# Kikkoman Corporation

Business Performance Presentation for the Year ended March 31, 2016

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➤ Performance in Fiscal 2016 and Forecast for Fiscal 2017

Shozaburo Nakano Director, Executive Corporate Officer and CFO

> Progress of the Medium-Term
Management Plan

Noriaki Horikiri
President and CEO





# Performance in Fiscal 2016 and Forecast for Fiscal 2017

Shozaburo Nakano Director, Executive Corporate Officer and CFO

# 1-1. Performance in Fiscal 2016 Consolidated P/L Results (Compared with Previous Year)

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(¥/EUR)

Full-year actual results

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	Fiscal 2016	Fiscal 2015	Change Increase / Decrease	%	Translation Difference	Actual Difference	%
Net Sales	408.4	371.3	37.0	110.0	13.4	23.6	106.4
Japan	176.6	169.7	6.8	104.0		6.8	104.0
Overseas	234.3	203.9	30.4	114.9	13.4	17.0	108.4
Operating Income	32.6	25.4	7.2	128.5	1.6	5.6	122.0
Japan	8.1	3.8	4.3	213.7		4.3	213.7
Overseas	24.0	20.5	3.4	116.7	1.5	1.9	109.2
Kikkoman (Holding Company)	4.4	5.3	(0.9)	83.7		(0.9)	83.7
Eliminations	(3.9)	(4.2)	0.4		0.1	0.3	
Ordinary income	31.0	24.4	6.7	127.4	1.5	5.2	121.3
Income before income taxes and minority interests	30.3	23.8	6.4	127.0	1.4	5.0	121.1
Net income attributable to owners of parent	20.0	15.4	4.6	129.8	0.9	3.7	124.0
Exchange Rate (¥/US\$)	120.2	110.0	10.1			1.41	-1

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# 1-2. Performance in Fiscal 2016 Net Sales in Japan (Compared with Previous Year)

Full-year actual results

(Unit: billion yen)

		Fiscal 2016	Fiscal 2015	Change Increase / Decrease	%
Japan	Soy Sauce	49.4	46.9	2.4	105.2
	Food Products	60.3	58.5	1.8	103.2
	Beverages	44.8	42.8	2.0	104.6
	Liquor and wine	13.4	13.2	0.2	101.6
	Eliminations	(0.2)	(0.1)		
	Foods-Manufacturing and sales	167.7	161.3	6.4	104.0
	Others	20.7	20.2	0.5	102.5
	<b>Eliminations</b>	(11.8)	(11.7)	(0.1)	
	Total	176.6	169.7	6.8	104.0

- Increase in sales in all divisions.
- The Itsudemo Shinsen ("always fresh") series continued to perform well.



# 1-3. Performance in Fiscal 2016 Net Sales Overseas (Compared with Previous Year)

Full-year actual results

(Unit: billion yen)

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		Fiscal 2016	Fiscal 2015	Change Increase / Decrease	%	Translatio n Difference	Actual Difference	%		
Overseas	North America	176.9	153.5	23.4	115.3	14.4	9.1	105.9		
	Foods-Manufacturing and sales	57.8	50.4	7.4	114.8	5.3	2.1	104.2		
	Foods-Wholesale	126.8	109.8	17.0	115.5	9.7	7.3	106.7		
	Europe	23.6	21.9	1.8	108.1	( <b>0.8</b> )	2.6	111.8		
	Foods-Manufacturing and sales	10.5	10.1	0.4	104.4	(0.5)	1.0	109.4		
	Foods-Wholesale	14.7	13.4	1.3	109.8	(0.4)	1.7	112.7		
	Asia & Oceania	29.2	25.3	3.9	115.3		3.8	115.1		
	Foods-Manufacturing and sales	16.2	13.5	2.7	119.6	0.7	1.9	114.3		
	Foods-Wholesale	13.2	12.0	1.2	110.2	(0.7)	1.9	115.9		
	Others	34.4	30.0	4.4	114.8		4.4	114.8		
	Eliminations	(29.9)	(26.8)	(3.1)		(0.2)	(2.9)			
	Total	234.3	203.9	30.4	114.9	13.4	17.0	108.4		

Exchange Rate (¥/US\$) 120.2 110.0 10.1 (¥/EUR) 132.4 138.7 (6.3)

- Sales grew generally steadily overall and in all segments and regions.



