

# Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2017 Unicharm Presentation Materials for Investor Meeting

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# Financial Performance Summary: Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2017

### Document notations

- **BC: Baby Care Business**
- FC: Feminine Care Business
- **HC: Health Care Business**
- C&F: Clean & Fresh Business
- PC: Pet Care Business

# Fiscal Period Year Ended Dec. 31, 2017 Financial Performance Summary



#### <u>Consolidated results (New record high established)</u>

- Sales of 641.6 billion JPY (6.1% increase), core operating profits 86.8 billion JPY (9.8% increase).
- ✓ Achieved FY 2017 earnings forecast, and start the 10<sup>th</sup> Midterm Group Management Plan on a positive note.

#### Japan (4.9% sales increase, 13.0% core operating proft increase)

- HC: Development of added value products for light and medium incontinence products to drive the market and improve profitability.
- ✓ BC: Exports such as cross-border EC in China increased and profitability continuously improved.
- PC: Continuously introduced brand reinforcement, premium products, and market creation-type products to greatly improve profitability.

#### • Overseas (7.0% sales increase, 5.4% core operating profit increase)

- ✓ Asia: 8.2% sales increase, 6.8% core operating profit increase. 8.7% core operating profit rate.
- ✓ China: Development of FC products for younger market mainly in major cities improved favorably, driving China business. For BC, reinforcement of moony (imported disposable baby diapers) sales, and active implementation of marketing investment, etc. to create a transition from starter size diaper reinforcement to disposable baby diapers, and prepared a foundation of growth for FY 2018. Continuous rapid growth for sales channel EC.
- Indonesia: Maintained overwhelming market share, improving profitability with product strength reinforcement, sales channel expansion, etc.
- ✓ India: Rapid growth for both BC and FC, and businesses became profitable.

#### Shareholder return (16 consecutive periods of dividend increase, purchase of own shares)

- ✓ Purchase of own shares 14 billion JPY, 5,110,000 shares acquired
- ✓ Year-end dividends: 2 yen increase from original forecast to 11 yen, yearly dividend 20 yen (4 yen increase).
- ✓ While continuing dividend increases, raise dividend payout ratio.

### 6.1% sales increase, 9.8% core operating profit increase (both record highs) Sales and profit both reached earnings forecast

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\*1 : Calculated based on IFRS.

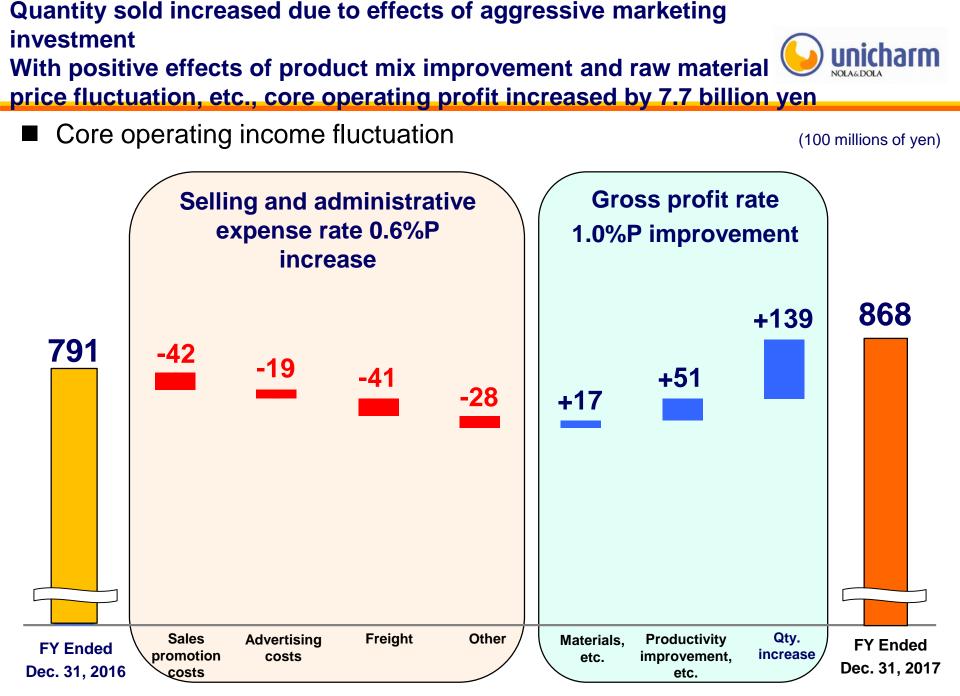
	FY Ended Dec. 31, 2016	*2 FY Ended Des. 31, 2017	Difference	Difference (%)	(Forecast) FY Ended Dec. 31, 2017	Achievement Rate
Net sales	604,653	641,647	+36,994	+6.1%	630,000	101.8%
Core operating income (Core operating income margin)	79,116 (13.1%)	86,838 (13.5%)	+7,722	+9.8% (+0.4%P)	84,000 (13.3%)	103.4%
Profit before tax (margin)	75,835 (12.5%)	92,926 (14.5%)	+17,091	+22.5% (+2.0%P)	77,000 (12.2%)	120.7%
Profit attributable to owners of parent (margin)	46,971 (7.8%)	52,772 (8.2%)	+5,801	+12.3% (+0.4%P)	49,000 (7.8%)	107.7%
Basic earnings per share (JPY)	79.06	89.85	+10.79	+13.6%	_	_
USD Rate (JPY)	108.84	112.19	+3.35	+3.1%	110.00	_
CNY Rate (JPY)	16.37	16.63	+0.26	+1.6%	16.30	_

