Brand-new Deal

Annual Report Briefing

ITOCHU Corporation

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The Aims of Today's Briefing





- ✓ Understanding the key points of ITOCHU's management through a detailed explanation of Annual Report 2021
- ✓ Promoting engagement through our responses to issues and promoting further awareness of issues
- ✓ Achieving further enhancement of corporate value through the actions above

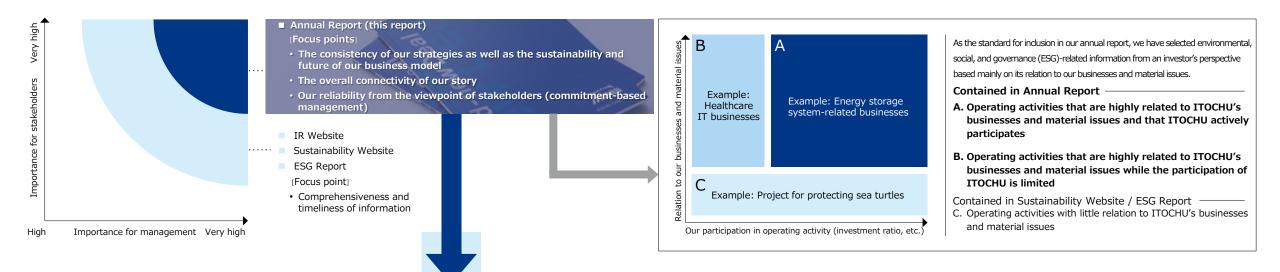
Editorial Policy & Structure of Annual Report 2021



Main Points (Editorial Policy)

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- ✓ Placed emphasis particularly on strategic focus and forward-looking mindset, connectivity, and consistency
- ✓ Explaining "Brand-new Deal" strategies which serve as a compass in enhancing corporate value
- ✓ Compiled an annual report as **an important tool for encouraging dialogue** with all stakeholders



Editorial Policy & Structure of Annual Report 2021



Information Structure

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Given the business management stance that we pursue "all the priorities," rather than choosing "a single expedient," we have arranged information based on a corporate value calculation formula (a perspective of investment decision) by showing how all of our measures increase corporate value

"Sampo-yoshi," Strengths, Non-Financial Capital, Financial and Capital Strategies, etc.

Corporate Value

Driving Force for Sustainable Value Creation (Total Capital)

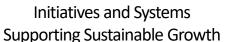
Financial Results, Review of Previous Medium-Term Management Plans, etc.

Achievement of Short-Term Targets

Created Value 1



Cost of Capital



Sustainability, Human Resource Strategy, Governance, etc.

Growth Rate



Steppingstones to Medium- to **Long-Term Value Creation**

Medium-Term Management Plan, Logic Tree, CVS, Climate Change, etc.

Structure of Management Messages



Seeking the key points of ITOCHU's management as the CEO talks about his overall management policies and each officer provides broader and deeper explanations of their responsible areas

Ideal Merchant Vision



Belief, SDGs-related business, approach for promoting projects, etc.

Sustainability



Human resource strategies, response to COVID-19, corporate branding, etc.

Market-oriented perspective, "Sampoyoshi," shareholder returns policy, etc.

Financial and Capital Strategies



Financial KPI, dialogue / information disclosure, cash allocation, etc.

Highlights of the CEO Message



✓ Strengthening our competitive advantage in the non-resource sector based on a market-oriented perspective

✓ Promoting a well-balanced management strategy based on "Sampo-yoshi"

✓ Taking initiatives by focusing the downstream

✓ Driving decarbonization based on a market-oriented perspective

✓ Maintaining our basic stance as a "merchant"

✓ Responding to the market expectations (shareholder returns)



Highlights of the COO Message





Beliefs as President & COO

- ✓ Placing high value on the "front lines" and "trust"
- ✓ Overcoming challenges by serving as a role model and unifying organizations

Key concepts based on energy storage system

- ✓ Forecasting → Market-oriented perspective
 → Execute systematically
- ✓ Addressing social demands that need to be resolved while increasing our earning power

Highlights of the CFO Interview



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Consistent financial and capital strategies

- ✓ Surplus funds that can be used for growth investments
- Consideration of revised shareholder returns policy based on dialogue

Achieve High ROE While Balancing Three Factors
The Positive Cycle of Dialogue and Enhancing Corporate Value

Sustainable Shareholder increases in corporate value Returns Enhancing shareholders' Reflection in Dialogue management equity measures Positive core free cash flows NET DER after deducting shareholder returns Control of Interest-Growth

Bearing Debt

Investments

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Highlights of the CAO Interview





Response to Issues

Committing to Announcing Revised Shareholder Returns Policy



We again studied market expectations gained through dialogues with investors and shareholders after announcing the medium-term management plan and announced the BND2023 New Dividend Policy with the second quarter financial results



Sampo-yoshi Capitalism

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a sustainable society, an e companies themselves has to be implemented by As can be inferred from the fact that a large number of companies in FYE 2021 decreased or forewent dividends, under a dividend policy that only focuses on the dividend payout ratio, it is possible that if there is a temporary decrease in profit, the dividend amount may decrease and betray investor and shareholder expectations. Accordingly, under this especially unclear business environment at present, I considered it appropriate as a senior manager to continue stably and steadily raising progressive dividends as before. However, in response to the market expectations, we are considering the announcement of a dividend increase for FYE 2022 based on the first-half results and the higher dividend payout ratio during "Brand-new Deal 2023."

