Explanation of Financial Results for the 2nd Quarter of the Year ending March 31,2023

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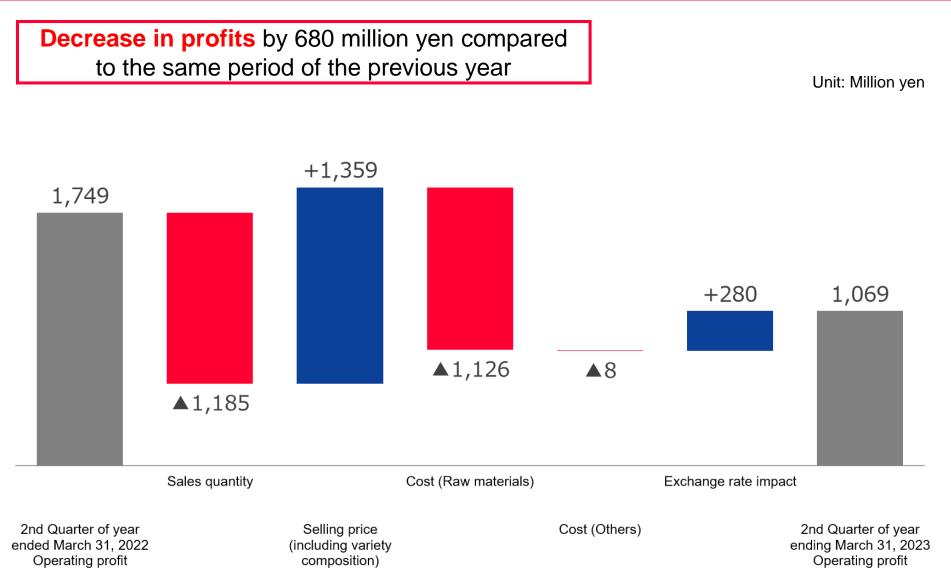


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- Shipments of products for PC and telecommunication-related applications remained sluggish due to deteriorating market conditions.
- Shipment of products for motorcycles in Southeast Asia remained strong, despite the impact of lower automobile production caused by the global shortage of semiconductors.
- Soaring raw material prices affected profit/loss.
- As a result of the above, **incomes increased** and **profits decreased** compared to the same period of the previous year.

	2nd Quarter of year ended March 31, 2022	2nd Quarter of year ending March 31, 2023	Year-on-year	comparison
	Results	Results	Year-on-year changes (amount)	Year-on-year changes (percentage)
Net sales	23,059	23,313	253	+1.1%
Operating profit	1,749	1,069	▲ 680	▲38.9%
Operating profit/ net sales	7.6%	4.6%		▲3.0points
Ordinary profit	1,934	1,740	▲ 194	▲ 10.0%
Quarterly net profit	1,136	1,367	231	+20.3%





Performance by segment

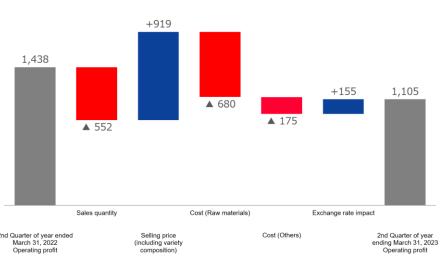


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2nd Quarter of year ended 2nd Quarter of year ending Year-on-year comparison March 31, 2022 March 31, 2023 Year-on-year Year-on-year Results **Results** changes changes (amount) (percentage) 9,849 10,098 ▲ 248 ▲2.5% Net sales **Electronics and Functional Products** Operating 1,105 1,438 ▲ 332 ▲23.1% profit 8,852 7,952 900 +11.3% Net sales **Films and Sheetings Products** Operating 525 292 ▲ 232 ▲ 44.4% profit 3,730 3,884 154 +4.1%Net sales Construction **Materials Related** Operating 150 41 ▲ 108 ▲72.7% profit 2,082 1,646 ▲ 435 ▲20.9% Net sales Engineeing Operating 25 **▲** 104 ▲ 129 profit ▲ 805 ▲ 920 Net sales **Consolidated adjustment** Operating amount ▲ 389 ▲ 263 profit 23,313 23,059 253 +1.1%Net sales **Consolidated total** amount Operating 1,749 1,069 ▲ 680 ▲ 38.9% profit



