April 2004 to March 2007 Medium-Term Business Plan Briefing

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YAMAHA CORPORATION

Perception of operating environment



Business risks increasing

Shifts in market composition/technology, escalating competition and growing compliance risks

Moving toward knowledge value-based society

Key to competition is brand creation and converting technical expertise, know-how, and other knowledge into earnings

Influence of China increasing

Growing presence as production base and consuming region Expanding competitiveness in global markets





Stable generation of high earnings Aiming to realize business structure capable of sustainable development

YSD50 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

* YSD is acronym for YAMAHA Sustainable Development 50 represents target of ¥50bn in earnings and zero net debt

The factors crucial to sustainable development are:

(1) strong earnings base, (2) creation of added value with continual growth, and (3) working in harmony with the environment and society



Sustainable/stable high-profit earnings structure

Innovative and high-quality product development/ business creation

Corporate social responsibility/ CSR-focused management

Targets for fiscal year ending March 2007 WYAMAHA

Exchange rates (¥110/\$ and ¥127/€)

Consolidated

Operating Income

Net Income

ROE

FCF (3-year)

Net debt

Inventories

Consolidated sales

¥50bn

¥34bn

10%

¥60bn

Zero

2.9 months

¥590bn



Sustainable/stable high-profit earnings structure



- 1) Musical instruments: Operating income of ¥30bn
- 2) Other core businesses: Stabilize earnings bases
- 3) Make all existing business units profitable
- 4) Reduce total costs by cutting procurement expenses, revamping manufacturing processes, retooling business processes, and rationalizing clerical tasks

Musical Instruments



- 1) Strengthen planning/development and marketing capabilities to increase added value of products
- 2) Seek growth in professional audio equipment business and Chinese market while revitalizing Japanese market
- 3) Revamp manufacturing processes

1) Strengthen planning/development and marketing capabilities to increase added value of products



Development of high value-added products

- Leverage technology seeds to provide customers with fun, easy-to-use instruments
- Strengthen development of mid- and high-end models





Electone STAGEA



Custom Z series

Disklavier Mark IV



■ Meeting the needs of artists and specialists





Introduction of new artist relations website (image)

Growth in professional audio equipment business (150%)

- Realize system solutions based on mixers
- Focus on small- and medium-sized SR (live sound) equipment market
- Strengthen marketing systems







■ Expand sales in Chinese market

- Strengthen sales network and marketing systems
- Enhance YAMAHA brand by emphasizing YAMAHA quality and proactively accommodating the needs of music conservatories and artists
- Make preparations for establishing YAMAHA music schools
- Enhance production base by establishing a manufacturing plant in Hangzhou, China







■ Revitalization of Japanese market

- Revise sales method in Japanese business
- **Bolster investment in dissemination/sales points** (¥10bn over three years)
- Launch "STAGEA" and expand Electone fans



unistyle



uniStyle



Core 100

3) Revamp manufacturing processes



- Reform YAMAHA production concepts and construct optimal mechanisms for manufacturing musical instruments
 - Deploy Toyota Production System (TPS) and Total Production Management (TPM) on all fronts
 - Reduce inventories and employ SCM
- Reassess production bases
 - Reposition and bolster bases
 - Get Hangzhou Yamaha Musical Instruments on track
- Reduce procurement costs
 - Enhance ability to procure/supply materials globally

Content and Media



- Expand overseas ringing melodies distribution service
 - FY2007 Sales target of ¥720mn
- Develop new businesses by leveraging portal sites
 - "Melocha" comprehensive site for mobile phone users (4mn subscribers)
 - Music portal site "Music e-Club"
 (2.2mn visitors/month, YOM* membership 0.3mn)

*YOM: YAMAHA online member

Meet the challenge of enhancing the group label (Yamaha Music Communications, Music Front) by constantly searching for new hit artists



Strengthen the home theater business

- Promote product differentiation
 - Differentiate YAMAHA products by employing its strength in "sound"
 - Match designs to needs in thin-screen TV era
 - Better position YAMAHA brand of speakers
- Further improve QCD and produce various products in variable lots
 - Implement cell production integrated management
 - Increase the level of SCM