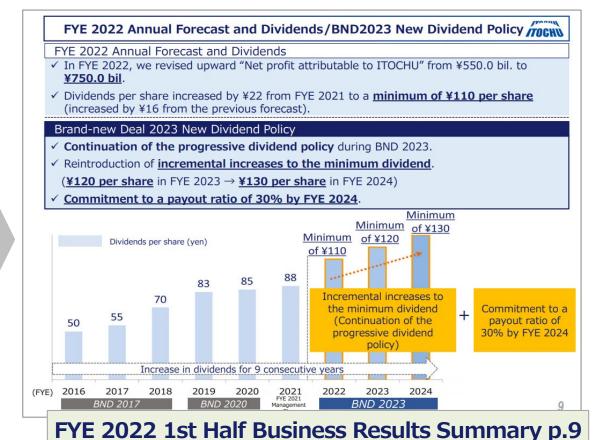
What is your policy on cash allocation under "Brand-new Deal 2023"?

A Within the amount of surplus funds, we will continue considering how to best balance growth investments with shareholder returns, etc.

If yearly average core operating cash flows are ¥600.0 billion, surplus funds for each year under "Brand-new Deal 2023" will average ¥250.0–300.0 billion, which excludes capital expenditure of around ¥150.0–200.0 billion that is consistently incurred every year and shareholder returns of around ¥150.0 billion (assuming ¥100/share multiplied by around 1.5 billion eligible shares). These surplus funds could be used for additional shareholder returns or net investments after considering cash-in from the exits of existing investments. Going forward, within the amount of surplus funds, we will continue to balance allocation for conducting growth investments and expanding shareholders' equity as a risk buffer, as well as providing additional shareholder returns.

Regarding dividends per share (DPS), during the period of "Brand-new Deal 2023," we will continue our progressive dividend policy to steadily increase dividends as announced in FYE 2016. FYE 2022, the first year of the plan, will start with a minimum DPS of ¥94, which is ¥6 higher than the previous year's dividend of ¥88. Moreover, we have announced our intention to aim for ¥100 during the period of the plan. However, we plan to announce a revised shareholder returns policy, in light of the closer consideration of market expectations we received through follow-up dialogue with investors and shareholders after the announcement of the plan.

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Issue Recognition and Response at the Previous Briefings



✓ Presenting the concrete outcomes of collaboration with CITIC and CP Group, as well as of the delisting of FamilyMart

1 Presenting specific measures for the FamilyMart Business

- ✓ Improving climate change-related initiatives and disclosures, including long-term CO2 reduction targets
- ✓ Formulating business investment process with more consideration paid to ESG factors

2Setting and announcing long-term GHG reduction targets

- ✓ Introducing examples about specific initiatives in human rights due diligence
 - ③ Explaining case studies on sustainability management aligned with business activities
- ✓ Explaining the detailed discussions held by the Nomination Committee
 - **4 Commenting on the President & COO selection process in dialogues** with Outside Directors
- ✓ More substantive disclosures of the rationale for holding shares in listed Group companies.
 - **<u>⑤Providing detailed explanations on the significance of owning listed Group companies</u>**

1) Presenting Specific Measures for the Family Mart Business



Listing the specific content of Advertising & Finance Businesses and Making the Supply Chain More Efficient, which are measures for Market-Oriented Business Transformation that we undertake with the aim of presenting results from FamilyMart's privatization

■ Creating New Revenue Sources by Making Stores a Form of Media

ITOCHU aims to create new added value that exceeds the existing boundaries of goods and services by integrating the real and digital worlds.

We aim to acquire revenue in the advertising media business through initiatives that make stores a form of media by installing signage (large display panels). We are currently verifying effectiveness with several manufacturers who joined this effort as advertisers. We continue promoting the expansion of the advertising media business going forward.

In the advertising distribution business, in October 2020 ITOCHU established Data One Corp. with FamilyMart, NTT DOCOMO, INC., and CyberAgent, Inc. and launched the digital advertising distribution business. Utilizing FamilyMart purchase data and membership data including "FamilPay" and "dPOINT CLUB," enables digital advertising distribution aligned with consumer preferences. We will continue working to realize more highly tailored marketing by gradually forming alliances with other retail operators, such as supermarkets, and enhancing the breadth and quality of purchase data.