				Unit: Million yen	
	2nd Quarter of Year ended March 31, 2022	2nd Quarter of Year ending March 31, 2023	Year-on-year comparison		
	Results	Results	Year-on-year changes (amount)	Year-on-year changes (percentage)	
Net sales	10,098	9,849	▲ 248	▲2.5%	
Functional chemicals	2,016	1,858	▲ 158	▲7.8%	
Functional polymers	4,880	4,214	▲ 666	▲13.6%	
Electric materials	3,200	3,777	577	+18.0%	
Operating profit	1,438	1,105	▲ 332	▲23.1%	



Functional Chemicals Decreased incomes and profits

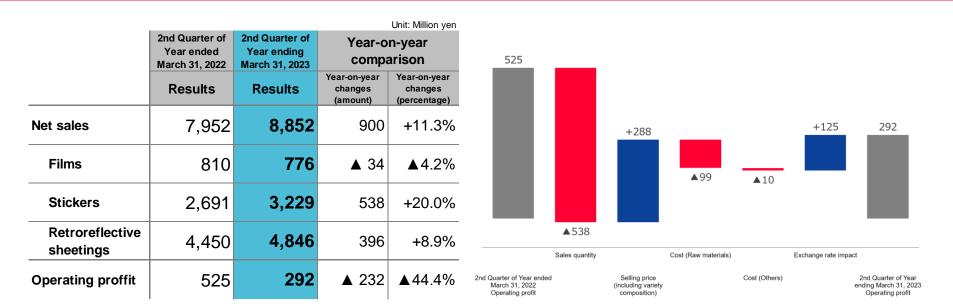
- + Despite the deteriorating semiconductor market, shipments of additives for semiconductor photoresists and chemicals for electronic component manufacturing remained strong.
- Decrease in shipments of pharmaceutical and agrochemical intermediates and active pharmaceutical ingredients.

Functional Polymers Decreased incomes and profits

- Decrease in shipments of adhesives and glue for optical sector due to reduced production of LCD panels.
- Increase in raw materials costs due to soaring naphtha prices.

Electric Materials Increased incomes and profits

- + Increase in shipments of ceramic substrates for automobile electronics.
- + Increase in shipments of semiconductor mold cleaner.



Films Decreased incomes and profits

- Decrease in shipments of films for automobiles and signboards due to slow recovery of domestic demand.

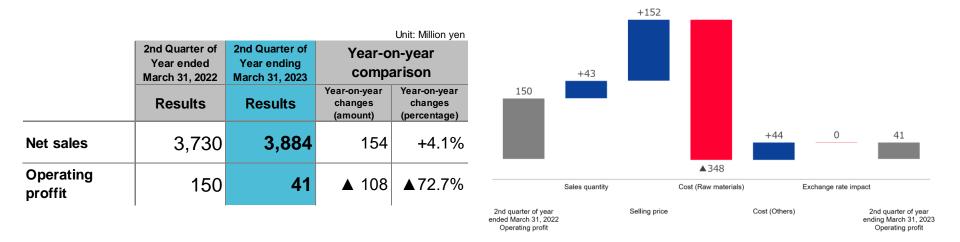
Stickers Increased incomes and profits

- + Increase in shipments of materials for motorcycles and automobiles in South-East Asia in line with the recovery from Covid-19 disaster.
- + Positive impact of foreign exchange on profit/loss.