# 1-4. Performance in Fiscal 2016 (Consolidated Operating Income (Compared with Previous Year)

Full-ve	ear actual results						(Unit: bi	illion yen)
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		Fiscal 2016	Fiscal 2015	Change Increase / Decrease	%	Translation Difference	Actual Difference	%
Japan	Foods-Manufacturing and sales	6.5	2.7	3.8	240.7		3.8	240.7
	Others	1.5	1.0	0.5	146.3		0.5	146.3
	Total	8.1	3.8	4.3	213.7		4.3	213.7
Overseas	North America	16.6	13.8	2.9	120.9	1.5	1.4	109.9
	Europe	3.3	3.2	0.1	102.4	(0.1)	0.2	106.7
	Asia & Oceania	2.5	2.1	0.3	116.0	0.1	0.3	112.3
	Others	1.5	1.4	0.1	106.1		0.1	106.1
	Total	24.0	20.5	3.4	116.7	1.5	1.9	109.2
Kikkoma	n (Holding Company)	4.4	5.3	(0.9)	83.7		(0.9)	83.7
Eliminati	ons	(3.9)	(4.2)	0.4		0.1	0.3	
Со	nsolidated Total	32.6	25.4	7.2	128.5	1.6	5.6	122.0
	Exchange Rate (¥/US\$)	120.2	110.0	10.1			kil	kkoma
	(¥/EUR)	132.4	138.7	(6.3)				

# 1-5. Major Factors for Changes in Operating Income in Japan

Increase in

raw materials, etc.

Impact of advertising expenses

Impact of change in depreciation method

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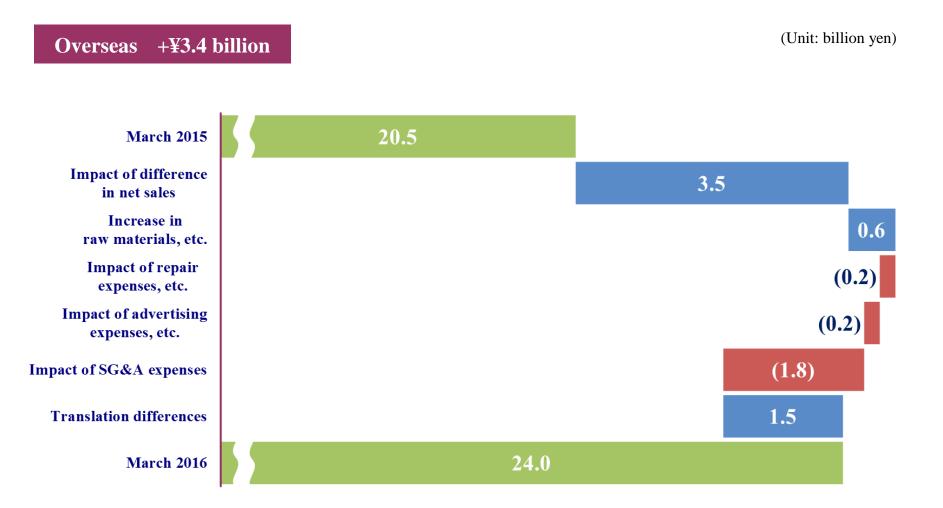
Impact of decline in goodwill at the beginning of the period





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# 1-6. Major Factors for Changes in Operating Income Overseas





# 1-7. Change in Consolidated Balance Sheets

a.Total Asset = 365.7	(Compared with 2015.3)	(13.1)
<b>b.Translation Difference</b>		(5.6)
Actual Difference (a b.)		<b>(7.5)</b>

ssets	<b>(7.5)</b>
Current assets	+0.1
Cash and deposits	+2.2
Notes and accounts receivable-trade	+3.1
Inventories	+1.0
Deferred tax assets	(0.3)
Other	(5.9)
Noncurrent assets	<b>(7.6)</b>
Property, plant and equipment	+2.2
Intangible assets	<b>(5.8)</b>
	(3.9)
Investments and other assets	
Investments and other assets [Investment securities	<b>(0.3)</b> ]

otal liabilities and net assets	(7.5)
Liabilities	+1.7
Interest bearing debt	(2.6)
Notes and accounts payable-trade Accounts payable-other	+2.1
Income taxes payable	+1.9
Net defined benefit liabilities	+0.9
Deferred tax liabilities	(2.4)
Other	+1.8
Net assets	(9.2)
Capital surplus	(7.5)
Retained earnings	+16.8
Treasury stock	(10.2)
Valuation difference on available-for-sale securities	s (0.4)
Foreign currency translation adjustment	<b>(4.2</b> )
Remeasurements of defined benefit plans	(3.8)



### 1-8. Consolidated Cash Flows

Net CF 
$$(a + b + c + d) = +2.9$$

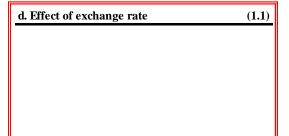
a. Cash flows from operating activitie	s
	+37.7
Income before income taxes	+30.3
Depreciation and amortization	+11.9
Decrease (increase) in notes and accounts receivable-trade	(3.2)
Inventories	(0.9)
Increase (decrease) notes and accounts pay able-trade	+0.6
Income taxes paid	(8.2)
Other	+7.2

