For the Nine Months Ended December 31, 2023

## Quarterly Financial Results <br> 

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Financial Highlights (3Q Cumulative)
As a result of the shift to a profit-oriented management policy and the efforts made in each business operation, company-wide net sales were 11,812 million yen ( $94.7 \%$ YoY), while operating profit significantly improved to 302 million yen ( $140.6 \%$ YoY).


## Operating profit

302
million yen
Yoy 140.6\%


Ordinary profit
319 million yen
Yoy $135.5 \%$

Net sales
316 million yen
YoY 59.7\%

Profit
million yen
Yoy 440.4\%

Following on from 2Q, as each business continued to implement profit-oriented measures, net sales decreased to 3,906 million yen $(93.4 \% \mathrm{YoY}$ ) in 3Q, but operating profit reached a record high for 3Q of 274 million yen (275.5\% YoY).

 Revenue Recognition Standard.

## Causes of Increase/Decrease in Quarterly Operating Profit (3Q Cumulative)

In the LOWYA business, in an effort to improve profitability, the Company also worked to reduce personnel expenses and fixed costs, focusing on reducing advertising expenses. As a result, the Company significantly reduced selling, general and administrative expenses and improved revenues.


[^0] statement of income.

The Company continued to be debt free and maintained a high equity ratio of 78.9\%.
(Million yen)

|  | Previous fiscal year (as of March 31, 2023) | Current fiscal year 3Q <br> (as of December 31, 2023) |  | Previous fiscal year (as of March 31, 2023) | Current fiscal year 3Q <br> (as of December 31, 2023) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current assets | 5,956 | 5,604 | Current liabilities | 1,796 | 1,362 |
| Cash and deposits | 1,892 | 1,091 | Debt obligations | - | - |
| Accounts receivable-trade | 1,814 | 1,303 | Non-current liabilities | 51 | 50 |
| Merchandise | 1,819 | 2,752 | Total liabilities | 1,847 | 1,412 |
| Non-current assets | 1,195 | 1,092 | Shareholders' equity | 5,308 | 5,267 |
| Property, plant and equipment, and intangible assets | 526 | 539 | Total net assets | 5,304 | 5,284 |
| Total assets | 7,151 | 6,697 | Total liabilities and net assets | 7,151 | 6,697 |

## Report on LOWYA business

The Company changed its policy to focus on profit, reduced sales promotion expenses and advertising expenses from 2Q, and implemented price pass-through from 3Q. As a result, GMV was 11,867 million yen ( $93.6 \%$ YoY), and net sales were 11,495 million yen ( $96.3 \%$ YoY) for the nine months ended December 31, 2023.
Membership of the flagship store has continued to grow steadily. Following the first actual store in April 2023, the Company opened its second store in December.


Number of engagement accounts*3, 4

## 1,248 thousand

YoY 135.5\%

[^1]*2. Calculated by dividing GMV by the number of order shipments
*3. As of the end of December 31, 2023
*4. Total number of Instagram, TikTok, X (formerly Twitter), and Lemon8 followers, YouTube subscribers, and THE 608 HOTEL accounts

Following on from 2Q, the Company reduced promotion expenses and advertising expenses in an effort to improve profitability. As a result, net sales were 3,799 million yen ( $94.6 \%$ YoY), and operating profit was 266 million yen (253.7\% YoY).


Following on from 2Q, the Company reduced promotion expenses and advertising expenses in an effort to improve profitability. As a result, net sales remained $90 \%$ to $100 \%$ YoY.


## LOWA

The Company reduced promotion expenses and advertising expenses in an effort to improve profitability. As a result, the number of customers decreased compared with 3Q in the previous year. Average basket value remained stable.


Although the yen weakened significantly, gross profit margin reached $48.8 \%$ (up 1.6 pt YoY) due to the reduction of promotion expenses and the effect of price pass-through. After $4 Q$, the Company will continue to work on improving its gross profit margin.


In an effort to improve profitability, which started in 2 Q , the Company also worked to reduce personnel expenses and fixed costs, focusing on reducing advertising expenses. As a result, selling, general and administrative expense ratio reached $41.8 \%$ (down 2.8 pt YoY ). That is the lowest selling, general and administrative expense ratio in recent years.


 for calculating the SG\&A expense ratio, and therefore this data does not match the SG\&A expense ratio on the statement of income.
 retrospectively adjusted.