\*2: Adoption of IFRS.

(Millions of yen)



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# In Japan, BC, HC, PC drive performance In Asia, India became profitable and profitability improved mainly due to Indonesia

Geographical segment information

Japan

Asia

(Millions of yen)

(Ref.)

Actual

difference

+4.5%

+2.4%

\*3

*4 Others	Net sales Core operating income (margin)	96,736 4,929 (5.1%)	100,326 4,899 (4.9%)	+3,589 - <mark>30</mark>	+3.7% -0.6% (-0.2%P)	+2.6% -6.4%	
Reconciling items, etc.	Net sales Core operating income (margin)	 720 	319 —	-401	Ξ	=	
Consolidated	Net sales Core operating income (margin)	604,653 79,116 (13.1%)	641,647 86,838 (13.5%)	+36,994 +7,722	+6.1% +9.8% (+0.4%P)	+4.4% +8.2% —	
*1 : Calculated based on IFRS. *2: Adoption of IFRS. *3 Actual difference rate except exchange effects. *4 Others: Main regions are U.S.A., Saudi Arabia, Brazil, the Netherlands							
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\*2 FY Ended

Dec. 31,

2017

266,010

57,718

(21.7%)

275,311

23,901

(8.7%)

\*1

2016

253,544

51,082

(20.1%)

254,372

22,384

(8.8%)

**FY Ended** 

Dec. 31,

Net sales Core operating

income

income

(margin)

(margin)

Net sales **Core operating** 



Difference

(%)

+4.9%

+8.2%

+6.8%

(-0.1%P)

+13.0%

(+1.6%P)

Difference

+12,466

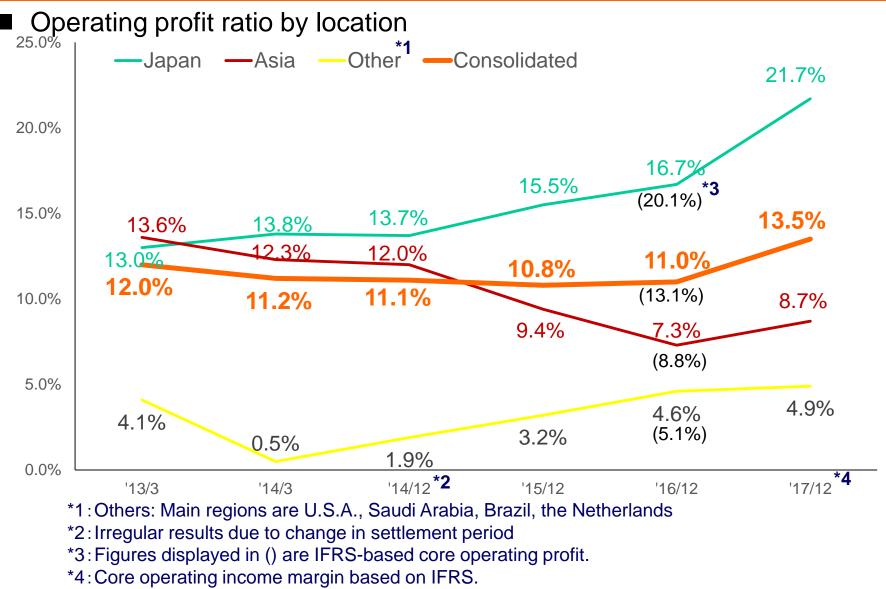
+20,939

+1,517

+6.636

# In Japan, improved profitability with high value-added products and expanding exports

In Asia, active marketing investment implemented in main countries



PC profitability greatly improved For Japan PC, profitability improved due to high value-added product increasing unit price For North America PC, shift to high value-added products improved profi



