other expenses	-1,877	
Impairment losses	-1,248	Life Science Biopharmaceuticals CDMO (-1,183) - Goodwill -606 (Denmark, Italy and the U.S.) - Fixed and other intangible assets -577 (the U.S.)
Losses on sale of shares of subsidiaries and associates	-365	Business transfer of Russian subsidiaries (-360)
Losses on disposal of fixed assets	-65	
Expenses for restructuring programs	-106	
Others	-93	
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Next, I will explain the breakdown of other expenses. Please look at page 7. The JPY187.7 billion in other expenses includes impairment losses related to Life Science and losses on sale of shares of subsidiaries and associates related to the transfer of the Russian business, which were recorded in H1.

The main factor of the JPY124.8 billion impairment losses is JPY118.3 billion related to Biopharmaceuticals CDMO in Life Science, which was recorded in Q2. The main factor of the JPY36.5 billion losses on sale of shares of subsidiaries and associates is the JPY36 billion loss associated with the transfer of the Russian subsidiaries' business, which was recorded in Q1.

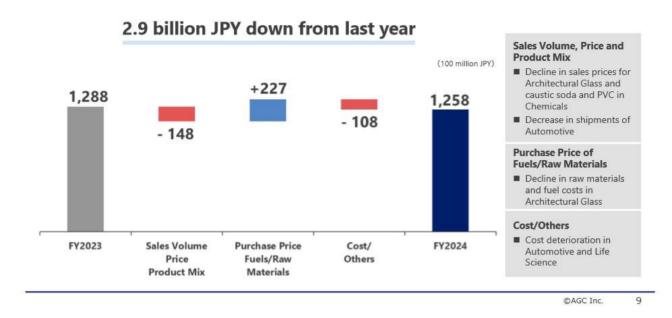
## **Performance Comparison by Business Segment**

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	Full	FY2023 Full-year (a)		.024 -year ы)	Change (b)-(a)		
	Net sales	Operating profit	Net sales	Operating profit	Net sales	Operating profit	
Architectural Glass	4,763	328	4,380	164	- 383	- 164	
Automotive	4,997	218	4,988	139	- 9	- 79	
Electronics	3,132	184	3,645	545	+ 514	+ 361	
Chemicals	5,741	648	5,936	568	+ 195	- 80	
E Life Science	1,268	- 124	1,412	- 212	+ 144	- 88	
Ceramics/Other	834	33	791	51	- 42	+ 18	
Elimination	- 542	1	- 477	4	+ 65	+ 2	
Total	20,193	1,288	20,676	1,258	+ 483	- 29	

Next, I will explain the performance by segment, so please look at page 8. Architectural Glass and Automotive saw decreases in both net sales and operating profit, Electronics saw increases in both, while Chemicals and Life Science saw increases in net sales but decreases in operating profit.

#### Variance Analysis on OP (FY2024 vs FY2023)



Please look at page 9. This is about operating profit. I will explain the factors of difference compared to the previous period. The difference in sales volume, selling price, and product mix was a negative JPY14.8 billion. In addition to the decline in selling prices for Architectural Glass and caustic soda and PVC in Chemicals, shipments of automotive glass decreased.

The difference in raw material and fuel prices was a positive JPY22.7 billion. Raw material and fuel prices for Architectural Glass decreased. The difference in costs and others was a negative JPY10.8 billion. Costs deteriorated in Automotive, Life Science, and others.

As a result, operating profit decreased by JPY2.9 billion to JPY125.8 billion.

# **Consolidated Statement of Financial Position**

		25	(100 million JPY)	
	2023/12	2024/12	Change	Foreign exchange
Cash and cash equivalents	1,461	1,080	- 381	fluctuation
Inventories	4,541	4,541	+ 1	+894 Effect of impairment
Property, plant and equipment, Goodwill and Intangible assets	16,312	16,529	+ 218+	- Y
Other assets	7,017	6,746	- 271	.,
Total assets	29,330	28,897	- 433 -	Foreign exchange
Interest-bearing debt	6,950	6,497	- 453	fluctuation
Other liabilities	5,836	5,682	- 154	+1,401
Liabilities	12,787	12,180	- 607	
Total equity attributable to owners of the parent	14,471	14,358	- 113	
Non-controlling interests	2,073	2,359	+ 287	Foreign exchange
Equity	16,543	16,717	+ 174 •	
Total liabilities and equity	29,330	28,897	- 433	+966
D/E ratio	0.42	0.39		

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Please look at page 10. Regarding the balance sheet, total assets were JPY2,889.7 billion, a decrease of JPY43.3 billion from the end of last year. The D/E ratio was 0.39.

#### **Consolidated Statement of Cash Flow**

		(100 million JPY)	
Full-year	FY2023	FY2024	Effect of impairment loss
Profit before tax	1,228	- 501	+1,248
Depreciation and amortization	1,753	1,813	
Increase(decrease) in working capital	- 280	94	Effect of loss on sale of subsidiaries and
Others	- 576	1,442	associates not
Cash flows from operating activities	2,125	2,848	accompanying cash
Cash flows from investing activities	- 1,798	- 1,956	outflow
Free cash flows	328	892	+365
Changes in interest-bearing debt	93	- 790	/
Dividends paid	- 460	- 446	Cash inflow effect from sale of subsidiaries and
Others	- 713	- 84	associates
Cash flows from financing activities	- 1,080	- 1,319	+221
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents etc.	116	46	
Net increase(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	- 637	- 381	

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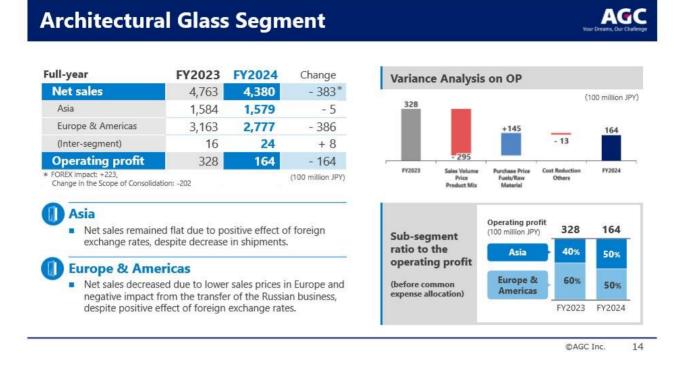
Please look at page 11. Regarding cash flow, operating cash flow for the period was JPY284.8 billion, investment cash flow was negative JPY195.6 billion, resulting in a free cash flow of JPY89.2 billion.