(Unit: billion yen)

. Cash flows from investing activities	
	(15.9)
2' Purchase of property, plant, equipment and intangible assets	(13.6)
2' Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment	+0.1
Purchase of investment securities	(0.7)
Payments for transfer of business	(1.9)
Loans receivable	(0.2)
Other	+0.4

a.+2' Free Cash Flows +24.1 b.-2' Cash Flows from Investing Activities (Excluding Purchase of Property, Plant and Equipment) (2.3)

c. Cash flows from financing activity	ties
	(17.8)
Short-term loans	(0.6)
Long-term loans	(2.0)
Cash dividends paid	(4.8)
Purchase of treasury stock	(10.3)
Other	(0.2)





# 2-1. Forecast for Fiscal 2017 Assumptions Made for Full-Year Forecasts

>Exchange rates

Full year: \(\frac{\pma}{110.0}\)/US\(\pma\), \(\frac{\pma}{125.0}\)/EUR

>Impact of raw materials, etc.

**Consolidated total** 

Full year: ¥0.4 billion increase in profit

(Japan +¥0.6 billion, Overseas -¥0.2billion)

(Underlying assumptions)

Soybeans (market price) Wheat (market price)

Crude oil (market price)

approx. \$9-\$11/bushel

approx. \$5-\$7/bushel

approx. \$40-\$60/barrel



# 2-2. Forecast for Fiscal 2017 Consolidated P/L Results (Compared with Previous Year)

**Full-year forecasts** 

(Unit: billion yen)

Breakdown of change

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	Forecast 2017	Fiscal 2016	Change Increase / Decrease	%	Translation Difference	Actual Difference	%
Net Sales	403.5	408.4	(4.9)	98.8	(19.2)	14.3	103.5
Japan	179.0	176.6	2.4	101.4		2.4	101.4
Overseas	227.5	234.3	(6.8)	97.1	(19.2)	12.4	105.3
Operating Income	31.5	32.6	(1.1)	96.6	(2.1)	1.0	103.0
Japan	8.6	8.1	0.5	106.4		0.5	106.4
Overseas	23.7	24.0	(0.3)	98.7	(1.9)	1.6	106.6
Kikkoman (Holding Company)	3.5	4.4	(1.0)	78.2		(1.0)	78.2
Eliminations	(4.2)	(3.9)	(0.3)		(0.2)	(0.2)	
Ordinary income	30.0	31.0	(1.0)	96.7	(1.8)	0.8	102.6
Income before income taxes	30.0	30.3	(0.3)	99.2	(1.8)	1.6	105.3
Net income attributable to owners of parent	20.0	20.0		100.2	(1.2)	1.3	106.4
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# 2-3. Forecast for Fiscal 2017 Net Sales in Japan (Compared with Previous Year)

**Full-year forecasts** 

(Unit: billion yen)

			Forecast 2017	Fiscal 2016	Change Increase / Decrease	%
Japan		Soy Sauce	49.7	49.4	0.3	100.7
		Food Products	60.1	60.3	(0.2)	99.7
		Beverages	46.5	44.8	1.7	103.9
		Liquor and wine	13.9	13.4	0.5	103.5
		Eliminations	(0.2)	(0.2)		
		ods-Manufacturing d sales	170.0	167.7	2.3	101.4
	Ot	hers	21.0	20.7	0.3	101.7
Eliminations		(12.0)	(11.8)	(0.2)		
		Total	179.0	176.6	2.4	101.4

- Sales are expected to increase in Soy Sauce, Beverages and Liquor and wine.
- In Food Products, sales are set to decline as the price structure will be revised in tsuyu.

# 2-4. Forecast for Fiscal 2017 Net Sales Overseas (Compared with Previous Year)

Full-year forecasts

(Unit: billion yen)

Breakdown of change

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	Forecast 2017	Fiscal 2016	Change Increase / Decrease	%	Translation Difference	Actual Difference	%
Overseas North America	171.7	176.9	(5.2)	97.0	(15.9)	10.6	106.0
Foods-Manufacturing and sales	55.0	57.8	(2.8)	95.2	(5.2)	2.4	104.1
Foods-Wholesale	124.2	126.8	(2.6)	97.9	(11.4)	8.8	106.9
Europe	23.8	23.6	0.2	100.7	(1.7)	1.9	107.9
Foods-Manufacturing and sales	10.9	10.5	0.4	103.5	(0.6)	1.0	109.4
Foods-Wholesale	14.7	14.7	0.0	100.2	(1.2)	1.2	108.2
Asia & Oceania	29.0	29.2	(0.2)	99.4	(1.9)	1.7	105.8
Foods-Manufacturing and sales	15.7	16.2	(0.5)	97.2	(1.2)	0.8	104.8
Foods-Wholesale	13.5	13.2	0.3	102.3	(0.6)	0.9	107.1
Others	33.6	34.4	(0.8)	97.6		(0.8)	97.6
Eliminations	(30.6)	(29.9)	(0.7)		0.3	(1.0)	
Total	227.5	234.3	(6.8)	97.1	(19.2)	12.4	105.3

Exchange Rate ( $\frac{10.2}{\text{EUR}}$ ) 110.0 120.2 (10.2) ( $\frac{10.2}{\text{EUR}}$ ) 125.0 132.4 (7.4)

- We expect that net sales overseas will rise 12.4 billion yen in local currency terms, driven by growth in business in each region.