Approx. 15 million visitors per day
Strength of over 16,600 alcrose nationwide

Media platform in stores

Media platform in stores

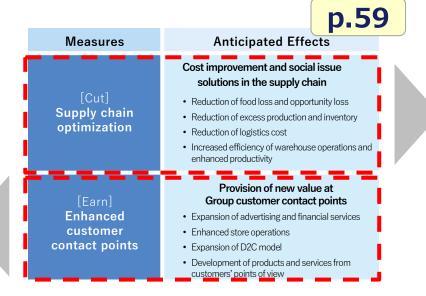
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In addition, to expand customer contact points, we are working to further increase the number of users of the FamilPay app. We aim to get more consumers to visit FamilyMart mainly by distributing campaign information and coupons. With the barcode payment function of FamilPay app, we started the "FamilPay Bill Payment" services for utilities and other bills and enabled external use at stores besides FamilyMart totaling over 100,000 locations nationwide. In summer 2021, we began such services as "FamilPay Next Month Payment" with the aim of expanding the financial business.

By expanding customer contact points mainly through the financial business and pursuing data-based external collaboration, we will increase the amount of data and utilize compiled customer data to maximize revenues in the advertising and financial businesses. Furthermore, by reinvesting this new revenue into existing businesses, we will create a positive feedback loop that further enhances the attractiveness of our stores and, in turn, enhances the value of our physical stores.

* As of March 31, 2021

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ITOCHU is working to optimize the supply chain of the entire Group from a medium- to long-term perspective

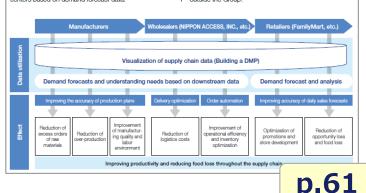
using downstream data.

■ Optimizing the Supply Chain Using Downstream Data

At FamilyMart, we are working to enhance the accuracy of demand forecasts that leads to improvement in revenue for stores. We create a recommended order list based on best-selling products at stores that have a solid track record for selling rice balls, boxed lunches, packaged foods, and other products. We are distributing this list and verifying the effectiveness of increasing sales by reducing opporturity loss. Coing forward, we will expand the number of stores and target categories, conduct further verification, and enhance the accuracy of demand forecasts the near future to reduce tood loss. In addition, we aim to reduce costs by optimizing the number of deliveries and course settings to stores from distribution centers based on demand forecast data.

NIPPON ACCESS, INC. is working to automate ordering to various food manufacturers. At some distribution bases, we conducted pilot tests of automating ordering through AI that utilizes FamilyMart ordering and sales data, NIPPON ACCESS, INC. ordering data, and weather and calendar data. As a result, we were able to confirm a 10% to 30% improvement in inventory reduction effects and a 50% reduction in ordering operations. We will put this into practical use starting from around 1,000 products for some retail customers, and then expand target products, customers, and distribution bases.

By visualizing and analyzing data, we strive to optimize the overall supply chain and aim to enhance productivity and reduce food loss. We will continue promoting development with an eye toward expanding the scope of intiatives by collaborating on data with partner manufacturers outside the Group.

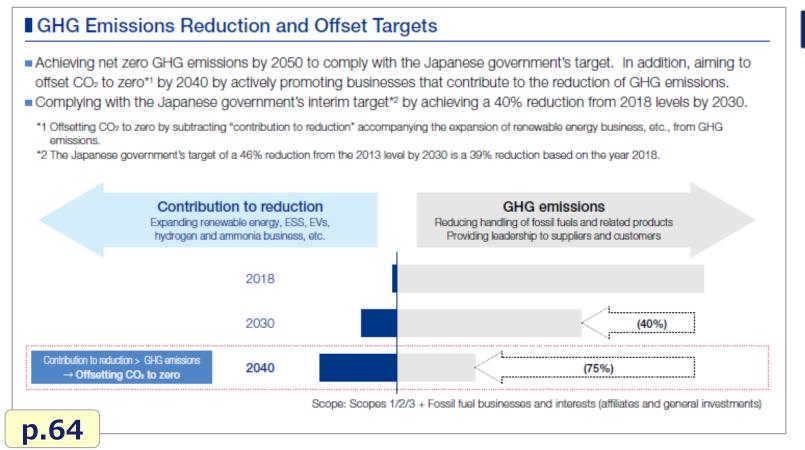


Corporate Value Created Value Created Value Growth Rate

2 Setting and Announcing Long-term GHG Reduction Targets



Setting and announcing a roadmap for complying with the Japanese government's 2050 carbon neutrality goals. Leading the industry on contributing to GHG emission reduction through our operations



Method for Calculating our Reduction Contributions

Policy of contributing to society's GHG reductions by replacing products and services currently in use with ITOCHU's products and services

<Example>

Calculating GHG reduction contribution amount assuming ITOCHU's "①Renewable energy" replaces the world's "②Coal-fired power generation"

Reduction contribution (calculation example)

- = Equity equivalent of power generated
 - x (GHG emission intensity from ②
 - GHG emission intensity from ①)



2 Setting and Announcing Long-term GHG Reduction Targets



ITOCHU was the first general trading company to disclose the GHG emissions from all the fossil fuel businesses and interests connected to it. We are enhancing our disclosures and are swiftly and forcefully reducing GHG emissions

