



# **FYE2024 Full-term Earnings Presentation**

(Fiscal year ended March 31, 2024)

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#### Analysis of Operating Results (Reasons for change in Revenue and Segment Operating Income)

In the supplementary materials to the financial statements of NSHD, starting from the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022, NSHD will describe the status of the business results of NSHD group on a quarterly consolidated accounting period basis, as well as its recognition and analysis of the status of the business results of NSHD group from management's perspective. Please note that Segment Operating Income is based on Core Operating Income.

#### • The following table shows Revenue, Operating income, and the effect of Forex rate changes on Revenue and Operating Income.

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Unit : JPY	Q1	1st Half	9M	Full-term	Q1	1st Half	9M	Full-term	Assumption	Unit : ¥ bn.	(Full-tei	rm basis)
Currency	(AprJun.)	(AprSep.)	(AprDec.)	(AprMar.)	(AprJun.)	(AprSep.)	(AprDec.)	(AprMar.)	(AprMar.)	Currency	Revenue	Core Operating Income
									(Announced on May 13, 2024)			
USD	131.25	135.30	136.85	136.00	139.63	142.61	143.78	145.31	145.31	USD	+2.4	+0.35
EUR	138.75	139.14	140.83	141.62	151.89	154.81	156.24	157.72	157.72	EUR	+1.9	+0.35
SGD	94.97	97.12	98.61	99.05	103.66	105.79	106.90	108.03	108.03			
AUD	92.52	93.51	93.16	92.67	91.94	93.44	94.47	95.32	95.32			
CNY	19.71	19.91	19.81	19.71	19.67	19.87	20.01	20.20	20.20			

#### • Presentation of overall business performance and segment performance

The amounts shown are after offsetting and elimination of inter-segment transactions and do not include consumption tax etc. Notes that from Q3 FYE2023, the reportable segment names simplified, but the scope of segment aggregation didn't change.



## **Agenda**

## 1. FYE2024 Overview

(The second fiscal year in Our MTP; NS Vision 2026)

2. FYE2025 Business Plan

(The third fiscal year in Our MTP; NS Vision 2026)

3. Financial Profile

4. Q&A Session



President CEO

Toshihiko Hamada



Senior Executive Officer, CFO

Alan Draper



## **Opening remarks**



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## Our philosophy and vision

**Group Philosophy** 

Proactive. Innovative. Collaborative. Making life better through gas technology.

## The Gas Professionals

**Group Vision** 

We aim to create social value through innovative gas solutions that increase industrial productivity, enhance human well-being and contribute to a more sustainable future.



## Implement the "Five focused fields"

Our MTP; Medium-Term management Plan

NS Vision 2026 : Enabling the Future

We formulated our first MTP, NS Vision 2026, after the establishment of NSHD in Oct. 2020 with the vision that,

"We aim to create social value through innovative gas solutions that increase industrial productivity, enhance human well-being and contribute to a more sustainable future."

Under the four global regions + Thermos business structure, we established five focused fields;
Sustainability Management, Exploring New Business toward Carbon Neutrality, Total Electronics, Operational Excellence, and DX Initiatives.

We will strengthen the group's comprehensive capabilities and achieve further growth to provide a bright and comfortable future for people, society, and the Earth.

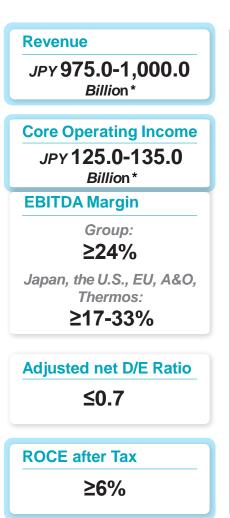


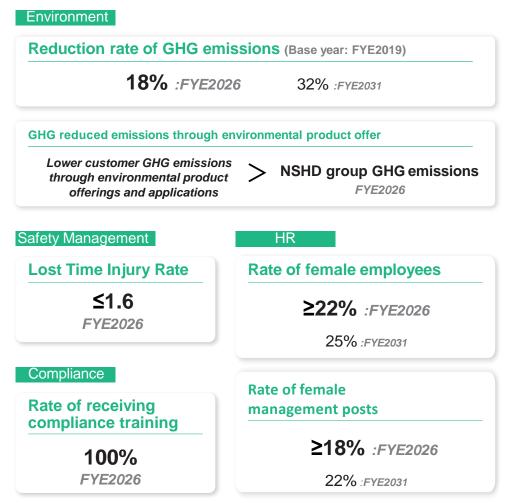


## Toward the final fiscal year in NS Vision 2026

: KPIs (Key Performance Indicators) in FYE2024 actual that exceeded the planned figure for the final fiscal year











<sup>\*</sup> Due to the uncertainty in the global economy, revenue and core operating income are shown in range. The assumed exchange rates at the time the plan was formulated were USD ¥115 and EUR ¥125.

## Approach for Capital Allocation in NS Vision 2026

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Operating CF ¥730.0bn.

NS Vision 2026 (For 4 yr.) Investment Total **¥433.0**bn.

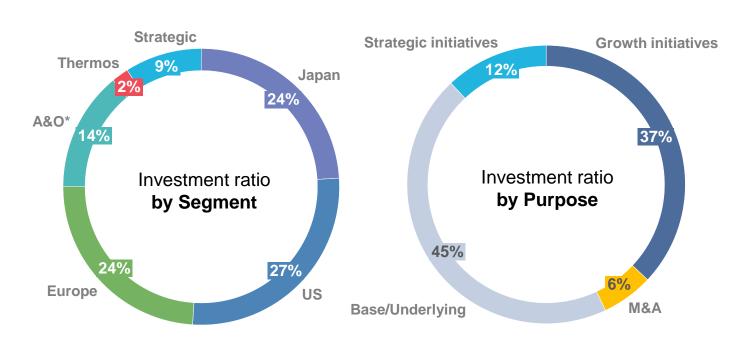
Includes **¥38.0**bn. of strategic initiatives

Dividend & Repayment of debt

#### Strategic Investment for

- CN: Carbon Neutral related initiatives

- **DX**: Digital Transformation initiatives



(Reference) Investment / revenue % by Segment

Japan: **7.4**%, US: **10.5**%, Europe: **12.9**%, \*Asia & Oceania: **11.1**%, Thermos: **6.9**%



<sup>\*</sup> The assumed exchange rates at the time the plan was formulated were USD ¥115 and EUR ¥125.

