# **MILBON**

Financial Results for Q3 of FY2024 (Ending December 31,2024)

# Milbon Co., Ltd.

(TSE code : 4919) November 15, 2024

# Agenda

© Milbon Co., Ltd. All right reserved.

# 1. Consolidated Financial Results ——

- 2. Financial Results by Region and Outlook P7
- 3. Appendix P16
- 4. Overview of Milbon P28

This document has been translated from the Japanese original for reference purposes only. In the event of any discrepancy between this translated document and the Japanese original, the original shall prevail.

**P2** 

# Today's Message

| FY24<br>3Q YTD<br>Results | Both sales and profit increased. Domestic haircare products and business in South Korea continued to drive growth from the first half of the year.  |
|---------------------------|---|
| Regional<br>Performance   | <ul> <li>Haircare products, including Aujua, have driven the growth of our domestic business. Although hair coloring products still face challenges, the number of salons introducing our products, particularly Villa Lodola Color, has increased. We will continue to strengthen our sales and educational initiatives for hair coloring in order to get back on track and continue to grow.</li> </ul> |
|                           | <ul> <li>Strong performance in South Korea offset weak sales in China due to deteriorating market conditions.</li> <li>Additionally, the weaker yen boosted sales growth, keeping overall overseas business results on track.</li> </ul>  |
| Duefit                    | <ul> <li>The gross profit margin for the 9 months of FY24 was 64.0%, aligning with our full-year forecast. While the impact of soaring raw material costs has eased, the adverse effect of the product mix on profit persists.</li> </ul>   |
| Profit                    | <ul> <li>Operating profit increased significantly YoY due to higher sales and recovery from last year's inventory loss of<br/>hair dryers.</li> </ul>   |
| FY24<br>Outlook           | Both sales and profit are expected to meet our initial plan. We are maintaining our full-year forecast due to potential inventory loss in the fourth quarter.   |

## **Consolidated Statement of Earnings**

# Sales are progressing at a pace slightly above what was planned. Profit exceeded the plan due to higher sales and deferred SG&A expenses.

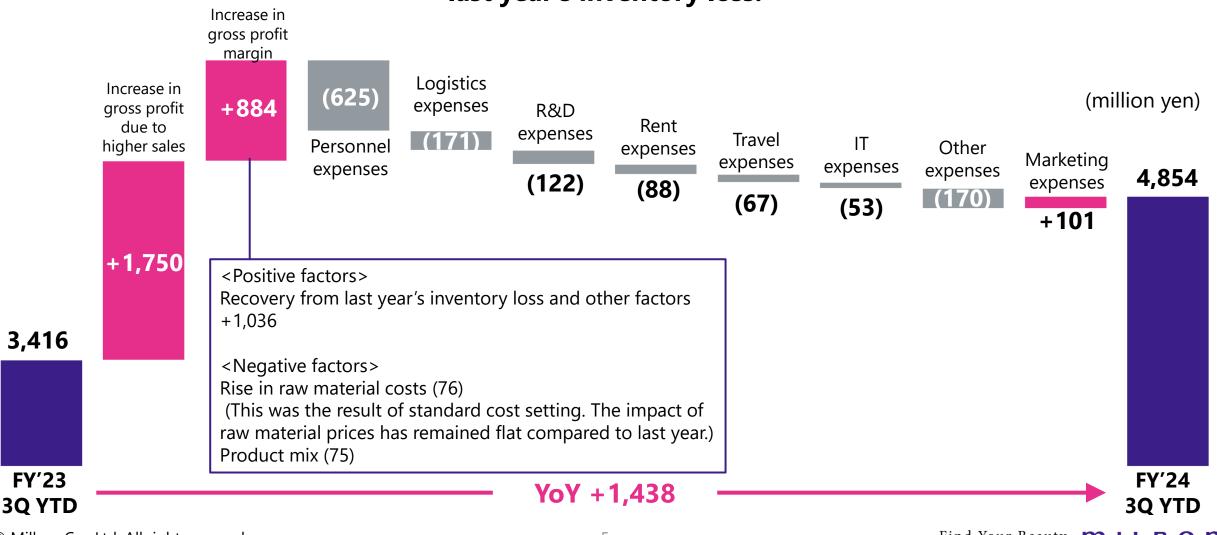
| (Unit: million yen)                           | FY2023<br>3Q YTD | %<br>Total | FY2024<br>3Q YTD | %<br>Total | Gap   | Gap<br>(%) | FY2024<br>3Q YTD Plan | Vs. Plan<br>(%) |
|---|------------------|------------|------------------|------------|-------|------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Net Sales                                     | 34,150           | 100.0%     | 36,993           | 100.0%     | 2,843 | 8.3%       | 36,354                | 101.8%          |
| Gross Profit                                  | 21,023           | 61.6%      | 23,659           | 64.0%      | 2,635 | 12.5%      | 23,343                | 101.4%          |
| SG&A Expenses                                 | 17,607           | 51.6%      | 18,805           | 50.8%      | 1,197 | 6.8%       | 19,052                | 98.7%           |
| Operating<br>Income                           | 3,416            | 10.0%      | 4,854            | 13.1%      | 1,437 | 42.1%      | 4,291                 | 113.1%          |
| Ordinary<br>Income                            | 3,502            | 10.3%      | 4,881            | 13.2%      | 1,378 | 39.3%      | 4,247                 | 114.9%          |
| Profit Attributable<br>to Owners of<br>Parent | 2,489            | 7.3%       | 3,393            | 9.2%       | 904   | 36.3%      | 3,039                 | 111.7%          |

© Milbon Co., Ltd. All right reserved.

Find Your Beauty **MILBON** 

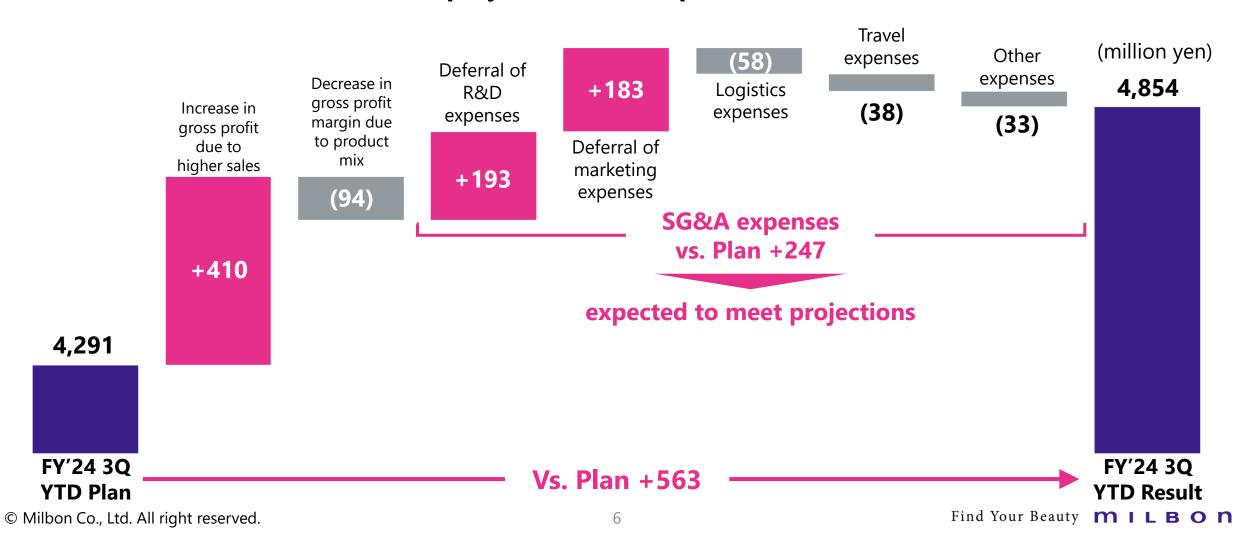
# **Consolidated Operating Income - Factors Behind YoY Changes**

Operating income increased significantly due to higher sales and the recovery from last year's inventory loss.



## **Consolidated Operating Income - Factors Behind Differences Compared to the Plan**

# Operating profit exceeded the plan due to favorable sales. However, full-year operating profit is expected to align with our initial plan as SG&A expenses are projected to be as planned.



# Agenda

# 1. Consolidated Financial Results — P2

2. Financial Results by Region and Outlook — P7

- 3. Appendix P16
- 4. Overview of Milbon P28

# **Net Sales and Operating Income by Region**

## Both domestic and overseas sales and profits progressed in line with the plan. The weaker yen boosted overseas sales growth.