# 2-5. Forecast for Fiscal 2017 Consolidated Operating Income (Compared with Previous Year)

(Unit: billion yen)								
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		Forecast 2017	Fiscal 2016	Change Increase / Decrease	%	Translation Difference	Actual Difference	%
Japan	Foods-Manufacturing and sales	7.1	6.5	0.6	108.6		0.6	108.6
	Others	1.5	1.5	( <b>0.0</b> )	99.0		(0.0)	99.0
	Total	8.6	8.1	0.5	106.4		0.5	106.4
Overseas	North America	16.2	16.6	(0.5)	97.1	(1.5)	1.0	106.2
	Europe	3.5	3.3	0.1	104.4	(0.2)	0.4	110.9
	Asia & Oceania	2.5	2.5	0.0	101.3	(0.2)	0.2	107.6
	Others	1.6	1.5	0.0	102.7		0.0	102.7
	Total	23.7	24.0	(0.3)	98.7	(1.9)	1.6	106.6
Kikkoma	n (Holding Company)	3.5	4.4	(1.0)	78.2		(1.0)	78.2
Eliminati	ons	(4.2)	(3.9)	(0.3)		(0.2)	(0.2)	
Co	nsolidated Total	31.5	32.6	(1.1)	96.6	(2.1)	1.0	103.0
Exchange Rate(\(\frac{\pma}{\pmu}\)/EUR)		110.0	120.2	(10.2)				
		125.0	132.4	<b>(7.4)</b>			ki	kkon



# Progress of the Medium-Term Management Plan

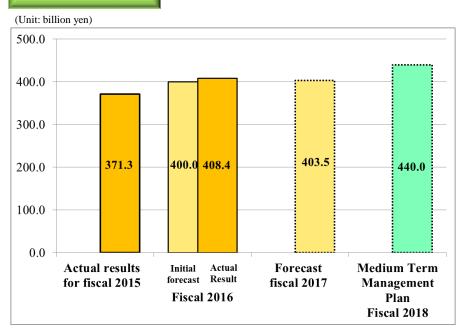
Noriaki Horikiri President and CEO

# Progress of the Medium-Term Management Plan



# Medium-Term Management Plan: Consolidated Targets and Progress





#### **Operating Income**



		Actual results for fiscal 2015	Initial forecast for fiscal 2016	Actual results for fiscal 2016	Forecast for fiscal 2017	Target for fiscal 2018
N	let Sales	371.3 billion	400.0 billion	408.4 billion	403.5 billion	440.0 billion
Opera	ating Income	25.4 billion	28.0 billion	32.6 billion	31.5 billion	36.0 billion
Operatir	ng income ratio	6.8%	7.0%	8.0%	7.8%	8.2%
	ROE	6.9%	(-)	8.7%	(-)	9% or more
Foreign	Dollar	¥110.0	¥115.0	¥120.2	¥110.0	¥115.0
exchange rates	Euro	¥138.7	¥125.0	¥132.4	¥125.0	¥125.0

# Medium-Term Management Plan: Consolidated Targets by Segment

(Unit: billion yen)