## Implement the Eight Non-financial programs

1	CNP I	: Carbon Neutral Program I
2	CNP I	I : Carbon Neutral Program Ⅱ
3	ZWP:	Zero Waste Program
4	SWP:	Sustainable Water Program
5	SFP:	Safety First Program
6	QRP:	Quality Reliability Program
7	TDP:	Talent Diversity Program
8	CPP:	Compliance Penetration Program

FYE2026
Target
18% down
X>Y
≤1.6
≥22%
≥18%
100%



<sup>\*1</sup> The figure for the volume of GHG emissions for FYE2019, which is the reference value, calculates the actual GHG emissions in FYE2019 plus the following:

1) estimated emissions of the European business in FYE2019 and 2) estimated emissions of the U.S. HyCO business in FYE2019.

<sup>\*2</sup> We began data collection in the FYE2023.

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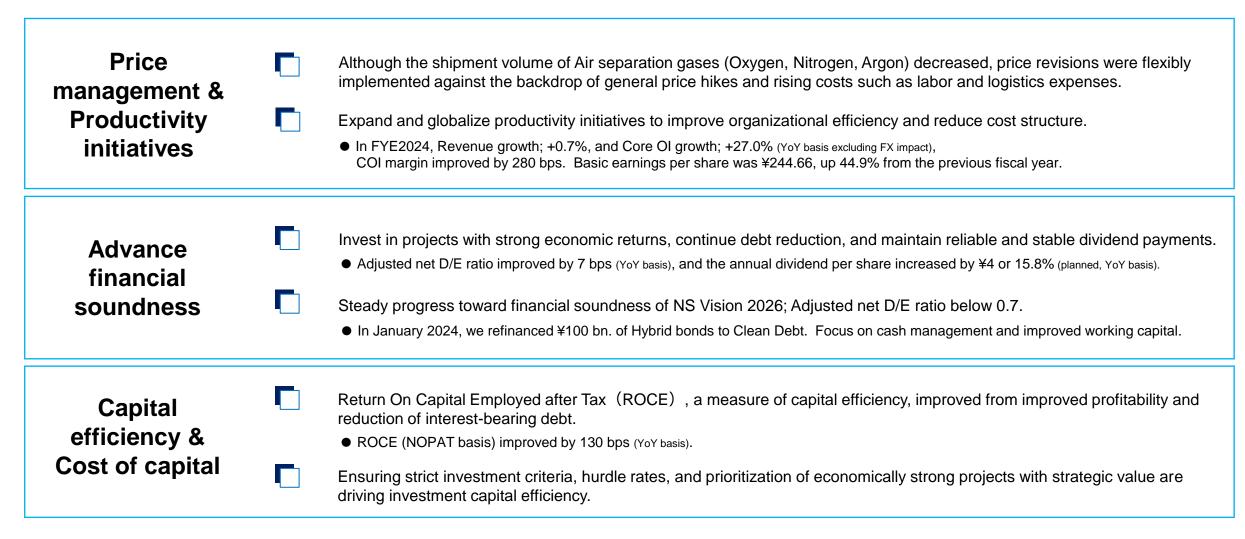


President CEO

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## **Summary: Progress toward Financial targets**





## Summary of Consolidated financial results (FYE2024 Full-term)

	FYE2023	FYE2024	FYE2024 YoY			
	Full-term	Full-term	Difference	% Change	% Change exc. FX	
_					CAU. I A	
	1,186.6	1,255.0	+68.4	+5.8%	+0.7%	
ne	123.1	165.9	+42.8	+34.8%	+27.0%	
	10.4%	13.2%				
d loss	-3.5	6.0	+9.5			
FRS)	119.5	172.0	+52.5	+43.9%		
	10.1%	13.7%				
	19.3%	22.2%				
	-14.0	-21.3	-7.3			
e taxes	105.5	150.7	+45.2	+42.9%		
	29.5	41.3	+11.8			
Net income		109.3	+33.4	+44.0%		
Net income attributable to owners of the parent		105.9	+32.9	+44.9%		
NI margin		8.4%				
Net income attributable to non-controlling interests		3.4	+0.6			
SD	136.00	145.31				
JR	141.62	157.72				
JD	92.67	95.32		<b>\$</b> \	ΝΙΡΡΩΝ SANS	
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# 2. FYE2025 Business Plan

(The third fiscal year in Our MTP; NS Vision 2026)



President CEO

Toshihiko Hamada



## Summary: Assumptions of the business plan (Basic concept)

We implement the "Five focused fields" strategy while properly responding to the business environment to achieve the targets in NS Vision 2026.

Nimbly get a start on customer trends	Aim for growth more than local GDP  ■ In the FYE2025, Planned revenue growth; +3.6%, and Core OI growth; +6.6% (YoY basis excluding FX impact)  Expect and capture demand for gas and equipment in the electronics industry (logic, memory, sensors)  Focus on firm demand from resilient markets (food & beverage, healthcare, etc.)
Continue steady operation	Continue productivity initiatives and be prepared to quickly respond to changes in the business environment  Set appropriate prices for the value of the products and reliability of services  Continue business operations with extra focus on Cash flow and Capital efficiency
Explore future growth drivers	Seize business opportunities in our technological fields that contribute to the realization of a Carbon Neutral society  Improve customer stickiness through collaborative efforts with customers including the introduction of new applications



## **Summary of Consolidated financial forecast**

		FYE2024	FYE2025	Yo	Υ
		Full-term	Full-term forecast	Difference	% Change
(Unit: ¥ bn.)	_		(Announced on May 13, 2024)		
Revenue		1,255.0	1,300.0	+45.0	+3.6%
Core operating in	come	165.9	177.0	+11.1	+6.6%
Core OI margin		13.2%	13.6%		
Non-recurring profit	t and loss	6.0	0.0	-6.0	
Operating income	(IFRS)	172.0	177.0	+5.0	+2.9%
OI margin		13.7%	13.6%		***************************************
EBITDA margin		22.2%	22.4%		
Finance costs		-21.3	-23.0	-1.7	
Income before inc	come taxes	150.7	154.0	+3.3	+2.2%
Income tax expens	es	41.3	46.0	+4.7	
Net income		109.3	108.0	-1.3	-1.2%
(Attribution of net income	e)				
Net income attributable to owners of the parent		105.9	105.0	-0.9	-0.9%
NI margin		8.4%	8.1%		
Net income attributable to non-controlling interests		3.4	3.0	-0.4	
Forex (Unit: JPY)	USD	145.31	145.31		
(average rate during the period)	EUR	157.72	157.72		
	AUD	95.32	95.32		



## Japan: Enhance earning power

#### What we need to accomplish

(Toward the final fiscal year in NS Vision 2026)

1. Strengthen Core Businesses earning power & profitability Increase profitability by streamlining and optimizing the business foundation.