For North America PC, shift to high value-added products improved profitability

Business Segment Information

(Millions of yen)

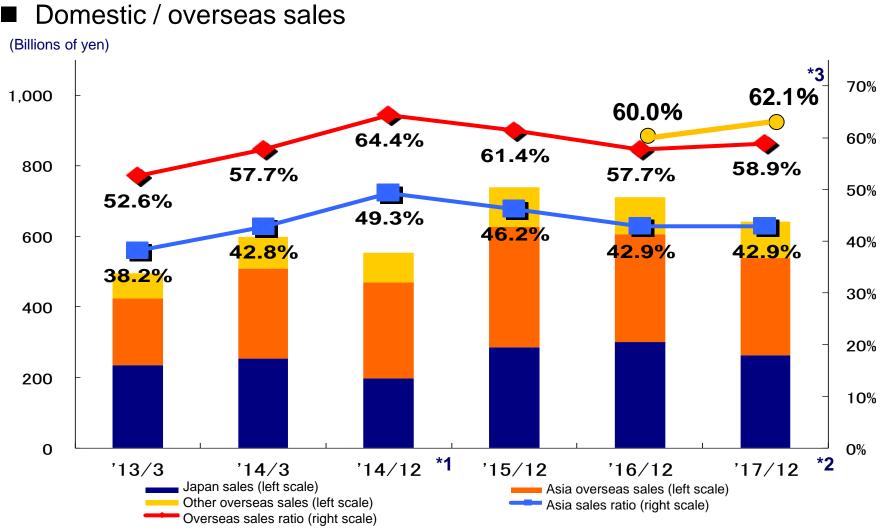
		*1 FY Ending Dec31, 2016	*2 FY Ending Dec31, 2017	Difference	Difference (%)
Personal Care	Net sales Core operating income (margin)	523,116 71,355 (13.6%)	555,388 77,177 (13.9%)	+32,272 +5,822	+6.2% +8.2% (+0.3%P)
Pet Care	Net sales Core operating income (margin)	75,390 7,342 (9.7%)	79,847 9,684 (12.1%)	+4,457 +2,342	+5.9% +31.9% (+2.4%P)
*3 Others	Net sales Core operating income (margin)	6,147 419 (6.8%)	6,412 -23 —	+265 -443	+4.3% 
Reconciling items, etc.	Net sales Core operating income (margin)	-35 — —	-30 	+5 — —	Ξ
Consolidated	Net sales Core operating income (margin)	604,653 79,116 (13.1%)	641,647 86,838 (13.5%)	+36,994 +7,722	6.1% 9.8% (+0.4%P)

\*1: Calculated based on IFRS. \*2: Adoption of IFRS.

\*3: Other products related to industrial materials, etc., child raising video streaming service.

# Overseas sales composition ratio 58.9% (58.2% excluding exchange effects)





\*1: Irregular fiscal year due to settle settlement period changes.

\*2: Adoption of IFRS. \*3: When exports such as cross-border EC, etc. from Japan is considered overseas sales

## Effects of exchange fluctuations

Approx. 10.5 billion yen increase in sales



Approx. 1.3 billion yen increase in core operating profit

## Rate fluctuations by currency

Currency	Exchange rate for 2016	Exchange rate for 2017	Rate change
China (CNY)	16.37	16.63	+1.6%
Indonesia (IDR)	0.0082	0.0084	+2.4%
Thailand (THB)	3.09	3.31	+7.1%
Saudi Arabia (SAR)	29.07	29.96	+3.1%
India (INR)	1.63	1.74	+6.7%
Vietnam (VND)	0.0049	0.0049	±0.0%
USA (USD)	108.84	112.19	+3.1%
Taiwan (TWD)	3.38	3.69	+9.2%
Netherlands (EUR)	120.33	126.67	+5.3%
South Korea (KRW)	0.0938	0.0994	+6.0%
Australia (AUD)	80.82	86.01	+6.4%
Malaysia (MYR)	26.27	26.11	-0.6%
Egypt (EGP)	11.60	6.29	-45.8%
Brazil(BRL)	31.31	35.15	+12.3%
Russia (RUB)	1.63	1.93	+18.4%



# Summary of Business Plan; Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2018



# FY 2020 800 billion JPY Core operating profit 15% ROE15%

## FY 2018 Initiatives

## Ensure approx. 7% for sales growth CAGR (annual growth rate)

- ✓ With low prevalence rates and use rates for disposable baby diapers and feminine hygiene products in India, etc., speedily develop activities to increase users and further increase sales areas.
- As a response to demand for Japan-made products mainly in Asia, first, reinforce organizational systems of collaboration between Japan and China, make preparations for the realization of smart factories, and endeavor to expand supply systems that are compassionate towards people.