Note that the "others" in cash flow from operating activities includes the impact of impairment losses of JPY124.8 billion and the impact of losses on sale of affiliates of JPY36.5 billion. Also, investment cash flow includes cash inflows of about JPY22.1 billion from the sale of affiliates in Russia and other countries.

# CAPEX, Depreciation and R&D

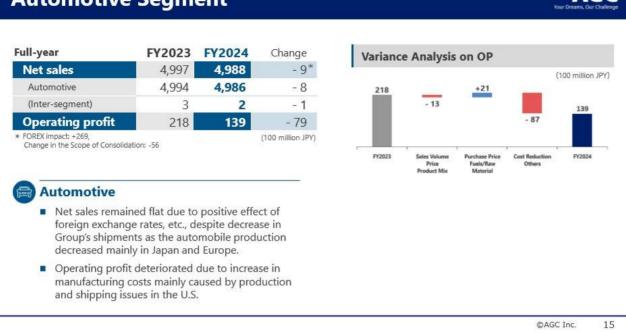
Full-year	FY2023	FY2024	Full-year	FY2023	FY2024	Full-year		FY2024
CAPEX	2,317	2,575	Depreciation	1,753	1,813	R&D	573	618
Architectural Glass	247	338	Architectural Glass	244	249			
Automotive	263	355	Automotive	319	324			
Electronics	514	406	Electronics	532	532			
Chemicals	877	1,082	Chemicals	501	535			
Life Science	399	358	Life Science	139	157			
Ceramics/Other	18	37	Ceramics/Other	21	18			
Elimination	- 1	- 0	Elimination	- 2	- 2			
FY2024 Main pro	jects for CA	PEX						
<ul> <li>Repairment for a</li> <li>Repairment for d</li> <li>Capacity enhance</li> <li>Capacity enhance</li> </ul>	isplay glass fu ement for Elec	urnace (Electron ctronic Material	ics)	<ul> <li>Capaci</li> </ul>	ty enhancement	t for fluorine-related pri t for Biopharmaceutical cals and agrochemicals	s CDMO and Sm	all

Please look at page 12. Capital expenditure, depreciation, and R&D expenses were JPY257.5 billion, JPY181.3 billion, and JPY61.8 billion respectively. The main capital expenditure projects were as listed.



Now, moving on to the explanation by segment, please look at page 14. For the Architectural Glass segment, net sales were JPY438 billion and operating profit was JPY16.4 billion. In Asia, although shipments decreased, net sales remained at the same level as the previous year at JPY157.9 billion due to the positive effect of foreign exchange rates. In Europe and the Americas, despite the positive effect of foreign exchange rates, net sales decreased by JPY38.6 billion to JPY277.7 billion due to the decline in selling prices in Europe and the impact of the transfer of the Russian business.

Operating profit decreased by JPY16.4 billion despite the positive effect of lower raw material and fuel prices, due to the aforementioned factors causing a decrease in revenue. The composition of operating profit was about 50% for Asia and about 50% for Europe and the Americas.



Please look at page 15. For the Automotive segment, net sales were JPY498.8 billion and operating profit was JPY13.9 billion. Although the Group's shipments decreased as a result of decreased automobile production mainly in Japan and Europe, net sales remained at the same level as the previous year due to the positive effect of foreign exchange rates and other factors.

Operating profit decreased by JPY7.9 billion mainly due to deterioration in manufacturing costs caused by production and shipment issues in North America.

## **Automotive Segment**

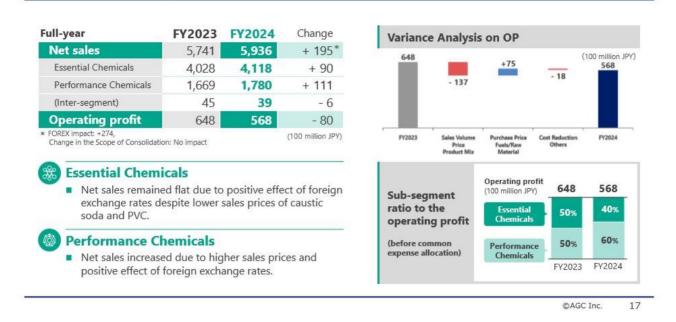


Please look at page 16. For the Electronics segment, net sales were JPY364.5 billion and operating profit was JPY54.5 billion. Display net sales increased by JPY18.5 billion to JPY179.2 billion due to increased shipments of LCD glass substrates and revision of pricing policies.

Electronic Materials net sales increased by JPY32.3 billion to JPY183.6 billion, exceeding Display, due to increased shipments of semiconductor-related materials such as EUV mask blanks and optoelectronic materials, as well as the effect of foreign exchange rates.

As a result, operating profit significantly increased by JPY36.1 billion. The composition of operating profit was about 80% for Electronic Materials and about 20% for Display.