#### 2. Growth exploration and expansion

Develop business areas through new materials for compound semiconductor manufacturing processes, Stable isotopes, Biotechnology, and Additive manufacturing.

#### Segment strategy

#### Growth

- Enhance new products and services
- Provide and expand Industrial Gas Solutions for customers

#### **Business Transformation**

Review underperforming business portfolio

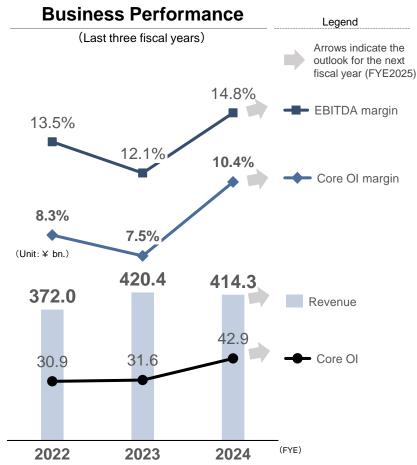
## **Surrounding environment** (Our perspective as of the beginning of FYE2025)

#### **Risks**

- Industrial gases market size trends
- · Increase in overall prices, labor and logistics costs
- Supply chain shortages or delays

#### Opportunities

- Equipment & construction projects in the Electronics market
- · Demand for specialty gases for next-generation semiconductors
- · New demand for Carbon Neutrality



#### Food & Beverage Healthcare Chemicals & Energy Others

Revenue composition by industry

(FYE2024 actual: Cumulative period basis)

Steel & Metals Automobiles & Other

Electronics

transportation

 Revenue decreased in FYE2024 due to the conversion from a consolidated on-site subsidiary to a joint operation entity and the deconsolidation of a subsidiary responsible for residential-use LP gas business. Excluding this activity, revenue in FYE2025 is expected to be positive as indicated by the arrow.

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## Japan: Initiatives by focused field

#### NS Vision 2026: Five focused fields Ongoing and/or FYE2025 Initiatives

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Sustainability Management	<ul> <li>Established the D&amp;I Promotion Office in Japan with the aim of fostering an improved corporate culture.</li> <li>"The Technical Academy" established in Japan to promote education &amp; training programs related to safety management</li> </ul>
Exploring New Business toward Carbon Neutrality	<ul> <li>"The Carbon Neutrality related business project" established to promote sales &amp; marketing activities</li> <li>Promote Oxy-fuel combustion (including hydrogen combustion and ammonia combustion) technology and CO<sub>2</sub> gas recovery, purification, and effective utilization technology</li> </ul>
Total Electronics	<ul> <li>Supply rare gases reliably (Neon, Xenon, Krypton)</li> <li>Pursue new projects linked with customers' investment plans</li> <li>Promote Research &amp; Development on new materials</li> </ul>
Operational Excellence	<ul> <li>Optimize manufacturing facility and plant operations</li> <li>Price management (Promote pricing activities)</li> <li>Continue to implement and share best practices across the NSHD group</li> </ul>
DX Initiatives	<ul> <li>Accelerate remote operation of manufacturing facilities utilizing digital technologies to improve productivity</li> <li>Increased productivity through the use of digital tools, such as the expansion of web-based ordering and the digitization of invoices</li> </ul>



## **United States:** Aim for powerful growth

#### What we need to accomplish

(Toward the final fiscal year in NS Vision 2026)

- 1. Lead industry safety, quality, and profit growth
- 2. Increased focus on the food processing, fabrication. and semiconductor markets
- 3. Enhance sustainability programs that support profit growth and create increased shareholder value

#### Segment strategy

#### Growth

- Organic Growth through enhanced cross-selling efforts in targeted markets
- Expansion of onsite generator installations
- Pursue targeted M&A

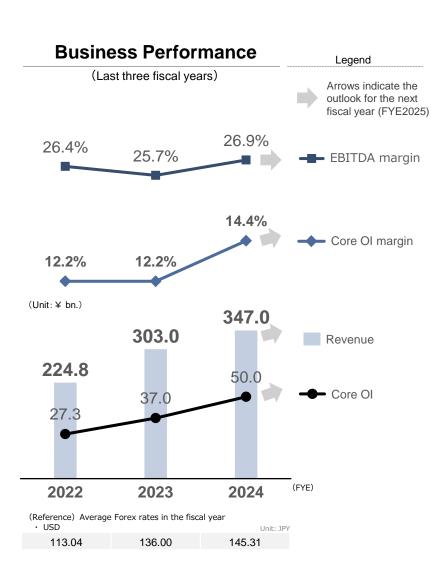
## **Surrounding environment** (Our perspective as of the beginning of FYE2025)

#### **Risks**

- · Political and economic policy uncertainty (U.S. presidential election)
- · Increase in production power & transportation costs
- · Staffing challenges related to low unemployment

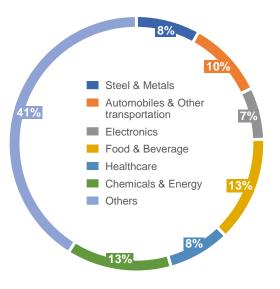
#### Opportunities

- Growth in manufacturing and resilient markets (food & beverage, healthcare)
- · Semiconductor opportunities related to US CHIP Act
- Inflation Reduction Act and related Carbon Neutrality related opportunities



#### Revenue composition by industry

(FYE2024 actual: Cumulative period basis)





## United States: Initiatives by focused field

#### **NS Vision 2026: Five focused fields**

#### **Ongoing and/or FYE2025 Initiatives**

<b>Sustainability</b>	Management
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Improve employee safety awareness and reduce lost time injuries

 Focus on implementing GHG reduction programs to offset emissions from new facilities and identify and implement gas applications to enable our customers to reduce their GHG emissions.

