

# FY2024 Q1 Small Meeting

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# **SWCC Corporation**

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# Today's Agenda and Speakers



# 1. Summary of 1Q Results 2. Energy & Infrastructure Business Future Growth Strategy





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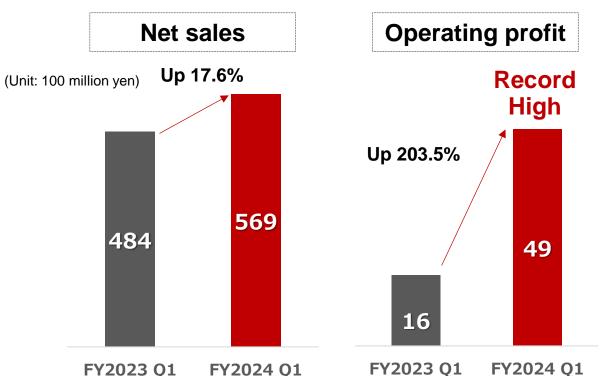
# 1. Summary of 1Q Results

# Key Points of the Financial Results for Q1



## **Q1 YoY Change**

Sales and profits increased due to steady demand for electric wires, leveling of construction projects, and special demand for high-profit projects.



## **Q1 Progress rate**

The progress rate for net sales was on par with the previous year, but operating profit was much higher than the previous year due to special demand for high-profit projects.

(Unit: 100 million yen)	Full-year Plan	FY19-23 Avg. progress rate	Q1 Progress rate
Net sales	2,250	23.1%	25.3%
Operating profit	135	17.2%	36.1%

# FY2024 Q1 Consolidated Statements of Income



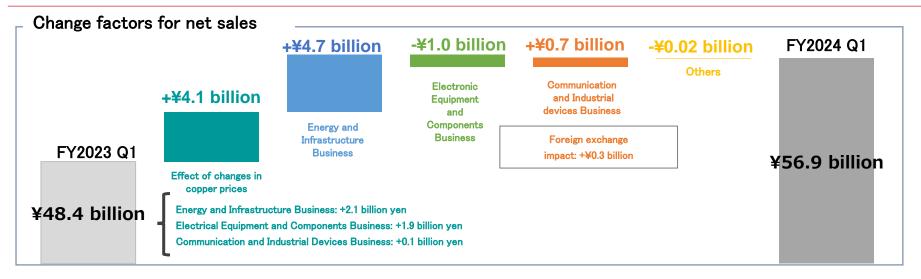
Q1 performance in the Energy and Infrastructure Business exceeded initial expectations.

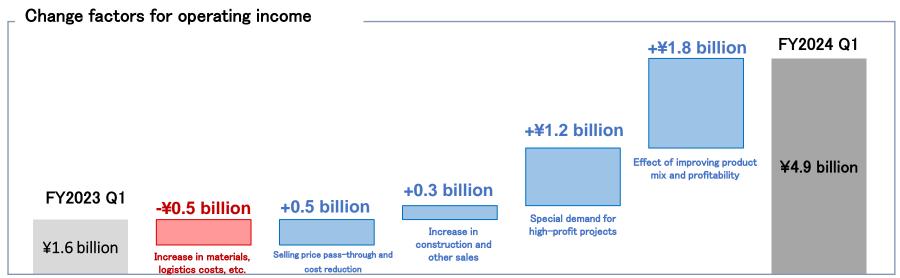
Although we expect the business to remain strong in the future, it has left its full-year business forecasts unchanged as of the current quarter.

(Unit: 100 million yen)	FY2023 Q1 Actual	FY2024 Q1 Actual	FY2024 Full-year plan	YoY %	Progress rate %
Net Sales	484	569	2,250	17.6%	25.3%
Operating Income	16	49	135	203.5%	36.1%
Operating Income Margin (%)	3.3	8.5	6.0	_	_
Ordinary Income	16	46	130	189.4%	35.6%
Net income attributable to owners of parent	12	29	90	148.3%	32.5%

# FY2024 Q1 Change Factors (YoY)







## [Change factors]

1. Net Sales

Sales increased YoY due to strong performance of growth-driving businesses, without the expected drop in demand for domestic construction-related products at the beginning of the period.