## • Foundation building for aging societies in Asia

- ✓ Launch of global health care business.
- ✓ By reinforcing systems to make products more prevalent in adult toilet care, a new growth category in Asia, advance maximization of lifetime value, which will lead to rapid growth.
- Products are becoming more prevalent and seeing rapid growth in Taiwan, Thailand, Indonesia, Vietnam, etc. We will reinforce development in China as well, where there is high potential.

## Digital marketing reinforcement

 Reinforce organizational systems and make marketing investment more efficient to further improve customer satisfaction.

# Fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 Consolidated summary of business plan



### • <u>Sales/core operating profit main points</u>

# Consolidated (sales 687 bn. JPY + 7.1%, core operating profits 94 bn. JPY +8.2%, profitability 0.2% improvement)

- ✓ Financial impact due to exchange rate fluctuations decreased by 2.9 billion JPY for sales, and 200 million JPY decreased for core operating profit.
- ✓ Raw material price fluctuation effects estimated at annual 4 billion JPY profit decrease.

#### Japan (5-10% income increase, rise in raw material prices, etc. worsens profitability)

- ✓ HC: Stable growth planned mainly through continuous new value proposal.
- Mainly BC: Increased reinforcement to response to Japan-made demand (continued BC rapid growth, plan to start operations for Kyushu factory).

#### Asia (10-15% income increase, profitability improvement)

- China BC: Reinforce increased premiumization promotion, EC channel and BC specialized shop reinforcement to improve profitability
- Indonesia: Sales channel expansion and increase efficiency of sales promotion expenses to improve profitability.
- ✓ India: Increased area expansion and market share acquisition to stabilize profit.
- ✓ Principal countries sales growth (local currency base)
  - China +10~15% Indonesia +10~15% Thailand +5~10%
    India +20~25% Vietnam +5~10%

#### Shareholder return (total return ratio 50%)

- Annual dividends per share increased by 4 yen to 24 yen, dividend payout ratio of 24%, 17 consecutive periods of increased dividends.
- ✓ Acquisition of own shares conducted flexibly.

# Record highs for 2018 as well in preparation for 2020 Profitability improved mainly in Asia

FY Ended<br/>Dec. 31, 2017FY Ending<br/>Dec. 31, 2018DifferenceNet sales641,647687,000+45,353Core operating income<br/>(margin)86,838<br/>(13.5%)94,000<br/>(13.7%)+7,162Profit before tax92,92693,000-74

(margin)	(13.5%)	(13.7%)	+7,162	(+0.2%P)	+8.5%
Profit before tax (margin)	92,926 (14.5%)	93,000 (13.5%)	+74	+0.1% (-1.0%P)	_
Profit attributable to owners of parent (margin)	52,772 (8.2%)	59,000 (8.6%)	6,228	+11.8% (+0.4%P)	_
Basic earnings per share (JPY)	89.85	100.73	+10.88	+12.1%	_
USD Rate (JPY)	112.19	110.00	-2.19	-2.0%	_
CNY Rate (JPY)	16.63	16.80	+0.17	+1.0%	_

\*3: Actual difference rate except exchange effects.

Consolidated earnings forecast

(Millions of yen)

(Ref.)

Actual

difference

+7.5%

Difference

(%)