## **Exploring New Business** toward Carbon Neutrality

- · Integration of large-scale oxygen plants into sequestration technology chain
- Pursue green hydrogen production opportunities

#### **Total Electronics**

- Expand production capacity of strategic semiconductor process gases
- Continue improvement of capabilities to supply sub-assemblies to major semiconductor equipment manufacturers

#### **Operational Excellence**

- · Achieve enhanced cost savings through "The Right Way" program
- · Offset cost increases and achieve profit improvement through price management
- · Continue to implement and share best practices across the NSHD group

#### **DX Initiatives**

- · Implement an Advanced Cylinder Management System
- Implement digital terminals for on-site managers for immediate sharing of information and standardization of operations
- · Improve operational efficiency by utilizing and analyzing plant operation data



## **Europe:** Further enhance efficiency

#### What we need to accomplish

(Toward the final fiscal year in NS Vision 2026)

- 1. Focus on human resources excellence
- Reinforce governance
- **Optimize base business**
- **Accelerated Operational Excellence**
- Higher growth compared to peers

#### Growth Follow up CN and H<sub>2</sub> opportunities Partner with our customers to help in CN Segment Expand geographical footprint & M&A strategy **Optimize Base Business** Invest in gas application technology Evaluate product and market mix

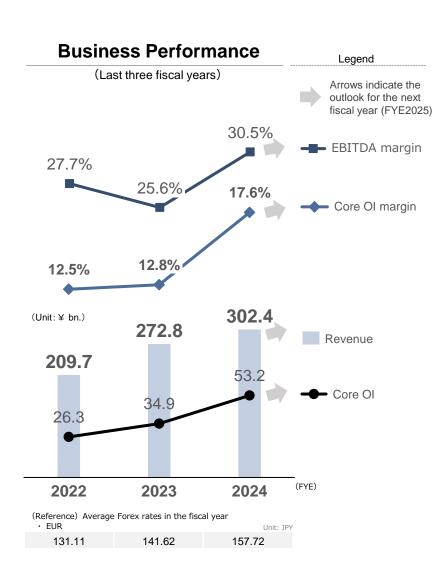
## Surrounding environment (Our perspective as of the beginning of FYE2025)

#### **Risks**

- Economic trends in the European region
- Further CN regulations from EU and local authorities
- · Supply chain disruption due to geopolitical risks, etc.

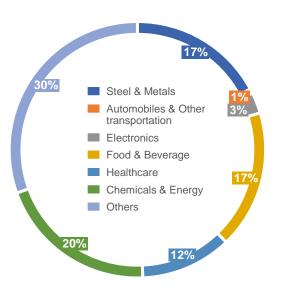
#### **Opportunities**

- Gradual recovery of the European economy
- Business development & new business opportunities
- Government subsidized investments related to CN



#### Revenue composition by industry

(FYE2024 actual: Cumulative period basis)





## **Europe:** Initiatives by focused field

#### NS Vision 2026: Five focused fields

#### Ongoing and/or FYE2025 Initiatives

Sustainability Management	<ul> <li>Continue to implement our strategy to attract and retain Excellent people</li> <li>Continue to strengthen our "Women's Sponsorship Program"</li> <li>Continue to raise awareness of Environmental, Safety, and Quality-related matters</li> </ul>
Exploring New Business toward Carbon Neutrality	<ul> <li>Further strengthen our Oxy-fuel combustion technology</li> <li>Pursue biomethane projects</li> <li>Follow up the Green Hydrogen development in Europe and gain experience by participating in selected projects</li> </ul>
Total Electronics	<ul> <li>Strengthen sales of semiconductor specialty gases</li> <li>Identify and strongly go after business opportunities amidst the European expansion of the electronics industry</li> </ul>
Operational Excellence	<ul> <li>Achieve enhanced cost savings through the "Productivity" program</li> <li>Maintain robust price management across markets and products</li> <li>Continue to implement and share best practices across the NSHD group</li> </ul>
DX Initiatives	<ul> <li>Further utilize and expand DX platforms in plant automation &amp; maintenance, logistics, productivity</li> <li>Proactively and strongly follow up and understand the AI opportunities and threats</li> <li>Proactively utilize Digital marketing techniques and tools</li> </ul>



## Asia & Oceania: Make evolution a habit

#### What we need to accomplish

(Toward the final fiscal year in NS Vision 2026)

- 1. Tier 1 supplier in each region with the diverse product line
- 2. Efficient & disciplined operations with continuous improvement and productivity enhancement initiatives
- 3. Improve revenue growth and OI margin.

#### Growth - Large scale onsite project and enlarge ASU capabilities Segment - New products & sales area expansion strategy Pursue global HyCO Opportunities Management - Launch new management structure

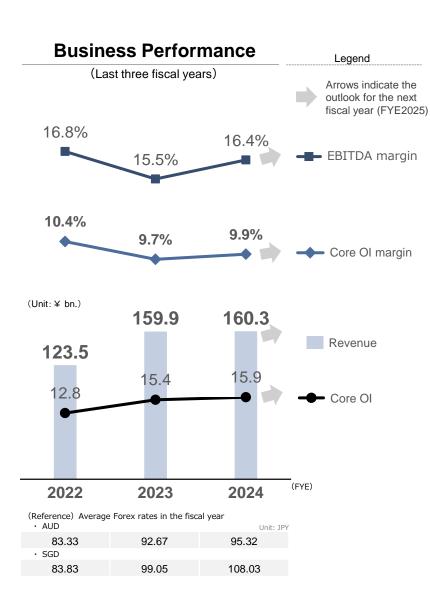
## **Surrounding environment** (Our perspective as of the beginning of FYE2025)

#### **Risks**

- · Inflation and increased costs for labor, logistics, etc.
- · Changes in government political and economic policies
- · Supply chain disruption due to geopolitical risks, etc.