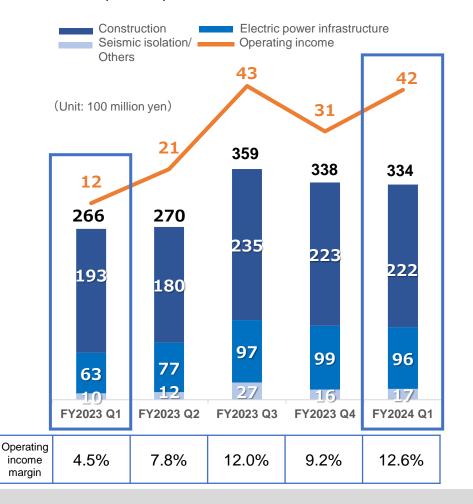
2. Operating Income
Increases in raw material prices and
logistics costs are covered by pass—
through of sales prices and cost
reductions. Profit increased
substantially YoY due to an increase
in construction and other sales, as
well as special demand for highly
profitable projects and the effects of
improved profitability.

[Future Initiatives] Secure appropriate inventory to prepare for shipments after Q2.

# FY2024 Q1 Results by Segment / Energy and Infrastructure Business



Sales increased by 25.6% YoY and profits rose by 253.9% YoY due to robust domestic construction-related electric cable demand continued from the H2 of the previous fiscal year, as well as special demand for high-profit projects for electric power infrastructure, leveling of power construction projects, and the implementation of various profit improvement measures.

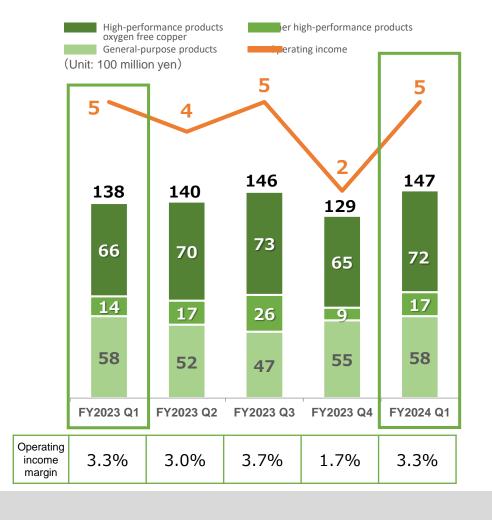


Impact of Changes in Business Environment			
Effect of changes in copper prices	+2.1 billion yen (reflecting Q1 sales)		
Soaring raw material, energy, and logistics costs	Although prices continue to rise, the Company has been able to secure profitability through price pass-through and cost reductions.		
Foreign exchange impact	None applicable		
Full-year demand outlook	In construction-related products, demand for wire continues at a high and stable level. In the electric power infrastructure application, we expect to expand its market share by boosting demand against the backdrop of the national policy and by standardizing strategic product SICONEX ® as the de facto standard, and also to levelize electric power construction projects.		
	*When the actual result at the end of FY2023 is set at 100%  Average year  Current year  115 %  140 %  135 %		
	Q1 Result Q2 Forecast Full-year Forecast H1 H2 H1 H2		

# FY2024 Q1 Results by Segment / Electronic Equipment and Components Business



High-performance products for EV is in an adjustment phase, but Q1 performance is recovering. General-purpose magnet wires for heavy electrical appliances also remained firm. Sales increased by 6.3% YoY and profits increased by 6.6% YoY.



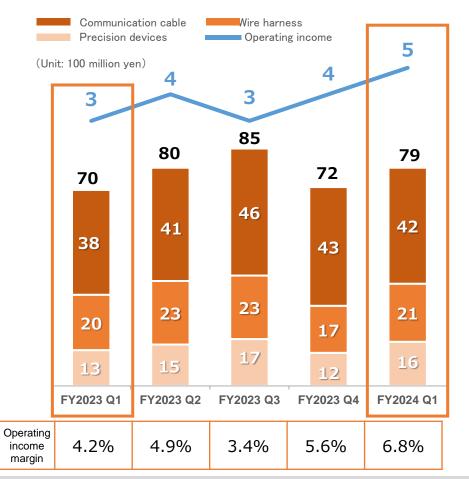
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Foreign exchange impact	None applicable		
Full-year demand outlook	Demand for high-performance products for EV is expected to recover in Q1, and in Q2 it is expected to be in an adjustment phase. However, a recovery in demand is expected in H2.  Image of Shipments of High-Performance Products in the Current Fiscal Year		
	MiDIP°  Slight increase compared to FY2023  H1 H2 H1 H2 H1 H2  High-performance magnet wires  Large increase compared to FY2023  H1 H2 H1 H2		