|                     | (Unit: million yen) | FY2023<br>3Q YTD | FY2024<br>3Q YTD | Gap   | Gap (%) | Actual gap<br>Rate <sup>*1</sup> (%) | FY2024<br>3Q YTD Plan | Exchange<br>Rate<br>FY23 3Q | Exchange<br>Rate<br>FY24 3Q |
|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|------------------|-------|---------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
|                     | Net Sales           | 25,829           | 27,690           | 1,860 | 7.2%    | 7.2%                                 | 27,425                |                             |                             |
| Japan               | Operating Income    | 2,373            | 3,931            | 1,557 | 65.6%   | —                                    | 3,375                 | _                           | —                           |
|                     | Margin (%)          | 9.2%             | 14.2%            |       | —       | _                                    | 12.3%                 |                             |                             |
|                     | Net Sales           | 8,320            | 9,303            | 982   | 11.8%   | 5.8%                                 | 8,928                 |                             |                             |
| Overseas            | Operating Income    | 1,042            | 922              | (119) | (11.5%) | —                                    | 915                   | _                           | —                           |
|                     | Margin (%)          | 12.5%            | 9.9%             |       | —       | —                                    | 10.3%                 |                             |                             |
|                     | Net Sales           | 3,495            | 3,992            | 496   | 14.2%   | 8.7%                                 | 3,563                 | KRW                         | KRW                         |
| South Korea         | Operating Income    | 991              | 1,051            | 60    | 6.1%    | _                                    | 868                   | 0.1064 yen                  | 0.1118 yen                  |
|                     | Margin (%)          | 28.4%            | 26.3%            |       |         | _                                    | 24.4%                 | -                           |                             |
|                     | Net Sales           | 1,729            | 1,783            | 54    | 3.2%    | (4.1%)                               | 1,883                 | RMB                         | RMB                         |
| China               | Operating Income    | 69               | 72               | 3     | 4.8%    | _                                    | 179                   | 19.73 yen                   | 21.22 yen                   |
|                     | Margin (%)          | 4.0%             | 4.1%             | _     | _       | _                                    | 9.5%                  | -                           | -                           |
|                     | Net Sales           | 1,225            | 1,430            | 205   | 16.8%   | 7.5%                                 | 1,408                 | USD                         | USD                         |
| USA                 | Operating Income    | (48)             | (87)             | (39)  | _       | _                                    | (63)                  | 139.55 yen                  | 151.59 yen                  |
|                     | Margin (%)          | (4.0%)           | (6.1%)           | _     | _       |                                      | (4.5%)                | -                           | -                           |
|                     | Net Sales           | 1,870            | 2,096            | 225   | 12.1%   | 8.2%                                 | 2,072                 |                             |                             |
| Other <sup>*2</sup> | Operating Income    | 30               | (113)            | (144) | —       | —                                    | (68)                  | -                           | _                           |
|                     | Margin (%)          | 1.6%             | (5.4%)           |       | _       | _                                    | (3.3%)                |                             |                             |

\*1 Figures are the rates of change in real terms on a local currency basis

\*2 Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Turkey, Indonesia, Philippines, Singapore, and Germany

## **Financial Results by Region: Japan**

## **Overall performance has remained strong since the first half of the year. The robust** growth in haircare products has compensated for the slower sales of hair coloring products.

#### YoY Growth Rate of Sales by **Product Category**\*

Following the first half of the year, haircare products like Aujua and Elujuda continued to perform well. We enhanced our sales and educational initiatives for salons regarding hair coloring, resulting in an increased number of salons using our products.

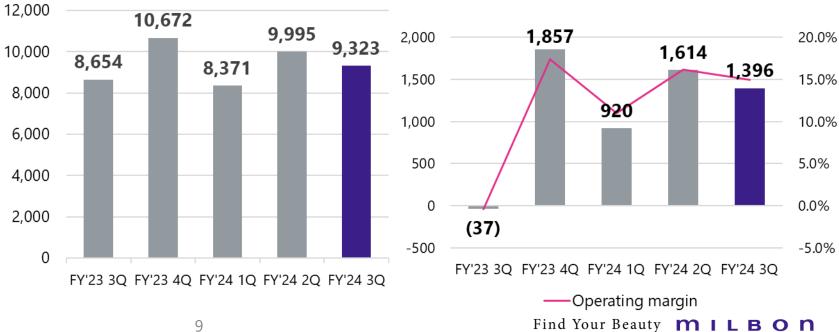
|                           | FY2    | 024           |
|---------------------------|--------|---------------|
| Change in Sales           | 3Q     | <b>3Q YTD</b> |
| Haircare                  | +13.4% | +10.5%        |
| Hair Coloring             | +1.1%  | +0.5%         |
| Cosmetics                 | (2.5%) | +71.4%        |
| % to Sales                | 3Q     | <b>3Q YTD</b> |
| Haircare                  | 64.3%  | 63.5%         |
| Hair Coloring             | 31.5%  | 31.1%         |
| Cosmetics                 | 1.5%   | 2.4%          |
| * Based on shipment value |        |               |

## **Quarterly Net Sales (mil. yen)**

Domestic sales tend to be higher in the second and fourth quarter due to seasonal factors.

#### **Quarterly Operating Income (mil. yen)**

Domestic operating income for FY'24 3Q increased significantly against FY'23 3Q, not only due to increased sales but also due to the recovery from the inventory loss of the hair dryer Elmista recorded last year.



# **Financial Results by Region: Japan / Progress of Key Strategies**

|                       | Key Strategies  | Progress up to 3Q | Results and Outlook                                |   |   |  |  |
|-----------------------|---|-------------------|--|---|---|--|--|
| Promoting Smart Salon | milbon:iD<br>Smart Salon  |                   |  | FY'23<br>670,000<br>5,930<br>1,640 mil. yen<br>FY'23<br>23<br>make our existing S<br>mber at a steady p | FY'24 3Q YTD         820,000         6,455         1,360 mil. Yen         FY'24 3Q YTD         56         mart Salons success | FY'24 Plan<br>870,000<br>6,500<br>1,950 mil. yen<br>FY'24 Plan<br>100<br>sful and aim to |  |
| Re                    | Recovery of hair coloring<br>products sales through<br>promotion of high value-<br>added hair color |                   | organic hair o<br>educational a<br>• To boost sale | color brand, is incre<br>activities related to<br>es, we will enhance                                   | products, especially<br>easing due to intens<br>hair coloring produ<br>the branding of our<br>ed initiatives for bot          | ified sales and<br>cts.<br>hair coloring   |  |

## **Financial Results by Region: South Korea**

Overall performance has remained strong since the first half of the year, driven by steady growth in our mainstay hair coloring products and robust sales of haircare products, indicating that future growth is expected.

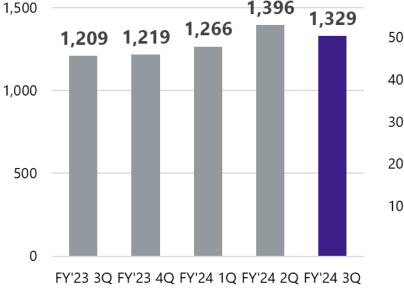
#### YoY Growth Rate of Sales by Product Category<sup>\*</sup>

Hair coloring product growth is recovering through trend-focused sales activities and new product launches. Haircare, with significant growth potential, has seen a steady increase in salons using our products.

| FY2    | 024   |
|--------|---|
| 3Q     | <b>3Q YTD</b>   |
| +23.6% | +19.3%  |
| +6.2%  | +4.0%   |
| +30.1% | +33.6%  |
| 3Q     | <b>3Q YTD</b>   |
| 23.8%  | 23.4%   |
| 70.3%  | 70.9%   |
| 4.9%   | 4.9%  |
|        | <b>3Q</b><br>+23.6%<br>+6.2%<br>+30.1%<br><b>3Q</b><br>23.8%<br>70.3% |

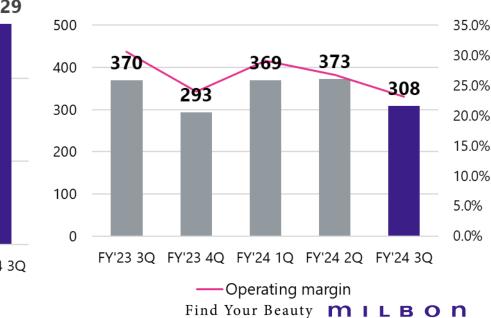
## **Quarterly Net Sales (mil. yen)**

In addition to the steady growth of hair coloring products, haircare and perm products are driving consistent sales increases.



#### **Quarterly Operating Income (mil. yen)**

Marketing expenses increased in the third quarter due to events aimed at attracting young hair stylists as fans.



\* Based on local currency

## **Financial Results by Region: China**

Despite the challenging market environment, including declining consumer confidence, our strong support for salons in adapting their operations to meet these changes has been very well received.

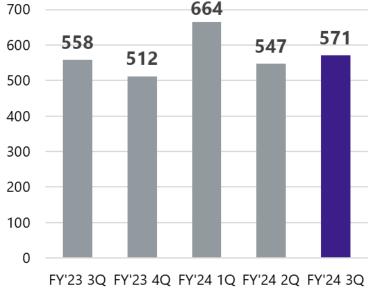
#### YoY Growth Rate of Sales by Product Category<sup>\*</sup>

The number of salons using our haircare products increased due to the popularity of our service plans tailored to match changes in consumer behavior. Conversely, hair coloring products were initially affected by a decline in salon customer coloring frequency but recovered slightly from Q2 onwards due to strengthened sales promotions.

|                 | FY2024 |               |  |  |  |
|-----------------|--------|---------------|--|--|--|
| Change in Sales | 3Q     | <b>3Q YTD</b> |  |  |  |
| Haircare        | +8.3%  | +3.7%         |  |  |  |
| Hair Coloring   | (9.1%) | (14.8%)       |  |  |  |
| % to Sales      | 3Q     | 3Q YTD        |  |  |  |
| Haircare        | 58.4%  | 58.5%         |  |  |  |
| Hair Coloring   | 36.3%  | 35.8%         |  |  |  |

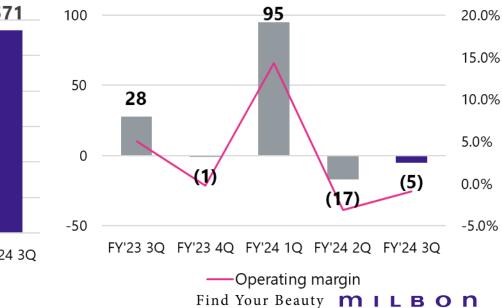
### **Quarterly Net Sales (mil. yen)**

Sales of FY'24 3Q remained flat compared to FY'23 3Q in local currency terms. However, due to the effect of foreign exchange, sales increased in yen terms.