Retroreflective Sheetings Increased incomes and decreased profits

- Decrease in shipments of materials for car number plates due to inflation in the U.S. and Europe, impact of prolonged recession and logistical disruptions caused by China's novel coronavirus countermeasures.
- + Positive impact of foreign exchange on profit/loss.





Increased incomes and decreased profits

- + Increase in shipments of aluminum construction materials for buildings as the difficulty in securing construction workers due to the Covid-19 disaster has been remedied and construction projects have progressed.
- Increase in raw material costs due to the rise in aluminum metal prices.



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	2nd Quarter of Year ended March 31, 2022	2nd Quarter of Year ending March 31, 2023	Year-on-year comparison	
	Results	Results	Year-on-year changes (amount)	Year-on-year changes (percentage)
Net sales	2,082	1,646	▲ 435	▲20.9%
Operating proffit	25	▲ 104	▲ 129	-

Decreased incomes and profits

- Decrease in completions of domestic construction projects due to increased wait-and-see attitude toward capital investment caused by soaring prices of materials and fuel.
- + Decrease in production costs and control of selling, general and administrative expenses.

[Summary] Consolidated balance sheets



Equity ratio is 50.9%, up by 3.9 percentage points from the end of the previous consolidated financial year.

	Year ended March 31, 2022	Consolidated accounting for the 2nd quarter of year ending March 2023	End-to-end ratio
Cash and deposits	11,376	11,723	347
Notes and accounts receivable - trade	14,773	13,583	▲ 1,190
Inventory	9,173	10,855	1,682
Tangible fixed assets/intangible fixed assets	25,596	26,628	1,032
Other	3,627	3,297	▲ 330
Total assets	64,546	66,088	1,542
Interest-bearing liabilities	13,970	12,454	▲ 1,516
Notes and accounts payable - trade	7,464	7,382	▲ 82
Other	11,062	10,769	▲ 293
Total liabilities	32,496	30,606	▲ 1,890
Shareholders' equity	23,546	24,649	1,103
Accumulated other comprehensive income	6,772	8,973	2,200
Non-controlling interests	1,731	1,859	128
Total net assets	32,049	35,482	3,432
Total liabilities and assets	64,546	66,088	1,542
D/E ratio	0.48	0.38	▲ 0.10
Equity capital	30,318	33,623	3,305
Equity ratio	47.0%	50.9%	3.9 points



Free cash flow was 912 million yen (down by 70 million compared to the same period of the previous year).

2nd quarter of year ended March 31, 2021 1,648	2nd quarter of year ended March 31, 2022 2nd quarter	Year-on-year comparison
1,648	4.050	
	1,659	11
1,005	1,013	8
▲ 2	331	333
▲ 842	▲ 551	291
1,807	2,453	645
▲ 825	▲ 1,540	▲ 715
982	912	▲ 70
2,687	▲ 1,516	▲ 4,203
▲ 351	▲ 281	70
477	-	▲ 477
▲ 89	▲ 89	▲ 0
2,724	▲ 1,887	▲ 4,611
392	1,122	730
4,099	147	▲ 3,952
16,501	10,986	▲ 5,515
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Capital expenditures increased 362 million yen compared to the same period of the previous year with the launch of the new Medium-term Management Plan "NCI KIRARI 2025".

			Unit: Million yen
Capital investment	2nd quarter of year ended March 31, 2022	2nd quarter of year ending March 31, 2023	Year-on-year comparison
Capital investment	1,259	1,621	362
Electronics and functional products	697	534	▲ 163
Films and sheetings products	444	1,006	562
Construction materials related	25	24	▲ 1
Engineering	79	10	▲ 69
Common/adjustment	12	45	33
Depreciation	1,005	1,013	8
R&D expenditure	1,053	1,048	▲ 5

Main capital investment projects
proposed for FY ending March 31 2023

- Expansion of production capacity for thick film printing substrates.
- Expansion of production capacity for retroreflective sheetings/next generation functional films.
- Expansion of production capacity for ceramic substrates.