Expand router business for enterprise/SOHO solutions

- Specialize in SOHO/enterprise solutions revolving around VPN/VoIP
 - Enhance/expand high-speed, multi-function routers
 - Propose solutions to integrate voice & data
- Establish solutions business process
 - Establish integrated customer response system encompassing agents, development, and sales
 - Implement marketing process that capitalizes on timely feedback on customer queries

Semiconductors



Sustain worldwide share of mobile phone sound source chip business

- Further pursue SMAF in global market
 - Expand content support for all countries/regions
- Pursue sustainable development/market entry for new products
 - Propose differentiated solutions using sophisticated products
 - Respond to price competition with low-cost products
- Employ production to accommodate demand shifts



Expand in areas outside of mobile phone sound source business

- Amusement field (sound source, video)
- Audio field (automotive, digital amps)
- Telecommunications field (IPv6-related products)
- Sensor field (terrestrial magnetic, other)



Lower breakeven point

- Ensure that production systems are optimized for each given industry
- Expand copper-related production capacity by converting former Invar facility
- Promote TPM to sustain improvement in QCD

Cultivate and expand copper-related connector business

- Tap new markets by leveraging alliance with Olin

Lifestyle-Related Products



Establish business model for remodeling operations business

- Pursue market strategy of developing close ties with home builders and at the regional level by setting up showrooms and targeting end users
- Complement sales and resources of alliance partner AWL

■ Further lower breakeven point and continually deploy resources

- Increase sophistication of production supply methods that are focused on construction
- Revamp products, clerical tasks, and personnel structure



Become undisputed leader in specific regions and/or fields

- Advance unique experience proposals based on coexistence with nature and amusement, hospitality, and food specific to particular regions
- Provide facilities that offer unparalleled enjoyment of sound and music



Kiroro



Katsuragi Kitanomaru



Haimurubushi

Others



■ Golf products

Heighten brand presence with New "inpres" series

Automobile interior components

- Increase competitiveness by reducing costs through the retooling of manufacturing processes
- Cultivate new customers...overseas makers, new manufacturing methods/new designs

Metallic molds and factory automation products

- Realize No. 1 factory status in terms of manufacturing costs for magnesium parts
- Establish business model as provider of decorative chassis solutions
- In FA, increase business scale of precision parts, leak testers, and robots to point where they can stand alone



Innovative and high-quality product development/ business creation

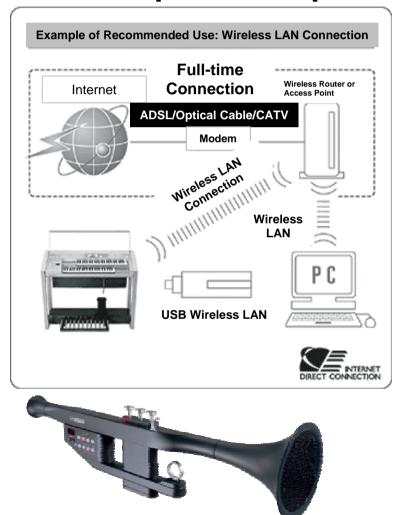


- 1) Propose new forms of amusement
- 2) Continually deploy a comprehensive media strategy
- 3) Create new businesses underpinned by our core competence in sound
- 4) Strengthen technology as a development base/energize corporate culture