# **Quarterly Operating Income (mil.** yen)

Losses narrowed from the second to the third quarter but persisted due to intensified sales promotions for hair coloring products.



\* Based on local currency

## **Financial Results by Region: USA**

Haircare product sales grew steadily. Although issues remain with hair coloring products, which is our focus area this year, we aim to steadily increase the number of salons that use our products through educational initiatives.

#### YoY Growth Rate of Sales by **Product Category**\*

Haircare sales continued to steadily grow. In September, we launched new tones for the Sophistone range to address the lack of color options. In the fourth guarter, we will boost our educational activities to encourage retention and increase repeat business in salons.

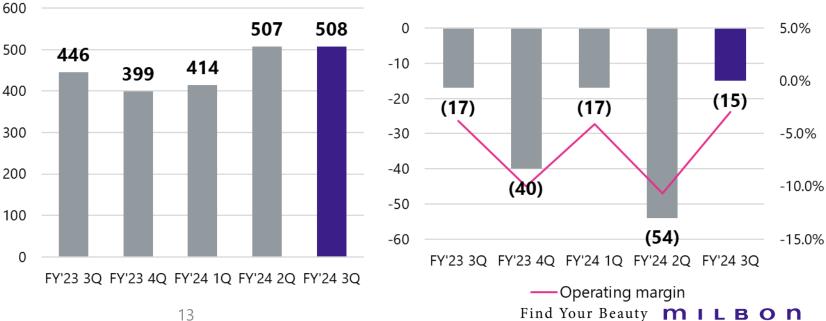
|                 | FY2024 |        |  |  |  |
|-----------------|--------|--------|--|--|--|
| Change in Sales | 3Q     | 3Q YTD |  |  |  |
| Haircare        | +12.7% | +7.9%  |  |  |  |
| Hair Coloring   | +3.2%  | +6.3%  |  |  |  |
| % to Sales      | 3Q     | 3Q YTD |  |  |  |
| Haircare        | 87.8%  | 85.9%  |  |  |  |
| Hair Coloring   | 7.1%   | 8.7%   |  |  |  |

#### Quarterly Net Sales (mil. yen)

Following our participation in a beauty trade fair in June, our strong haircare sales allowed us to achieve the top in-store share for one month with our largest distributor in LA. Our relationship with them continues to deepen.

#### **Quarterly Operating Income (mil. yen)**

Marketing expenses increased in the second quarter due to participation in a trade fair.



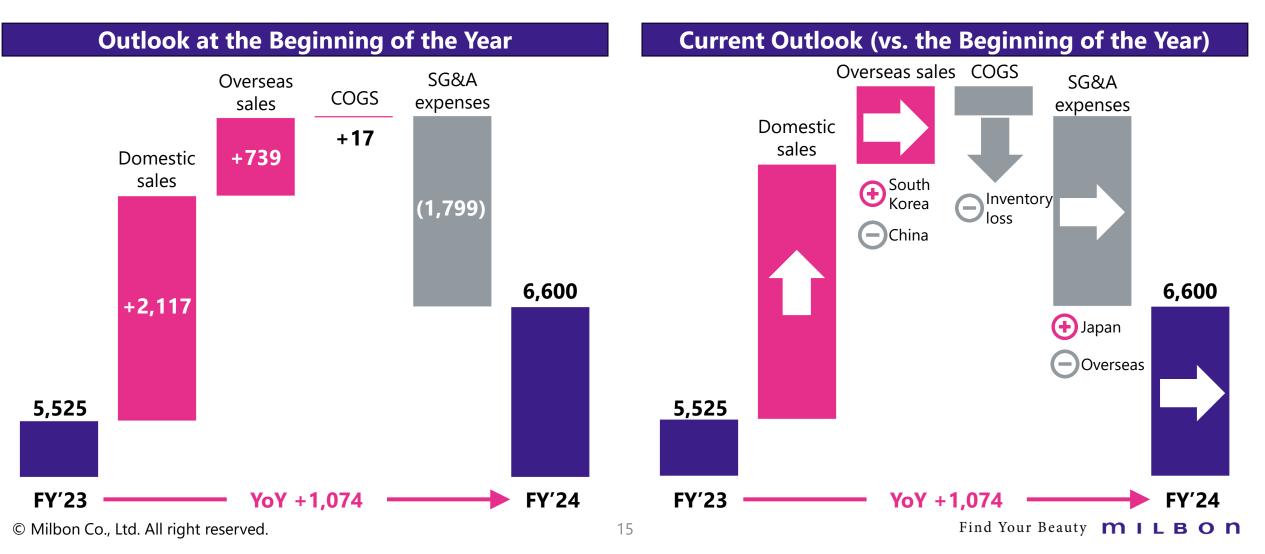
\* Based on local currency

## **Full-year Outlook by Region**

Domestic sales are expected to slightly exceed our plan due to strong haircare sales. Overseas sales should meet expectations as strong performance in South Korea and the weaker yen offset slower sales in China.

| Region      | s. Initial Plan  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Japan       | <ul> <li>Haircare (strong sales of new products and an increased number of salons using Aujua)</li> <li>Hair coloring(the market competition has intensified)</li> </ul> |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| South Korea | <ul> <li>Haircare (increased number of salons using Global Milbon and Aujua)</li> <li>The weaker yen</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| China       | <ul> <li>Deteriorating market environment(lower frequency of customer visits to salons)</li> <li>The weaker yen</li> </ul>   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| USA         | <ul> <li>The weaker yen</li> <li>Hair coloring(marketing initiatives with an influential hairstylist postponed to next year)</li> </ul>                                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

The full-year forecast remains unchanged. Despite an anticipated upswing in sales, operating income is expected to be in line with the plan due to potential inventory loss.



# Agenda

3

© Milbon Co., Ltd. All right reserved.

# 1. Consolidated Financial Results — P2

# 2. Financial Results by Region and Outlook — P7

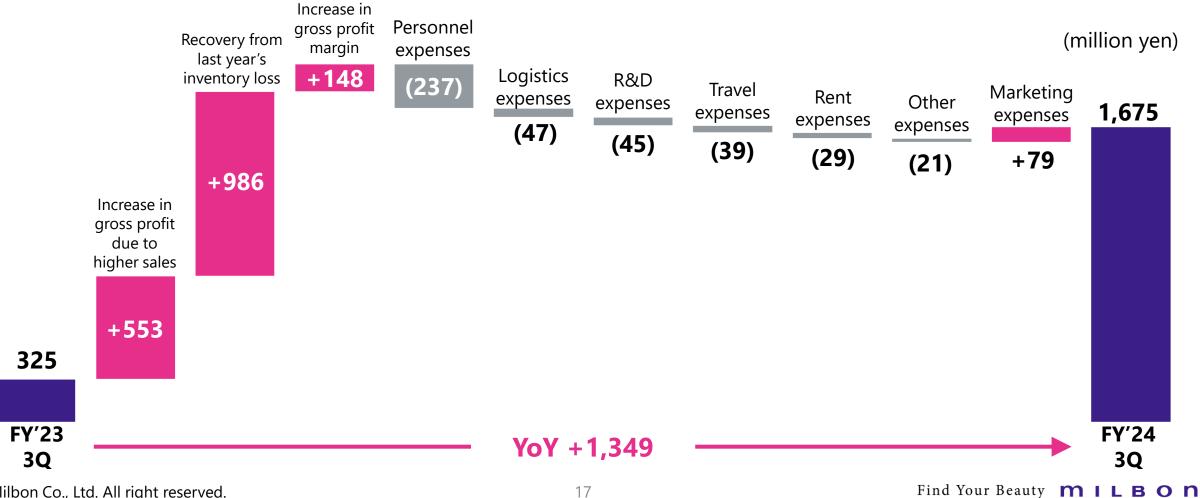
| • | Appendix  | P16 |
|---|---|-----|
|   | Factors Behind YoY Changes in Consolidated Operating Income (Quarterly<br>Basis)            | P17 |
|   | Factors Behind Changes Compared to the Consolidated Operating Income Plan (Quarterly Basis) | P18 |
|   | Consolidated Net Sales and Sales Ratio by Product Category ———                              | P19 |
|   | Status of Main Brands   | P20 |
|   | Sales Growth and Sales Ratio by Category in Japan and Overseas<br>(Local Currency Basis)    | P23 |
|   | Status of Inventory   | P25 |
|   | Status of Capital Expenditures, etc.  | P26 |
|   | The Number of Field Persons (FP)  | P27 |

4. Overview of Milbon-

**P28** 

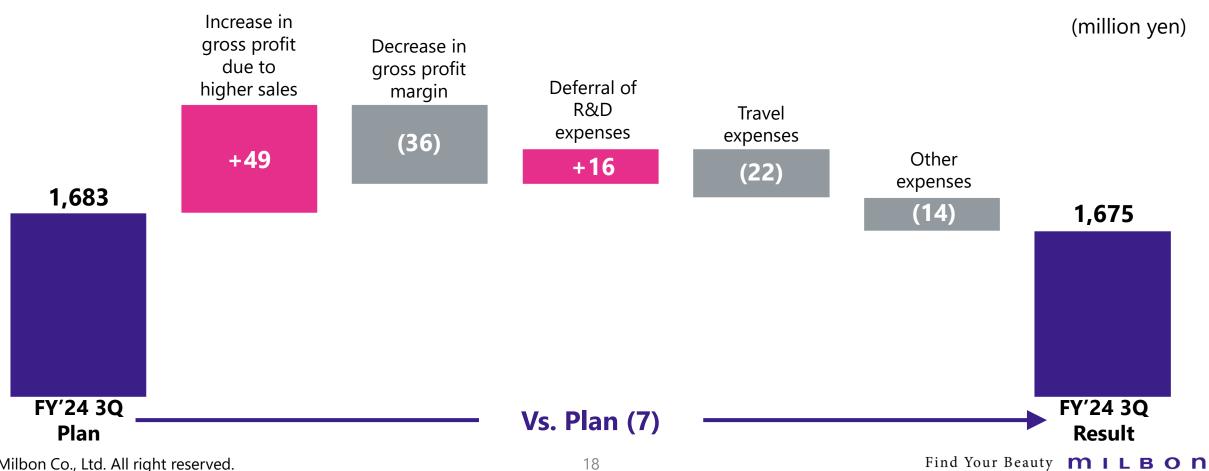
## **Factors Behind YoY Changes in Consolidated Operating Income (Quarterly Basis)**

## **Operating income increased significantly due to higher sales and the recovery from** the inventory loss recorded in the third quarter of last year.