■ Efforts to Reduce GHG Emissions from Fossil Fuel Businesses and Interests ■ GHG emissions from all Group fossil fuel businesses and interests* totaled 37 million tons. ■ Through the sale of interests in the Drummond thermal coal mine, we were able to reduce GHG emissions to 21 million tons, taking the initiative in implementing concrete measures toward the shared societal goal of decarbonization. ■ We will actively promote efforts to reduce environmental impact while fulfilling our responsibility to ensure a stable supply of resources and energy. * Fossil fuel businesses and interests (consolidated subsidiaries, affiliates, and general investments): (1) Coal interests (thermal and coking coal), (2) Coal-fired power generation, (3) Oil and gas interests GHG Emissions from Fossil Fuel Businesses and Interests | Million tons| 40 | Prompt sale of interests in Drummond (16 million tons) | Other thermal coal interests will also be sold during the medium-term

management plan

⇒ Complete divestment from thermal coal

Oil and gas interests

Coal interests

Coal-fired power generation

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Methods for calculating GHG emissions

In addition to Scopes 1 and 2, we disclose all emissions in the value chain, including Scope 3 in the categories detailed below

Category 1. Purchased goods and services

<Example> Calculation assuming resources of our interest stakes are purchased

Category 4. Upstream transportation and distribution

<Example> Calculation of our portion of emissions, including from transportation to ports

Category 11. Use of sold products

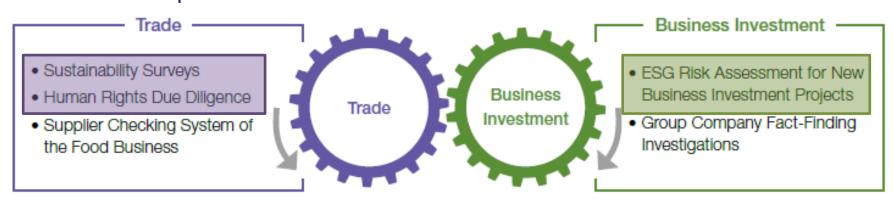
<Example> Calculation assuming resources of our interest stakes are sold to and then combusted by the buyer

Corporate Value Created Value Created Value Growth Rate

3 Explaining Case Studies on Sustainability Management Aligned with Business Activities //OCHIV



We conduct sustainability management aligned with each of our business activities and enhance the transparency of our entire supply chain, which helps enhance the competitive advantage and corporate value of the Group



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Supply Chain Sustainability Surveys

- Started survey in FYE 2009
- Notify the Sustainability Action Guidelines for Supply Chains before conducting business
- Conducting supplier surveys and interviews for high-risk countries, certain monetary amounts, and certain product lines (FYE 2021 results: 310 companies)

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Human Rights Due Diligence

- Started in FYE 2021. Disclosed results of due diligence in the Food Company on our website
- •Conducting due diligence in the Metals & Minerals Company in FYE 2022
- •Expanding the scope of due diligence to other companies

ESG Risk Assessment for New **Business Investment Projects**

 Assessing ESG risks of new business investments before making decision by using ESG checklist for investments which consists of check items regarding society and environment



(4) Commenting on the President & COO Selection Process in Dialogues with Outside Directors (70 CH)



Outside Director Roundtable Discussion

Further Enhancing ITOCHU's Corporate Value





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-Please tell us about the process used to select Keita Ishii as President & COO.

Muraki: When selecting Keita Ishii as President & COO, the Nomination Committee held numerous discussions about what kind of business leader ITOCHU would need going forward. All the Outside Directors narrowed down the choices by holding hearings for the candidates regarding their careers to date, their mindsets, and how they want to change the Company moving forward. Through the final discussion at the Nomination Committee, we reached a unanimous decision on the selection. Personally, I believe Mr. Ishii is an appropriate President & COO for ITOCHU, as he has big dreams and sets ambitious goals while taking a very realistic approach to achieve them and making strident efforts in pursuit of a frontline-first philosophy.

Kawana: Through hearings by Outside Directors, we came to understand that President & COO Ishii has worked hard for customers and consistently displayed a merchant attitude for many years by selling products while building trust. We all arrived at this understanding. Nakamori: He has an excellent balance between a frontline perspective and a Companywide perspective. He is kind to people, bright, and energetic. He not only easily endears himself to customers, he has the ability to motivate people and organizations. We did not tell the candidates that the hearings were for the selection of the President & COO, and we maintained a very open atmosphere. We were able to ask about what we wanted to know, and the hearings were very fruitful. Also, the hearings helped us get to know the character of the people who will lead ITOCHU in the future, something that would be difficult to grasp in the limited time at meetings of the Board of Directors. This was also a useful opportunity for us to provide advice from an outside perspective.

Regarding the selection of President & COO, commenting on the discussion content of the Nomination Committee, hearings and other selection processes, and reasons for selection

It is possible to confirm the individual assessments mentioned in the CEO Message and their alignment with the common awareness of the **Outside Directors**



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5 Providing Detailed Explanations on the Significance of Owning Listed Group Companies



ITOCHU's Policy on the Governance of Its Listed Subsidiaries

Generating Synergies While Ensuring Autonomy

Significance of holdings of listed subsidiaries includes the increases in transactions based on the reputation, credibility and an independent standpoint away from ITOCHU, as well as the expansion of synergies within the Group, including with ITOCHU.