# FY2024 Q1 Results by Segment / Communication and Industrial Devices Business



Demand for both construction and automotive-related communication cables was firm. In wire harnesses, demand for precision devices recovered despite the impact of slowdown in the Chinese and domestic white goods consumer electronics markets. Sales increased by 12.3% YoY and profits

increased by 82.1% YoY.



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Soaring raw material, energy, and logistics costs	Although prices continue to rise, the Company has been able to secure profitability through price pass-through and cost reductions.		
Foreign exchange impact	+300 million yen (reflecting Q1 sales)		
Full-year demand outlook	Demand for communication cables for construction-related and automotive applications was firm. Sales of wire harnesses for consumer electronics were sluggish. Demand for precision devices recovered.		
	Image of Shipments of Communication Cables in the Current Fiscal Year  Construction— related  Increase compared to FY2023  Increase compared to FY2023		
	H1 H2 H1 H2		

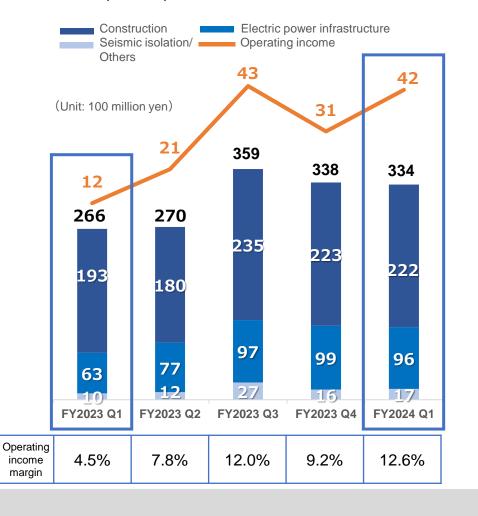


2. Energy & Infrastructure Business Future Growth Strategy

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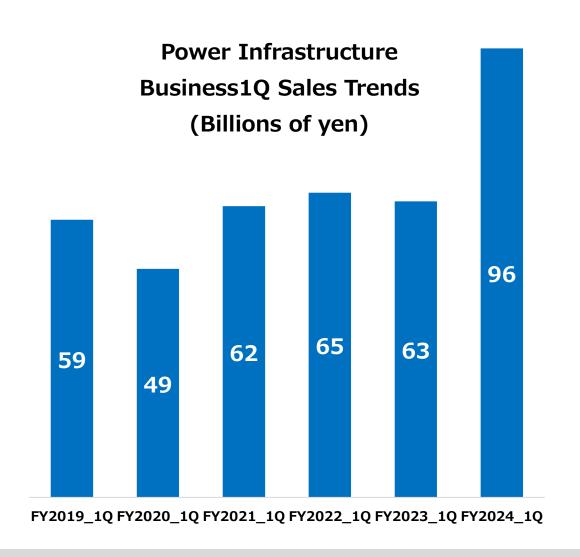
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# Power Infrastructure Business 1Q Analysis





# **Special demand factors**

- ① Additional orders for construction projects (substation projects, etc.)
- 2 Large-scale projects for plants (Private sector company demand)
- ③ Power cable for disaster countermeasures(Electric power company demand)
- 4 Re-energy subject (Private sector company demand)

