



NSG Group Overview and Results to 31 March 2008

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NSG Group Year End Results

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- Financial Results
- Business Update
- Synergies and EERP
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Key Points

- Full year shows sustained improvement in Group sales and profits
- Strong performance in Europe in both BP and Automotive
- Net debt reduction ahead of schedule
- Organizational integration and changes continue
- Preparations for Phase 2 underway
- Significant cost push in FY09 reducing margins short term.



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Consolidated Income Statement

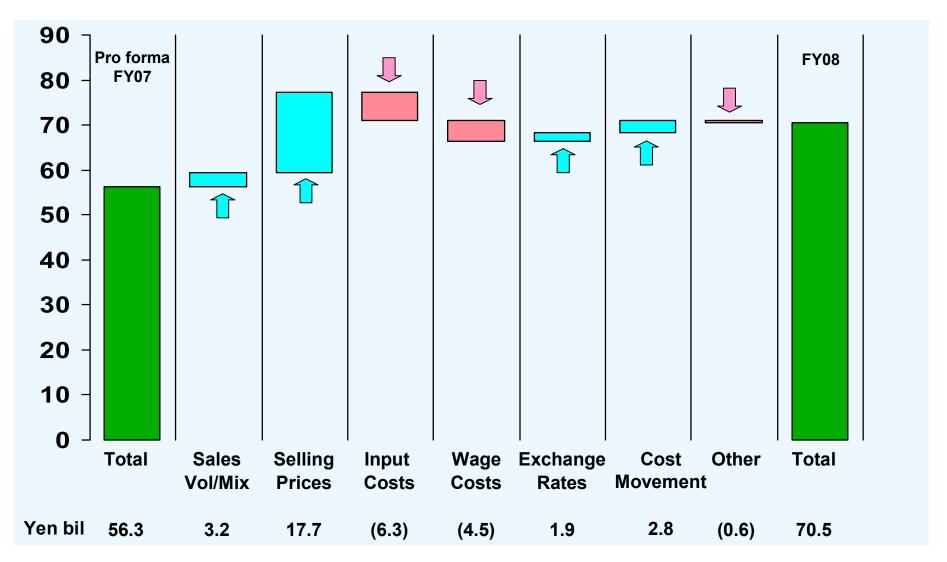
Consolidated Income Statement

(JPY bil)	<u>FY08</u>	<u>FY07</u>	<u>FY07</u> (Proforma)	Change from FY07
Sales	865.6	681.5	829.9	27%
Op.Income before amortization*	70.5	43.3	56.3	63%
Amortization	(24.0)	(19.5)	(25.6)	23%
Operating Income	46.5	23.8	30.7	95%
Non-operating items	(16.1)	(15.8)		
Ordinary income	30.4	8.0	<u>-</u>	280%
Extraordinary items	31.9	30.1	-	
Pre-tax Income	62.3	38.1		64%
Net Income	50.4	12.1		317%
EBITDA	120.4	83.5	= :	44%

^{*}Before amortization arising from the acquisition of Pilkington plc



Operating Income Change Analysis





Non-operating Items

Interest & dividend income
Share of profits of joint ventures and associates
Other income
Interest expenses
Other expenses

FY08 (JPY bil)	FY07 (JPY bil)
9.7	6.5
10.3	2.4
1.8	6.6
(25.5)	(23.1)
(12.4)	(8.2)
(16.1)	(15.8)



Extraordinary Items

	FY08	FY07
	(JPY bil)	(JPY bil)
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Gain from sale of securities	13.4	44.8
Gain from sale of discontinued operations	30.8	0.1
Gain on disposal of fixed assets	2.7	3.7
Acquisition expenses	-	(10.5)
Write-off / impairment of assets and investments	(6.0)	(9.6)
Provision for enhanced early retirement plan	(12.5)	0.0
Others	3.5	1.6
	31.9	30.1



Consolidated Balance Sheet

FY08	FY07	Change		FY08	FY07	Change
(JPY bil)	(JPY bil)	(JPY bil)		(JPY bil)	(JPY bil)	(JPY bil)
			<u>Liabilities</u>			
128	161	(33)	Notes and account payables - trade	99	98	1
146	149	(3)	Loans (including corporate bonds)	456	561	(105)
119	113	6	Other liabilities	392	399	(7)
29	43	(14)	Liabilities	947	1,058	(111)
422	466	(44)	Net assets	372	351	21
375	397	(22)	Common stock	96	96	0
353	399	(46)	Capital surplus	105	105	0
100	127	(27)	Retained earnings	152	106	46
69	20	49	Treasury stock	(1)	0	(1)
897	943	(46)	Shareholders equity	352	307	45
			Valuation and translation adjustments	5	30	(25)
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1,319	1,409	(90)	Total liabilities and net assets	1,319	1,409	(90)
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Consolidated Cash Flow Summary