#### **Chemicals Segment**



Please look at page 17. For Chemicals segment, net sales were JPY593.6 billion and operating profit was JPY56.8 billion. In Essential Chemicals, although selling prices of caustic soda and PVC decreased, net sales remained at the same level as the previous year at JPY411.8 billion due to the positive effect of foreign exchange rates. In Performance Chemicals, net sales increased by JPY11.1 billion to JPY178 billion due to rising selling prices and the impact of foreign exchange rates.

Operating profit decreased by JPY8 billion due to the decline in selling prices for Essential Chemicals and the impact of reduced operations due to production issues (this was the issue that occurred domestically last year). The composition of operating profit was about 40% for Essential Chemicals and about 60% for Performance Chemicals.

#### **Life Science Segment**

Full-year	FY2023	FY2024	Change	Varianc	e Analysis	on OP		
Net sales	1,268	1,412	+ 144*		<b>,</b>			(100 million JPY
Life Science	1,239	1,373	+ 134	0				
(Inter-segment)	29	39	+ 10					
Operating profit	-124	-212	- 88					
FOREX impact: +75, Change in the Scope of Consolio	dation: No impact		(100 million JPY)	-124	- 28	- 4	- 56	-212
Eife Science				FY2023	Sales Volume Price Product Mix	Purchase Price Fuels/Raw Material	Cost Reduction Others	FY2024
	and of Provide	arance of Co	wid-related					
foreign exchan	pact of disappe d, net sales incr ge rates, one-o of contracted p	eased due to ff revenues a	o the impact of associated with					
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Please look at page 18. Lastly, for Life Science segment, net sales were JPY141.2 billion, and operating profit was a loss of JPY21.2 billion. Net sales increased by JPY14.4 billion despite the impact of the disappearance of special demand for COVID-19 related products, due to the positive effect of foreign exchange rates, as well as one-off revenues associated with the settlement of contracted projects and an increase in contracts.

Operating profit decreased by JPY8.8 billion due to upfront costs associated with capacity expansion in Biopharmaceuticals CDMO.

#### Strategic Businesses' contribution





Please look at page 19. Regarding the performance of strategic businesses, net sales for all strategic businesses increased by JPY54.8 billion to JPY503.3 billion. Operating profit increased by JPY10.5 billion to JPY67.3 billion. Although the profitability in Life Science deteriorated, sales growth in semiconductor-related materials in Electronics drove the increase in both net sales and operating profit.

# **ROCE and EBITDA by Segment**

								(10	0 million JPY)
		Operating profit		EBITDA*		RO	CE	<b>Operating assets</b>	
		FY2023	FY2024	FY2023	FY2024	FY2023	FY2024	FY2023	FY2024
	Architectural Glass	328	164	572	413	10.6%	5.5%	3,100	3,000
A	Automotive	218	139	537	464	6.4%	4.2%	3,400	3,350
÷	Electronics	184	545	715	1,076	3.1%	<b>9.2</b> %	6,000	5,950
9	Chemicals	648	568	1,148	1,102	10.4%	7.8%	6,200	7,250
¥	Life Science	- 124	- 212	15	- 55	- 4.3%	- 10.1%	2,900	2,100
8	Ceramics/Others	33	51	55	69	16.7%	25.6%	200	200
	Elimination	1	4	- 0	2	-	-	( <del>=</del> )	÷
	Total	1,288	1,258	3,041	3,071	5.9%	5.8%	21,800	21,850

\* EBITDA=Operating profit + Depreciation

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Please look at page 20. EBITDA, ROCE, and operating assets by segment are as shown.

#### Assumptions for Major Economies and Markets in 2025

 Although the overall economic environment will continue to be sluggish, positive effects are expected in some markets.

Economies and Markets	Assumptions for 2025	Businesses Particularly Affected
Global Economy	More uncertainty over geopolitical risks such as trade friction between US and China, and trends in exchange rates and interest rates	All businesses (+ -)
European Economy	Economy stagnation continues	Architectural Glass, Automotive (-)
Chinese Economy	Economy remains at a low level	Essential Chemicals (-)
US Economy	Economy continues to be strong	Electronics (+)
Automobile Market	Demand for high-functional products continues despite weaker automobile production	Automotive (+ -)
Caustic Soda and PVC Market	PVC price in Southeast Asia <b>remains at a low level</b>	Essential Chemicals (-)
Semiconductor Market	Demand for semiconductors grows	Electronics and Performance Chemicals (+)
Smartphone Market	Demand for high-functional products continues while smartphone production remains flat	Electronics (+)
TV Market	Demand for larger-size TV screen continues while TV sales volume remains flat	Display (+)
Biopharmaceuticals CDMO Market	On a gradual recovery track bottoming out in 2023	Life Science (+)

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Now, let's move on to the outlook for FY2025 full-year performance, so please look at page 22. First, I will explain our view on the major economic and market assumptions for 2025. We expect the overall economic environment to remain challenging, but there are some positive aspects depending on the market.

For the global economy, geopolitical risks such as US-China friction and uncertainties in exchange rates and interest rate trends are increasing. By region, we expect the US economy to remain relatively strong, but we assume that the European and Chinese economies will stagnate.

Regarding the market environment, we expect production volumes of final products in the automotive, smartphone, and TV markets to struggle, but trends towards higher functionality and larger sizes are expected to continue.

The market conditions for caustic soda and PVC in Southeast Asia are expected to continue at low levels in terms of prices.

On the other hand, we expect the semiconductor market to continue growing due to strong demand.

Also, for the Biopharmaceuticals CDMO market, we expect a gradual recovery trend to continue, with 2023 as the bottom.