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			Actual results for fiscal 2015	Initial forecast for fiscal 2016	Actual results for fiscal 2016	Forecast for fiscal 2017	Target for fiscal 2018
Japan		Net Sales	161.3	167.3	167.7	170.0	174.8
	Foods-Manufacturing and sales	Operating Income	2.7	4.7	6.5	7.1	7.4
	and sales	Operating income ratio (%)	1.7	2.8	3.9	4.2	4.2
		Net Sales	20.2	20.8	20.7	21.0	21.1
	Others	Operating Income	1.0	1.2	1.5	1.5	1.7
		Operating income ratio (%)	5.1	5.5	7.3	7.1	8.1
		Net Sales	169.7	176.1	176.6	179.0	183.8
	Total	Operating Income	3.8	5.8	8.1	8.6	9.1
		Operating income ratio (%)	2.2	3.3	4.6	4.8	5.0
Overseas		Net Sales	153.5	169.5	176.9	171.7	192.2
	North America	Operating Income	13.8	15.2	16.6	16.2	17.4
		Operating income ratio (%)	9.0	9.0	9.4	9.4	9.1
		Net Sales	21.9	22.2	23.6	23.8	25.5
	Europe	Operating Income	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.5	4.2
	_	Operating income ratio (%)	14.7	14.6	14.0	14.5	16.4
		Net Sales	25.3	32.3	29.2	29.0	39.2
	Asia & Oceania	Operating Income	2.1	2.8	2.5	2.5	3.2
		Operating income ratio (%)	8.4	8.5	8.5	8.6	8.2
		Net Sales	203.9	226.0	234.3	227.5	258.4
	Total	Operating Income	20.5	22.6	24.0	23.7	26.4
		Operating income ratio (%)	10.1	10.0	10.2	10.4	10.2
Kikkoman (Holding Company) Eliminations		Net Sales	(2.2)	(2.1)	(2.5)	(3.0)	(2.2)
		Operating Income	1.0	(0.4)	0.5	(0.8)	0.5
		Net Sales	371.3	400.0	408.4	403.5	440.0
Cons	olidated Total	Operating Income	25.4	28.0	32.6	31.5	36.0
		Operating income ratio (%)	6.8	7.0	8.0	7.8	8.2
Exchange Ra		Exchange Rate (¥/US\$)	110.0	115.0	120.2	110.0	115.0
		(¥/EUR)	138.7	125.0	132.4	125.0	125.0

Medium-Term Management Plan: Business Challenges and Fiscal 2016 Progress

# Improving profitability

# 1. Maintaining growth overseas

• All businesses and regions make steady progress. We will continue to aim for growth.

# 2. Improving productivity in Japan

• Both the strengthening of growth categories and structural improvement show good progress.

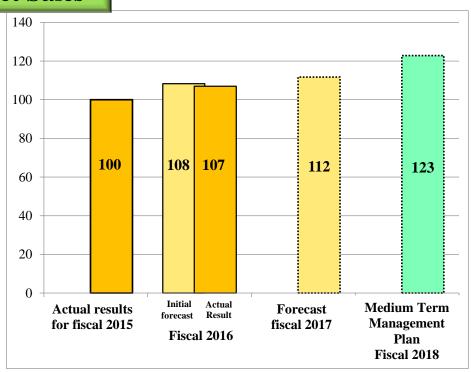
We will continue to seek to achieve the targets.



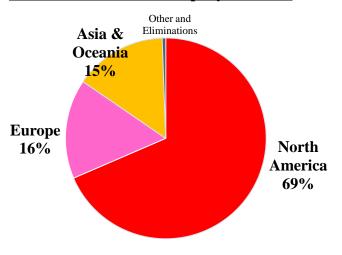
Overseas Soy Sauce Business:

Targets and Progress in the Medium-Term Management Plan and Breakdown of Sales by Region

#### **Net Sales**



#### Breakdown of sales by region in Overseas Soy Sauce Business of the Company (FY2016)



<sup>\*</sup> Trends and targets (in local currencies) of net sales in the overseas soy sauce business are presented using indexes, with the actual results for fiscal 2015 as 100.



#### Overseas Soy Sauce Business: Initiatives and efforts in each area

#### **North America**

Sales growth target: Average of 4% per year or more (in local currencies)

#### **Initiative 1**

 Developing new products to increase non-price competitiveness; treating customers with meticulous care to increase opportunities for existing customers to buy our products and gain new customers.

#### Past efforts

- Expanding sales of soy sauce and soy sauce derivatives, taking advantage of the Kikkoman brand.
- Promoting product development for industrial and food service users.

#### **Future efforts**

- Promoting the development of products that meet user needs.
- Strengthening measures for industrial and food service users.

#### **Initiative 2**

**Developing markets in Canada and Mexico.** 

#### Past efforts

- Offering popular products in the United States to Canada.
- Offering products tailored to local preferences to Mexico.

#### **Future efforts**

- Promoting the proposal of recipes suited for each food culture by offering popular products in the United Sates and products tailored to local preferences.
- **Output** Developing the sales system for sustainable growth in the future.







#### Overseas Soy Sauce Business: Initiatives and efforts in each area

### **Europe**

Sales growth target: Average of 10% per year or more (in local currencies)

#### **Initiative 1**

Cultivating the major markets and developing emerging markets.

#### Past efforts

- Conducting in-store demonstrations and proposing recipes to increase sales of soy sauce.
- Developing active promotion activities using media.



Seeking to further enhance recognition of the Kikkoman brand and soy sauce through active promotion activities tailored to the market in each country.



#### **Initiative 2**

Promoting the development of new products.

#### Past efforts

Expanding the product lineup by launching new products of soy sauce derivatives.



Promoting the sales expansion of soy sauce by launching new products tailored to local preferences.