	FY08 (JPY bil)	FY07 (JPY bil)	Change (JPY bil)
Income before income taxes and minority interests	62	38	24
Depreciation, amortization and impairment	76	60	16
(Decrease)/increase in working capital	(4)	15	(19)
Others, including tax and interest paid	(85)	(38)	(47)
Net cash provided by operating activities	49	75	(26)
Purchase of fixed assets	(47)	(49)	2
Others, including acquisitions and disposals	76	(248)	324
Net cash provide by (used in) investing activities	29	(298)	327
Net (decrease)/increase in borrowings	(78)	194	(272)
Cash dividends paid	(4)	(3)	`(1) [´]
Others, net	(2)	(1)	(1)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(84)	190	(274)
Cash and cash equivalents at start of period	160	179	(19)
Decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(5)	(32)	27
Effect of exchange rate on cash and cash equivalents	(13)	13	(26)
Decrease due to change in scope of cash & cash	,		,
equivalents on consolidation	(39)		(39)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	103	160	(57)



Key Performance Indicators

	<u>FY08</u>	<u>FY07</u>
Net Debt (JPY bil)	328	400
Net Debt / EBITDA	2.7x	-
Net Debt/Equity Ratio	0.88	1.14
EBITDA Interest Cover	6.9x	-
Operating Return on Sales*	8.1%	6.4%

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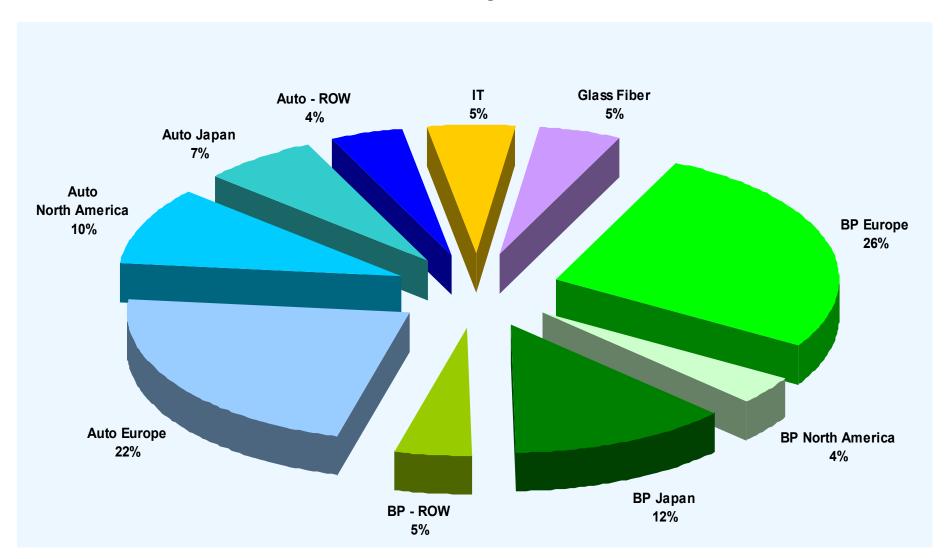


NSG Group Summary

- A global glass leader greatest focus on Flat Glass of all industry majors
- Ownership/interests in 51 float lines (6.4 million tonnes annual output)
- Global Automotive customer base
- Leading player in lenses for multi-function printers
- Strong position in Glass Fiber products worldwide
- 32,500 employees globally
- Principal manufacturing operations in 29 countries;
 Sales in 130+ countries