Propose new forms of amusement



 Expanding demand for use in network connections and simple music performances



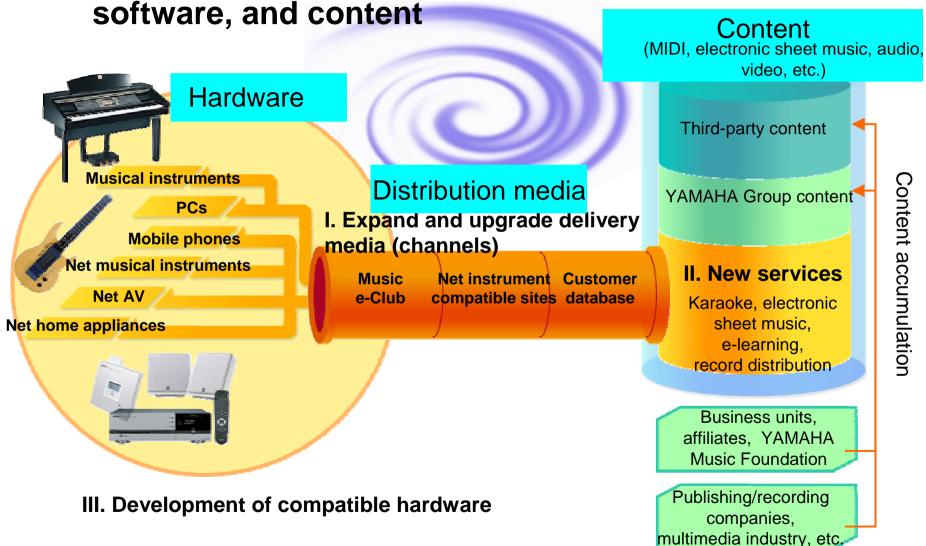




Comprehensive media strategy—a new phase



■ Create new businesses that interlock our hardware, software, and content



Create new businesses based on our core competence in sound



Aiming to grow and establish new businesses and position our brand as a "sound specialist" that mines and combines the sounds that comprise music and that manipulates human voices and environmental sounds

- Amid shift to networked systems, develop technology to facilitate lifestyles that center on sound

Establish Sound Life Strategy Promotion Office as development/ marketing organization

- Starting with HIC (Human Interface Component), promote component businesses that focus on people and that deal with senses and emotions
- Strengthen basis for the concept of YAMAHA as a sound expert



Corporate social responsibility/ CSR-focused management



- 1) Compliance with laws and regulations
- 2) Environmental preservation
- 3) Safety and health
- 4) Disclosure
- 5) Harmony with society/culture

Environmental preservation



- RoHS response (green procurement and environment-friendly design)
 - Complete response by FY2005
- Zero emissions
 - Achieve targets at YAMAHA parent plants by 2005 year-end
- Reduce emissions of compounds subject to PRTR
 - Reduce FY2006 volume by 20% compared with FY2002 level
- Reduce CO2 emissions
 - Reduce FY2010 emissions by 6% compared with FY1990 level (compliance with Kyoto Protocol)



Solar electric generation facility(image)



Medium-term business plan targets

Sales targets



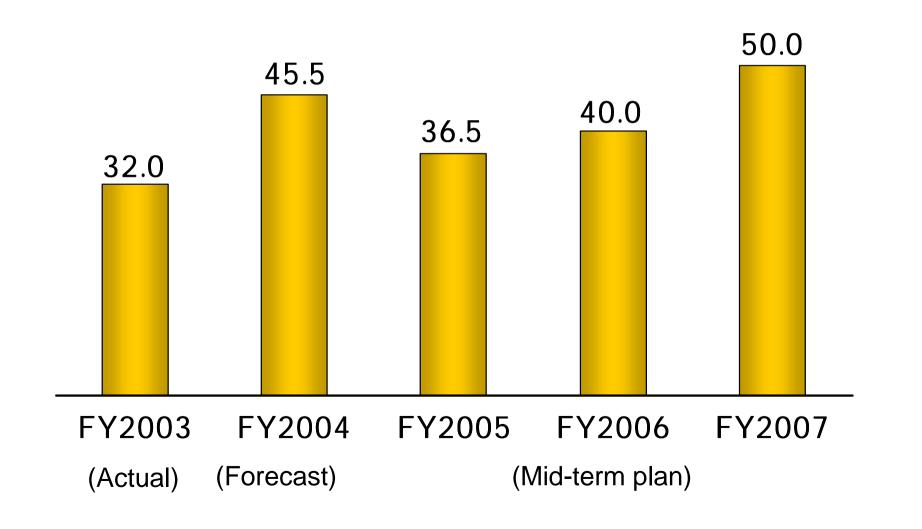
(Billions of Yen) Aiming for solid sales growth 590.0 565.0 550.0 542.0 524.7 FY2003 FY2004 FY2005 FY2006 FY2007 (Actual) (Forecast) (Mid-term plan)