+7.1%

+8.2%

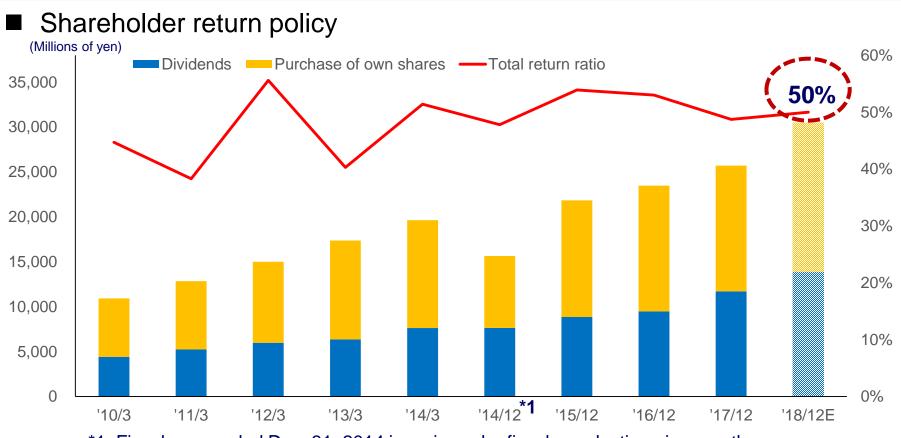




# **Shareholder Return Policy**

Continued dividend increase in FY 2018 and total return ratio of 50% scheduled through the purchase of own shares and dividends linked to business performance





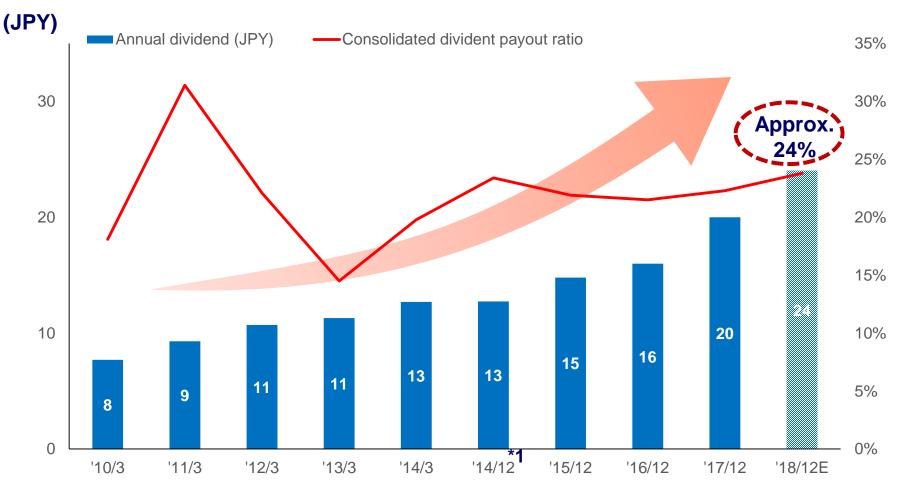
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By prioritizing business investment in order to achieve continuous growth while paying out stable and continuous dividends based on the growth of mid-to-long term earnings, and carrying out the swift purchasing of our own shares if necessary, we plan on a profit return with a goal of **total return ratio of 50%** (**raise the dividend payout ratio in stages**) in addition to shareholder dividends and purchase of own shares.

Steady and continuous dividend payments, on track for 17 consecutive periods of increased dividends Raise dividend payout ratio by stages



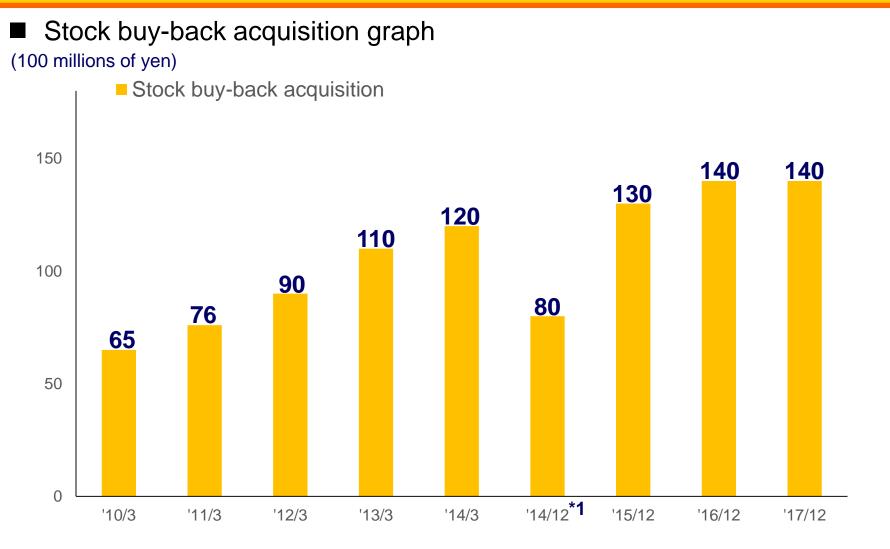
## Dividends per share



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# Swiftly acquire stocks through buy-back based on cash conditions