External Sales – Group Businesses



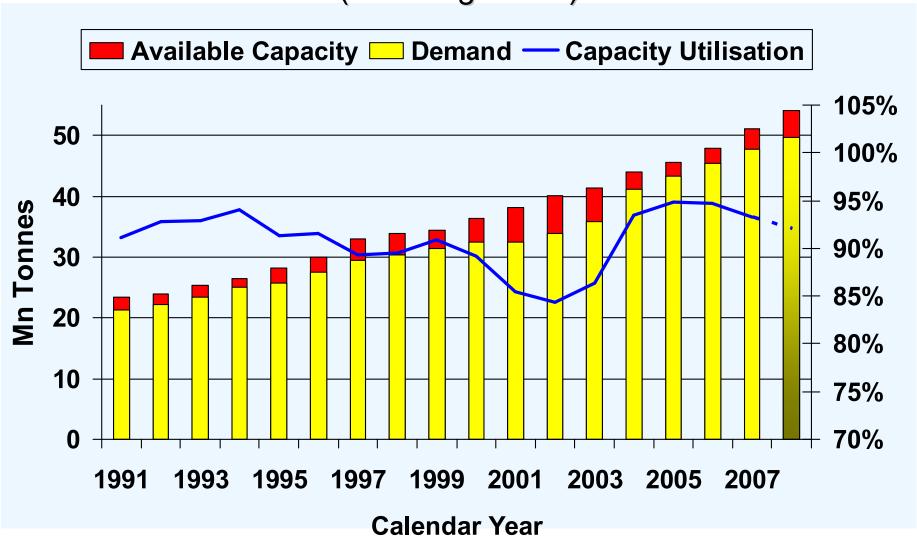


Building Products



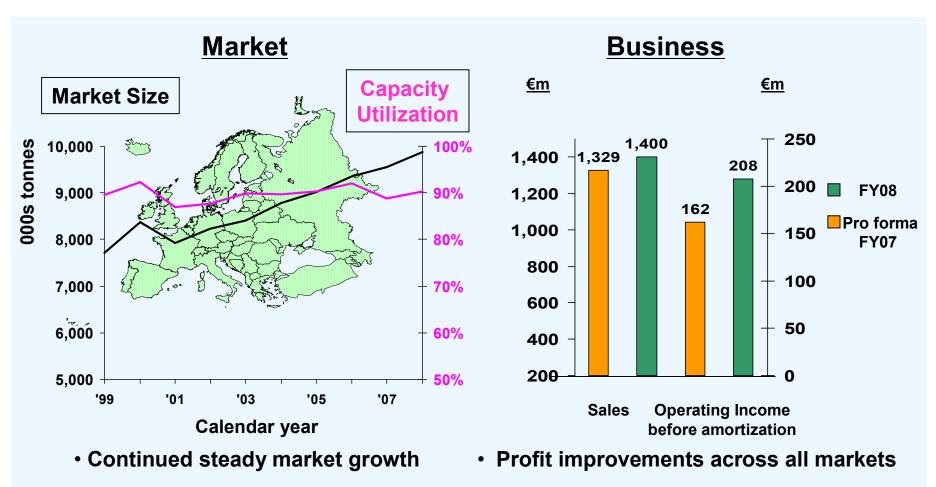
Global Capacity Utilisation

(including China)





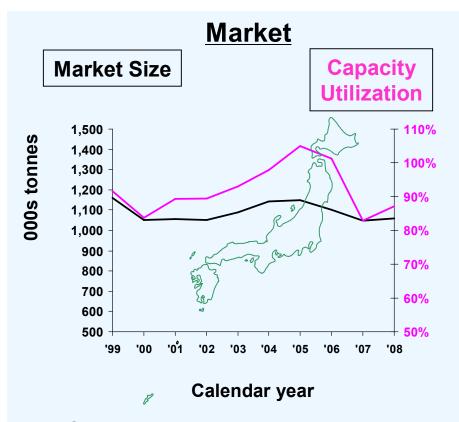
BP Europe

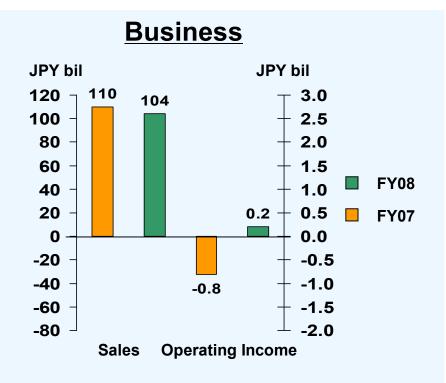


High level of capacity utilisation



BP Japan



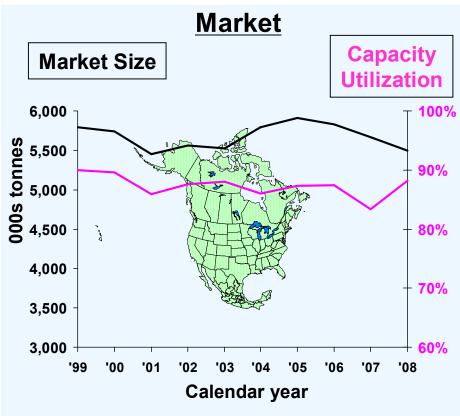


- Challenging economic conditions
- Depressed levels of residential construction

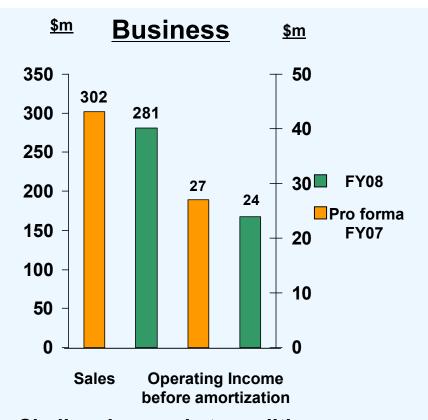
Continued low operating margins



BP North America



- Weak residential glass demand
- Residential producers switching some focus to commercial sector