### **Outlook for FY2025**

			(100 million JPY
		FY2024	FY2025e
Net sales		20,676	21,500
	(First half)	10,152	10,500
Operating profit		1,258	1,500
	(First half)	567	650
Profit before tax		- 501	1,350
Profit for the year attributable t	o owners of the parent	- 940	800
Dividend (JPY/share)		210	210
Operating profit margin		6.1%	7.0%
ROE*		- 6.5%	5.6%
FOREX (Average)	1 USD	JPY 151.6	JPY 150.0
	1 EUR	JPY 164.0	JPY 160.0
Crude oil (Dubai, Average)	USD/BBL	79.6	80.0

\* ROE of FY2025e is calculated using the figures of Total equity attributable to owners of the parent as of Dec. 31, 2024

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Please look at page 23. For the FY2025 outlook, net sales are expected to increase by JPY82.4 billion from 2024 to JPY2,150 billion, and operating profit is expected to increase by JPY24.2 billion to JPY150 billion due to improvements in Automotive and Life Science, among others.

We assume exchange rates of JPY150 to the US dollar and JPY160 to the euro.

## Outlook Breakdown by Segment (Net sales and Operating profit)

	FY202	.4 (a)	FY20	25e	Change (b)-(a)		
	Net sales	Operating profit	Net sales	Operating profit	Net sales	Operating profit	
Architectural Glass	4,380	164	4,400	160	+ 20	-	
🚔 Automotive	4,988	139	5,000	220	+ 12	+ 8	
Electronics	3,645	545	3,700	580	+ 55	+ 3	
🖧 Chemicals	5,936	568	6,500	600	+ 564	+ 33	
🖉 Life Science	1,412	- 212	1,500	- 100	+ 88	+ 11	
Sceramics/Other	791	51	700	40	- 91	- 1	
Elimination	- 477	4	- 300	0	+ 177	- 1	
Total	20,676	1,258	21,500	1,500	+ 824	+ 242	

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Please look at page 24. The performance by segment for FY2025 is as shown. I will explain the details in the following pages.

#### **Outlook by Business Segment (1)**

Architectural Glass	(=) Automotive	Electronics		
Asia	<ul> <li>Automobile production is expected to</li> </ul>	Display		
Shipments are expected to be robust, underpinned by demand for highly heat shielding/insulating glass.	be robust in Asia but decrease in Europe and the U.S. The Group's shipments overall are expected to be at the same level as the previous year.	<ul> <li>LCDs profitability expected to improve with solid demand on top of progress of earnings improvement measures.</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Profitability is expected to improve due</li> </ul>			
Europe & Americas	to ongoing earnings improvement measures.	Electronic Materials		
<ul> <li>Weak economy in Europe continues to have a negative impact.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>In the U.S. in particular, improvement measures including pricing and structural reforms will be accelerated together with production and shipping issues being resolved</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Shipments of semiconductor-related materials such as EUV mask blanks wil increase.</li> <li>Shipments of optoelectronic materials will slightly decrease.</li> </ul>		

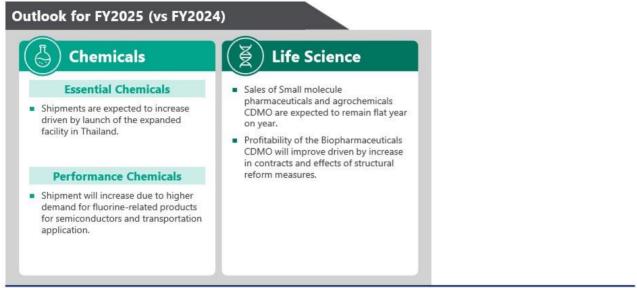
Please look at page 25. For Architectural Glass, in Asia, demand for high thermal insulation and heat-shielding glass is expected to support our shipments, which are expected to remain steady. In Europe, the impact of economic stagnation is expected to continue.

For Automotive, while automobile production volumes are expected to remain steady in Asia, they are expected to decrease in Europe and North America, with our group's shipments expected to be at the same level as the previous year. Profitability is expected to improve due to the progress of revenue improvement measures that we have been working on. In particular, in addition to resolving the production and shipment issues in North America, we are accelerating efforts including reviewing pricing policies and business structures.

For Electronics, LCD glass substrates are expected to further improve in profitability due to the promotion of profit improvement measures and steady demand. For Electronic Materials, shipments of semiconductor-related materials such as EUV mask blanks are expected to increase. On the other hand, shipments of optoelectronic materials are expected to decrease slightly.

#### **Outlook by Business Segment (2)**





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Please look at page 26. For Chemicals, Essential Chemicals shipments are expected to increase due to the start of operations of expanded facilities in Thailand. Performance Chemicals shipments are expected to increase due to increase due to increased fluorine-related products demand for semiconductors, transportation equipment, and.

For Life Science, sales of Small molecule pharmaceuticals and agrochemicals CDMO are expected to be at the same level as the previous period. For Biopharmaceuticals CDMO, in addition to increased sales, profitability is expected to improve due to the effects of structural reform measures.

#### **Outlook of Strategic Businesses**

- Sales are expected to increase in all strategic businesses.
- Operating profit is expected to increase driven by improvement of the Life Science business.



Please look at page 27. This is the performance outlook for strategic businesses in FY2025. We expect net sales to increase for all strategic businesses to JPY530 billion, and operating profit to reach JPY80 billion, driven by profit improvement in Life Science.