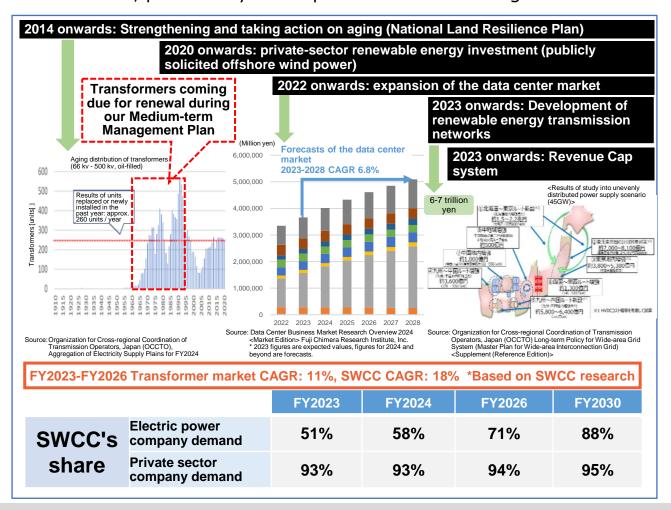
# Base increase factors that will continue throughout the full year

- ① Price improvement (equipment, cables, construction)
- 2 Increase production of SICONEX
- ③ Increase and leveling off of construction projects
- 4 Renewable energy projects (private sector company demand)
- ⑤ Data center projects

## Power Infrastructure Business Outlook for Future Business Environment



Prospects for long-term demand expansion against the backdrop of national policy. In addition, profitability will improve due to a leveling off trend in construction.



## Whole

Against the backdrop of national policy, demand is expected to increase for (1) replacement of older facilities, (2) power transmission and distribution network reinforcement, (3) renewable energy, and (4) demand for large data centers. In addition, tailwinds for the Company, such as the withdrawal of competitors and the leveling off of construction work, are expected to boost earnings.

## Electric power company demand

The revenue cap system has reduced the number of subject delays, disappearances, etc.

## Private sector company demand

Equipment manufacturers continue to operate at full capacity. Orders are expected to be received for the next several years.

# Power Infrastructure Business Further Growth Strategy





# **Growth Drivers**

Promote de facto standards (Expansion of SICOPLUS® sales ratio )

- Eliminate bottlenecks(further investment to increase production, shorten product LT, secure human resources)
- Develop solution business leveraging DX(Monetization of Smart Stream business)

## **Future Discernment**

1 Impact of competitor's business withdrawal

2 Data Center Demand Impact

# Expansion of SmartStream business into the electric power business (promotion of solution business)



# strategy 2

Profit expansion Roll out of Smart Stream to electric power companies (promotion of the solution business)

Challenges facing the electric power industry:

- Building resilience
- Extending and developing wide-area power transmission and distribution equipment
- Aging equipment
- Improving productivity and ensuring safety

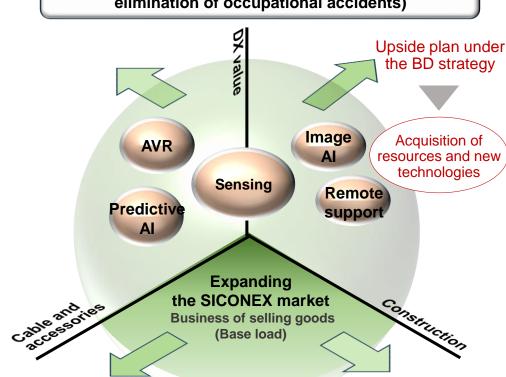
**Ensuring construction supply capabilities** 

**Preventing incidents** 

Reducing labor required for equipment maintenance and streamlining equipment management

## **Development of a solution business**

Providing solutions offering safety and peace of mind (technical skills transfer, improved efficiency, elimination of occupational accidents)



## **Developing a lineup of solutions**

**AVR** 



AI (image / forecasting)



Remote support and management





Sensing

# **Progress of BD Strategy**

# (1) SmartStream Business (news release dated July 17)



Developed a new AVR® system: **ADTPS** (Advanced Digital Transporter System) that transfers the inspector to the site on VR through collaboration of Volumetric technologies owned by Wakayama University and AVR® technologies owned by SWCC.

## **Image of ADTPS**

By incorporating holograms with volumetric technology in the AVR® space, it is possible to transfer the inspector to a remote or past space in real time, just like a "door that can go anywhere".