## Factors Behind Changes Compared to the Consolidated Operating Income Plan (Quarterly Basis)

Operating income of the third quarter was generally in line with the plan.



# (Appendix) Consolidated Net Sales and Sales Ratio by Product Category

|                     |        |        | FY2023 |        |        |        |        | FY2024 |    |        |
|---------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----|--------|
| (Unit: million yen) | 1Q     | 2Q     | 3Q     | 4Q     | YTD    | 1Q     | 2Q     | 3Q     | 4Q | YTD    |
| Net Sales           | 10,340 | 12,362 | 11,446 | 13,612 | 47,762 | 11,508 | 13,017 | 12,467 |    | 36,993 |
| Haircare            | 5,969  | 7,370  | 6,593  | 8,421  | 28,355 | 6,670  | 8,012  | 7,560  |    | 22,243 |
| Hair Coloring       | 3,922  | 4,315  | 4,193  | 4,522  | 16,953 | 4,044  | 4,301  | 4,308  |    | 12,654 |
| Perm                | 301    | 413    | 369    | 380    | 1,463  | 350    | 448    | 348    |    | 1,148  |
| Cosmetics           | 126    | 140    | 154    | 149    | 571    | 369    | 197    | 151    |    | 717    |
| Others              | 20     | 123    | 136    | 137    | 418    | 73     | 57     | 97     |    | 228    |
| % to Sales          |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |    |        |
| Haircare            | 57.7%  | 59.6%  | 57.6%  | 61.9%  | 59.4%  | 58.0%  | 61.6%  | 60.6%  |    | 60.1%  |
| Hair Coloring       | 38.0%  | 34.9%  | 36.6%  | 33.2%  | 35.5%  | 35.1%  | 33.0%  | 34.6%  |    | 34.2%  |
| Perm                | 2.9%   | 3.4%   | 3.2%   | 2.8%   | 3.0%   | 3.1%   | 3.5%   | 2.8%   |    | 3.1%   |
| Cosmetics           | 1.2%   | 1.1%   | 1.4%   | 1.1%   | 1.2%   | 3.2%   | 1.5%   | 1.2%   |    | 2.0%   |
| Others              | 0.2%   | 1.0%   | 1.2%   | 1.0%   | 0.9%   | 0.6%   | 0.4%   | 0.8%   |    | 0.6%   |

#### Haircare - Aujua

Sales are strong, led by new scalp care product Presedia. The number of salons using our products continued to expand in Japan and South Korea.

|                  | FY2         | 023    | FY2   | 024           |
|------------------|-------------|--------|-------|---------------|
| (Unit: mil. yen) | 3Q          | 3Q YTD | 3Q    | <b>3Q YTD</b> |
| Gross Sales      | 2,524       | 7,523  | 2,854 | 8,290         |
| Japan            | 2,447       | 7,312  | 2,755 | 8,000         |
| South KR         | 76          | 211    | 99    | 290           |
| (Unit: salons)   | FY2         | 023    | FY2   | 024           |
| Salons           |             | 6,844  |       | 7,483         |
| Japan            | Japan 6,556 |        |       | 7,156         |
| South KR         |             | 288    |       | 327           |

#### **New Products**

#### Aujua Scalp Care Series Presedia (Debut on February 10)



## Haircare – Global Milbon

Brand growth is being propelled by our strong performance in overseas markets, especially in the USA.

|       | •  | FY2  | 024   |
|-------|--|--|---|
| 3Q    | 3Q YTD   | 3Q   | <b>3Q YTD</b>   |
| 1,579 | 4,510  | 1,799  | 5,121   |
| 807   | 2,371  | 836  | 2,416   |
| 391   | 1,030  | 458  | 1,272   |
| 130   | 351  | 155  | 461   |
| 59    | 159  | 76   | 215   |
| 189   | 597  | 272  | 755   |
| FY2   | 023  | FY2  | 024   |
|       | 13,381   |  | 21,186  |
|       | 10,188   |  | 10,694  |
|       | 0  |  | 6,357   |
|       | 430  |  | 753   |
|       | 1,022  |  | 1,324   |
|       | 1,741  | 2,058  |   |
|       | FY2<br>3Q<br>1,579<br>807<br>391<br>130<br>59<br>189 | FY2023         3Q       3Q YTD         1,579       4,510         807       2,371         391       1,030         391       1,030         130       351         59       159         189       597         FY2023         13,381         10,188       0         430       1,022 | 3Q       3Q YTD       3Q         1,579       4,510       1,799         807       2,371       836         391       1,030       458         130       351       155         59       159       76         189       597       272         FY2       FY2         13,381       10,188         10,188       430         1,022       1,022 |

\*Data for the number of salons in USA for the period from October to December in FY2023 became inaccessible due to the changeover of distributors, therefore, the figures of FY2023 displayed exclude USA.

\* Sales figures are based on shipment value. The number of the salons is calculated based on the past year's shipments for both Japan and overseas.

# (Appendix) Status of Main Brands - Hair Coloring Products

#### Hair coloring – Ordeve Addicthy

The competitive environment in Japan is intensifying. However, we are seeing signs of growth due to increased sales and educational initiatives in salons.

|                  | FY2   | 023    | FY2   | 024           |
|------------------|-------|--------|-------|---------------|
| (Unit: mil. yen) | 3Q    | 3Q YTD | 3Q    | <b>3Q YTD</b> |
| Gross Sales      | 1,655 | 4,994  | 1,731 | 4,904         |
| Japan            | 1,376 | 4,162  | 1,414 | 4,007         |
| Overseas         | 278   | 831    | 317   | 897           |

#### Hair coloring – Sophistone

Continued revenue growth due to strengthened sales and educational initiatives for distributors and salons in the USA.

|    | 024           |
|----|---------------|
| 3Q | <b>3Q YTD</b> |
| 42 | 133           |
|    |               |

## Hair coloring – Villa Lodola Color

The rollout in Hong Kong began in April. In Japan, sales and educational efforts by Field Persons were intensified from April, leading to an increase in salons using our products.

|                  | FY2        | 023    | FY2 | 024           |
|------------------|------------|--------|-----|---------------|
| (Unit: mil. yen) | 3 <b>Q</b> | 3Q YTD | 3Q  | <b>3Q YTD</b> |
| Gross Sales      | 269        | 778    | 322 | 867           |
| Japan            | 269        | 778    | 309 | 839           |
| Overseas         | 0          | 0      | 13  | 27            |
| (Unit: salons)   | FY2        | 023    | FY2 | 024           |
| Salons           |            | 9,702  |     | 11,777        |
| Japan            |            | 9,702  |     | 11,375        |
| Overseas         |            | 0      |     | 402           |

\* Sales figures are based on shipment value.

# (Appendix) Status of Main Brands - Cosmetics

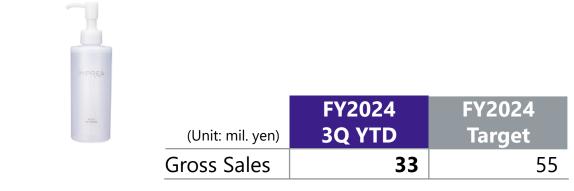
#### **Cosmetics – Imprea**

Sales decreased due to increased focus on cosmetics-related activities within IM brand.

|                  | FY2        | FY2023 FY2 |     |               |
|------------------|------------|------------|-----|---------------|
| (Unit: mil. yen) | 3 <b>Q</b> | 3Q YTD     | 3Q  | <b>3Q YTD</b> |
| Gross Sales      | 123        | 402        | 116 | 385           |
| (Unit: salons)   | FY2        | 023        | FY2 | 024           |
| Salons           |            | 1,970      |     | 2,071         |

#### **New Products**





## Cosmetics – IM

New color mascara products, promoted in conjunction with hair color, performed well and exceeded the annual plan.

|                  | FY2 | 023    | FY2 | 024           |
|------------------|-----|--------|-----|---------------|
| (Unit: mil. yen) | 3Q  | 3Q YTD | 3Q  | <b>3Q YTD</b> |
| Gross Sales      | 39  | 39     | 41  | 372           |

#### **New Products**

IM Brow & Lush Color Mascara (Debut on February 10)



\* Sales figures are based on shipment value. The number of the salons is calculated based on the past year's shipments for both Japan and overseas.