#### **Outlook of CAPEX, Depreciation and R&D**

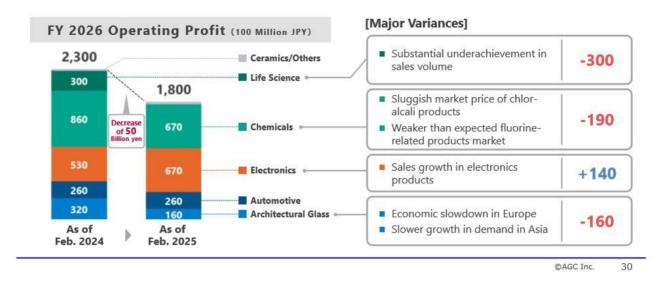
(100 million JPY) FY2024 FY2025e FY2024 FY2025e **Full-year** Full-year **Full-year** FY2024 FY2025e CAPEX 2,575 2,400 Depreciation 1,813 1,870 R&D 618 620 Architectural Architectural 338 350 249 260 Glass Glass Automotive 355 330 Automotive 324 330 Electronics 406 560 Electronics 532 540 Chemicals 1,082 800 Chemicals 535 570 Life Science 358 330 Life Science 157 150 Ceramics/Other 30 Ceramics/Other 37 18 20 - 2 0 Elimination - 0 0 Elimination FY2025 Main projects for CAPEX Repairment for architectural glass furnace (Architectural Glass) Capacity enhancement for fluorine-related products (Chemicals) Capacity enhancement for Biopharmaceuticals CDMO and Small molecule Repairment for display glass furnace (Electronics) Capacity enhancement for Electronic Materials (Electronics) pharmaceuticals and agrochemicals CDMO (Life Science) Capacity enhancement for chlor-alkali in Southeast Asia (Chemicals)

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Please look at page 28. For capital expenditure in 2025, we expect capital expenditure to be JPY240 billion, depreciation to be JPY187 billion, and R&D expenses to be JPY62 billion. Capital expenditure is expected to decrease due to the completion of capacity expansion investments for chlor-alkali products in Southeast Asia.

#### **FY2026 Operating Profit Target Revision**



Operating profit target for FY2026 is revised downward to 180 billion yen.

Now, please look at page 30 for an explanation of the 2026 targets. The operating profit target for 2026, which was set at JPY230 billion as of February 2024, has been revised downward by about JPY50 billion to JPY180 billion.

Regarding the details, Electronics is expected to exceed the initial target due to growth in electronics-related products, but Life Science is expected to fall significantly short of the initial target in terms of sales volume. Chemicals is also affected by the sluggish prices of chlor-alkali products and a slightly weaker fluorine-related market than initially expected. Architectural glass is also expected to struggle due to the significant impact of economic slowdown in Europe. For these reasons, all segments except electronics are expected to fall short of their initial targets.

## AGC plus-2026 outlook by business segments

• Operating profit for 2026 will increase by 40% from 2024.

■ Life Science will return to profit in 2026.



Please look at page 31. This is the image of the medium-term management plan performance based on the revised operating profit target. Operating profit itself is expected to increase by about 40% compared to 2024. Life science, which is a challenging business, is expected to turn profitable in 2026.

#### **Strategic Businesses outlook**



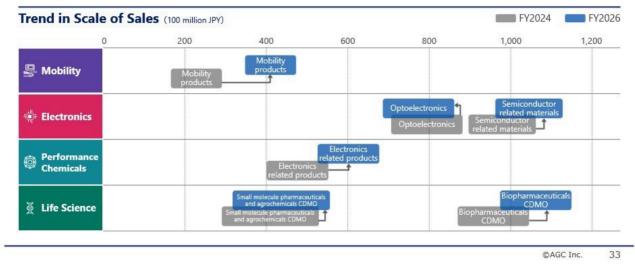
Strategic businesses will drive the overall growth.



Please look at page 32. Regarding the outlook for strategic businesses, net sales of all strategic businesses are expected to increase, with driving the Company's overall net sales growth. Operating profit for strategic businesses in 2026 is expected to be JPY100 billion, an increase of about 50% compared to 2024.

#### **Sales outlook of Strategic Business Products**

 Businesses will expand smoothly while optoelectronics will experience a brief stagnation.



Please look at page 33. Regarding the outlook for net sales of major products in strategic businesses, sales growth of optoelectronics is expected to reach a temporary plateau. Other major products in strategic businesses are expected to expand steadily.

This concludes my explanation. Thank you.

Tamaki: Thank you, Mr. Miyaji. Now, Mr. Hirai, please proceed.

Strategy (Announced in Feb. 2024)
30, we will accelerate corporate transformation and maximize
<ul> <li>Accelerate business portfolio transformation by pursuing the use and development of differentiated materials and solutions</li> <li>Continue to strengthen the earnings base and cash generation capabilities of core businesses</li> <li>Revise the scope of strategic businesses, accelerate business growth, and explore next-generation area</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Accelerate integrated management, including financial KPIs, by redefining the social value that we provide and setting sustainability KPIs</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Strengthen competitiveness through digital × monozukuri capabilities</li> <li>Streamline and strengthen the entire supply chain</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Strengthen group governance</li> <li>Promote human capital management</li> <li>Further strengthen the alignment between business strategy and technology platform</li> </ul>

**Hirai:** Thank you very much for today. I am Hirai, the CEO. I will explain the progress of the current mediumterm management plan, titled "Towards Achievement of Profitability that Exceeds Cost of Shareholders' Equity."

The medium-term plan, AGC plus-2026, announced in February last year, aims to accelerate corporate transformation and maximize corporate value towards realizing our Vision 2030.

At the center of this is the evolution of ambidextrous strategy, accelerating business portfolio transformation. For core businesses, we aim to solidify the profit base and generate cash, while accelerating the business growth of strategic businesses. We want to proceed with these two wheels.

#### Direction of the Business Portfolio Transformation

Through the business management with its unique ambidextrous approach, we aim to build a business portfolio that is resilient to market fluctuations and has high asset efficiency, growth potential, and carbon efficiency.

