

# Financial Information Meeting for 2nd Quarter FY2008

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#### 1H FY08 Consolidated Financial Highlights



		1H FY07 (Actual) A	1H FY08 (Actual) B	Change B-A	(Previous outlook in July 2008) D	Change B-D
Sa	les	76.0	76.4	+ 0.4	74.0	+ 2.4
	Business solutions	44.7	44.0	- 0.7		
	Platform solutions	10.2	8.8	- 1.4	- 161	
	Business services	21.1	23.6	+ 2.5		
Gr	oss profit	16.5	15.4	- 1.1	1-1-7	
	<gross margin="" profit=""></gross>	<21.8%>	<20.1%>	<- 1.7%>		
SC	&A	-10.2	-11.1	- 0.9		
Or	perating income	6.3	4.3	- 2.0	4.8	- 0.5
Re	curring profit	6.5	4.6	- 1.9	5.0	- 0.4
Νe	et income	3.5	2.3	- 1.2	2.7	- 0.4

#### 1H FY08 Quarterly Consolidated Results



		FYC	7 (Actu	al)	FYC	8(Actu	al)		Change	
		1Q A	2Q B	1H C	1Q D	2Q E	1H F	1Q D-A	2Q E-B	1H F-C
Sales		33.0	43.0	76.0	34.8	41.6	76.4	+ 1.8	- 1.4	+ 0.4
	Business solutions	18.9	25.8	44.7	19.3	24.7	44.0	+ 0.4	- 1.1	- 0.7
	Platform solutions	5.3	4.9	10.2	4.2	4.6	8.8	- 1.1	- 0.3	- 1.4
	Business services	8.8	12.3	21.1	11.3	12.3	23.6	+ 2.5	+ 0.0	+ 2.5
Gro	oss profit	7.7	8.8	16.5	7.2	8.2	15.4	- 0.5	- 0.6	- 1.1
	<pre><gross margin="" profit=""></gross></pre>	<23.5%>	<20.4%>	<21.8%>	<20.8%>	<19.5%>	<20.1%>	<- 2.7%>	<- 0.9%>	<- 1.7%>
SG	&A	-5.1	-5.1	-10.2	-5.8	-5.3	-11.1	- 0.7	- 0.2	- 0.9
Op	erating income	2.6	3.7	6.3	1.4	2.9	4.3	- 1.2	- 0.8	- 2.0
Rec	Recurring profit		3.7	6.5	1.6	3.0	4.6	- 1.2	- 0.7	- 1.9
Ne	Net income		2.0	3.5	0.7	1.6	2.3	- 0.8	- 0.4	- 1.2

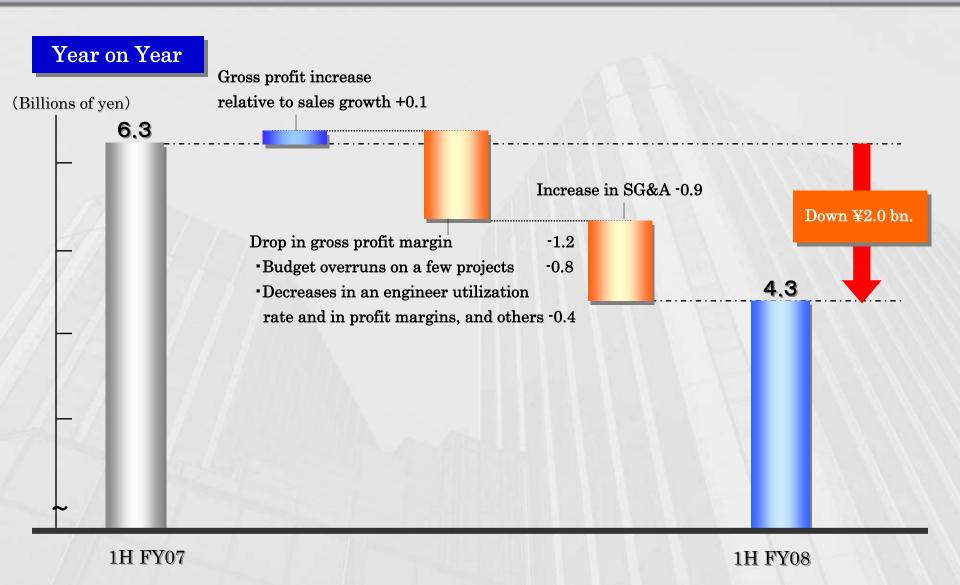
### 1H FY08 Sales by Business Line/Customer Industry