In October 2019, ITOCHU announced the following policies regarding listed subsidiaries in light of the growing interest of shareholders and institutional investors in parent-subsidiary listings, based on the idea that ITOCHU appropriately protecting the interests of general shareholders in listed subsidiaries would ultimately increase the corporate value of the listed subsidiaries.

- 1 In case that there is a listed subsidiary in the ITOCHU Group, ITOCHU respects the autonomy of the listed subsidiary and prohibits any acts that contradict the principle of shareholder equality.
- 2 In particular, with the recognition that there is a potential conflict of interest between ITOCHU and the minority shareholders of the listed subsidiary and in order to secure the independent decision-making of the listed subsidiary, we request the listed subsidiary to set up the governance structure under which the independent outside directors of the listed subsidiary are well functioned.
- 3 With respect to the listed subsidiary, ITOCHU will perform its accountability as to the rationale to maintain the listed parent-subsidiary relationship as well as the effectiveness of the governance structure of the listed subsidiary.

State of Governance Systems at Listed Subsidiaries

ITOCHU requires that its listed subsidiaries (1) have independent outside directors for at least one-third of its directors, (2) establish independent advisory committees for their board of directors, and (3) have independent outside members for a majority on their audit & supervisory boards. At the listed subsidiaries shown below, governance systems have been put into place that mostly satisfy these requirements.

* Established on August 1, 2021

		(1) Ratio of independent outside directors				(As of July 1, 2020) (3) Ratio of
Division Company	Company name	Directors Outside directors		(2) Advisory committees for the board of directors	independent outside audit & supervisory board members	
Energy & Chemicals	ITOCHU ENEX CO., LTD.	5	3 4 6	38%	- Governance Committee	50% C cut of 4 members
	C.I. TAKIRON Corporation	5	3 3 4 1	38%	- Nomination / Ramunestion Committee	50% (2 cut of 4 nearborn)
Food	ITOCHU-SHOKUHIN Co., Ltd.	6	3 3 4 1 1	33%	- Governence Committee	50%
	Prima Meat Packers, Ltd.	3	***	40%	- Management Advisory Committee	33% (1 out of 3 members)
ICT & Financial Business	(TOCHU Techno-Solutions Corporation	4	**************************************	33%	Nomination Committee Remuneration Committee Governance Committee	50% (2 cut of 4 ne inberig
	CONEXIO Corporation	5	3 3 3	38%	Nomination / Remuneration Committee Governance Committee	50%
The 8th	Family Mart Co., Ltd.*	8	4	33%	- Remuneration Committee	50%

■ Policy on the Governance of Listed Subsidiaries

ITOCHU respects the autonomy of listed subsidiaries and prohibits any acts that contradict the principle of shareholder equality, in accordance with ITOCHU's Policy on the Governance of its Listed Subsidiaries, which was announced in October 2019. Each subsidiary and ITOCHU are in a mutually beneficial relationship to enhance corporate value as business partners. With the recognition that there is a potential conflict of interest between ITOCHU and the minority shareholders of these listed subsidiaries and in order to secure the independent decision-making of these subsidiaries, we request that they set up the effective governance structure under which the independent outside directors of these listed subsidiaries are well functioned. For each of the listed subsidiaries, they have established and maintained an effective governance system at the time of the ordinary general meeting of shareholders in 2021, including the improved ratio of outside directors and the establishment of an independent advisory committee to the board of directors. ITOCHU will continue to encourage listed subsidiaries to further improve their governance structure, taking into account the amendments to the Corporate Governance Code.

The significance of holding each listed subsidiary from perspectives including the Group's management strategy is as