## (Appendix) Sales Growth and Sales Ratio by Category in Japan and Overseas (Local Currency Basis)

| lanan         |         |         | FY2023  |         |         |         |         | FY2024  |    |         |
|---------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----|---------|
| Japan         | 1Q      | 2Q      | 3Q      | 4Q      | YTD     | 1Q      | 2Q      | 3Q      | 4Q | YTD     |
| Net Sales     | +6.0%   | +0.7%   | +3.0%   | +3.1%   | +3.1%   | +9.3%   | +5.0%   | +7.7%   |    | +7.2%   |
| Haircare      | +9.5%   | +2.9%   | +4.0%   | +4.6%   | +4.9%   | +9.1%   | +8.9%   | +13.4%  |    | +10.5%  |
| Hair Coloring | +1.9%   | (3.5%)  | (1.6%)  | +0.3%   | (0.8%)  | +0.8%   | (0.5%)  | +1.1%   |    | +0.5%   |
| Perm          | (6.5%)  | (17.1%) | +7.6%   | (7.0%)  | (7.0%)  | +2.9%   | +10.4%  | (11.0%) |    | +1.1%   |
| Cosmetics     | (4.2%)  | +18.4%  | +25.5%  | (12.7%) | +4.8%   | +197.6% | +40.4%  | (2.5%)  |    | +71.4%  |
| Others        | (13.2%) | +133.3% | +150.8% | +102.1% | +104.8% | +60.8%  | (35.0%) | (53.9%) |    | (34.6%) |
| % to Sales    |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |    |         |
| Haircare      | 61.2%   | 63.0%   | 61.0%   | 65.5%   | 62.9%   | 61.2%   | 64.7%   | 64.3%   |    | 63.5%   |
| Hair Coloring | 34.7%   | 31.8%   | 33.5%   | 30.3%   | 32.4%   | 32.1%   | 29.9%   | 31.5%   |    | 31.1%   |
| Perm          | 2.3%    | 3.0%    | 2.8%    | 2.0%    | 2.5%    | 2.2%    | 3.1%    | 2.3%    |    | 2.6%    |
| Cosmetics     | 1.5%    | 1.3%    | 1.6%    | 1.3%    | 1.4%    | 4.1%    | 1.8%    | 1.5%    |    | 2.4%    |
| Others        | 0.3%    | 1.0%    | 1.1%    | 0.9%    | 0.8%    | 0.4%    | 0.5%    | 0.4%    |    | 0.4%    |
|               |         |         | FY2023  |         |         |         | _       | FY2024  |    |         |
| South Korea   | 1Q      | 2Q      | 3Q      | 4Q      | YTD     | 1Q      | 2Q      | 3Q      | 4Q | YTD     |
| Net Sales     | +10.9%  | +4.8%   | +1.2%   | +13.7%  | +7.4%   | +6.5%   | +8.4%   | +11.2%  |    | +8.7%   |
| Haircare      | +14.4%  | +13.5%  | +1.1%   | +29.0%  | +13.9%  | +20.1%  | +14.5%  | +23.6%  |    | +19.3%  |
| Hair Coloring | +9.2%   | +1.4%   | (0.0%)  | +7.5%   | +4.3%   | +1.1%   | +4.6%   | +6.2%   |    | +4.0%   |
| Perm          | +28.0%  | +28.1%  | +18.2%  | +59.1%  | +32.4%  | +33.6%  | +37.5%  | +30.1%  |    | +33.6%  |
| % to Sales    |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |    |         |
| Haircare      | 20.7%   | 21.7%   | 21.4%   | 23.3%   | 21.8%   | 23.3%   | 23.0%   | 23.8%   |    | 23.4%   |
| Hair Coloring | 74.9%   | 73.9%   | 73.6%   | 71.6%   | 73.5%   | 71.1%   | 71.3%   | 70.3%   |    | 70.9%   |
| Perm          | 4.0%    | 3.8%    | 4.2%    | 4.6%    | 4.1%    | 5.0%    | 4.8%    | 4.9%    |    | 4.9%    |
| Others        | 0.4%    | 0.6%    | 0.8%    | 0.5%    | 0.6%    | 0.6%    | 0.9%    | 1.0%    |    | 0.8%    |

 $^{*}$  The figures for Japan are based on shipment value. The overseas figure are based on local currency.  $\hfillion$  Milbon Co., Ltd. All right reserved.  $\hfillion$ 

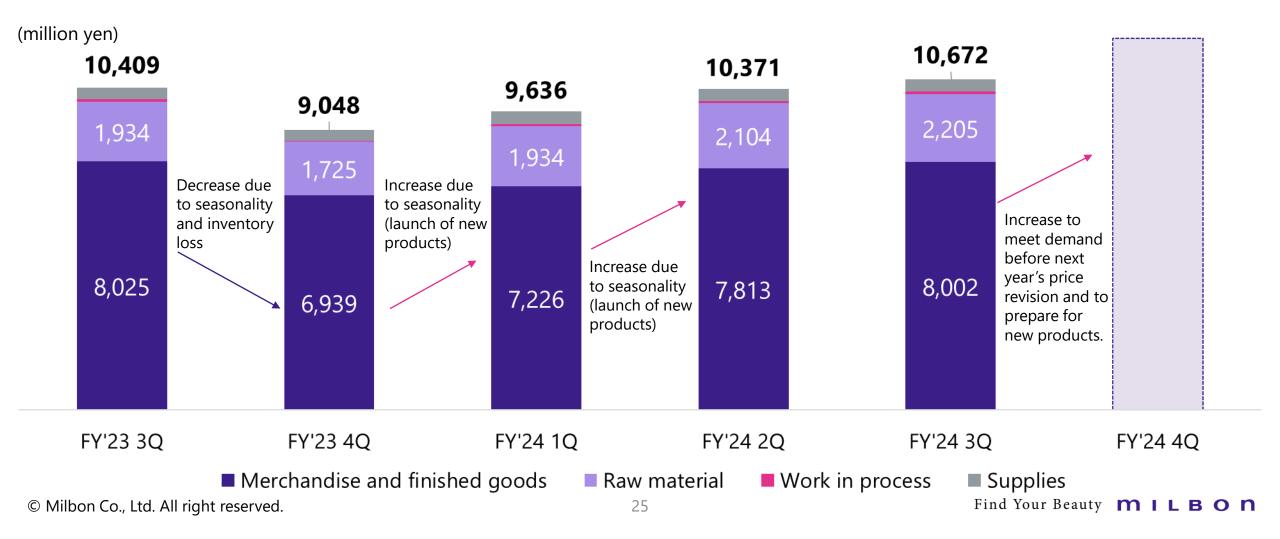
## (Appendix) Sales Growth and Sales Ratio by Category in Japan and Overseas (Local Currency Basis)

| China         |         |        | FY2023 |        |        | FY2024 |         |            |    |         |
|---------------|---------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|------------|----|---------|
| China         | 1Q      | 2Q     | 3Q     | 4Q     | YTD    | 1Q     | 2Q      | 3 <b>Q</b> | 4Q | YTD     |
| Net Sales     | (2.7%)  | +22.4% | (6.1%) | +5.8%  | +3.8%  | +4.3%  | (16.5%) | +0.0%      |    | (4.1%)  |
| Haircare      | +11.0%  | +35.7% | (7.3%) | +15.9% | +12.0% | +6.2%  | (3.3%)  | +8.3%      |    | +3.7%   |
| Hair Coloring | (14.0%) | +8.4%  | (5.2%) | (8.5%) | (5.1%) | (0.6%) | (33.7%) | (9.1%)     |    | (14.8%) |
| Perm          | (23.5%) | +25.8% | +0.4%  | (0.7%) | (3.8%) | +19.0% | (14.5%) | (13.8%)    |    | (2.1%)  |
| % to Sales    |         |        |        |        |        |        |         |            |    |         |
| Haircare      | 54.8%   | 53.5%  | 53.9%  | 61.9%  | 55.8%  | 55.8%  | 62.0%   | 58.4%      |    | 58.5%   |
| Hair Coloring | 39.3%   | 41.7%  | 40.0%  | 31.7%  | 38.4%  | 37.5%  | 33.1%   | 36.3%      |    | 35.8%   |
| Perm          | 5.9%    | 4.8%   | 6.1%   | 6.4%   | 5.8%   | 6.7%   | 5.0%    | 5.3%       |    | 5.7%    |
| Others        | 0.0%    | 0.0%   | 0.0%   | 0.0%   | 0.0%   | 0.0%   | 0.0%    | 0.0%       |    | 0.0%    |

|               |        |        | FY2023     |         |        |         |         | FY2024     |    |         |
|---------------|--------|--------|------------|---------|--------|---------|---------|------------|----|---------|
| USA           | 1Q     | 2Q     | 3 <b>Q</b> | 4Q      | YTD    | 1Q      | 2Q      | 3 <b>Q</b> | 4Q | YTD     |
| Net Sales     | +13.5% | +19.3% | +56.0%     | (15.9%) | +13.9% | +8.5%   | +2.2%   | +12.0%     |    | +7.5%   |
| Haircare      | +15.5% | +18.1% | +64.9%     | (15.2%) | +15.7% | +6.0%   | +4.8%   | +12.7%     |    | +7.9%   |
| Hair Coloring | +10.6% | +27.0% | +59.8%     | (4.5%)  | +18.8% | +25.9%  | (6.2%)  | +3.2%      |    | +6.3%   |
| Perm          | (1.5%) | +26.4% | +25.7%     | (31.8%) | +1.0%  | (19.6%) | (21.3%) | (8.7%)     |    | (17.2%) |
| % to Sales    |        |        |            |         |        |         |         |            |    |         |
| Haircare      | 85.7%  | 83.8%  | 87.3%      | 85.6%   | 85.6%  | 83.7%   | 85.9%   | 87.8%      |    | 85.9%   |
| Hair Coloring | 9.1%   | 9.7%   | 7.8%       | 9.6%    | 9.0%   | 10.6%   | 8.9%    | 7.1%       |    | 8.8%    |
| Perm          | 4.2%   | 4.8%   | 3.3%       | 3.6%    | 4.0%   | 3.1%    | 3.7%    | 2.7%       |    | 3.2%    |
| Others        | 1.0%   | 1.7%   | 1.6%       | 1.2%    | 1.4%   | 2.6%    | 1.5%    | 2.4%       |    | 2.1%    |

# (Appendix) Status of Inventory

Inventory tends to increase in the first half of the year due to the launch of many new products. Towards the end of the year, inventory levels are expected to temporarily rise to meet the increased demand before next year's price revision.