#### Overseas Soy Sauce Business: Initiatives and efforts in each area

#### Asia & Oceania

Sales growth target: Average of 10% per year or more (in local currencies)

#### **Initiative 1**

- Promoting product development and marketing in accordance with the conditions in each country.
- **●** Strengthening marketing systems in Asia.



#### Past efforts

- Conducting demonstration activities using local foods and ingredients by promoting new product development.
- Establishing local bases in the Philippines and Thailand to develop and sell products tailored to local preferences.



#### **Future efforts**

- Promoting products that have already been launched and developing new products.
- Marketing activities tailored to the conditions in each country
- Further review and strengthening of sales systems in each country





### Overseas Foods Wholesale Business: Initiatives and efforts in business

Sales growth target: Average of 7% per year or more (in local currencies)



#### **Initiative 1**

Opening new bases.

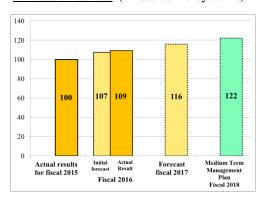
Past efforts

Opening and expanding bases in each region, including Italy (Milan).

**Future efforts** 

Opening and expanding bases going forward.

Trends in the growth rate of net sales in Foods Wholesale Business (in local currency terms)



#### **Initiative 2**

Strengthening product sourcing and development capabilities.

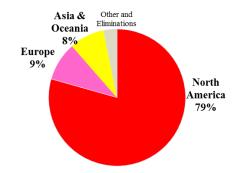
**Past efforts** 

Developing new products that meet local needs and enhancing product sourcing capabilities in cooperation with regions around the world.

**Future efforts** 

Promoting the handling of products with a strong brand power.

### Breakdown of net sales by region in Foods Wholesale Business (FY2016)

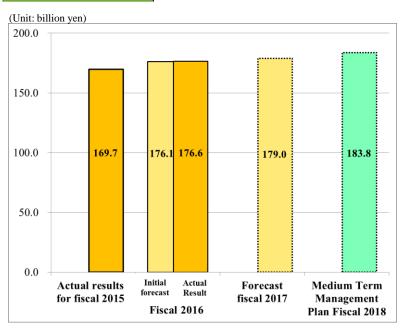




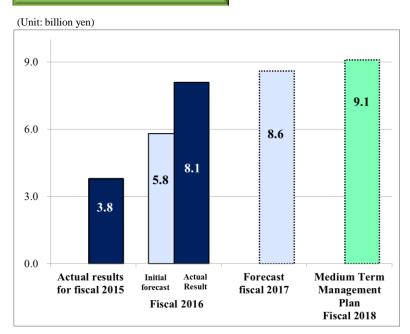
### Domestic Businesses: Medium-Term Management Plan Targets and Progress

## Strengthening growth categories and promoting structural improvement

#### **Net Sales**



#### **Operating Income**

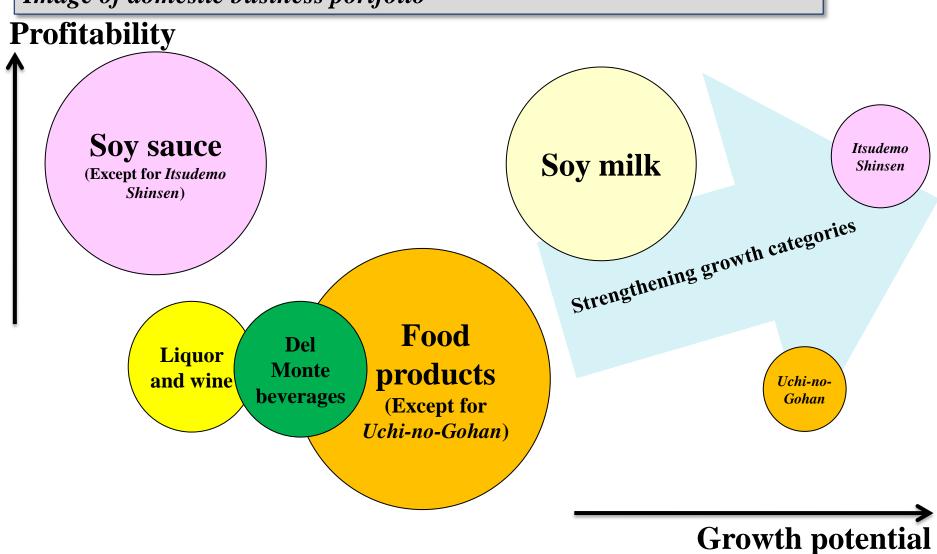


	Actual results for fiscal 2015	Initial forecast for fiscal 2016	Actual results for fiscal 2016	Forecast for fiscal 2017	Target for fiscal 2018
Domestic business Operating income ratio	2.2%	3.3%	4.6%	4.8%	5.0%