 Challenging market conditions impact financial results



BP Rest of the World



Continuing good performance in the Rest of the World

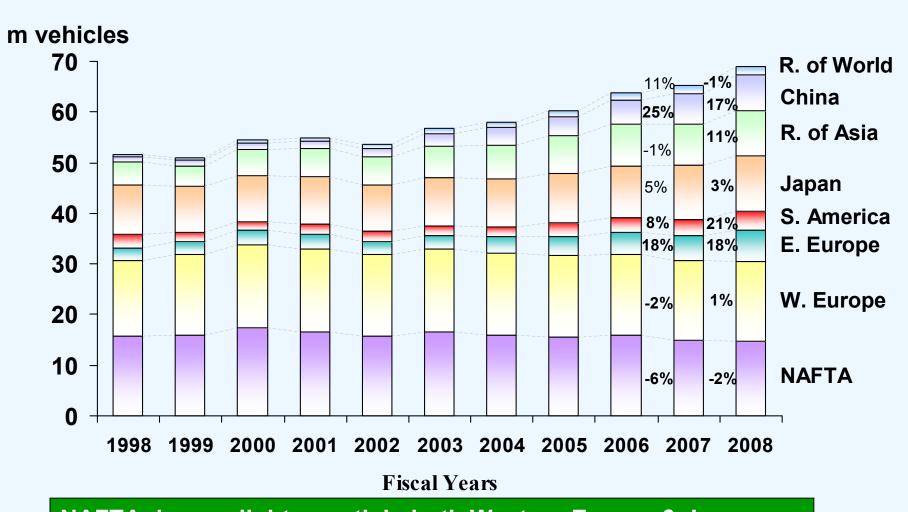


Automotive



Global Light Vehicle Build

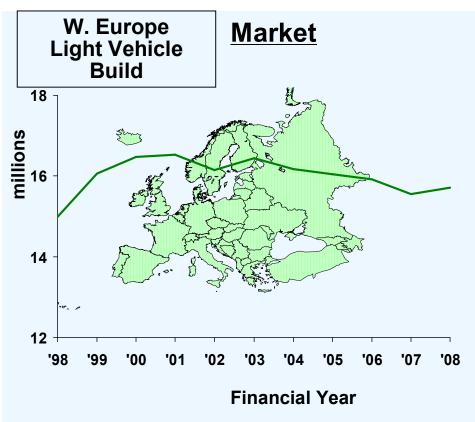
2.4% Growth in FY07 with 5.6% Growth in FY08



NAFTA down; slight growth in both Western Europe & Japan; very strong growth in South America, Eastern Europe and China

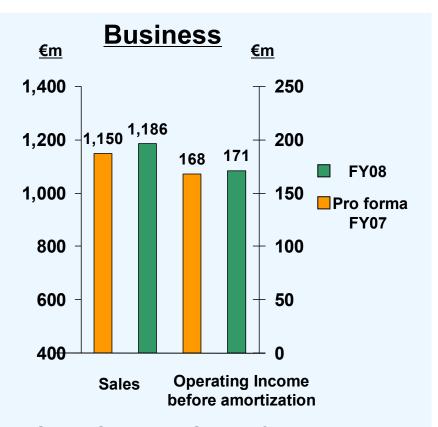


Automotive Europe





 Further strong growth in Eastern Europe

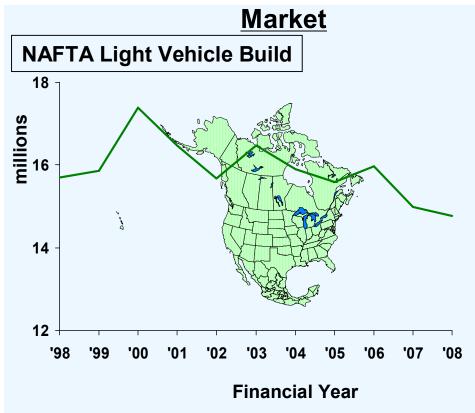


 Solid OE and AGR performance, with improved volumes aided by efficiency improvements