# (Appendix) Status of Capital Expenditures, etc.

| (U                           | nit: million yen) | FY2020 | FY2021 | FY2022 | FY2023 | FY2024<br>3Q YTD | FY2024<br>Plan |
|------------------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------------------|----------------|
| Capital Expe                 | nditures          | 1,917  | 4,644  | 4,097  | 3,151  | 1,982            | 4,258          |
| Depreciation<br>Amortization |                   | 1,562  | 1,777  | 2,026  | 2,213  | 1,693            | 2,404          |
|                              | Amount            | 1,581  | 1,741  | 2,074  | 2,334  | 1,788            | 2,649          |
| R&D exp.                     | % to Sales        | 4.4    | 4.2    | 4.6    | 4.9    | 4.8              | 5.2            |

#### FY2024 CAPEX Main Items

© Milbon Co., Ltd. All right reserved.

| Sales offices, studios              | <ul> <li>Establishment and maintenance<br/>of business locations<br/>(Expansion of Seoul Office)</li> </ul> | Digital | <ul><li>milbon:iD</li><li>Education:il</li></ul> |
|-------------------------------------|---|---------|--|
|                                     | <ul> <li>HR Development Center</li> </ul>   |         | Smart Salor                                      |
| Production system                   | Technical Center  | Others  | Marketing)<br>• Internal infr                    |
|                                     | <ul> <li>Yumegaoka Factory<br/>(Machinery and equipment)</li> <li>Thailand Factory (Machinery</li> </ul>    |         | Production                                       |
| ilbon Co., Ltd. All right reserved. | and equipment) 26   |         | Find Your Beauty                                 |

- :iD
- on (Digital
- frastructure
- n equipment

## The number of FPs increased moderately in each country.

## The Number of FPs by Country

Upper column: Average number of FPs during the period (persons) Lower column: Net sales per FP (million yen)

|             | FY2021 | FY2022 | FY2023 | FY2024 |
|-------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Japan       | 328.2  | 335.4  | 350.2  | 362.8  |
|             | 102    | 105    | 104    |        |
| South Korea | 26.0   | 32.8   | 33.4   | 33.3   |
|             | 130    | 126    | 141    |        |
| China       | 29.8   | 31.6   | 34.3   | 34.0   |
|             | 72     | 66     | 65     |        |
| USA         | 13.2   | 13.0   | 13.2   | 15.5   |
|             | 68     | 102    | 123    |        |
| Other*      | 36.0   | 36.2   | 38.2   | 42.3   |
|             | 41     | 63     | 70     |        |

## **FP Recruitment and Training Status in Japan**

44 FPs joined in April 2024 and are currently onsite OJT

10 FPs joined in October 2024 and are in training

(The above 54 FPs are not included in the left chart.)

\*Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Turkey, Indonesia, Philippines, Singapore, Germany

# Agenda

# 1. Consolidated Financial Results — P2

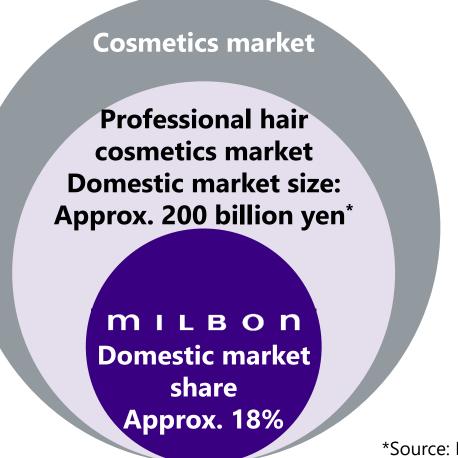
- 2. Financial Results by Region and Outlook P7
- 3. Appendix P16

4. Overview of Milbon-

**P28** 

## (Appendix) Overview of Milbon

# Milbon is a cosmetics manufacturer that produces and sells haircare products including treatments and hair coloring products exclusively to hair salons.



\*Source: Fuji Keizai(2023) haircare products only

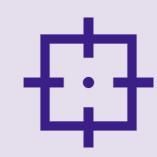
# (Appendix) Overview of Milbon: Business Model

We have established solid trust with hair salons by offering our products and services that contribute to enhance their sales and profits.



\*We sale product directly to hair salons in some overseas area. © Milbon Co., Ltd. All right reserved.

## (Appendix) Overview of Milbon: Three Key Points of Our Business Model



# **Consistent focus on hair salons and hair stylists**

Since our founding in 1960, we have sustained continuous growth by steadfastly narrowing our business focus to hair salons, with the strategy of increasing sales and profits of hair salons at the forefront of all its initiatives.



## Field Person (FP) System – Sales and educational support to hair salons

This is our unique sales and education system that contributes to greater sales and profit for hair salons. Our Field Person (FP), who acquire beauty techniques through an intensive 9-month training program after joining the company, identifies areas for improvement for each hair salon. FPs support these salons by providing not just products, but also additional value through associated beauty techniques.

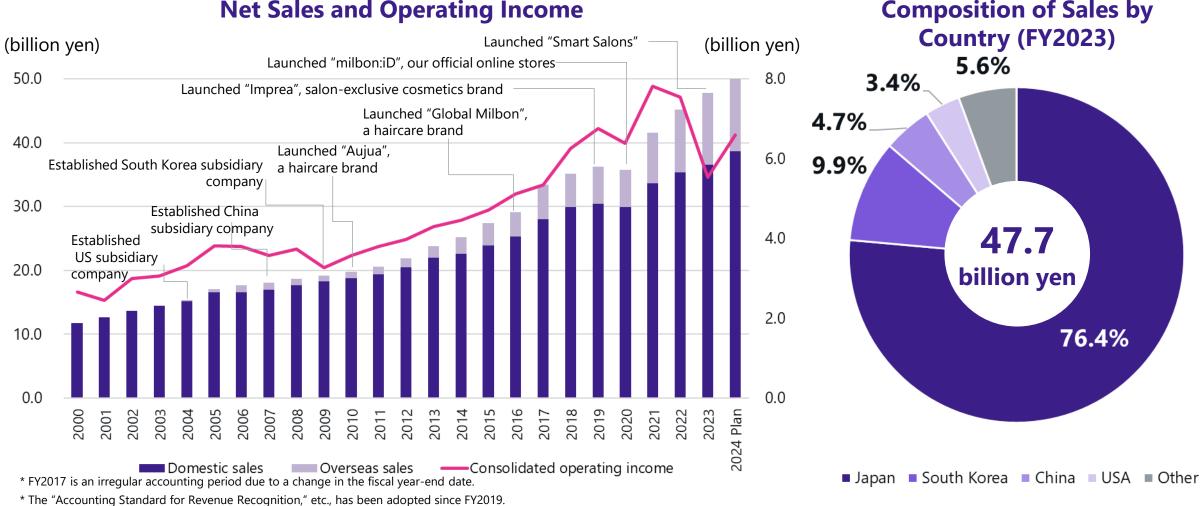


## **TAC Product Development System –** Standardization of top-class hair stylist's technique

This system seeks out hair stylists with exceptional skills and knowledge, encourages the sharing of their expertise and techniques, and enables our researchers to scientifically decode this knowledge for product development. We aim to commercialize sophisticated beauty techniques in a way that can be broadly replicated across general hair salons.

# (Appendix) Overview of Milbon: Our Growth Trajectory

## Steady growth through business expansion in Japan and overseas

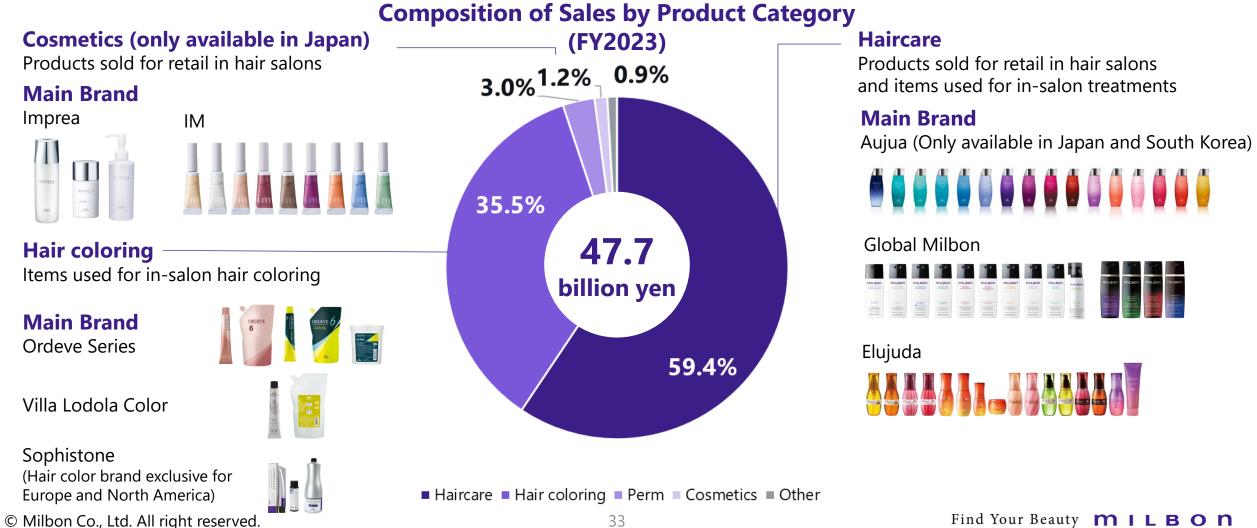


© Milbon Co., Ltd. All right reserved.