Operating income targets



■ Achieve record-high earnings in FY2007

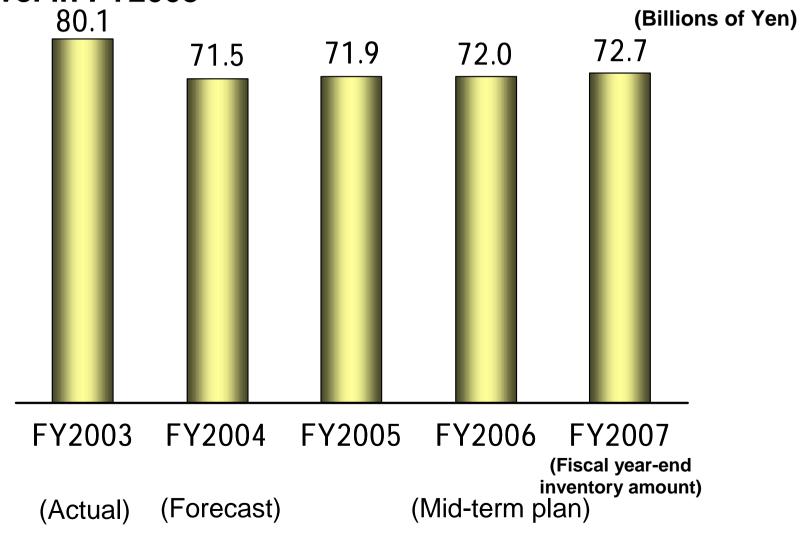
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Inventory targets



■ Reduce FY2007 inventories by 20% compared with level in FY2003

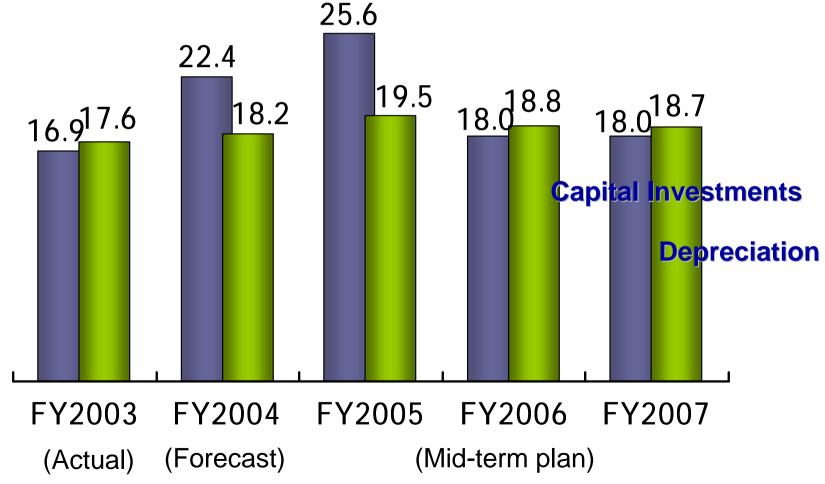


Capital investment targets



■ In FY2005, invest aggressively in sales bases and plant/equipment

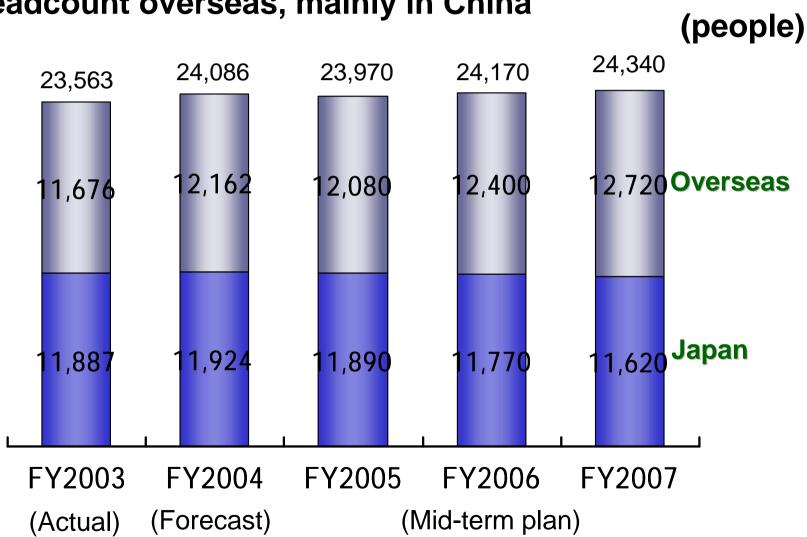
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Headcount targets



■ Reduce Japanese headcount; Increase headcount overseas, mainly in China



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