Revenue and profits ahead of previous year

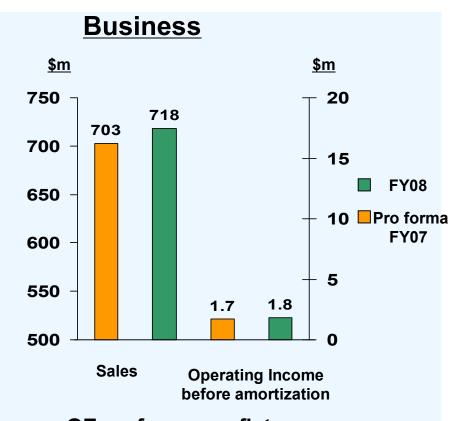


Automotive North America



Further decline in light vehicle build

 Domestic manufacturers underperforming against foreign name plates

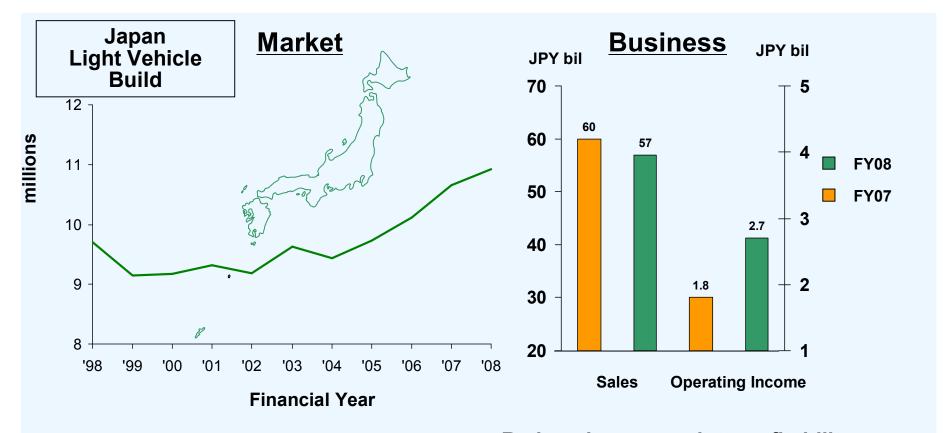


OE performance flat

 AGR performance improving due to improved cost competitiveness



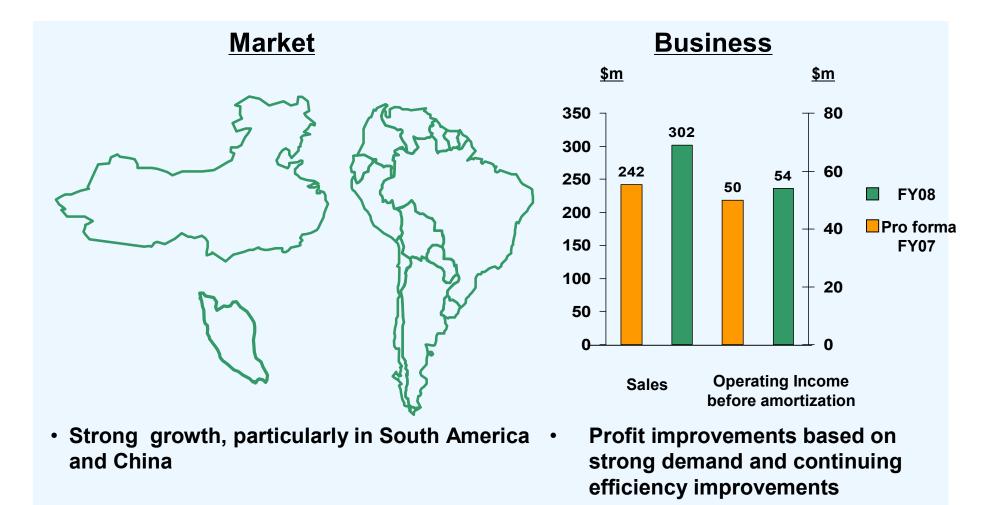
Automotive Japan



- Continued improvement in light vehicle build, with export demand offsetting a difficult domestic market
- Reduced revenues but profitability improving
- Profit up due to efficiency gains and cost reductions