* Capital expenditure is the amount capitalized as of the time when equipment, etc. is inspected and received. The amount of expenditure on the acquisition of tangible fixed assets in the cash flows from investing activities is the amount as of the time when the funds for equipment, etc. inspected and received were actually paid, which causes a difference.



Forecast of full-year results for the year ending 31 March 2023

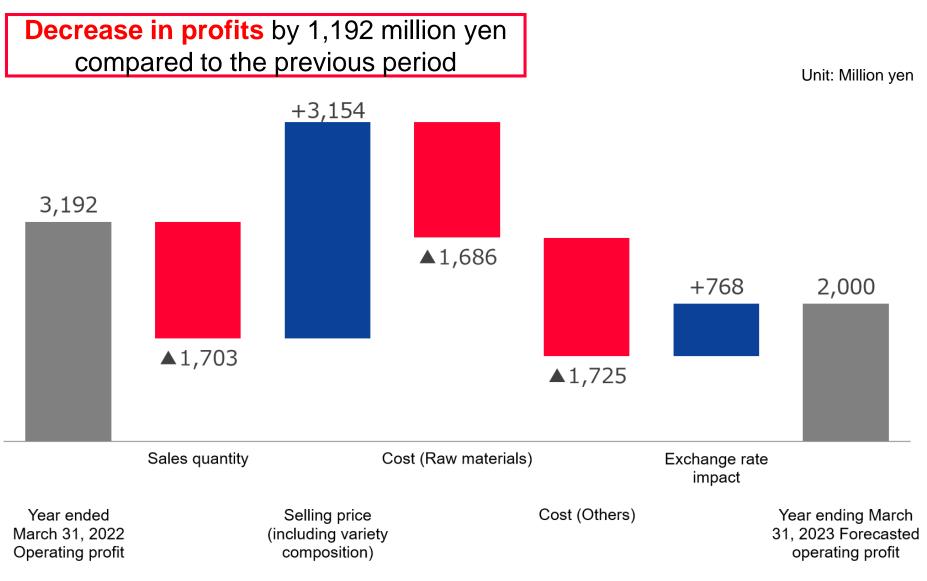
Forecast of consolidated results for the year ending 31 March 2023



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Forecast was revised on November 8. Net sales are expected to remain unchanged from the previous year, while operating incomes are expected to decrease.

	Year e	ended March	31, 2022	Year ending March	n 31, 2023	Year ending March	31, 2023	Year-on-year	changes
	R	esults	Profit margin	Forecasts announced on August 5	Profit margin	Current forecasts	Profit margin	Year-on-year changes (amount)	Year-on-year changes (percentage)
Net sales		47,003	-	48,500	—	47,000	_	▲ 3	▲0.0%
Operating profit		3,192	6.8%	2,800	5.8%	2,000	4.3%	▲ 1,192	▲37.4%
Ordinary profit		4,055	8.6%	3,400	7.0%	2,700	5.7%	▲ 1,355	▲33.4%
Current net profit		1,930	4.1%	2,000	4.1%	1,700	3.6%	▲ 230	▲ 11.9%
Dividend per	Interim	25yen		30		30		10	. 10.00/
share	Year end	30yen		35		35		Tuyen	+18.0%





Electronics	Functional chemicals	 Shipments of chemicals for electronic component manufacturing and additives for semiconductor photoresists remained strong. 			
and Functional Products	Functional polymers	 Significant decrease in shipments of adhesives and glue for optical sector due to production adjustment of LCD panels. 			
FIGURES	Electric materials	 Decrease in shipments of circuit substrates for electronic components due to production adjustment in the electronic device market. 			
Films and	Films	 Increase in shipments of high-functional films in the China Market. Negative impact on costs due to soaring transport costs etc. 			
Sheetings Products	Stickers + Increase in shipments of materials for motor cycles due to recovery from disaster in the Asian market and resolution of the semiconductor shortage				
	Retroreflective sheetings	 Decrease in shipments of materials for car number plates due to economic downturn in the European market. 			
Construction Materials Related	 Increase in shipments of aluminum construction materials such as handrails and copings. Increase in shipments of plastic extruded products for housing, automotive and factory equipment. Negative impact on costs due to soaring aluminum ingot price. 				
Engineering	 + Increase in sales due to large projects planned by Group companies. + Increase in sales at large plants for the power industry. - Decrease in sales to the steel industry due to the implementation of structural reforms and reorganization at a major Japanese steelmaker. 				