## <For infrastructure construction sites>

- Transfer inspectors from conference rooms to limited infrastructure construction sites, such as in narrow manholes and on steel towers
- Resolving social issues such as labor shortages and improved safety

# Commercialization (target to launch in FY2025)

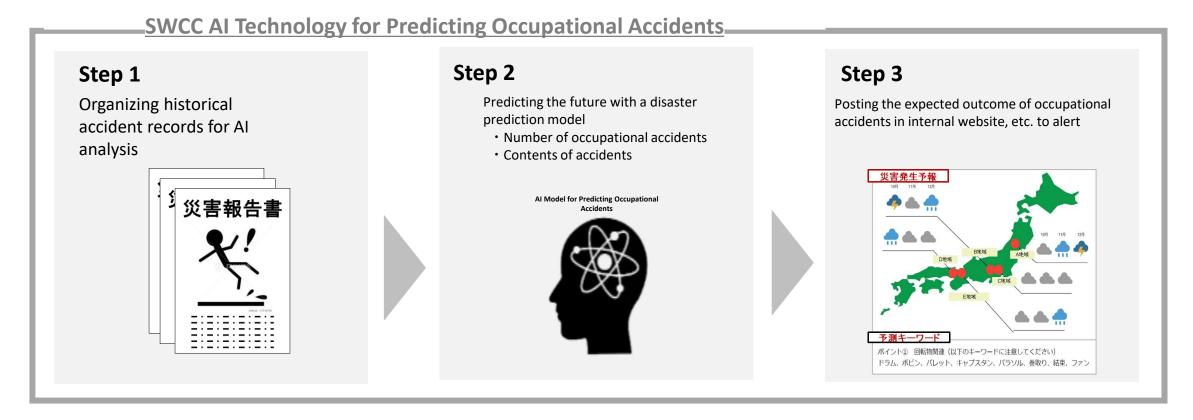
◆ News release dated July 17

https://www.swcc.co.jp/jpn/news/detail/2024/news\_6539.html

# Progress of BD Strategy

# (2) SmartStream Business (news release dated August 8)





SWCC, Tohoku Electric Power Network Co., Inc., and Hokuriku Electric Power Transmission & Distribution Company began joint testing for preventing occupational accidents in the electric power industry, using SWCC's AI technologies for predicting accidents.

◆ News release dated August 8

https://www.swcc.co.jp/jpn/news/images/240808AA\_PRESS\_RELEASE.pdf

# Reaction on Smart Stream Business



Articles have appeared in various media. As a solution business, it is expected to continue to attract attention and needs in the future.

<8/8 List of main news releases published >

Aug. 08, 2024

Asahi Shimbun Digital "Joint Verification for Prevention of Workplace Accidents through the Use of AI Technology"

Aug. 08, 2024

Sankei Electronic Edition "Joint Verification for Preventing Workplace Accidents by Using AI Technology"

Aug. 08, 2024

Jiji.com "Joint Verification of the Use of AI Technology to Prevent Occupational Accidents"

Aug. 09, 2024

Nihon Keizai Shimbun, "Tohoku Electric Power Network and Hokuriku Electric Power Company to Use AI to Prevent Workplace Accidents"

Aug. 09, 2024

The Denki Shimbun "Tohoku NW, Hokuriku Transmission and Distribution, and SWCC use AI to prevent work-related accidents/Analyze past cases".

Aug. 10, 2024

Canaloco, "SWCC and two electric power companies jointly verify the use of AI to prevent work-related accidents".

Aug. 21, 2024

Kankyo Shimbun Online "Verification of AI to prevent industrial accidents by three companies including Tohoku Den-net"