	1H FY07 (Actual) A	1H FY08 (Actual) B	Change B-A	Comment
Business solutions	37.9	35.8	- 2.1	-
Manufacturing, distribution and service industries	17.9	16.3	- 1.6	IT investment reduction by manufacturing, distribution and service industries
Financial services	13.7	12.3	- 1.4	Decreased sales to major and regional banks
Government, public organizations and others	6.3	7.2	+ 0.9	Sales growth in central government
Platform solutions	9.1	7.7	- 1.4	Sluggish market for product sales
Business services	20.9	23.4	+ 2.5	Sales growth mainly in Nippon Steel businesses
Non-consolidated sales	67.9	66.9	- 1.0	-
Subsidiaries, net	8.1	9.5	+ 1.4	Sales expansion in JVs and other subsidiaries
Consolidated sales	76.0	76.4	+ 0.4	-

### 1H FY08 Consolidated Operating Income Breakdown





#### Market Trends by Business Line/Customer Industry are...



	Business line/ customer industry	Market trend	Market direction
	Business solutions		
	Manufacturing, distribution and service industries	Decreasing IT investments due to soaring prices of raw materials, sluggish markets within Japan and abroad, the strengthening yen and declining revenues, etc.	7
	Financial services	Impaired business environment due to the subprime lending crisis and more cautious IT investment stance due to the global financial crisis	<b>,</b>
	Government and public organizations	IT budgets are flat or on slightly downward trend, but competition is increasingly fierce	<b>→</b>
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2	Platform solutions	Product sales have remained sluggish due to reduced overall demand	$\rightarrow$
1	Business services	Nippon Steel businesses remained steady due to full-fledged operations of ongoing large-scale projects.  Balance of supply and demand for data centers is softening.	7

#### **Outlook for FY08 Consolidated Results**



		FY07 (Actual) A	FY08 (Outlook) B	Change B-A	FY08 (Previous outlook*) C	Change B-C
Sales		165.4	165.0	- 0.4	170.0	- 5.0
	Business solutions	101.9	99.5	- 2.4	105.5	- 6.0
	Platform solutions	22.2	20.0	- 2.2	22.0	- 2.0
	Busiess services	41.3	45.5	+ 4.2	42.5	+ 3.0
Gro	oss profit	35.6	34.6	- 1.0	37.4	- 2.8
	<gross margin="" profit=""></gross>	<21.5%>	<21.0%>	<- 0.5%>	<22.0%>	<- 1.0%>
$\mathbf{SG}$	&A	-20.7	-22.0	- 1.3	-21.8	- 0.2
Operating income		14.9	12.6	- 2.3	15.6	- 3.0
Red	curring profit	15.2	13.0	- 2.2	16.0	- 3.0
Ne	t income	8.4	7.0	- 1.4	8.9	- 1.9

<sup>\*</sup>The numbers shown under "FY08(Previous outlook)" were originally announced on April 25, 2008 and were kept unchanged in 1Q results announcement dated July 31, 2008.

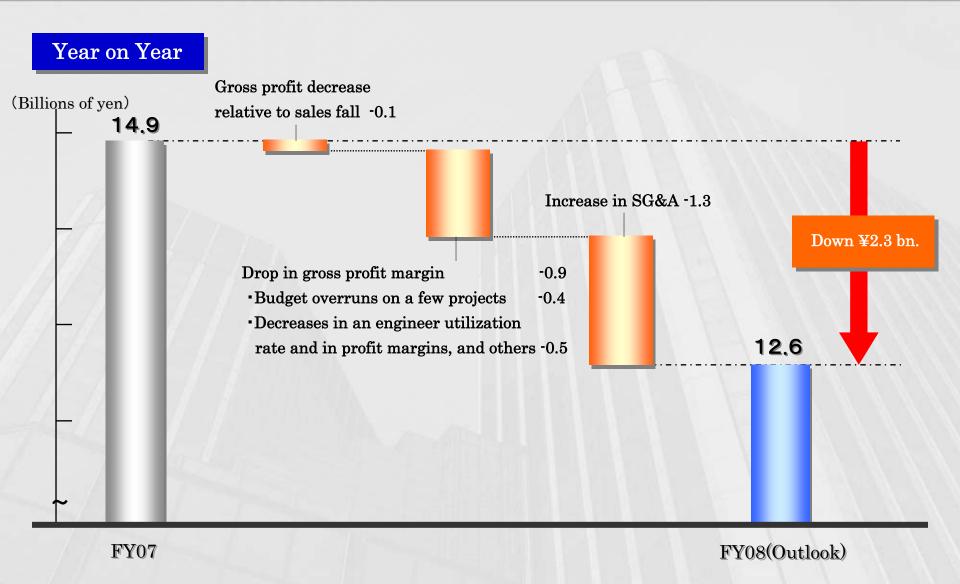
#### Outlook for FY08 Sales by Business Line/Customer Industry