Forecasts by segment



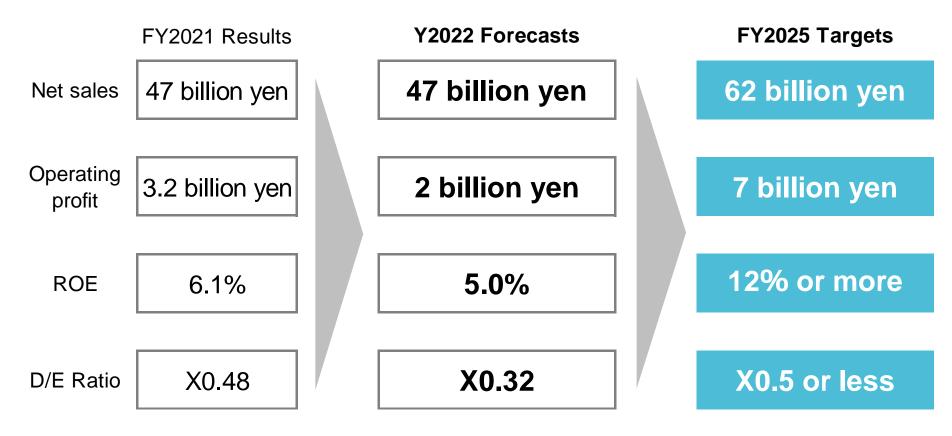
					Unit: Million yen
		Year ended March 31, 2022	Year ending March 31, 2023	Year-on-yea	ar changes
		Results	Current forecasts	Year-on-year changes (amount)	Year-on-year changes (percentage)
Electronics and Functional	Net sales	20,473	18,743	▲ 1,730	▲8.4%
Products	Operating profit	2,860	1,714	▲ 1,146	▲ 40.1%
Films and	Net sales	16,173	18,340	2,167	+13.4%
Sheetings Products	Operating profit	285	614	329	+115.6%
Construction	Net sales	7,507	7,942	435	+5.8%
Materials Related	Operating profit	279	285	6	+2.3%
Engineeing	Net sales	4,257	5,020	763	+17.9%
Engineeing	Operating profit	82	97	15	+18.6%
	Net sales	▲ 918	▲ 3,045	-	-
Consolidated adjustment	Operating profit	▲ 264	▲ 711	-	-
Consolidated total	Net sales	47,003	47,000	▲ 3	▲0.0%
	Operating profit	3,192	2,000	▲ 1,192	▲37.3%



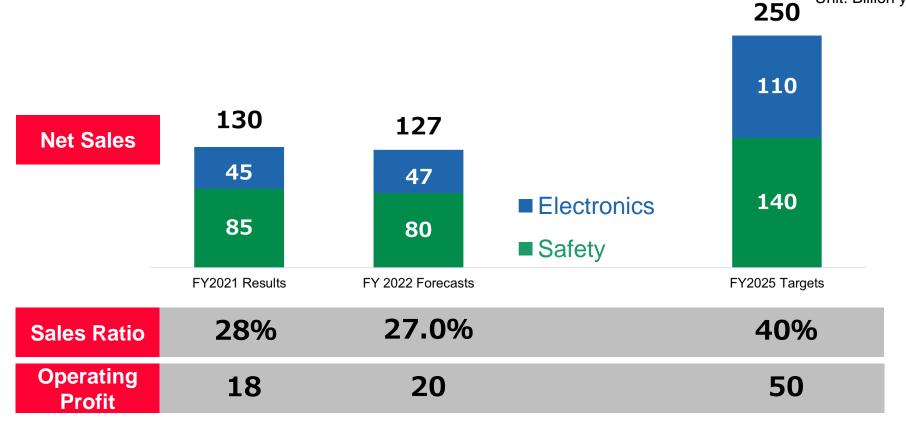
State of Progress of Medium-term Management Plan "NCI KIRARI 2025"



