

Mid-term Management Plan (FY 2018-2020)

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Group Slogan of Mid-term Management Plan for FY2018 – 2020



Outline and Positioning

2018-2020 Aims of Medium-term Management Plan

Strengthening management bases

- Toward continuous growth -

Fundamental Principles

- Strengthening order-receiving/ production/development systems
- > Deepening and expanding existing business
- Venturing into growing markets
- Establishing mass production business and commercialization



Targets for the final fiscal year (2020)

Consistently achieving consolidated net sales above 100 billion yen

Targeting operating income margin of 10% or more



Fundamental Principles

2018-2020 Aims of Medium-term Management Plan

To strengthen our management base

Expansion of scale (net sales and profit) to ensure growth potential

 Improvement of profit structure to ensure management stability

*EDU: Electric Drive Unit. A core component of electric vehicles. Consists of an electric motor and gearbox.

Fundamental Principles

Strengthening order-receiving/ production/development systems

- Strengthen capital investment and research & development activities.
- Utilize M&A and strategic alliances.

Deepening and expanding existing business

 Regional strategy by product and market, centered on North America, Europe, and China

Venturing into growing markets

 Venture into the EV market, focusing on motors/EDU, batteries, and inverters

Establishing mass production business and commercialization

- Modularization of individual design products
- Development from mass production to commercialization

Strengthening order-receiving/production/development systems

We expect opportunities for receiving orders to increase in the semiconductor and automobile fields.

To cope with the production expansion while providing the products with the quality required by customers, we will implement the following capital investment and research and development over the next three years.

(Unit: 100 million yen)

	Mid-term Management Plan for 2015-2017 (Actual)	Mid-term Management Plan for 2018-2020
Amount of capital investment and other items	55	150

- Increase in-house fabrication of machined components by introducing/updating machining devices (e.g., machining centers) and keeping plant infrastructure up to date
- Improve operational efficiency by introducing RPA and using AI
- Investment related to M&A and strategic alliances

(Unit: 100 million yen)

	Mid-term Management Plan for 2015-2017 (Actual)	Mid-term Management Plan for 2018-2020
Research and Development	20	50

- Develop process equipment (laser welding, terminal molding, paste coating) for EV, batteries, etc.
- Deepen industry-academia collaboration projects
- Develop process machines (coating, lamination, laser cutting) compatible with nextgeneration equipment in the semiconductor field.
- Develop robotics.

Strengthening order-receiving/production/development systems



Utilizing M&A and strategic alliances as means for our growth strategy

New Plant in Kumamoto scheduled to be completed in 2020 (Investment: Over 7 billion_yen)

In response to an increase in orders and production in growing markets, we will upgrade to new equipment to improve production efficiency in new plants where integrated production is possible, from machining parts to assembling.

We will also establish a clean room there to manufacture various products including robots designed for clean rooms.

Construction started on January 15, 2018 Floor area of the new plant: 15,841 m²

To efficiently and effectively strengthen our corporate structure, we will enhance production capacity and technical and marketing capabilities by promoting alliances with partner and peer companies in Japan and overseas.

- Expansion of production sites and spaces to increase capacity
- Acquisition of parts/components and production know-how
- Acquisition of new markets
- Acquisition of sales and marketing channels

Deepening and expanding existing business / Venturing into growing markets

Sales of semiconductor production equipment by region (Actual and forecast)



Acquiring new regions and customers in the EV field

- Acquire European customers and secure market share in Europe, which is leading global efforts related to automotive fuel economy restriction.
- Development and proposals in Hirata's specialty areas (motors/EDU, batteries, inverters)

Acquiring new regions and customers in the semiconductor field

- Accommodate increasing demand for semiconductors in association with the expansion of applications
- Respond to the domestic production of semiconductors in China
- Development and proposals in Hirata's specialty areas (vacuum, coating, lamination, lasers, and robotics technologies)

Forecast of the share of EV (%) in the number of new cars sold in each country



(Upper left) Prepared by the Company in reference to SEM - press releases on December 15, 2015 and December 12, 2017 (Lower right) Bloomberg New Energy Finance "Electric Vehicle Outlook 2017"

Establishing mass production business and commercialization

Mass Production

Move to mass production by modularizing individual design products



- Reduce cost by mass production.
- Launch high-performance and high-quality production lines in short lead time by combining standard modules (ACS concept).
- Develop a system by which products needed in the market are offered for sale with the required quantity and timing.

Commercialization

Development and sales promotion of single item goods



- Select components for potential unit sales from our own existing product line.
- Develop new products through alliances with other companies and strengthen sales promotion through the acquisition of sales channels.
- Establish production systems at affiliated companies overseas.
- Unify Hirata branding. (Unify the design, color, and other aspects of products)

Commercialization Example

Boost "Made in Hirata" ratio

Improve the in-house production ratio of parts used in Hirata products by promoting internal development and commercialization of key components(*) such as motors.

*Critical parts and units composing products

HIRATA BLUE MOTOR

Compact High-Efficiency Eco DC Motor – Our Global Strategy

Corporate Governance Policies

Enhancing Internal Control of Hirata Group

We will develop the Group's compliance system in a step-by-step manner to respond to growing demands by society for corporate governance and compliance. We will establish a system by which the entire Group can promote business activities based on unified internal control policies.

- Newly establishing a department specializing in Group compliance (Compliance and Internal Control Dept.)
- Improving reporting routes for misconducts and emergencies
- Improving IT infrastructure and understanding and strengthening information security



We make it because no one else can



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