32

# (Appendix) Overview of Milbon: Our Main Products

## Haircare and hair coloring products are the mainstay of our sales. In recent years, we have expanded our business to include cosmetics, etc.



## (Appendix) Overview of Milbon: Domestic Hair Salon Market Conditions

## Hair salons have the potential for further growth despite the mediumto long term decrease in the number of customers due to declining birth rate and aging population.

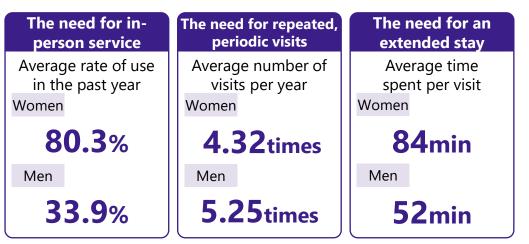
#### **Challenges and Growth of Aging Population with Low Fertility**

Although the number of customers at hair salons is expected to decrease over the medium to long term, the promotion of premium-priced services and retail products is expected to drive further improvements in salon productivity and customer spend.

| Number   | Anticipated to decrease    | Number    |  |
|----------|----------------------------|-----------|--|
| of staff | over the mid to long term  | of        |  |
| OI Stall | due to declining birthrate | customers |  |

#### **Community Characteristics Unique to Salons**

A visit to a hair salon is necessary to receive its services. Additionally, hair salons hold a place as an indispensable part of people's lives.

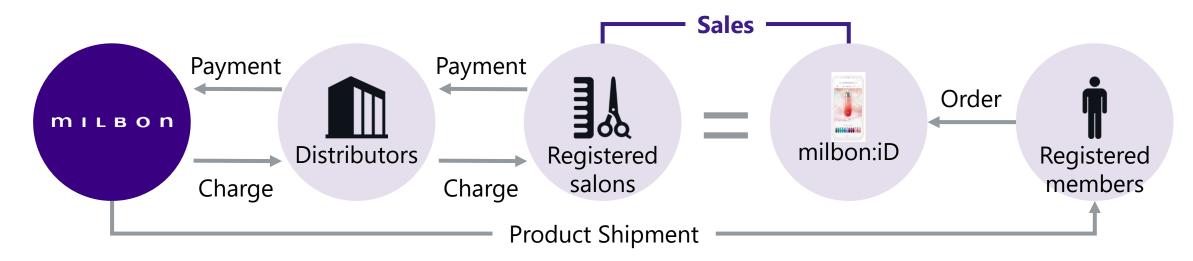


Source: Beauty Industry Census, First Half of FY2023 (Hair Salons), Recruit Co., Ltd.

## (Appendix) Overview of Milbon: Our Recent Initiatives in Japan, milbon:iD

We launched milbon:iD, an EC platform, in 2020 to support productivity enhancement of hair salons. This platform allows salon customers to purchase retail products online.

#### How milbon:iD Works – Revenue is attributed to salons in the BtoBtoC sales channel



#### Progress of milbon:iD (as of the end of FY2023)

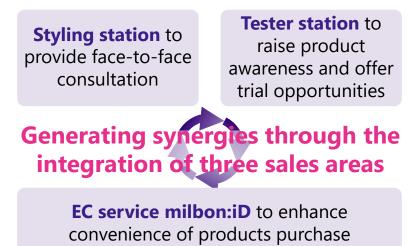
Number of registered salonsNumber of registered membersEC sales (Gross sales)5,930670,0001,640 million yen

## (Appendix) Overview of Milbon: Our Recent Initiatives in Japan, Two Major Strategies

# We aim to maximize the inherent value of hair salons, which enables frequent and extended in-person visits, by enhancing our Smart Salon concept and broadening the range of products available for in-salon purchase.

#### Smart Salon Strategy – Enhancing the Salon Customer Experience

The Smart Salon system is implemented in hair salons that have embraced the concept. It aims to enhance salon productivity by eliminating the challenges customers face when purchasing retail products.



See our corporate website for more details.: https://www.milbon.com/en/ir/management/business.html

## Lifetime Beauty Care Strategy – Broadening the Range of Products

We collaborate with other companies to extend salon services and product sales beyond haircare to include skincare and beauty health care.

#### Cosmetics (Collaborated with KOSÉ)



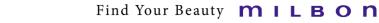


**Beauty Supplements** 



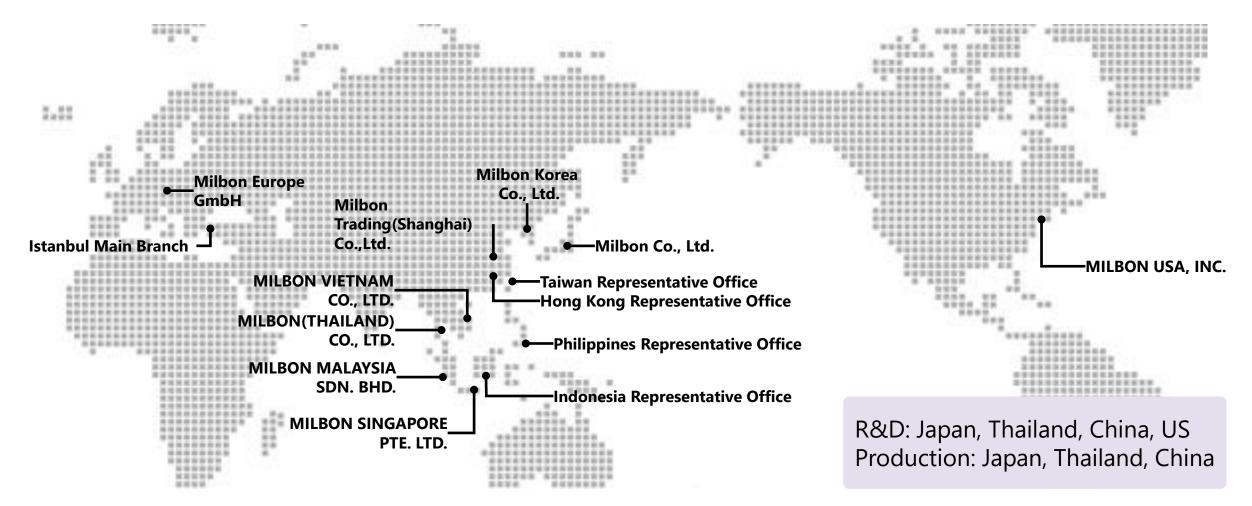
ELMISTA

#### Beauty Equipment (Collaborated with Panasonic)



## (Appendix) Overview of Milbon: Status of Overseas Expansion

We conduct business across 14 countries and regions, and have recently expanded our international bases for R&D as well as production.



## (Appendix) Overview of Milbon: Our Three Major Overseas Countries

## Three major countries, South Korea, China, and the USA account for nearly 80% of overseas sales

#### South Korea

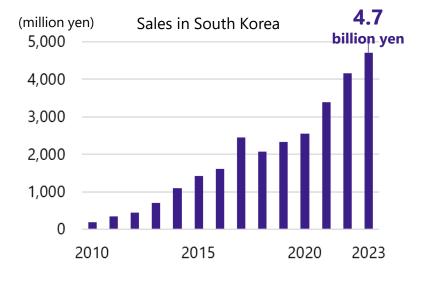
Our educational initiatives focused on hair coloring are highly regarded, contributing to a strong market presence in South Korea. In recent years, we have been strengthening our haircare business, working to transform ourselves into a comprehensive manufacturer.

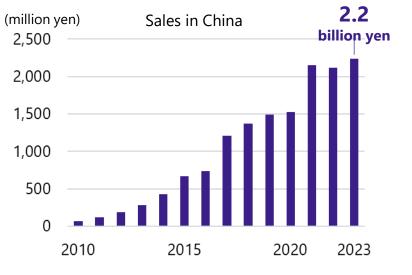
#### China

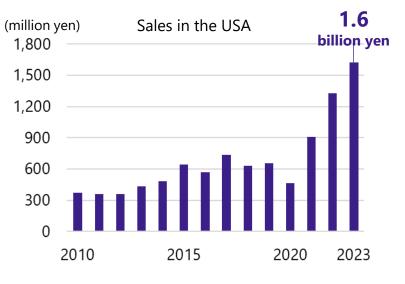
Subsequent to COVID-19, activities for hair salons have gained traction amid market changes, such as decreased frequency of customer visits to salons, leading to a sustained increase in our sales. The local factory commenced operations in 2022.

#### USA

We have enjoyed rapid growth triggered by launch of the Global Milbon haircare line and shift in sales structure (from direct sales to distributor ship). With the launch of hair coloring products exclusive for the European and North American markets, further growth is anticipated.