Although the forecasts for net sales/operating profits in FY2022 have been revised downward from the initial forecasts, we aim to achieve the FY2025 goals set forth in the Medium-term Management Plan "NCI KIRARI 2025" by steadily implementing the focused initiatives (P21).



In FY2022, we forecast sales of 4.7 billion yen in the strategic market of "Electronics" and 8.0 billion yen in the strategic market of "Safety", with sales of 12.7 billion yen and operating profits of 2.0 billion yen in the strategic markets as a whole.





Electronic & Functional Products	 Further increasing the added value through the development of differentiated products for the strategic semiconductor and electronic device markets in the focused area of "Electronics". Developing high-performance resins for the strategic life markets and improving profitability in the focused area of "Safety". Expanding the lineup of ceramic substrates for electronic components used in automotive electronics sector. Strengthening sales structure for further global expansion of semiconductor mold cleaner products.
Films & Sheetings Products	 Early mass production at next-generation high-performance film production facilities and a product lineup that meets market needs. Expansion of production facilities at locations in Asia and sales expansion in the global market for environmentally friendly decorative molded products that meet growing worldwide demand for EVs. Sales of reflective sheetings for license plates in regions where the company has not yet entered.
Construction Materials Related	 Differentiation of high-performance, high-strength handrail products and strengthening of sales system.
Engineering	 Focusing resources for installation of carbon neutral transition facilities for steel and power companies.

TOPICS Growth drivers



Prism sheetings for aerial displays

- Our aerial display reflectors have been adopted in the aerial touch display product "AX-101TW" released on July 20 by MITSUBISHI ELECTRIC ENGINEERING COMPANY LIMITED.
- Our aerial display reflectors have been adopted for a touchless solution utilizing an "aerial input device" manufactured by Hitachi Channel Solutions, Corp. that has been introduced into "Me-Arc-UCD-", a ME equipment management system manufactured by METS INC., a developer, manufacturer, and distributor of medical-related equipment.
- We introduced our aerial display technology at "Digital Signage Japan" held in June and "CEATEC" held in October (our booth at the CEATEC is shown in the photo on the right).

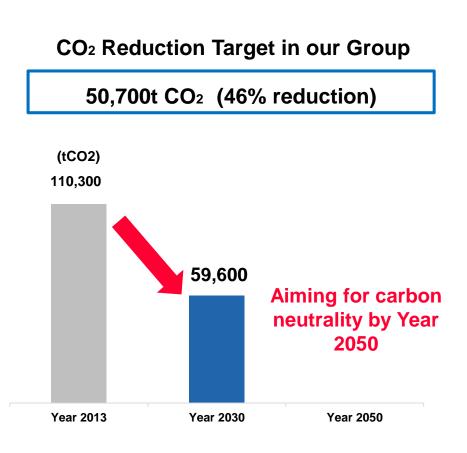








Nippon Carbide Industries (HangZhou) Co., Ltd. which manufactures retroreflective sheetings and food packaging films, plans to reduce CO2 emissions by approximately 2,000 tons/year through the introduction of solar panels. Solar power generation has already been implemented at the Uozu Plant and ELECTRO-CERAMICS (THAILAND) CO., LTD. (Thailand), and we will continue to promote the use of renewable energy throughout the Group to achieve our CO2 reduction target.





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