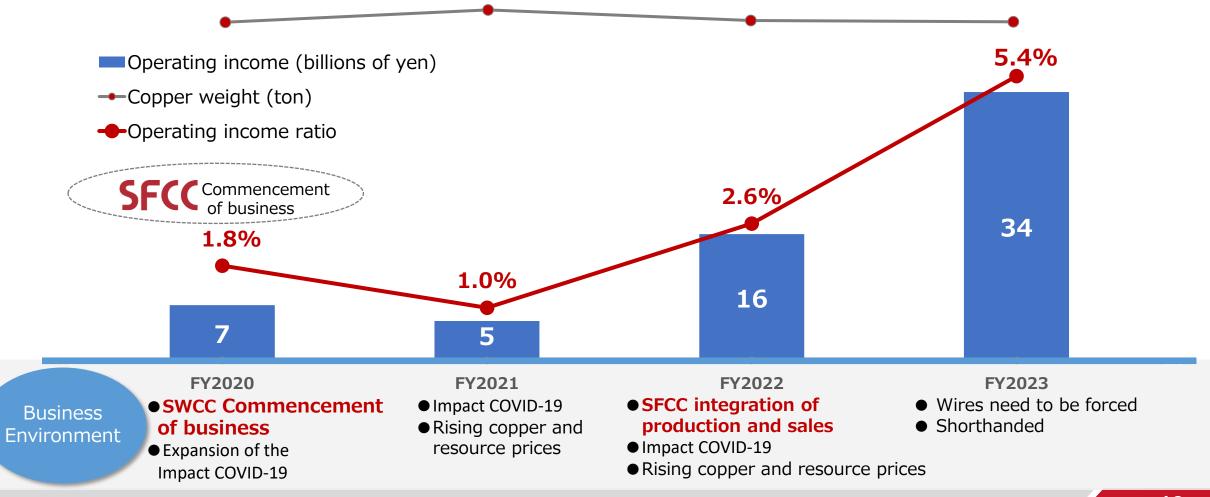
Aug. 22, 2024

Tekkou Shimbun "SWCC and two major power transmission and distribution companies jointly verify AI technology



# Construction-Related Business SFCC Performance Trends

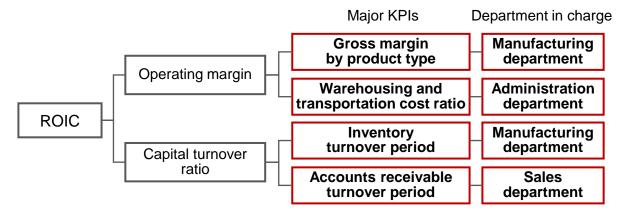
Significantly improved profitability through various measures in the business, which had been operating at an operating margin in the 1% range. The business has grown into a cash cow business.





# Construction-Related Businesses History of SFCC's Profit Improvement Measures

## Leading to improved ROIC



	FY2021	FY2022	FY2023
CCC	103days	82days	72days
Number of days for inventory turnover	45days	42days	42days
ROIC	3.6%	8.6%	14.3%

# ◆ Accelerate profit improvement through DX implementation (visualization of inventory)



Enables real-time review of production and inventory plans via company pay cell phones.

## **♦** Sales Price and Transaction Improvement Measures

FY2021	<ul> <li>Withdrawal of low-priced products</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Sales price revision due to soaring sub-material prices</li> </ul>
FY2022	<ul> <li>Sales price revision due to soaring sub-material prices</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Sales price revision due to soaring energy costs</li> </ul>
FY2023	<ul> <li>Sales price revision due to soaring energy costs</li> </ul>
FY2024	<ul> <li>Sales price revision due to soaring logistics costs</li> </ul>



# Construction-Related Business SFCC Medium-Term Plan Rolling Priority Measures

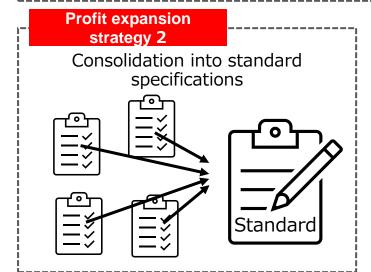
# Profit expansion strategy 1 Until now Shipping & CO 2 CUT

# Cost reductions through increased factory production capacity



Step 2. Transported from Sendai Works to Ibaraki Plant for cabling





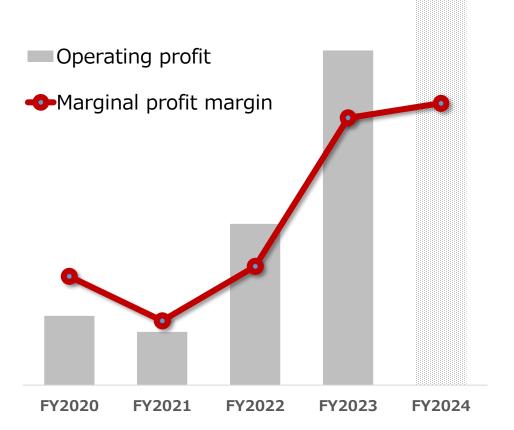
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Future