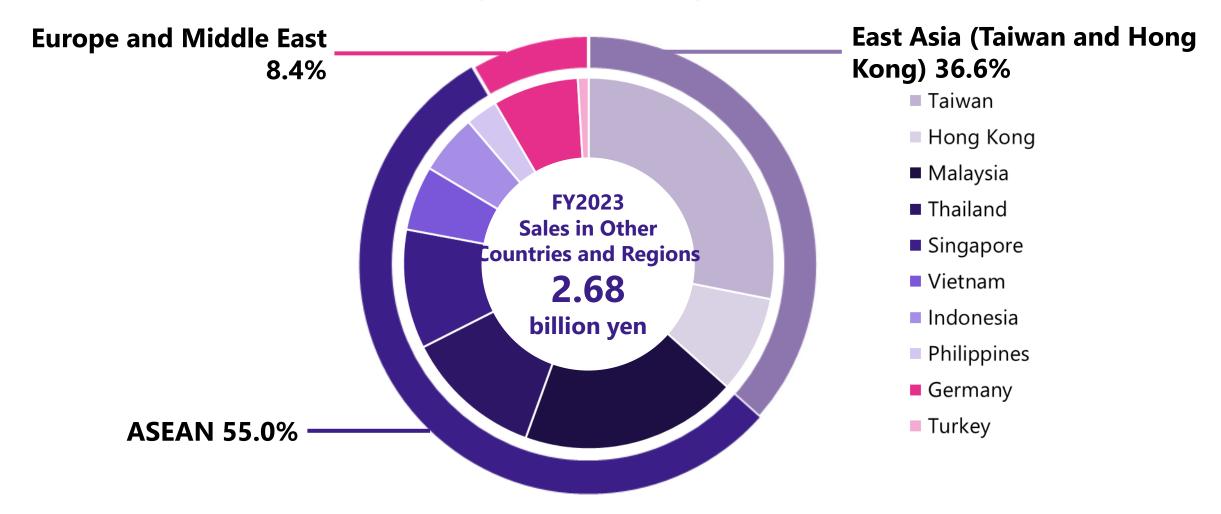


© Milbon Co., Ltd. All right reserved.

#### Find Your Beauty **MILBON**

## (Appendix) Overview of Milbon: Other Countries and Regions

Our sales are particularly significant in East Asia and ASEAN, and we have recently expanded into Europe.

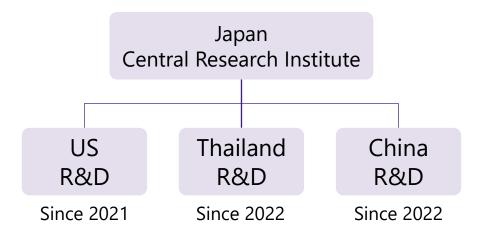


## (Appendix) Overview of Milbon: Our Global R&D and Production

# We aim to minimize geopolitical risks and to align ourselves with the diverse values of beauty unique to each locality, by establishing R&D and production systems in each region.

R&D— Collaboration Among our Four Global R&D Bases

Through collaboration with R&D bases in each country, we aim to develop global products that captures beauty needs shared worldwide, as well as localized products tailored to each country and region's unique climate, beauty customs, and laws and regulations.



#### Production – Collaboration Among our Three Global Factories

We respond flexibly to regulatory and trade risks and ensure stable supply both domestically and internationally through collaboration among factories in each country.



Japan: Yumegaoka Factory Products for Japan and overseas



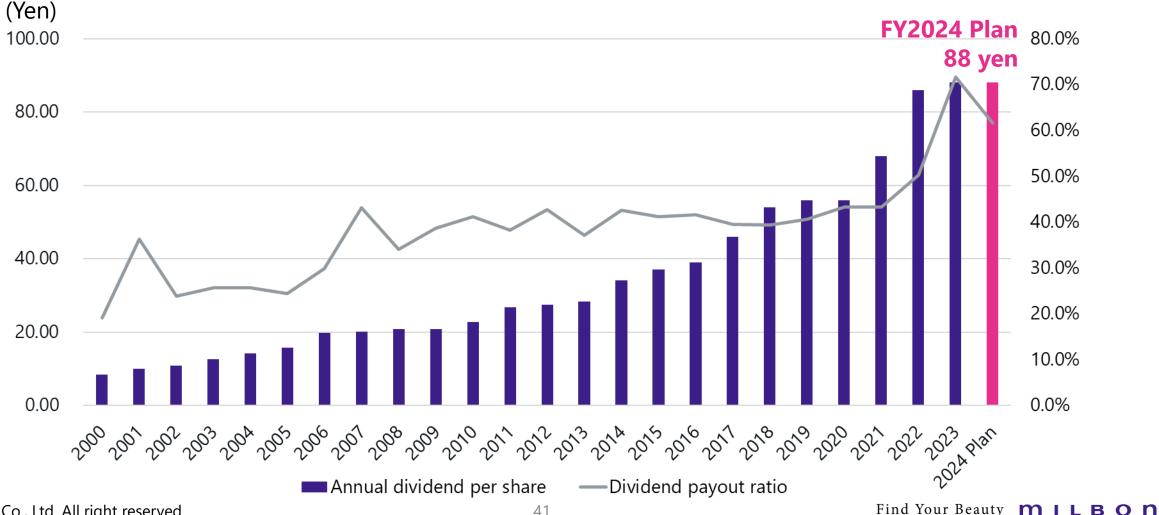
Thailand Factory Products for overseas



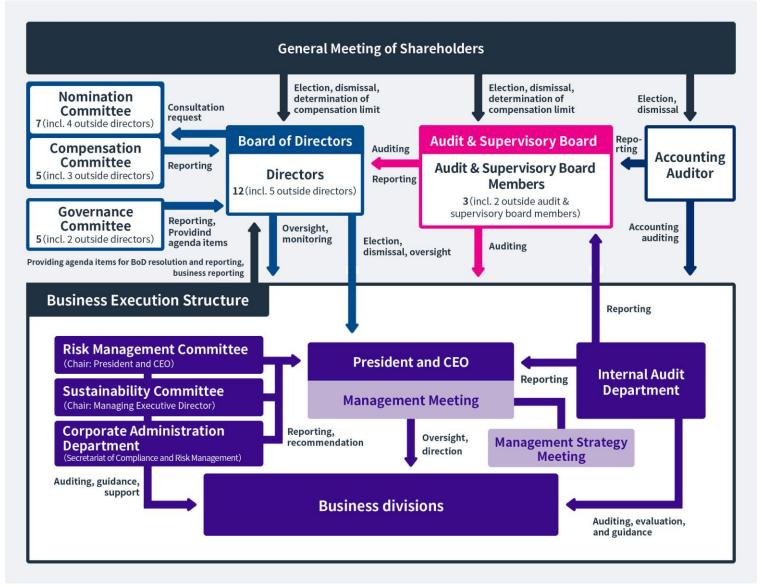
China Factory Products for Greater China Find Your Beauty **MILBON** 

## (Appendix) Overview of Milbon: Shareholder Returns

## We have set a dividend payout ratio target of 50% from FY2022, aiming for steady and continuous shareholder returns.



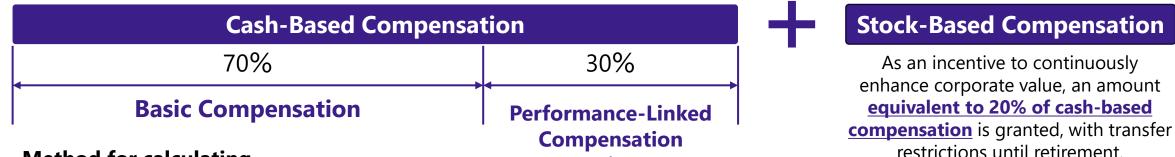
## (Appendix) Overview of Milbon: Corporate Governance Structure



See our Integrated Report for more details : <u>https://www.milbon.com/en/ir/library/report.html</u>

# **Appendix Overview of Milbon: Compensation for Board Members**

Compensation for board directors (excluding external board directors) shall consist of cash and stock-based compensation as an incentive to continuously increase corporate value, in order to encourage each board director to perform their duties with an awareness of business performance and sustainable improvement of corporate value.



# Method for calculating performance-linked compensation

1. Calculating the percentage of achievements of targets

It is calculated by applying a weighted average to the percentage of full-year targets achieved for each performance metric, based on their respective weighting ratios.

| Performance Metric | <b>Consolidated Net Sales</b> | Consolidated Operating Income | Consolidated Profit Attributable<br>to Owners of Parent |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Weighting          | 40%                           | 50%                           | 10%   |

Performance-linked coefficient × Standard amount
 The performance-linked compensation amount is determined by multiplying the performance-linked coefficient, based on the achievement
 percentage, by the standard amount corresponding to the director's position.

| Achievement of<br>Targets          | ≧120% | <120%≧115% | <115%≧110% | <110%≧105% | <105%≧100% | <100%≧95% | <95%≧90% | < <b>90</b> % |
|------------------------------------|-------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|---------------|
| Performance-<br>linked coefficient | 200%  | 175%       | 150%       | 125%       | 100%       | 80%       | 50%      | 0%            |

See our Integrated Report for more details : <u>https://www.milbon.com/en/ir/library/report.html</u> © Milbon Co., Ltd. All right reserved.

#### ESG investment index to be selected



: <u>https://www.lseg.com/en/ftse-russell/indices/blossom-japan</u>

#### **External assessments**



THE INCLUSION OF MIlbon Co., Ltd. IN ANY MSCI INDEX, AND THE USE OF MSCI LOGOS, TRADEMARKS, SERVICE MARKS OR INDEX NAMES HEREIN, DO NOT CONSTITUTE A SPONSORSHIP, ENDORSEMENT OR PROMOTION OF MIlbon Co., Ltd. BY MSCI OR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES. THE MSCI INDEXES ARE THE EXCLUSIVE PROPERTY OF MSCI. MSCI AND THE MSCI INDEX NAMES AND LOGOS ARE TRADEMARKS OR SERVICE MARKS OF MSCI OR ITS AFFILIATES.





#### Disclaimer

With respect to the business forecasts included in this document, any statement that is not historical fact is a forward-looking statement based on information available and certain premises that are judged to be rational at the time of the announcement. Please be aware that actual results may differ from any forwardlooking statements due to risks, uncertainties, and a number of other factors.