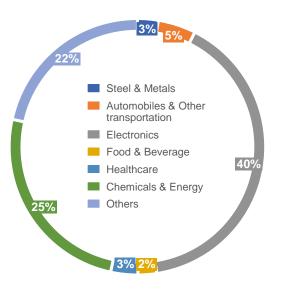
#### **Opportunities**

- · Continuing firm demand in the emerging markets
- · Growth in resilient markets (food & beverage, healthcare)
- · Increase in demand for specialty gases in the semiconductor industry



#### Revenue composition by industry

(FYE2024 actual: Cumulative period basis)





## Asia & Oceania: Initiatives by focused field

#### NS Vision 2026: Five focused fields

#### Ongoing and/or FYE2025 Initiatives

Sustainability	Management
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- Operate steadily sub-segment management structure to strengthen governance
- (1)SEA&I: Southeast Asia and India (2)EAE: East Asia Electronics (3)CIG: China Industrial Gases (4)OIG: Oceania Industrial Gases
- Established Regional CSOs (Regional Chief Sustainability Officers)

## **Exploring New Business** toward Carbon Neutrality

• Focus on areas where we have applications to reduce customers' environmental impact by utilizing our core technologies, such as Oxy-fuel combustion (for steel, aluminum, and glass) and Argon welding

#### **Total Electronics**

- Strengthen the capability of the Electronics business through collaboration between sub-segment EAE and Japan (especially gas we manufacture, equipment and installation, etc.)
- · Strengthen our own advantage to win high-purity nitrogen on-site projects

#### **Operational Excellence**

- Advance operations in terms of both Price management and Cost control
- Continue to implement and share best practices across the NSHD group

#### **DX Initiatives**

- Promote work saving and cost reduction by automating operations
- DX promotion for supply chain visualization of specialty gases
- · Cybersecurity response (including enhancement of the IT security level)



## Thermos: Captivate users with our attractive products

#### What we need to accomplish

(Toward the final fiscal year in NS Vision 2026)

To grow sustainably and to be trusted as a value creating company

## Segment strategy

#### Growth

- New products, direct operating stores,
   e-commerce platform business expansion
- Develop an interactive communication system with customers
- Increase Thermos brand awareness and maximize the brand equity

#### **Surrounding environment**

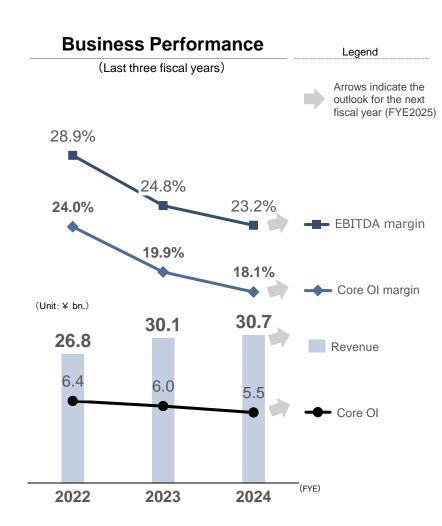
(Our perspective as of the beginning of FYE2025)

#### **Risks**

- Rising raw material and purchase costs due to inflation, weak JPY, etc.
- Rising labor costs at overseas plants and distribution costs in Japan
- Competition from inexpensive no-brand/private-label products

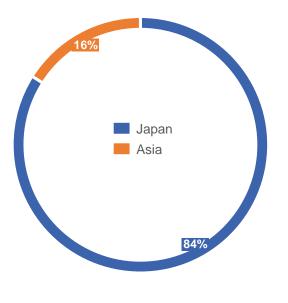
#### **Opportunities**

- Demand increase for portable containers due to price increases for beverages in disposable containers such as cans and PET bottles
- Inbound demand from Foreign visitors to Japan
- Increasing attention and interest in sustainable products due to growing awareness on environmental issues



#### Revenue composition by industry

(FYE2024 actual: Cumulative period basis)





## Thermos: Initiatives by focused field

## NS Vision 2026: Five focused fields

#### Ongoing and/or FYE2025 Initiatives

#### **Sustainability Management**

- Promote sustainable beverage containers to contribute to waste reduction
- · Started collection service of used bottles at company stores for recycling
- Employee safety training and improvement of the work environment
- Active promotion of HR diversity (hiring people with disabilities, training female managers, etc.)

## **Exploring New Business** toward Carbon Neutrality

· Reduction of energy consumption through production optimization

#### **Operational Excellence**

- Reduce procurement cost for raw material
- Streamline production processes

#### **DX Initiatives**

- Expand E-commerce business in growing markets
- Improve efficiency and sophistication through the use of Web EDI (Electronic Data Interchange)



1. FYE2024 Overview 2. FYE2025
Business Plan

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## 3. Financial Profile



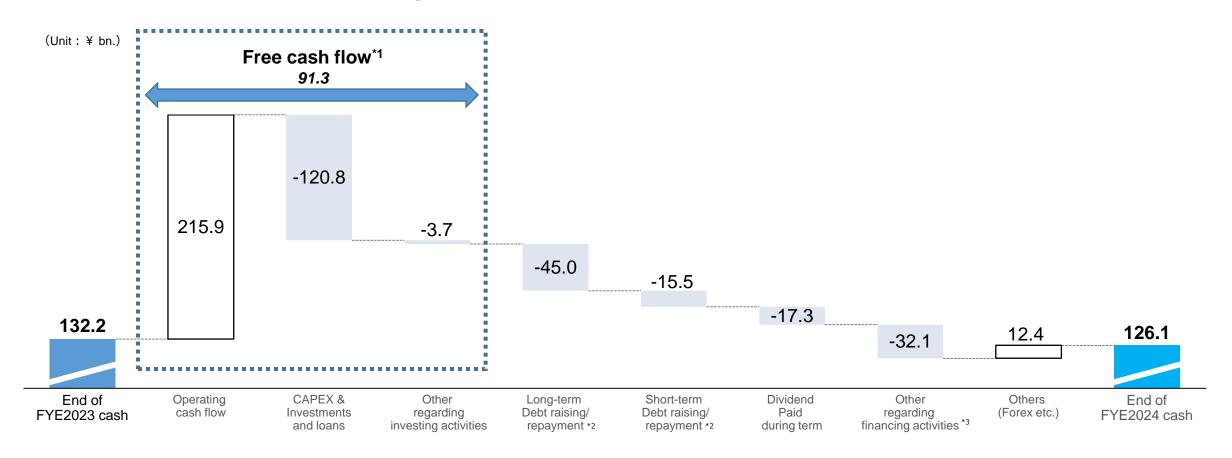
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**Alan Draper** 



## Cash flows for FYE2024 Full-term

#### Solid operating cash flows enable a balanced capital allocation



<sup>\*1</sup> Free cash flow: Items reconstructed from consolidated statements of cash flows prepared in accordance with IFRS.



<sup>\*2</sup> Long-term Debt and Short-term Debt raising/repayment : Represents cash financed/paid.

<sup>\*3</sup> Other: Indicates cash lease obligations, acquisition of investments, and other items.

## Financial management

#### **Basic Concept**

- Capital allocation in accordance with the strategies and goals of NS Vision 2026.
- Prioritize capital projects based on economic / financial returns, risk profile, strategic customer / end markets
- Fast, nimble, and proactive responsiveness to business opportunities and customer inquiries.