Automotive Rest of the World



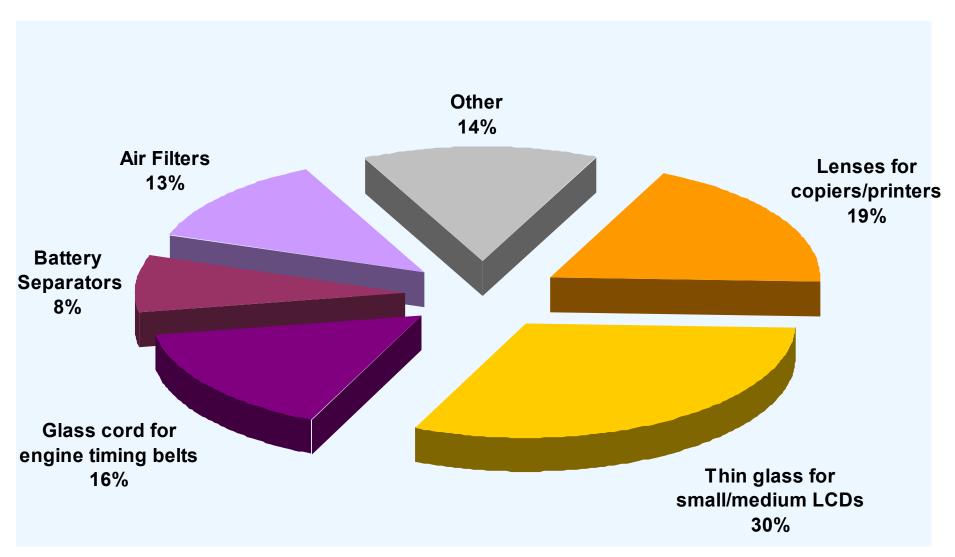
Continuing strong performance



Specialty Glass



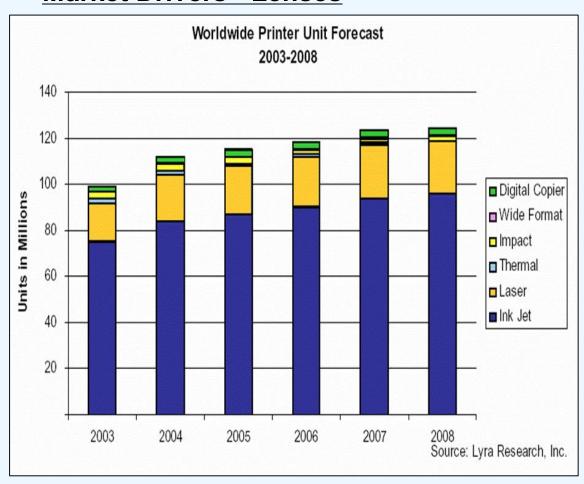
Specialty Glass



Specialty Glass IT Business - Lenses



Market Drivers - Lenses



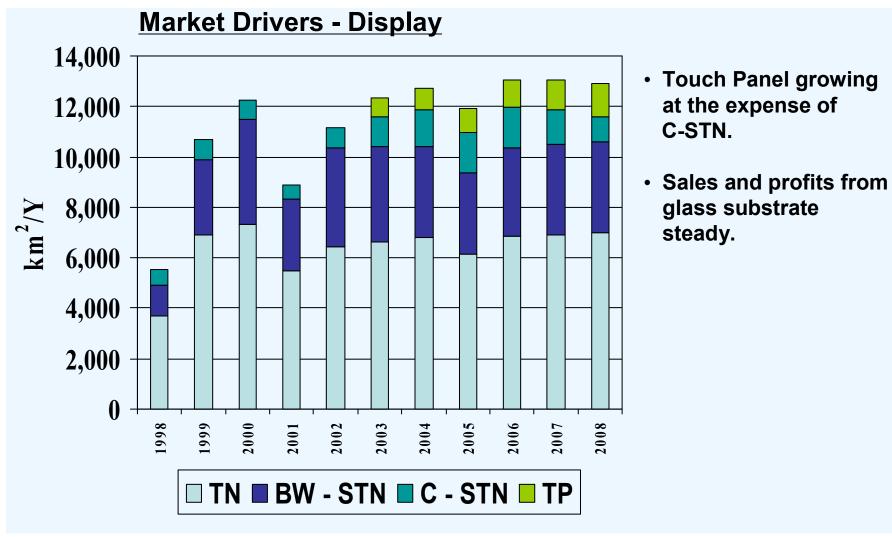
 Market for multifunction printers, main application for SELFOC® Lens Array (SLA), shows steady growth in the medium term.

Demand for SELFOC® Lens Array expanding

Specialty Glass IT Business - Display





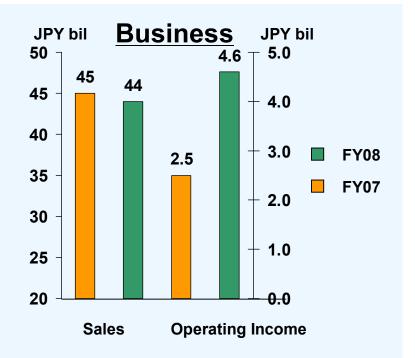




Specialty Glass - IT Business

Market

- Glass substrate market for small and medium-sized LCD and touch panels remains steady
- Demand for multi-functional printers shows steady growth



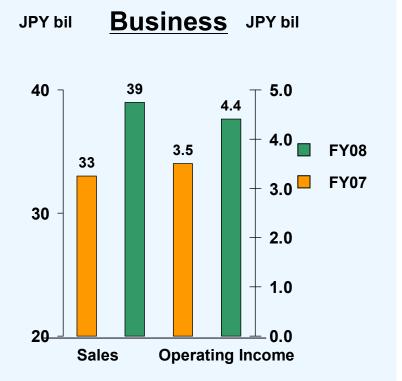
- Market shares in lenses and thin float steady
- Profit improvement through cost reduction and increase of high value added product sales in the display business



Specialty Glass – Glass Fiber

Market

- Sales of glass cord, used for timing belts in diesel vehicles, is growing in Europe
- Demand for lead batteries is flat
- Demand for air filters in Japan is still challenging



- Higher year-on-year sales reflect continuing robust demand for glass cord in Europe
- Operating income up due to strong demand and increased sales of high value-added products in the glass cord business



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Synergies

- Attainment of 'synergies' in the conventional sense was not the prime purpose of the acquisition of Pilkington (as there was very little overlap between the two companies – a very good fit).
- Main focus has been on integration, and most parts of the business no longer think in terms of synergies.
- Nevertheless, targets have been set to achieve cost savings, good progress made in a number of key areas.

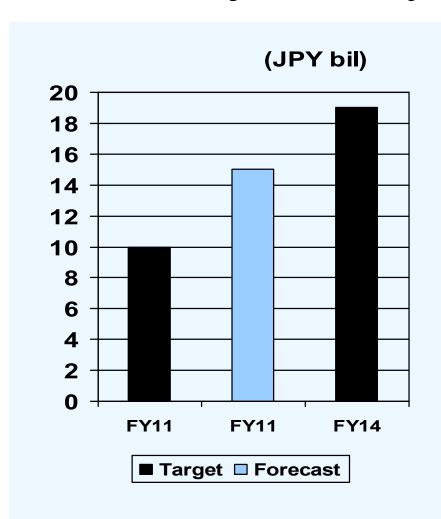


Areas for Synergies

- Procurement
- Benchmarking / Best Practice
- Process Innovation
- Optimum Production Sharing
- Organizational Overlap
- Product Innovation
- New Products
- R&D Focus



Projected Synergies



 Good progress made so far. On target to exceed FY11 target



EERP in Japan

- Medium-Term Plan requires improvements in operational performance and competitiveness across the Group
- EERP will help reduce cost base and simplify the organization in order to be more efficient in Japan
- The resulting approximate annual cost reduction is estimated at JPY 2 billion in FY2009, JPY 3 billion in FY2010.