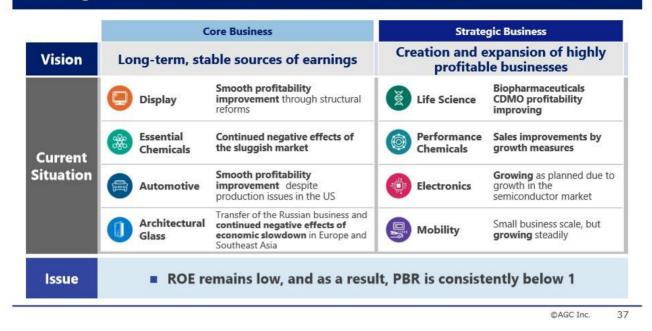


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The direction of business portfolio transformation that we announced previously aims to build a business portfolio that is resilient to market fluctuations and has high asset efficiency, growth potential, and high carbon efficiency through the promotion of ambidextrous strategy.

#### AGC plus-2026 Current Business Situations



Now, let's look back at where we are now. In our vision, core businesses aim for a strong and long-term stable sources of earnings. Strategic businesses aim to create and expand highly profitable businesses.

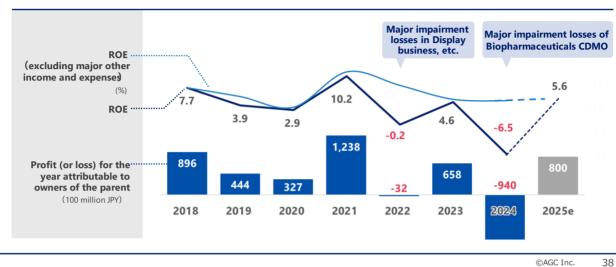
In core businesses, although the Display and Automotive businesses have been in a difficult situation for the past few years, we have been improving profitability steadily by promoting structural reforms and reviewing pricing policies, including price increases in an industry where prices were expected to decrease every year.

On the other hand, Essential Chemicals is still affected by the market downturn, and Architectural Glass is affected by the economic slowdown in Europe and Southeast Asia.

Regarding strategic businesses, as announced previously, Life Science grew steadily every year from 2016, when it was defined, until 2022, but it has turned to a loss in the past two years due to rapid market changes. We are currently pushing forward with profit improvement measures.

Other strategic businesses, such as Performance Chemicals, Electronics, and Mobility, are growing steadily according to the basic plan.

#### **Current ROE**



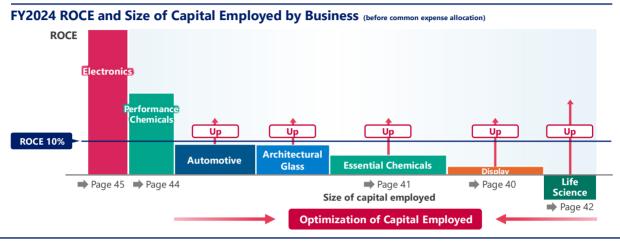
 ROE has remained at a low level due to factors such as impairment losses and losses incurred as a result of business transfers

Now, looking at the current state of ROE, this is a major issue for our company. Due to the occurrence of impairment losses and losses associated with business transfers, ROE has been at a low level. After achieving record-high profits in 2021, we had a large impairment in Display in 2022, and in 2024, we had a large impairment in Biopharmaceutical CDMO and losses associated with the transfer of the Russian businesses, which significantly lowered the ROE level.

However, the black solid line is ROE, but if there were no large-scale losses, as shown by the lighter blue line, it's still not at a high level. We recognize that the challenge is that the original profit level is not yet sufficient.

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- Low-profit businesses with large capital employed are dragging downAGC Group's ROCE.
- Urgent need to improve profitability and asset efficiency of these businesses.



ROCE = FY 2024 operating profit / Capital employed at the year -end; operating profit for each business is before allocation of c ommon expenses (©AGC Inc. 39)

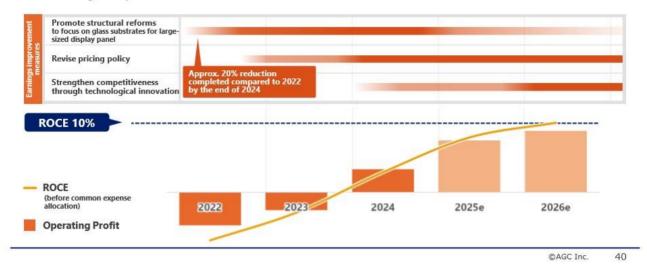
When expressed in terms of ROCE, it looks like this figure. The horizontal axis is the scale of operating assets, capital employed. The vertical axis is ROCE, which is operating profit per capital employed. In other words, the area of each box corresponds to operating profit.

The 2 boxes on the left, Electronics and Performance Chemicals, show very high ROCE with relatively small operating assets. Life Science on the far right was originally expected to have high ROCE as a strategic business, with ROCE of 15% or more achievable, but it is currently in the red, and it is important to raise this as soon as possible.

The four boxes in the middle, from Automotive to Display, correspond to core businesses, and as you can see, core businesses have a long width, indicating large operating assets. On the other hand, on the vertical side, all businesses are below the ROCE level of 10% necessary for ROE of 8% or more, indicating that both compressing operating assets as much as possible and raising profit levels are necessary for these businesses.

## **Initiatives of Display**

 On track to achieve ROCE target of 10% by 2026 through implementation of earnings improvement measures



Regarding Display, although it has been in a very difficult situation for the past three years, profits are rapidly recovering due to bold structural reforms, focusing on glass for large display substrates, and actively implementing pricing policies in an industry where prices were expected to decrease every year. By introducing new technologies to increase competitiveness, we aim to achieve ROCE of 10% in 2026.

#### **Initiatives of Essential Chemicals**

- We will capture the strong demand in Southeast Asia with increased production capacity in Thailand.
- Improve profitability by leveraging our high market share to implement our supply chain strategy.