## Financial soundness

#### **Leverage Reduction**

- Reduction of financial expenses

#### FYE2024 Actual

Adjusted net D/E Ratio (End of FYE2024)

0.74

#### **FYE2025 Forecast**

Budget Adjusted net D/E Ratio (End of FYE2025)

0.67

- Fortifying the capital structure
- Refinanced ¥100bn. Hybrid debt with clean debt during FYE2024



#### **Investment for Growth driver**

 Deliver growth, enhanced profitability, and global efficiency CAPEX and investment (Cash basis: ¥ bn.)

118.3

Budget
CAPEX and investment
(Cash basis: ¥ bn.)

166.6

Economies of scale, improve customer density

Pursue group synergies and globalization efforts

Prioritize investments with solid economic returns and earnings potential

Seek M&A opportunities that improve customer density, expand geographic presence, or enhance technical capabilities



#### Stable & business performance-linked

 Aiming to achieve shareholders' and investors' expectations 44

Annual dividend [Planned]

Budget annual dividend (¥)

48

10 consecutive years of increasing dividend (subject to shareholder approval at AGM\*)

\*AGM: Annual General Shareholders' Meeting



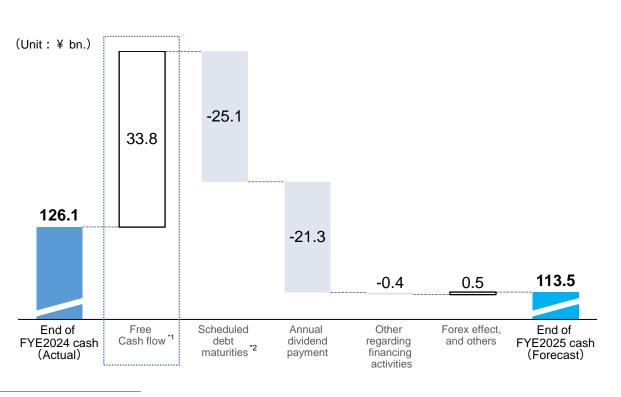
## Cash flow and shareholder returns

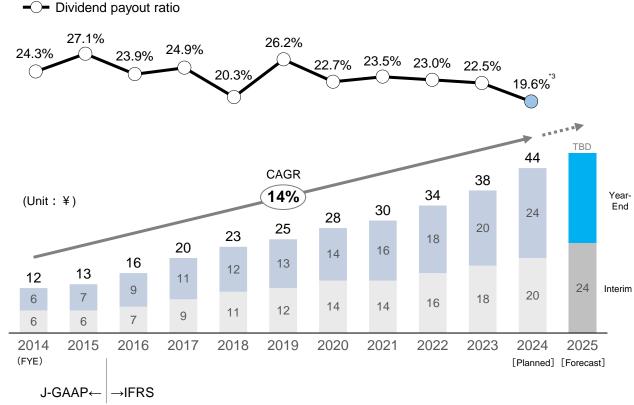
Cash flow forecast FYE2025

**Dividend Growth Trend** 

#### Financial Soundness and Solid Shareholder Returns

#### Stable and reliable dividend growth







<sup>\*1</sup> Free cash flow: Cash flows from operating activities + (Announced) Divesture Proceeds - CAPEX.

<sup>\*2</sup> Scheduled debt maturities: Indicates cash paid (including Repayments of lease obligations)

<sup>\*3</sup> Excluding 4Q FYE2024 non-cash, non-recurring accounting gain of ¥8.8bn.

## **Initiatives to Improve Capital Efficiency**

## Capital investment is essential to growth Focus on capital efficiency

#### **ROCE\* after Tax Performance**

# NOPAT (Net Operating Profit After Tax) Capital employed (Interest-bearing debt + Total equity attributable to owners of parent) NS Vision 2026 6.7% 6.6% >6.7% 5.4% 4.4% 4.8% 4.4% Medium-term Management plan NS Vision 2026 planned figure (Targets set in Apr 2022, with planned figures for FYE2026)

#### **Recognition of Current Status and Roadmap to Improvement**



Improvement as a result of quality & quantity of earnings and selective investments

Maintain the course of steady improvement



#### **Maximize NOPAT and optimize Capital employed**



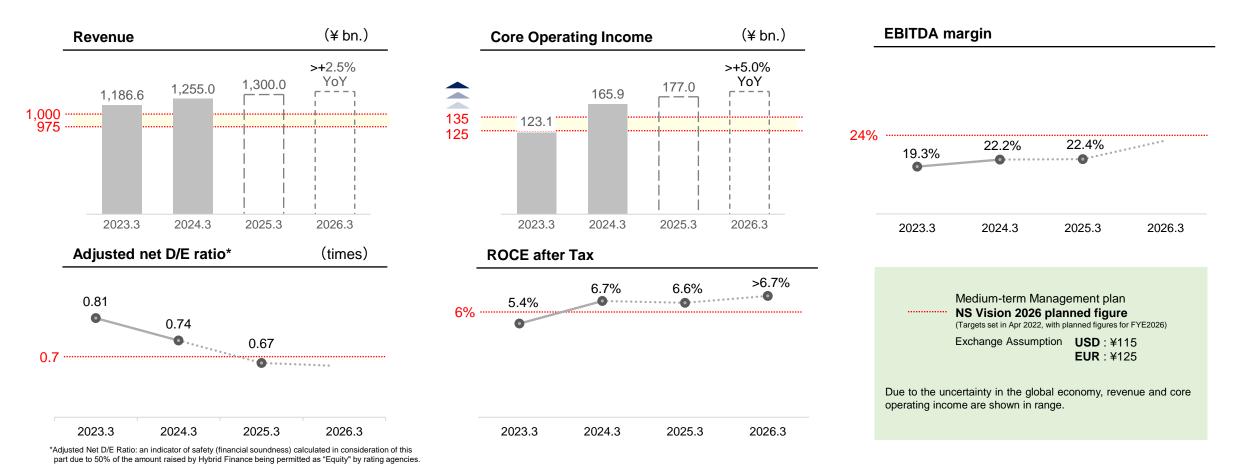
- Enhancing financial soundness
- Operational excellence paving the path through productivity and globalization
- Disciplined price management



<sup>\*</sup>ROCE: In NS Vision 2026, we set ROCE after Tax as one of our financial KPIs in which the denominator of ROCE has been modified from core operating income to NOPAT.