# Breakdown of positive and negative factors in domestic business

		Issues	Initiatives in the medium-term management plan and major positive and negative factors	Effects in FY2016
Pos	Initiatives for improving productivity	Strengthening growth categories  ¥3.6 billion	<ul> <li>Soy sauce: Shift to Itsudemo Shinsen series</li> <li>Food: Growth of Uchi-no-Gohan (handy Japanese style seasoning mixes)</li> <li>Beverages: Growth of the soy milk business</li> </ul>	¥2.4 billion
Positive factor	oving productivity	Structural improvement  ¥1.5 billion	<ul> <li>Improvement in operating efficiency</li> <li>Improvement in efficiency in distribution</li> <li>Improvement in labor productivity</li> <li>Improvement in cost of manufacturing</li> </ul>	¥0.5 billion
		Other ¥1.4 billion	<ul> <li>Change in the method of depreciation and Amortization</li> <li>Reduction in the burden of raw materials costs due to changes in market prices and exchange rates, etc.</li> </ul>	¥2.0 billion
Negative factor  Advertising  (¥1.2 billion)			Increase in investment in advertising	(¥0.6) billion
Total ¥ 5.3 billion				¥4.3 billion

# Image of domestic business portfolio



# Strengthening growth categories



**Initiative** 

Soy sauce: Shift to the *Itsudemo Shinsen* series.

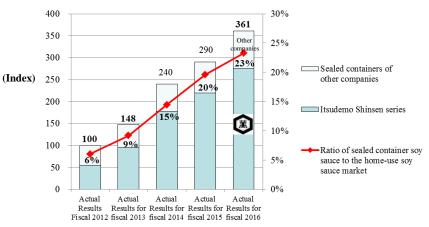
Past efforts

Conducting active promotion activities and expanding product lineup.

**Future efforts** 

 Evoking trials through continued active promotion activities and making proposal of the use of multiple kinds of soy sauce according to consumer preferences and cooking.

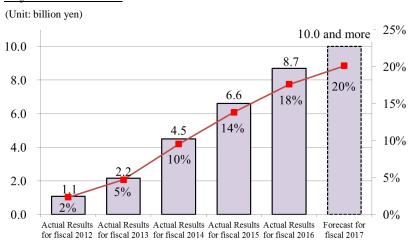
# Ratio of the sealed container market to the overall home-use market and trends in sales value of soy sauce in sealed containers (based on retail sales)



<sup>\*</sup> Trends in the sales value of sealed container soy sauce are shown by an index with actual sales in fiscal 2011 as 100 based on retail sales prices.

Source: Data of value breakdowns in the soy sauce market from April 2011 to March 2015 in SCI of Intage

# <u>Trends of annual sales of the *Itsudemo Shinsen* series and the percentage of sales to total sales of the entire Kikkoman Sov Sauce Division</u>



# Strengthening growth categories

**Initiative** 

• Food: Growth of Uchi-no-Gohan.

**Past efforts** 

Active offering of products and seasonal promotion activities

**Future efforts** 

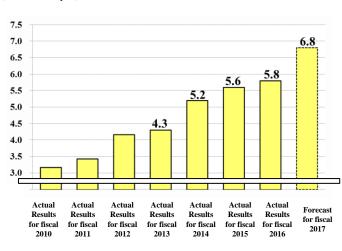
#### To revitalize the market,

- Increasing sales of *Wa-no-Gochiso-Ni*, new series, and expanding the lineup of existing series.
- Conducting active promotion.



#### Trends of annual sales of *Uchi-no-Gohan*

(Unit: billion yen)



# Strengthening growth categories



#### **Initiative**

Beverages: Growth of the soy milk business.



#### Past efforts

Developing promotion activities for the expansion of use for cooking in addition to drinking, with health-conscious consumers as a backdrop.



#### **Future efforts**

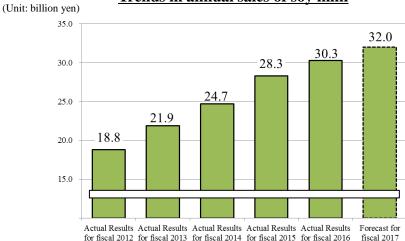
- Offering new products for further growth.
- Maintaining sales promotion activities to expand applications.