Membership of the flagship store is steadily increasing, with strong support from the main target group (people in their 20s and 30s).



[^2]* Age distribution and ratio of male vs. female are data of members who answered they had made purchases at the flagship store in the past 12 months from the most recent quarter

The Company released products with a focus on private brand products that are design- and trend-conscious, and has strived to set prices that are affordable, taking advantage of its cost competitive edge.

Home appliances


Clothes dryer Fukari 6,990 yen (tax included)


Futon dryer Pafuwa 6,990 yen (tax included)


Oshiteru for "Oshikatsu" storage 17,990 yen (tax included)


Meringue Touch Kotatsu 3-piece set 26,970 yen (tax included)

Furniture \& others


Sideboard made from a combination of hemp-like materials
24,990 yen (tax included)


Large storage kitchen board 119,990 yen (tax included)

[^3]* "Oshikatsu" refers to the act of supporting someone or something one particularly likes.

The internally developed official app and operation of social media function as the key to attracting customers. The cumulative number of smartphone app DLs exceeded the mark of 1 million in $2 Q$ and is steadily increasing.

Sizes of engagement channels that deliver a unique brand image to a wide range of users (as of December 31, 2023)


On Instagram and TikTok, products, stores, and information useful to customers are distributed from time to time, which greatly contributes to attracting customers to e-commerce and actual stores. The Company plans to continue actively working on this as an engagement measure to realize OMO.



Instagram


YouTube

April 2023 - First actual store opened in "ITO Lab Plus" in Nishi-ku, Fukuoka City. The store held events while replacing products each season.

$\longrightarrow$ Interior


## LOWA

December 2023 - Second actual store opened in "NAMBA PARKS" in Naniwa-ku, Osaka City.


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Entry was restricted when it opened


The store was very busy


Since the boom at the opening in April to May, amount of orders received around the store areas has been stable at around $120 \%$ YoY.


Opened in mid-December, amount of orders received around the store areas rose to $102.6 \%$ YoY. After $4 \mathbf{Q}$, the level of the index is expected to rise further as it contributes one month.


Many comments from customers, such as impressions of the products, requests and reactions of the stores. Many people have been waiting for the opening of new stores. The Company will continue to study the possibility of nationwide expansion.


Comments on the stores


The Company plans to open the third store in Nagoya in February 2024.
The Company is also considering opening its fourth and subsequent stores.


Of ESG, the Company conducted activities related to the environment and society. It will also continue making various studies, including considering measures to strengthen governance.

Use recycled materials for product packaging
September 2023
$100 \%$ recycled materials are used in the outer and transparent plastic bags for the "GROONY" series of winter warm loungewear and blankets to wear.
In addition to measures to save energy in winter due to the use of warm materials, the
Company also contributes to sustainability by using recycled materials for packaging.


> GROONY series (Left) loungewear + pants set, (Right) laid pad


Donation of photographed goods
November 2023
Donated furniture and other items used for a photo shoot to a children's nursing home in Fukuoka Prefecture.


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## Report on DOKODEMO business

The Company changed its policy to focus on profit and reduced promotion expenses and advertising expenses from 2Q. As a result, GMV was 2,073 million yen ( $51.6 \% \mathrm{YoY}$ ), and net sales were 316 million yen ( $59.7 \%$ YoY) for the nine months ended December 31, 2023.
Membership and the number of app DLs remained strong.


Number of app DLs*2
$1,539_{\text {thousand }}$
Yoy 108.0\%

Deliveries*2, 3
120
countries
Yoy 105.3\%

[^4]Following on from 2Q, the Company was impacted by shortages of popular pharmaceuticals and reduced promotion expenses and advertising expenses in an effort to improve profitability. As a result, GMV was 645 million yen, but the revenue structure improved and the business balance achieved a profit.
The Company plans to strengthen MD and expand its services.



Deliveries to Asia, mainly Taiwan, account for more than 90\% of GMV.


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[^1]:    *1. Gross Merchandise Value

[^2]:    * Membership is all members registered at the flagship store.

[^3]:    * All sales prices listed here are current as of January 2024, and therefore may differ from current selling prices.

[^4]:    *1. Gross Merchandise Value
    *2. As of December 31, 2023
    *3. Number of countries and regions to which deliveries were made (cumulative)