		FY07 (Actual) A	FY08 (Outlook) B	Change B-A	Comment
Bu	siness solutions	86.5	82.0	- 4.5	-
	Manufacturing, distribution and service industries	38.6	36.0	- 2.6	IT investment reduction in manufacturing and distributin sectors
	Financial services	27.6	25.5	- 2.1	Cutting down on IT investments due to the financial crisis
	Government, public organizations and others	20.3	20.5	+ 0.2	Flat sales mainly to central government
Pla	tform solutions	19.3	18.0	- 1.3	Sluggish market for product sales
Bu	siness services	40.9	45.0	+ 4.1	Steady sales growth mainly in Nippon Steel businesses
Non-consolidated sales		146.7	145.0	- 1.7	-
Subsidiaries, net		18.7	20.0	+ 1.3	Sales expansion in JVs and other subsidiaries
Coı	nsolidated sales	165.4	165.0	- 0.4	

#### FY08 Consolidated Operating Income Breakdown





#### **Outlook for FY08 Semiannual Consolidated Results**



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		FY07 (Actual)		FY08(Outlook)		Change		
		1 H A	2H B	1 H C	2H D	1 H C-A	2Н р-в	
Sales		76.0	89.4	76.4	88.6	+ 0.4	- 0.8	
	Business solutions	44.7	57.2	44.0	55.5	- 0.7	- 1.7	
	Platform solutions	10.2	12.0	8.8	11.2	- 1.4	- 0.8	
	Business services	21.1	20.2	23.6	21.9	+ 2.5	+ 1.7	
Gro	oss profit <a href="#">Gross profit margin&gt;</a>	16.5 <21.8%>	19.1 <21.4%>	15.4 <20.1%>	19.2 <21.7%>	- 1.1 <- 1.7%>	+ 0.1 <+ 0.3%>	
$\mathbf{SG}$	&A	-10.2	-10.5	-11.1	-10.9	- 0.9	- 0.4	
Op	erating income	6.3	8.6	4.3	8.3	- 2.0	- 0.3	
Red	curring profit	6.5	8.7	4.6	8.4	- 1.9	- 0.3	
Ne	t income	3.5	4.9	2.3	4.7	- 1.2	- 0.2	
	der backlog at ginning of period	44.0	54.6	47.9	58.7	+ 3.9	+ 4.1	

#### **Progress with Major Business Strategies for FY08**



# Enhancing and reinforcing earnings capabilities

- Improving ability to secure orders and enhancing advanced total solutions
- Developing consolidated business management structure

# Improving systems development power & productivity

- Enhancing the Software Development Center
- Advocating the NSSOL WAY

### Continuous enhancement of employee development

 Career paths, systematic job rotation and ability development: Three pillars for human resources development

#### Progress

- (1) Action to bolster profit Investigating profit improvement measures and implementing them at emergency meetings
  - Improving ability to secure orders
  - •Implementing tighter project risk control
  - •Streamlining SG&A budget
- (2) Strengthening advanced technical capabilities
  - •Improving strategic integrated IT platforms and overall optimization total solutions
  - Establishing BI (Business Intelligence) and other advanced solutions

Enhancing the Software Development Center (founded on April 1, 2008)

- Continuing to improve systems development environments
- Developing project management system
- Working capability analysis based on NSSOL edition IT Skill Standards
- Improving employee development system based on FY2008 Technical Standards

#### **Measures for Improving Earnings**



#### Improving ability to secure orders

- Improving capabilities for proposing system solutions based on close cooperation between sales persons and system engineers (account axis, solution axis)
- Boosting up retention rate
- Enhancing SLC\* total solutions

#### Implementing tighter project risk management

- Revising functions of project risk management system (Project Policy Meeting, Project Management Office, Quality Management Office) and reinforcing the system by re-checking it (focusing on the way how to transfer to the next phase at estimated time of basic design completion)
- Checking up all ongoing projects
- Deploying small group activities on company-wide basis to improve project risk sensitivity
- Upgrading contract management level

#### Streamlining SG&A budget

- Streamlining sales support expenses
- Cutting down on other expenses

\* SLC: System Life Cycle

#### Strengthening Advanced Technical Capabilities (1)

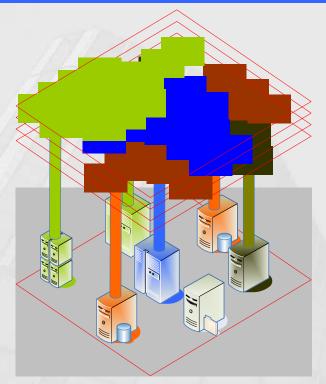


#### Improving strategic integrated IT platforms and overall optimization total solutions

Each application and IT platform has been individually developed and deployed so far