#### Trends in production volume in the soy milk market



Source: Japan Soymilk Association (years above are from January to December)

#### Trends in annual sales of soy milk



Domestic Business: Efforts for structural improvement

Improvement in operating efficiency

Improvement in efficiency of distribution

**Structural** improvement

Improvement in labor productivity

Improvement in cost of manufacturing

# Financial Strategy



### Financial Strategy: Uses of Cash

# Cash flows from operating activities Fiscal 2016 to fiscal 2018 Approx. 90 billion yen



- Consolidated payout ratio target 30% or more Fiscal 2016 31.2%
- Flexible share buybacks
  Fiscal 2016 Actual Result
  ¥10 billion

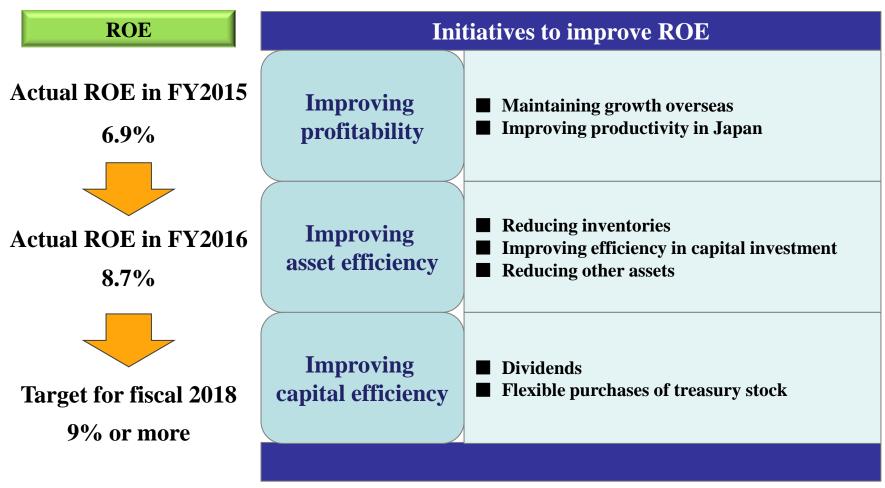
# Capital Investment

■ Investment in growth fields
Approx. ¥40 billion for
fiscal 2016 – 2018
(the same level as
depreciation and
amortization)
Fiscal 2016 Actual Result
¥14.8 billion

# **Investment in New Business**

Actively promoting investment to strengthen the business portfolio

### Financial Strategy: Improving ROE



The target above is based on the assumption that the exchange rates in fiscal 2018 will be 115 yen against the dollar and 125 yen against the euro and that the stock market will be at the level at the end of March 2015.

# Concept of Corporate Social Responsibility



# Corporate Governance

#### **The Kikkoman Group Management Principles**

- (1) To pursue the fundamental principle "consumer-oriented"
- (2) To promote the international exchange of food culture
- (3) To become a company whose existence is meaningful to the global society

#### Key Aspects

#### **Responsible Operations**

# Fundamental responsibilities of a corporate citizen

We carry out responsible business operations that respond to the trust and expectations of each of our stakeholders; that company not only with the law but also with social norms and standards of propriety; and that are in harmony with the environment.

#### **Products / Services**

#### Fundamental function of a food company

We deliver products and services of high quality and safety in a stable manner while promoting research and product development that create new value. We also propose new food lifestyles through the fusion of international food cultures.

#### **Actions for global society**

#### Kikkoman's initiatives

We contribute to the sustainable development of global society mainly in the areas of "food and health" by promoting activities that are unique to Kikkoman.

# Areas of Focus

- Compliance
- Corporate governance
- Communication with stakeholders
- Environmental activities
- Building talent and fostering a positive workplace

- Product and service innovations
- Food safety and quality
- Stable supplies
- Delivering new and healthy food experiences

- Promotion of Japanese food culture
- Exchange of food cultures across the world
- Shokuiku (Food education)
- Commitment to society through food and health

(As of April 27, 2016)

#### **Basic Approach**

The Company regards the enhancement of corporate value through the practice of the Group management philosophy as the basis of business management. To realize this, the improvement and strengthening of the corporate governance system is the most important management issue.

#### **Organization**

Structure	Company with Audit & Supervisory Board
Corporate officer system	Yes

#### **Executives**

	Directors	Audit & Supervisory Board Members
Number (including the number of outside appointments)	11 (3)	4 (2)
Term of office	1 year	4 years

#### **Key steps taken to reinforce corporate governance**

Time	Initiative	Purpose			
March 2001	Introduced corporate officer system	Clarified management responsibilities and accelerated decision-making and business execution			
	Appointed outside directors				
June 2002	Established Nominating Committee and Remuneration Committee	Increased management transparency and strengthened management oversight			
October 2009	Adopted holding company structure	Clarified roles and responsibilities of holding company and operating companies and created a structure to maximize Group synergies			

#### **Nominating Committee and Remuneration Committee**

	Structure	Role
Nominating Committee	5 members (3 outside directors, 2 directors) Committee chaired by an outside director	Recommends candidates for director, audit & supervisory board member and corporate officer posts to the Board of Directors (The Audit & Supervisory Board provides its consent for audit & supervisory board member candidates)
Remuneration Committee	5 members (3 outside directors, 2 directors) Committee chaired by an outside director	Develops remuneration proposals for directors, audit & supervisory board members and corporate officers