				As of July 1, 2021)
Company name	Significance of holding	Ratio of independent outside directors	Advisory committees for the board of directors	Ratio of Independent outside audit & supervisory board members
В коситема сотта	Utilizing its wide and diverse domestic outcomer base, ITOCHU ENEX CO., LTD. Is developing new fust sake, services to enhance logistics officiency, and next generation business, etc., in addition to existing energy trustness and power business. It is an important and indepensable presence for the Group in order to business. It is an important and indepensable presence for the Group in order to business. It is also precibe based both in. Jugen and oversess. In addition, ITOCHU EREX CO., LTD., with utilizing the ITOCHU Group is orderable domestic and interestional networks, promotion intellistics in the new energy fixed wheth contributes to activise the SDGs, and centres out the fuel supply businesses for our Group companies.	38% (3 out of 8 directors)	Governance Committee	50% (2 out of 4 members)
(1) CLTAKIRON	C.I. TANHON Corporation is positioned as a core enterprise in the Group's plastic notin business, due to its advanced technological capabilities and large-scale production capacity. C.I. TANHON Corporation utilizes the ITOCHU Group's extensive domestic and international rehealors for consess expansion of C.I. TANHON Corporation's functional film business, stable produrement of competitive raw materials, and expansion of sales of C.I. TANHON Corporation's various products.	50% (3 out of 6 directors)	Nomination / Hamunoration Committee Governance Committee*	50% (2 out of 4 members)
ISC	The principal and main business of ITOCHU-SHORUHIN Co., Ltd. is the sale and debrbuildon of alcoholib beverages and processed boods. Basad on its presence, ITOCHU sources stable contact points with verbuild edomedic relations, and makematics profit in the bod detribution take by utilizing this sales channel. In addition, by utilizing the Circup's diverse customer bease and envolvagio in Intelligent Intelligence of ITOCHU-SHORUHIN Co., Ltd., such as "Contribution to out-towns through creating sales forces which utilities DCV," etc., ITOCHU-SHORUHIN Co., Ltd., services through the contribution of the services provided by ITOCHU-SHORUHIN Co., Ltd.	33% (3 out of 9 directors)	Governence Committee	50% (2 out of 4 members)
PRIMA MENT PACKING, LTD.	The principal and main business of Prima Meat Packers, Ltd. is to sell meat and processed fivestock products, and it assumes an important role of supplying final products in ITOCHU's livestock value chain. Prima Meat Packers, Ltd. utilizes the Goop's edismixed domestic and internations involved to ensure a stable supply of high-quality imported raw materials for its core products and to jointly develop pork brands with oversees partners in the Group.	40% (2 out of 5 directors)	Management Advisory Committee	50% (2 out of 4 members)
CTC	ITOCHU Techno-Solutions Corporation serves a function as a sales channel for products and services using outling-edge technology held by the ITOCHU Group's tweetess and business perform, and utilizes the Group's setember network, in addition, ITOCHU Techno-Solutions Corporation to expanding the business through cooperation with ITOCHU, such as joint investments in promising new business are and joint proposals.	33% (2 out of 6 directors)	Nomination Committee Hamunoration Committee Governance Committee	50% (2 out of 4 members)
CONEXIO	CONEXIO Corporation is expanding its business by utilizing the Group's extensive domestic and international network. It is expanding its mobile accessory sales business to overseas, as well as promoting more effective use of management resources, such as store assets and know-how in selling products and sankoss to includual outcomers, in cooperation with comparties in other industries in the Group.	38% (3 out of 8 directors)	Nomination / Hamunaration Committee Governence Committee	50% (2 out of 4 members)

In addition to the outline of the status of the construction of the governance framework in the previous fiscal year, we enhanced our disclosures with the awareness of the substantive effect of disclosures

In addition to the significance of ownership by ITOCHU, we list the specific content regarding the merits to subsidiaries (scheduled to be updated going forward in line with the situation)

Corporate Value **Growth Rate**

Other ESG-Related Initiative (1) ~ Establishing the New Women's Advancement Committee ~



—Are there any issues in the human resource strategies and organizations?

Muraki: The business environment is undergoing significant changes, making it even more imperative to break down vertical organization that is divided by products and business fields, introduce new technologies, and promote young employees. The litmus test for deciding whether a company has a future or not is whether young workers and female workers thrive at the company. I have been saying this since I took on this role, but empowering female workers is especially important. I can understand the idea that people should be promoted based on their abilities regardless of gender, and systems are being upgraded under the leadership of the Human Resources & General Affairs Division, but because there are so few role models, the atmosphere makes it difficult for female workers to raise their hands. In actuality, there are unconscious barriers for male workers too. Because positions develop people, I think it is necessary to intentionally promote female employees with a certain amount of experience so female employees can also fully take on the responsibilities given to them.

Nakamori: I think the key point is how to increase support among male employees, including managers.

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nomogenous organizational structure. In terms of mindsets for business, however, the Company certainly has the kind of diversity that makes organizations resilient to change. It is said that some of the exceptionally skilled employees will go on to become a major force in the world, but the current annual focus on hiring new graduates all at once makes it difficult to acquire those kinds of employees. Currently, the policy is to develop human resources internally, but the Company will also need to bring in excellent human resources with innovative ideas, which will become more important moving forward. Nakamori: Building systems to hire excellent human resources from outside could conversely disadvantage existing employees, so implementation is not simple. The 8th Company was established to test these kinds of new initiatives, and I am looking forward to their endeavors in various fields.

Muraki: In addition to the Chairman & CEO, the management appointments of CAO and CFO are getting longer. A major issue going forward will be how to develop the next management team to ensure future generations inherit excellent management of the same high caliber.

Establishment of Women's Advancement Committee

September 3, 2021

ITOCHU Corporation (headquartered in Minato-ku, Tokyo; Keita Ishii, President & COO; hereinafter "ITOCHU") announced that a meeting of the Board of Directors has decided today to establish a Women's Advancement Committee, as one of the advisory committees to the Board of Directors.

Aim of the establishment of Women's Advancement Committee, and committee members

Demands for a diverse workforce are increasing in society, and the need for such a workforce is also mentioned in the revised Corporate Governance Code. In particular, providing support to drive women's advancement in the workplace is an urgent challenge. ITOCHU believes that the development of a corporate culture that nurtures a diverse workforce not only increases its value but also contributes to the Sustainable Development Goal 5: Gender equality. The committee comprises six members: a chairperson who is an outside director, another outside director, one outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member, one director, one Full-time Audit & Supervisory Board Member, and its first female Executive Officer/General Manager, Human Resources & General Affairs Division, who has worked for ITOCHU throughout her career. Three of them are female. Atsuko Muraki, outside director was appointed as a chairperson to provide the committee with a new perspective based on her previous experiences and knowledge. ITOCHU hopes that she will lead the committee to lively discussions.