#### Supply & Demand Balance and **Price Outlook in Southeast Asia**

**Caustic Soda** 

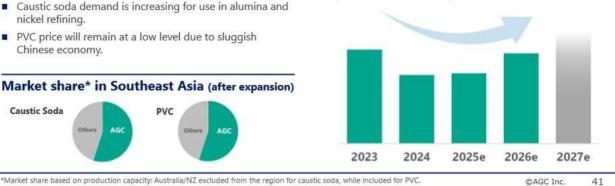
- Demand expands at an average of 4% per annum, leaving the region to continue importing chlor-alkali products.
- Caustic soda demand is increasing for use in alumina and nickel refining.

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PVC price will remain at a low level due to sluggish Chinese economy.

#### **Operating Profit Outlook for Essential** Chemicals

- The expanded facility in Thailand to start operation in 2025.
- Expected to contribute to profits from 2026 onwards.



Essential Chemicals is currently expanding facilities in Thailand. Southeast Asia is the main market, and in terms of supply and demand in Southeast Asia, demand is stronger, meaning it's a market where imports are inevitable, not a market where demand is insufficient.

For caustic soda, demand for alumina and nickel is expanding in particular. The challenge is PVC. As you know, China is currently in a real estate recession, resulting in excess PVC, which is flowing into Southeast Asia as cheap PVC, causing a situation where volume is not decreasing, but only prices are falling.

However, based on high market share, we aim to improve profitability strongly. The facility expansion in Thailand will start operations from 2025, so it is expected to contribute fully from 2026 onwards.

#### **Initiatives of Biopharmaceuticals CDMO**

Business situation has improved after implementation of profit improvement measures at each site.

Regions	Sites	Modalities		Previous Situations		Progress of Measures	Effects
	Seattle	Microbial/		Substantial underachievement in	0	Headcount reduction completed	<b>1.7 billion JPY</b> per year fixed cost reduction (1 billion JPY in 2024)
	Seattle	Mammalian cell	1	sales volume	0	Improved operations and 3 FDA approvals obtained	Positive impact on future sales and order-taking activities
U.S.	Longmont	Gene and Cell Therapy	2	Orders fell short of expectations driven by slow market growth of gene and cell therapy market	0	Idled production	<b>2.5 billion JPY</b> per year fixed cost reduction (effective from 2025)
	Boulder	Mammalian cell	3	Delay in start-up of a new line	0	Commercial production already started	Gradual increase in utilization. Improved profitability, to return to profit in 2027
Europe	Copenhagen	Microbial/ Mammalian cell	4	Expansion delayed due to construction labor shortage	0	Expanded facilities already in operation	Smooth increase in contracts
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Regarding Biopharmaceuticals CDMO, basically, with the loss of special demand due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the halt of fund inflows to bioventures due to high interest rates in the US, our expanded facilities started depreciation, leading to the current difficult situation.

First, we are reducing costs by cutting personnel and stopping production lines for gene and cell therapy while improving operations and aiming to increase new orders. On the other hand, commercial production has started at the large-scale facility in Boulder, which had been taking some time.

In Europe, the launch of facilities was delayed, but now they have been launched and orders are steadily expanding.

#### **Business Performance Outlook for Life Science**

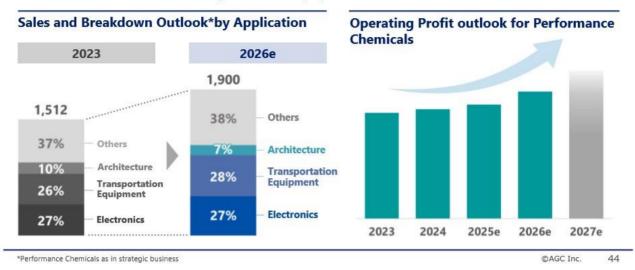


 We will recover profitability by ensuring to win the increasing proposals to customers of Biopharmaceuticals CDMO.

Overall, the total amount of quotations to customers, which had been at a low level for three years from 2021, has been increasing since last year. It takes one to two years from the timing of these quotations to actual sales and profits, so we aim to turn profitable in 2026.

#### **Initiatives of Performance Chemicals**

 We will increase sales by capacity expansion in response to increased demand for semiconductors and transportation equipment.



Performance Chemicals is steadily increasing sales as demand for semiconductor-related and transportation equipment is growing steadily.

#### **Initiatives of Electronics**

- EUV mask blanks achieved sales of 40 billion yen in 2024, one year ahead of the initial target
- Semiconductor-related materials will continue to grow driven by AI demand while Optoelectronics will experience a brief stagnation



Electronics saw significant growth last year, but this year, optoelectronics is temporarily reaching a plateau, mainly due to stagnant smartphone demand.

For semiconductors, EUV mask blanks are expected to continue growing steadily. Overall, we expect this year to be a temporary plateau before returning to a growth trajectory.

#### Group-wide initiatives



1	Pricing Policy Implement Value-based Pricing Group-wide
Profit structure improvement	<ul> <li>Cost Reduction         <ul> <li>Reduce cost by reducing investments and improving productivity</li> <li>Launch a Group-wide cost reduction project led by the CFO</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	Timely implementation of structural improvement measures
2 Portfolio Transformation	<ul> <li>Continue to pursue a business portfolio that is resilient to market fluctuations, has high asset efficiency, growth potential and carbon efficiency by promoting ambidextrous strategy</li> </ul>
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As a Group-wide initiative, we are considering changing our pricing approach from cost-based to entirely value-based Pricing. We also believe this is a necessary condition to create pricing that is resilient to market fluctuations.