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Long-term Vision

Execute growth strategies through 3 phases

<4 years>

Phase 1

foundations

Create a new entity focused

on differentiating ourselves

maximizing productivity and

operational quality while reestablishing our financial

from competitors, and

Phase 2 <3 years>

Achieve aggressive growth in the flat glass business Geographically expanding into emerging countries Improve competitiveness, launch major new products, improve R&D and foster technologies

Phase 3 <3 years>

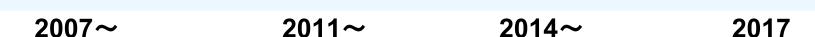
Explore new areas for further growth

Exploring new businesses by both leveraging our customers and our technical and operational competencies

Pursuing acquisitions, mergers, and alliances in adjacent areas

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Phase 1 (2007-2011)

Objective

Create a new entity focused on differentiating ourselves from competitors and maximizing productivity and operational quality while re-establishing our financial foundations

Priorities

- 1. Create one integrated global business designed for maximum effectiveness and exploit synergies
- 2. Reduce net debt down to target levels
- 3. Prepare for Phase 2

Phase 1 Priorities:



Create Integrated Global Business

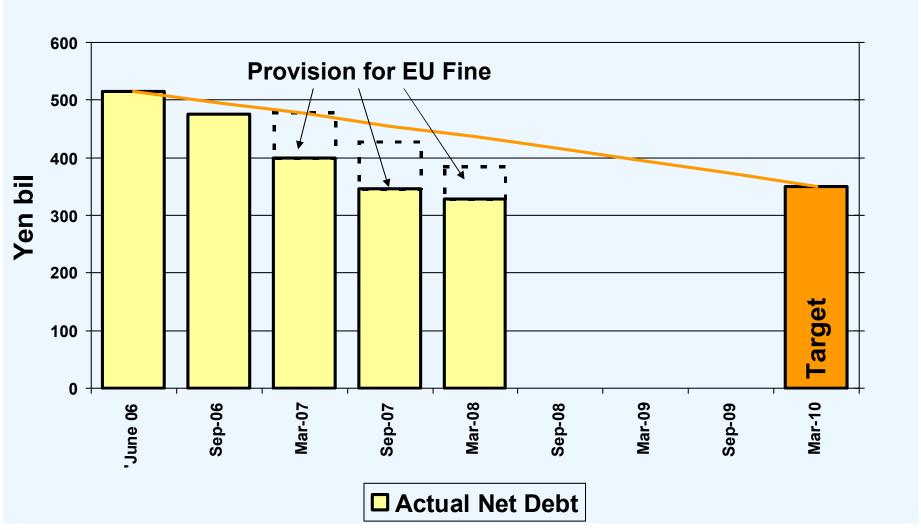
Evolving organizational development

- New NSG Group Chairman and President/CEO appointments announced (subject to AGM)
- New Board appointments reflect international spread of the Group
- Move to 'Company with Committees' in line with best Corporate Governance practice, improving transparency and protecting shareholder interests.

Phase 1 Priorities

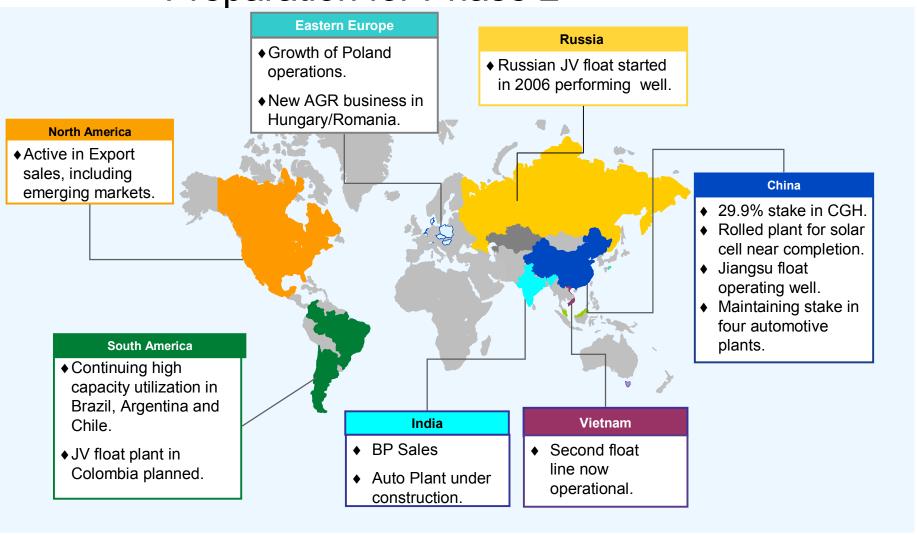






Phase 1 Priorities Preparation for Phase 2







Phase 1 Priorities Preparation for Phase 2

- Several sectors already identified as having strong potential as we prepare for Phase 2
- Two of these, namely glass for solar cells and coated glass in China, will underpin delivery of our FY11 targets.



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Outlook

- Europe coming off peak, but still relatively strong trading conditions
- North America market challenging in both BP and Automotive
- Japan building market sluggish, Automotive build for export holding up
- Rest of the World expect continuing strong performance, especially in South America
- Relentless cost push affecting energy and raw material prices is key challenge for FY09.