Members of Women's Advancement Committee (as of October 1, 2021)

■Chairperson

-Outside Director : Atsuko Muraki

■Committee members

Outside Director : Makiko Nakamori

-Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member; Masumi Kikuchi

-Director(CAO); Fumihiko Kobayashi

-Full-time Audit & Supervisory Board Member; Shuzaburo Tsuchihashi

-Executive Officer/General Manager, Human Resources & General Affairs Division; Yoshiko Matoba

2. Past initiatives and future direction

ITOCHU has always believed that the diversification of its organization is essential for its sustainable development. In 2003, it drew up the Promotion Plan on Human Resources Diversification ahead of others in the industry with a view to expanding its system to make its workforce more diverse. Its main focus was women's participation and retention. To adopt the work style reform bill designed to improve labor productivity by securing health and maintaining a strong motivation among all employees, ITOCHU has instituted initiatives in 2010 and onward, including the reform of the morning-focused working system and measures to support employees with cancer. As a result, it has successfully developed female-friendly work environment.

Meanwhile, ITOCHU is reaching a new crucial phase as female generalists who joined the company in the 2000s, when new graduate recruitment was stepped up, are entering a stage where they can become

potential candidates for managerial positions. The aim of the establishment of the committee is to review its past initiatives and current issues from a new perspective and discuss realistic measures and their implementation to further drive women's participation and advancement in the workplace.

By establishing this committee, ITOCHU hopes to develop a corporate cochallenging but rewarding work environments so all employees can dem

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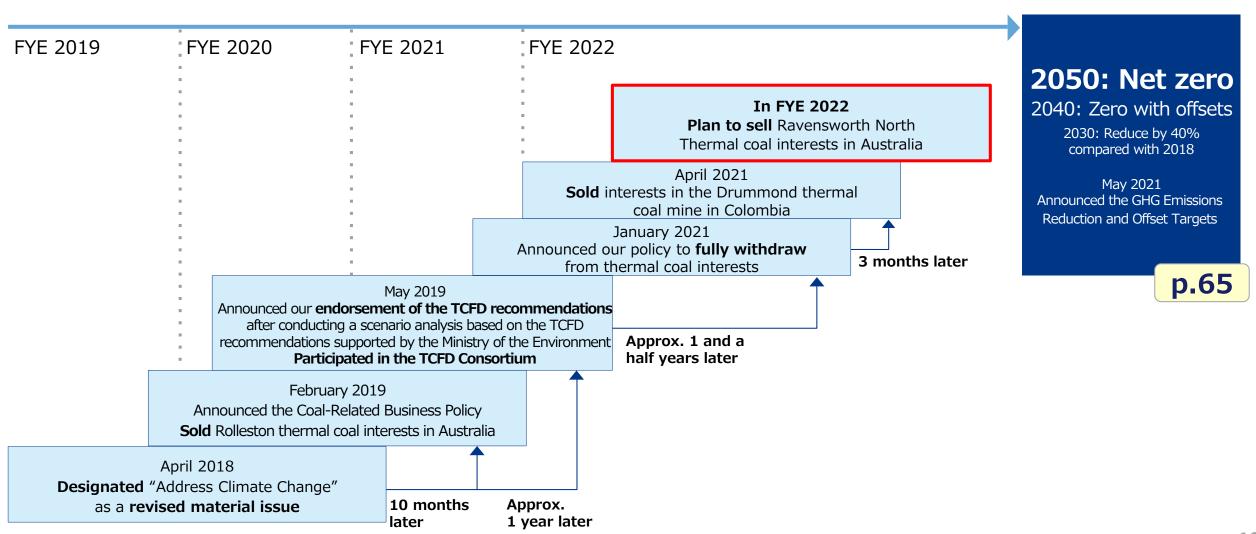
Established the new Women's Advancement Committee based mainly on the revised CG Code for issues identified in dialogues with Outside Directors

Aiming to contribute to the SDGs (gender equality) by creating a corporate culture where diverse personnel can thrive

Other ESG-Related Initiative 2 ~ Promotion of Decarbonization ~

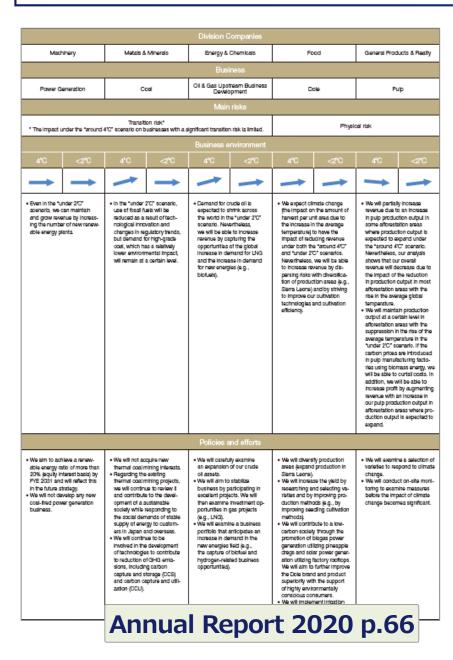


We decided to sell thermal coal interests in Ravensworth North in Australia. We promoted decarbonization with speed and force while maintaining and enhancing our profitability, especially in the non-resource sector