## **NS Vision 2026 Financial KPI Progress**

#### Maintain pressure to either exceed targets already achieved or to reach targets not yet met





## **Closing remarks**



President CEO

Toshihiko Hamada



## The Gas Professionals



## **Q&A Session**



President CEO

Toshihiko Hamada



Member of the Board, Representative Director and President of Taiyo Nippon Sanso Corporation

Kenji Nagata



Member of the Board, Chairman and CEO, Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc

**Thomas Scott Kallman** 



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Yuji Kataoka



Senior Executive Officer, Group Sustainability Management Office, and CSO (Chief Sustainability Officer)

Takeshi Miki



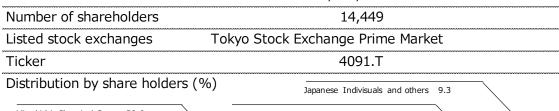
## **Appendix**

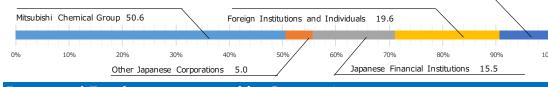


#### **NIPPON SANSO Holdings Group Summary**

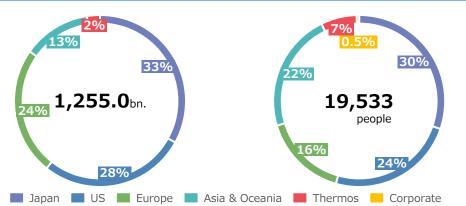
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Corporate Information	(As of March 31, 2024)
Company Name	Nippon Sanso Holdings Corporation
Founded	October 30, 1910
Headquarters	1-3-26 Koyama Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo 142-0062, Japan
TEL	81-3-5788-8500
	President CEO
Representative	Toshihiko Hamada
Common stock	37.3 billion yen
Stock information	(As of March 31, 2024)
Number of shares	433,092,837
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#### Revenue / Employee personnel by Segment (As of Match 31, 2024)



#### **Corporate Philosophy**

#### **Group Philosophy**

Proactive. Innovative. Collaborative.

Making life better through gas technology.

#### The Gas Professionals

#### **Group Vision**

We aim to create social value through innovative gas solutions that increase industrial productivity, enhance human well-being and contribute to a more sustainable future.

#### Main Core business

#### **Industrial Gas business**



#### **Electronics business**



#### Thermos business

2000

#### FYE2025 Financial Forecast (IFRS)

Revenue	¥1,300.0 bn.		
Operating income	¥177.0 bn.		

Net income attributable to owners of the parent	¥105.0 bn.
EPS	¥242.57



#### **Our Medium-term management plan Summary**

https://www.nipponsanso-hd.co.jp/en/ir/management/plan.html

Overview		Capital allocation
Plan Name	NS Vision 2026	Cash-in (the total for 4 years)
Slogan	Enabling the Future	[Operating Cash flow] ¥730.0 bn.
Period	4 years from April 2022 to March 2026	Cash-out ¥433.0 bn.
Released date	May 11, 2022	[Investment as a whole]
Financial target	(Final fiscal year in the plan: FYE2026)	Composition ratio by Business
Revenue	¥975.0-1,000.0 bn.	24% 27% 24% 14% 2% 9%
Core Operating Income	¥125.0-135.0 bn.	0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80% 90% 100
EBITDA margin	Group: ≥24 %	■Japan ■US ■ Europe ■ Asia & Oceania ■ Thermos ■ Strategic (beyond regions)
	Japan, the U.S., EU, A&O, Thermos: ≥17-33%	Composition ratio by Initiative
Adjusted net D/E ratio	≤0.7 times	
ROCE after Tax	≥6 %	45% 37% 12% 6%
(Note) Forex rate (Assumption) : USD ¥11	.5 EUR ¥125	

#### Non-Financial target

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Reduction rate of GHG emissions	FYE2026:	18 %
(Base year: FYE2019)	FYE2031:	32 %

GHG reduced emissions through environmental product offer

FYE2026:Lower GHG emi	ssions through environm	nental product offerings and applications
		> NSHD Group GHG emission
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Lost Time Injury Rate	FYE2026:	≤1.6
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Rate of receiving compliance training	FYE2026:	100 %
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Rate of female employees	FYE2026:	≥22 %
	FYE2031:	25 %
Rate of female management posts	FYE2026:	≥18 %
	FYE2031:	22 %

#### Focused fields



## Free cash flow and Debt situation

	FYE2023	FYE2024	Yo	Υc	FYE2025	Budge	t's YoY
(Unit: ¥ bn.)	Full-term	Full-term	Difference	% change	Full-term forecast	Difference	% change
Income before income taxes	105.5	150.7	+45.2	+42.9%	154.0	+3.3	+2.2%
Depreciation and amortization	105.7	112.4	+6.7		114.6	+2.2	
Changes in working capital	-22.2	-20.6	+1.6		8.1	+28.7	
Others	-1.0	-26.5	-25.5		-69.4	-42.9	
Cash flows from operating activities	187.9	215.9	+28.0	+14.9%	207.3	-8.6	-4.0%
Capital expenditures	-91.8	-118.3	-26.5		-166.6	-48.3	
Investments and loans	-2.9	-2.5	+0.4		_	_	
Others (asset sales, etc.)	-3.3	-3.7	-0.4		-6.8	-3.1	
Cash flows from investing activities	-98.0	-124.6	-26.6	+27.1%	-173.4	-48.8	+39.2%
Free cash flow	89.8	91.3	+1.5	+1.6%	33.8	-57.5	-63.0%
(Debt situation)							
Net interest-bearing liabilities	809.5	810.8	+1.3		799.9	-10.9	
(Of which, hybrid financing amount)	250.0	150.0	-100.0		150.0	_	
Adjusted net D/E ratio	0.81	0.74	-0.07		0.67	-0.07	



## **Debt/Equity Performance** (FYE2024)

#### **Net D/E ratio**

(General net D/E ratio)



Net interest-bearing debt

Total equity attributable to owners of parent

## Adjusted net D/E ratio



Forecast at the End of FYE2025

(March 31, 2025)

0.67

Net interest-bearing debt — Equity-type debt\*

Total equity attributable to owners of parent + Equity-type debt\*

## Financial management net D/E ratio

(Our internal financial discipline indicator)