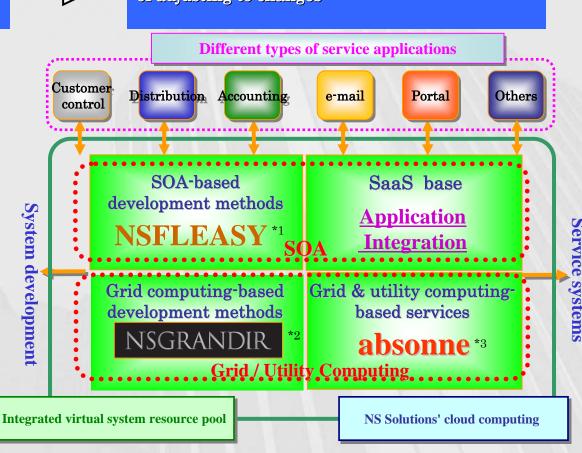


Developing overall optimization systems capable of adjusting to changes



\*1 NSFLEASY: NS Solutions Federation of Loosely coupled Entity group by Application Synchronization

<sup>\*2</sup> NSGRANDIR: NS Solutions Grid And Dynamic Infrastructure



<sup>\*3</sup> absonne: advanced business space on network

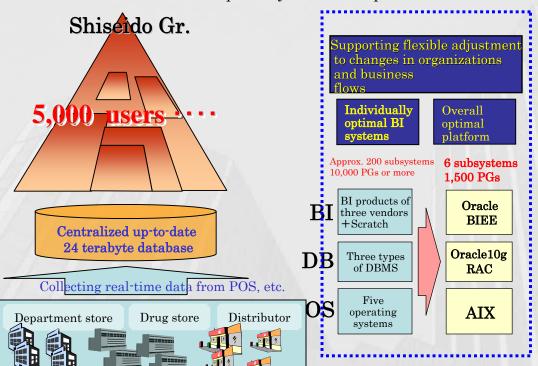
<sup>\*</sup> Providing business ASP service for nursing care business operators

#### Strengthening Advanced Technical Capabilities (2)



#### Developing large-scale enterprise BI systems

(Example of system development for Shiseido)



Approx. 100,000 stores

- Analyzing management information on multi-dimensional axes (brand axis, product axis, region axis, sales channel axis)
- Providing numerous users with up-to-date information
- · Sharing analysis reports & methods (decentralization of PDCA)

Systems Research & Development Center's technical support to individual BUs



#### **Enhancing the Software Development Center**



## Promoting education on and diffusion of SLC standards and SI Support System

- In-house training on SLC standards/guidebook
- Demonstrating SI Support System

# Adding different functions to SI Support System and making improvements to it

- Project management support function
   Introducing workflows compatible with SLC standards/guidebook into SI Support System
   Expanding core functions
- Function to support product quality improvements
   Developing and expanding different types of tools, including program auto-generation/source code inspection tools

Providing backup services to introduce and operate SI Support System

#### **Topics**



#### Acquiring 100% shares of Financial Engineering Group, Inc. ("FEG")

NS Solutions aims to attain the position of leading vendor of risk management systems for financial institutions by utilizing FEG's capabilities for risk management and data mining using customer information in the personal financing sector.

- FEG's main line of business
   Survey, analysis and consultation focusing on financial mathematics and data mining,
   and software development for financial institutions
- Date of foundation: April 26, 1989
- Number of employees: 67 persons (As of May 1, 2008)
- Financial highlights

(100 million yen)

19-18-18-18	March 31, 2006	March 31, 2007	March 31, 2008
Sales	16	19	17
Recurring profit	3	4	2

- Acquisition date: May 28, 2008 (stock certificates received)
  - \* The statement of income and cash flows of FEG were consolidated from the second quarter of the current fiscal year ending March 31, 2009
- •Acquisition price: 3.75 billion yen

#### **Policy on Profit Sharing**



- ♦Provide stable dividends to shareholders and maintain internal reserves for expanding our businesses and for other purposes
- ♦Distribute profits among shareholders



- We plan to distribute dividends of 22.50 yen per share at the end of the 2nd quarter ended September 30, 2008.
- We also plan to distribute dividends of 22.50 yen per share at the end of the fiscal year ending March 31, 2009.

As a result, annual dividends will be 45.00 yen per share, as announced at the beginning of the current fiscal year ending March 31, 2009.

Note: We do not distribute dividends at the end of the 1st and 3rd quarters (the last days of the 1st and 3rd quarters are not our regular record dates).



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