Cost reduction involves reducing costs through reducing investments and productivity improvement, as well as promoting Group-wide cost reduction. We have launched a project led by CFO Miyaji to proceed this.

Reflecting on the large-scale impairments we have caused, we want to proceed with timely structural reforms more quickly from now on.

Regarding portfolio transformation, as we have been saying, we want to proceedquickly in the desired direction through the promotion of ambidextrous strategy.

#### **CAPEX and EBITDA**

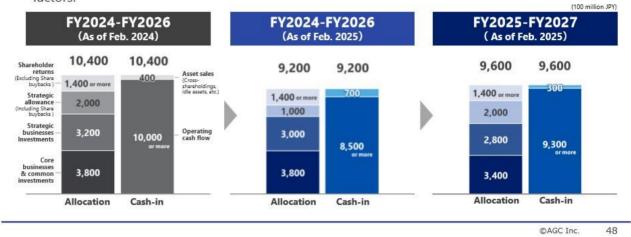
- Large investments round will be completed in 2025.
- We will focus on cash generation from 2026 onwards to prepare for the next growth.



Regarding capital investment, large-scale capacity expansion investments will be completed in 2025. From next year onwards, the investment amount will decrease significantly, generating cash and preparing for the next growth period. For example, after the expansion in Thailand in 2025, there will be no large investments for a while in the chlor-alkali business of Essential Chemicals, as shown in this picture.

#### **Capital Allocation Policy**

- Strategic allowance budget will be secured in FY2025-FY2027 due to improved profitability and reduced investments after reduction in FY2024-FY2026 attributable to cash-in decrease.
- Share buybacks will be determined considering investment projects, cash position and other factors.



Regarding the capital allocation, the strategic allowance will temporarily shrink due to reduced cash inflow from 2024 to 2026, but from 2025 to 2027, we expect to secure a new strategic allowance of JPY200 billion due to performance recovery and the aforementioned reduced investments.

Regarding the use of this JPY200 billion, share buybacks are one option, and growth investments including new M&A are another option. We want to make a comprehensive judgment looking at various situations.

#### Medium-term Management Plan *AGC plus-2026* Financial KPIs (Revised)

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 Toward the achievement of profitability that exceeds cost of shareholders' equity, we aim to achieve an ROE of 8% or more as early as possible from 2027 onwards, despite the downward revision to the 2026 initial targets.

		2025	20	2030		
	(100 Million JPY)	Outlook	Targets As of Feb. 2024	Targets As of Feb. 2025	Targets	
	Operating Profit (100 million JPY)	1,500	2,300	1,800	3,000 or higher	
	Strategic Business Operating Profit (100 million JPY)	800	1,300	1,000		
EB (100)	EBITDA* (100 million JPY)	3,370	4,400	3,800		
	ROE	5.6%	8% or higher	10% or higher		
	D/E Ratio					

\* EBITDA = Operating profit + Depreciation

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Although we are revising downward the initial targets made in 2024, we aim to achieve ROE of 8% as early as possible from 2027, preferably in 2027, towards realizing profitability exceeding the cost of shareholders' equity.

## **Shareholder Return Policy**

- The company's shareholder return policy of paying a stable dividend with a target of approx. 3% dividend on equity ratio remains unchanged.
- The dividend per share in 2025 is scheduled to be maintained at the same level as in 2024.

Special dividend				-			50 80	105	105	105	105
Year-end dividend	45 45	<b>45</b> 45	55 50	60 55	60 60	60 60	80	105	105	105	105
	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024e	FY2025
Share buyback		100	150	200	-	100	-	- 1	500		TBD
Consolidated total return ratio	48%	65%	56%	51%	60%	81%	38%	1777	144%		56%
Consolidated payout ratio	48%	44%	35%	29%	60%	81%	38%	-	69%	122	56%
Dividend on equity ratio (DOE)	1.9%	1.9%	2.1%	2.2%	2.3%	2.3%	3.8%	3.4%	3.2%	3.1%	3.1%
Shareholder return policy	To		tio of <b>50%</b> Juct share b	or higher, fl uyback	exibly	consolid	intain stable ated dividend		o of 40%,		Ť

Regarding shareholder returns, our shareholder return policy of stable dividends with a target of dividend on equity ratio of around 3% remains unchanged. We plan to maintain the dividend per share for 2025 at the 2024 level.

#### **Towards Achievement of Profitability that Exceeds** Cost of Shareholders' Equity (Summary) We will maintain the financial targets in the AGC Group Vision 2030 Toward the achievement of profitability that exceeds cost of shareholders' equity, we will steadily implement measures based on AGC plus-2026 and aim to achieve an ROE Vision of 8% or higher as early as possible from 2027 onwards. 2030 2024 - 2026 AGC plus-2026 By providing differentiated materials and solutions, AGC strives to help Deepening of sustainability management Strengthening of **Evolution of** realize a sustainable society and the management "ambidextrous strategy" become an excellent company that Promotion of value creation DX foundation grows and evolves continuously. Targets for Fiscal 2026 OP Strategic Business OP OP Strategic Business OP 230.0 billion yen 🔿 180.0 billion yen 300.0 billion yen or more 50% or more 60% or more D/E ratio D/E Ratio ROF Stable at 10% 0.5 or less 8% or higher 🏓 7% or higher 0.5 or less or higher @AGC Inc. 51

In summary, the financial targets in the AGC Group Vision 2030 remains unchanged. We will maintain our financial targets. We want to transform into a company that can achieve ROE of 10% by 2030. To this end, we aim to achieve operating profit of JPY180 billion or more and ROE of 7% or more in the final year of 2026 through business portfolio transformation by promoting ambidextrous strategy in this medium-term plan.

That's all. Thank you very much.

Tamaki: Thank you, Mr. Hirai.