Net interest-bearing debt

— Lease obligations — Equity-type debt\*

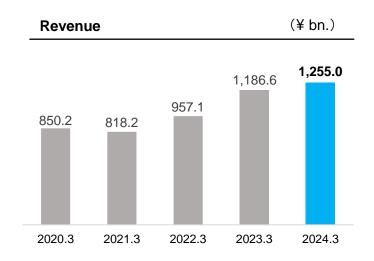
Total equity attributable to owners of parent

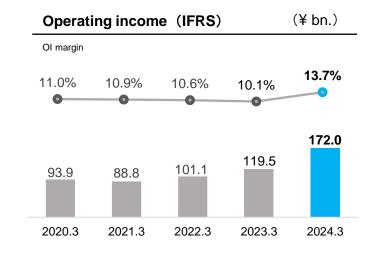
– Other components of equity + Equity-type debt\*

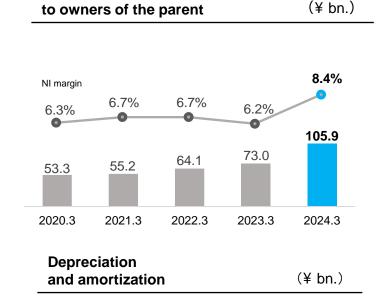


<sup>\*</sup> Equity-type debt: Our internal name of amount which is 50% of the amount raised through hybrid financing is accepted as "capital" by rating agencies.

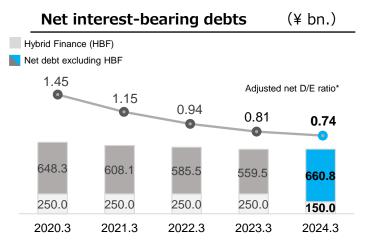
## Business performance over the past five years

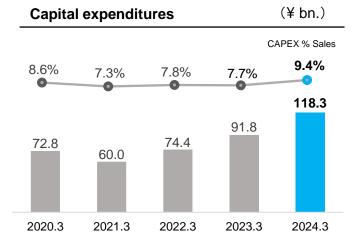


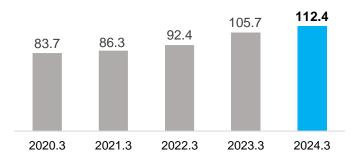




Profit attributable









<sup>\*</sup>Adjusted Net D/E Ratio: an indicator of safety (financial soundness) calculated in consideration of this part due to 50% of the amount raised by HBF is permitted as "Equity" by rating agencies.

<sup>\*</sup>It's recorded on a cash basis.

## Glossary: EBITDA margin/ROCE after Tax

#### **EBITDA**

(Earnings Before Interest Taxes Depreciation and Amortization)

## Indicator that shows profitability based on Cash Flow, excluding the impact of M&A and CAPEX.

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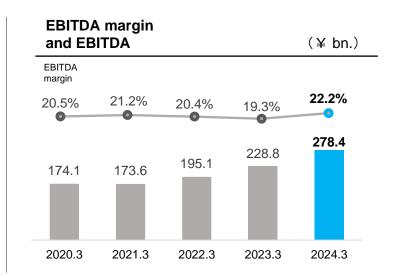
(Return On Capital Employed after Tax )

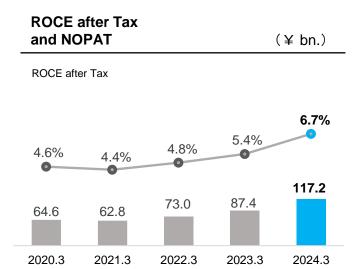
NOPAT (Net Operating Profit After Tax)

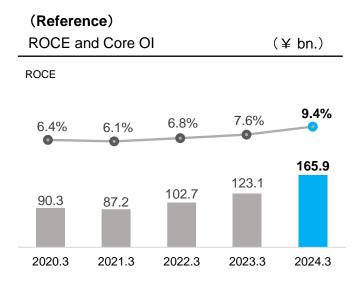
(Interest-bearing debt + Total equity attributable to owners of parent) \*

#### Indicator based on profitability and investment efficiency

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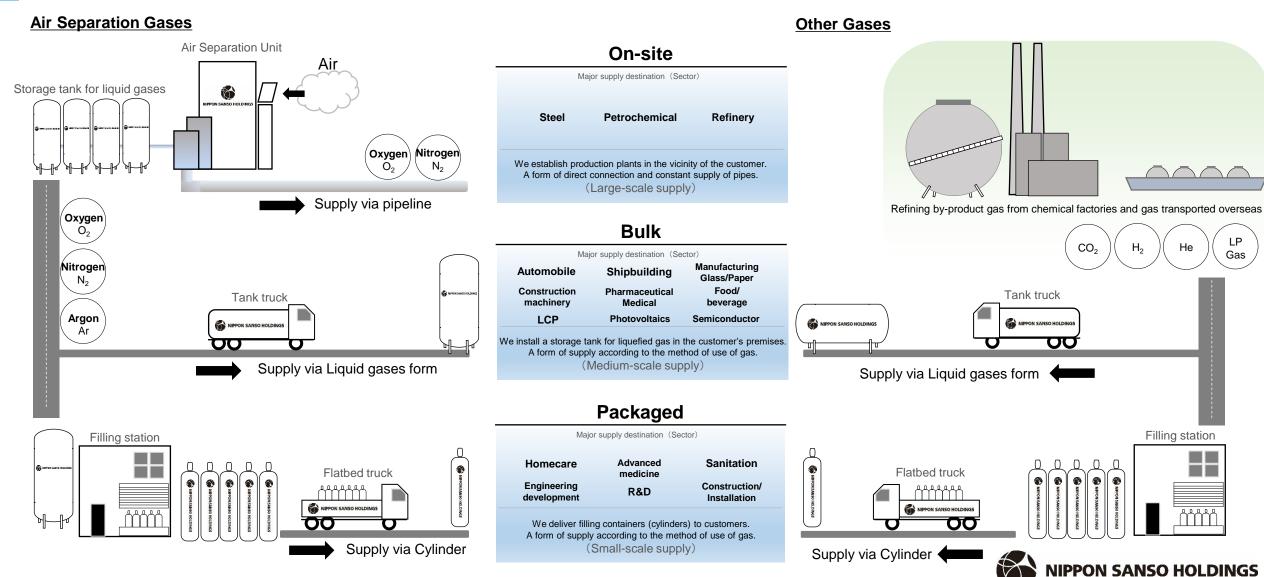






<sup>\*</sup> The average of the amounts at the end of the comparative fiscal years of the previous and current fiscal years is used.

## Industrial gas supply system





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