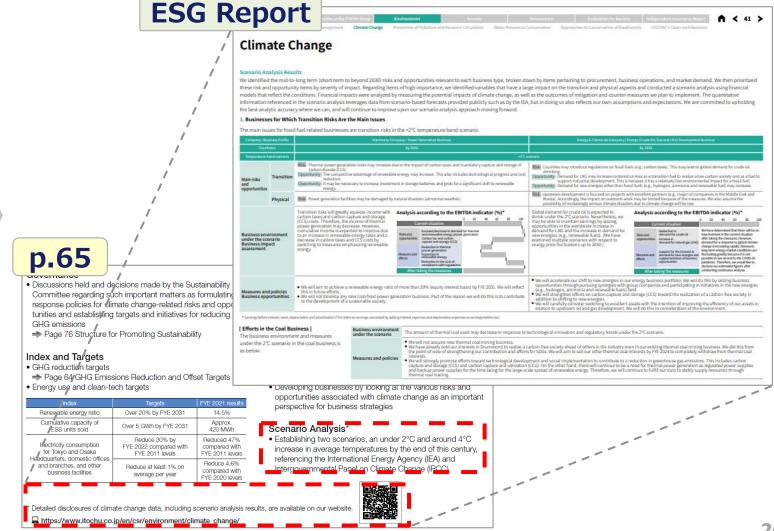


Other ESG-Related Initiative 3 ~ Enhanced Disclosures of Analysis of TCFD Scenarios ~





We disclose our improved business impact evaluation in an analysis using EBITDA. The contents are expanded and improved with more quantitative description for easier communication



Other ESG-Related Initiative 4 ~ Advancement of the SDG Businesses~



Strengthening the traceability of the supply chain using blockchain technologies

Using blockchain technologies for coffee and natural rubber, we trace the procurement and manufacturing processes and develop high value-added products adapted for the SDGs

Enhancing Traceability as a Business



ITOCHU is working to promote its traceability business as a new revenue stream. In the General Products & Realty Company, we have developed a traceability system for natural rubber and have begun to produce traceable natural rubber. (♣ Page 111 Procuring Natural Rubber from Sustainable Natural Resources) In the Food Company, in addition to expanding trade of third-party-certified products, such as vegetable oils, we invested in the coffee traceability and sustainability platform Farmer Connect SA.

By expanding the traceability business, we aim to increase our earning power while enhancing our contribution to and engagement

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pecific Example of Enhancing Our Contribution to and Engagement with the SDGs



Airning to ensure the widespread use of sustainable natur rubber by making procurement transparent



Procuring Natural Rubber from Sustainable Natural Resources

In the natural rubber business, human rights infringements against local people and illegal loging have become issues. Companies are being called on to procure environmentally and socially conscious products. Using a traceability system ITOCHU developed on its own, it is now possible to trace each step of the procurement process for natural rubber, enabling us to differentiate sustainable natural rubber as better for the environment and society. ITOCHU's indonesia-based subsidiary PT. ANEXA BUMI PPATAMA began manufacturing traceable natural rubber using this system and plans to market it as a high-value-added product aligned with the SDCs. By returning a portion of asles revenue to farmers and promoting the use of this system, we will continue to support the production and widespread use of sustainable natural rubber, as well as rein in illegal logging.

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Promoting market-oriented environmental businesses

Actively promoting environmentally friendly materials, such as biomass plastics, recycled nylon, and plastic made from recycled ocean waste

▼Containers using bio-PP ▼Plas

▼Plastic made from recycled ocean waste

▼Recycled nylon





Irems. We are working with U.S.-based TerraCyclo, Inc. to develop recycled plastic derived from marine waste and build a recycle-reuse model, and also working with European companies to introduce eocherady materials, such as biomass plastic and recycled nylon. We are currently promoting branding and joint development projects for products using eocherady materials with retailers and brand owners. By leveraging our global sales network and top-tier synthetic resin sales in the industry, we will contribute to realizing a sustainable society by promoting environment-related businesses from a market-oriented perspective, in order to build a new supply chain based on "Sampo-yosh" from downstream to upstream.





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Issues in 2022 and Beyond



- ✓ Presenting specific results of the FamilyMart Business and collaboration with CITIC and CP Group
- ✓ More detailed explanation of the strategic significance of owning and increasing stakes in listed Group companies
- ✓ Studying and implementing investment projects that help further strengthen our earnings base
- ✓ Expanding our disclosure and building up our track record related to climate change, such as GHG reduction results
- ✓ Disclosing human resource measures discussed by the Women's Advancement Committee
- ✓ Explaining our policy and discussion content related to the succession plans of top management

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