Driving Group performance as by far the strongest business by improving efficiency and productivity of business processes

## **SFCC Marginal Profit Margin Trends**





# Efforts to resolve labor shortages in anticipation of the 2024 problem

With the "2024 problem" of the application of overtime work hour caps looming on the horizon, the Company is **promoting labor-saving**, **manpower-saving**, **and work efficiency improvements**.

**Product** 

#### **Universal Design Promotion**

ersons Sustainable Human Resource Education

Logistics

#### **Promotion of Logistics DX**

#### Skill-less connection method



The introduction of universal design has made cable processing, which conventionally required skilled techniques, a **skill-less process**.

Provide products that are easy to handle for the elderly and women

Lowering of product weight

We were the **first in the industry** to review product
weights based on the
weight reduction needs
highlighted in a survey.

Establishment of Construction Human Resource
Development Center



Secured excellent human resources by establishing an early training program for engineers (utilization of DX materials, simulated facility training, knowledge acquisition and on-the-job training).

#### Local consumption market model cloud human resource strategy

Human resources trained at the above centers are now expanding nationwide, from Hokkaido to Okinawa. Enables flexible receipt of orders.



Visualization of optimum route and loading capacity



DX of logistics system centered on subsidiary LOGIS-WORKS. Promoting operational efficiency in vehicle dispatch management by sharing the delivery status of distribution centers nationwide via cloud computing and smartphones.



# Rolling Plan 2024: Growth Strategy for the Energy and Infrastructure Business

## **Market Forecast** FY2024-FY2026

 Increased demand due to redevelopment activities in the Tokyo metropolitan area

#### Construction

- Higher demand for new factory construction and the Osaka Expo
- Lengthened construction schedules due to labor shortages
- Expanded demand to upgrade aging equipment
- Growth in demand to expand power transmission and distribution networks

#### Electricity

- Withdrawal of competitors
- Expansion of demand for offshore wind, etc.
- Growth in demand for large-scale data centers

## **Basic Strategy**

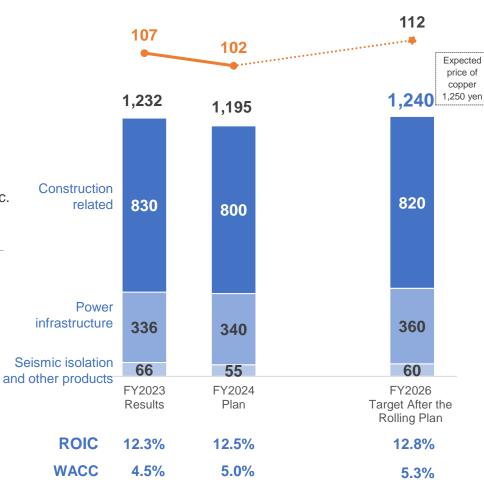
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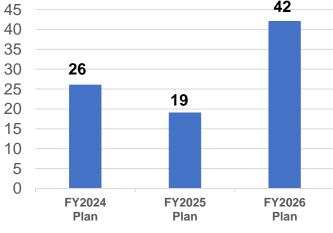
- Raise profitability with differentiating products (high-end disaster resilient cables, workload-reducing cables)
- Improve profitability by implementing
- Maximize contributions from investments in increased production of SICONEX® connectors for high-voltage power cables
- Promotion of human resources training
- Promotion of solution-oriented businesses (Smart Stream)

## Medium-term Rolling Plan Targets

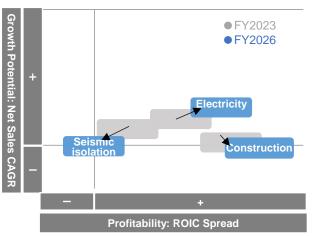
Net sales and operating income (100 million yen)



# Capital Investment Plan (100 million yen)



# Comparison of FY2023 and FY2026 Portfolios





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