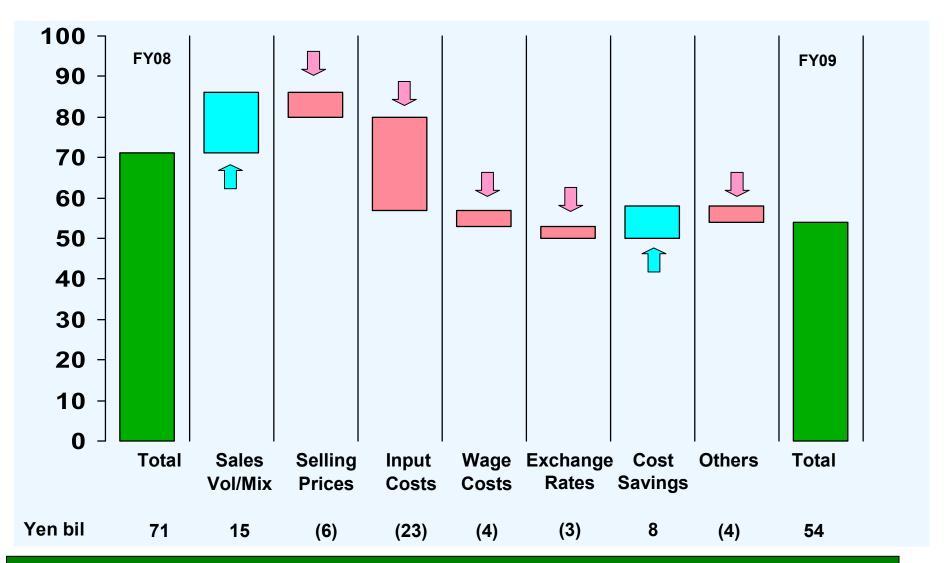
Income Statement Outlook

(JPY bil)	<u>FY09</u>	<u>FY08</u>	Change on FY08
Sales	880.0	865.6	2%
Op.Income before amortization*	54.0	70.5	- -23%
Amortization	(23.0)	(24.0)	_5,0
Operating Income	31.0	46.5	-33%
Non-operating items	(13.0)	(16.1)	=
Ordinary income	18.0	30.4	<u>-41%</u>
Net Income	20.0	50.4	-60%
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^{*}Before amortization arising from the acquisition of Pilkington plc



Operating Income Change Analysis



Mitigation of oil-related cost push being undertaken, with some success



FY10 and FY11

- Glass for Photovoltaics will provide profit growth from this year
- Further efficiency improvements and cost reduction will be needed
- Still on track to achieve medium-term plan targets in FY11



Summary

- Good results in FY08, with Europe improving strongly.
- Good progress on strategic objectives, with debt reduced further
- Continuing strong global cost push depressing margins in FY09
- Dramatic cost push cannot be compensated short term
- Strong underlying business performance and continuing global Flat Glass industry growth provide confidence for FY10 and FY11.



Notice

The projections contained in this document are based on information currently available to us and certain assumptions that we consider to be reasonable. Hence the actual results may differ. The major factors that may affect the results are the economic environment in major markets (such as Europe, Japan, the U.S. and Asia), product supply/demand shifts, and currency exchange fluctuations.

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Appendices



Sales by Business – FY08

			North	Rest of			
(JPY bil)	Japan	Europe	America	World	Total		
	Flat Glass						
BP	104.1	226.6	32.1	39.6	402.5		
Auto	56.5	191.9	82.0	34.4	364.8		
	Specialty Glass						
IT	21.2	0.0	1.2	21.9	44.3		
Glass Fiber	28.4	10.9	0.0	0.0	39.3		
Group Operations and Technology	3.9	10.8	0.0	0.0	14.7		
Total	214.1	440.2	115.3	95.9	865.6		

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Operating Income before Amortization

(JPY bil)	Japan	Europe	North America	Rest of World	Total	Ratio on Sales
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BP	0.2	33.7	2.7	6.2	42.8	10.6%
Auto	2.7	27.6	0.2	6.1	36.6	10.0%
	Specialty Glass					
IT	3.3	0.0	(0.1)	1.4	4.6	10.4%
Glass Fiber	3.6	0.8	0.0	0.0	4.4	11.2%
Group Operations and Technology	(7.7)	(10.2)	0.0	0.0	(17.9)	
Total	2.1	51.9	2.8	13.7	70.5	8.1%
Ratio on Sales	1.0%	11.8%	2.4%	14.3%	8.1%	



Operating Income after Amortization

			North	Rest of		Ratio on
(JPY bil)	Japan	Europe	America	World	Total	Sales
	Flat Glass					
BP	0.2	25.1	1.2	4.9	31.4	7.8%
Auto	2.7	19.6	(2.2)	3.9	24.0	6.6%
	Specialty					
IT	3.3	0.0	(0.1)	1.4	4.6	10.4%
Glass Fibre	3.6	0.8	0.0	0.0	4.4	11.2%
Group Operations and Technology Management	(7.7)	(10.2)	0.0	0.0	(17.9)	
Total	2.1	35.3	(1.1)	10.2	46.5	5.4%
Ratio on Sales	1.0%	8.0%	-1.0%	10.6%	5.4%	