#### \*1: 9-month FY irregular settlement

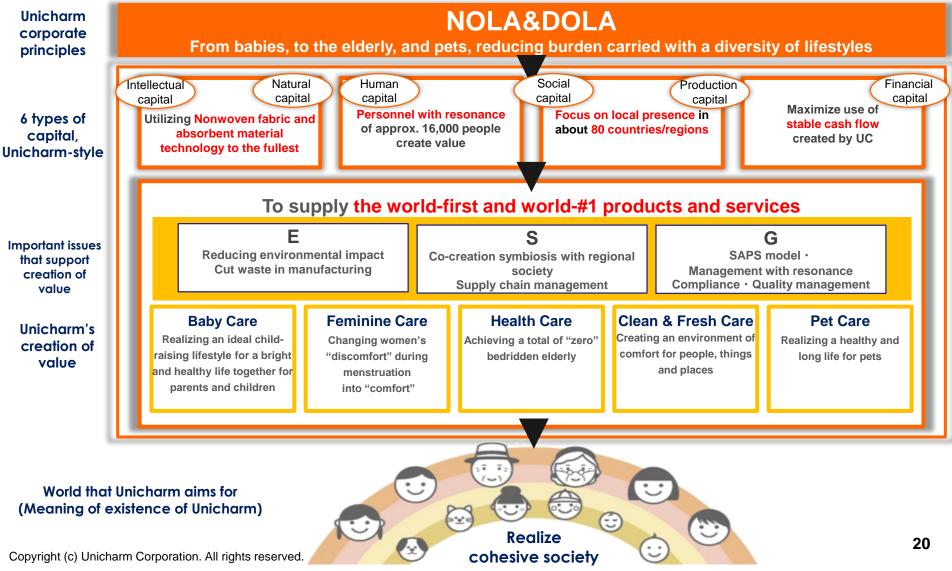


# **Raising Corporate Value**

## With 6 types of UC-style capital, as we work to resolve social issues, raise "Earning Potential" and promote "Realizing a cohesive society"



## Unicharm Value creation model





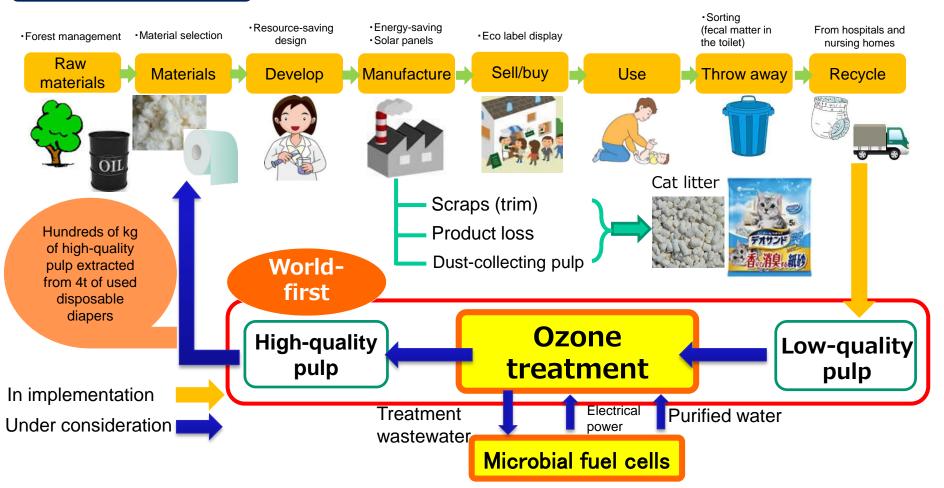
Waste reduction

Promoting a recycling model in collaboration with local groups

Aiming to create products that are environmentfriendly throughout their life-cycles



## Recycling system in development by Unicharm



 <u>Acquire patents</u> related to treatment methods that make allow <u>simultaneous water purification</u> <u>and electricity generation</u> using microbial fuel cells in the process of recycling disposable diapers
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Cut waste in manufacturing

Making products by using waste

ECO CHARMING Mark product ratio







Initiatives for sustainable procurement of raw materials and promotion of CO<sub>2</sub> reduction





Effort to mitigate its environmental impacts and conserve the environment, and promote the management of supply chain considering biodiversity

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from CDA due to promoting CO<sub>2</sub>

reduction management



## Engage in social contributions that make use of Unicharm's positive image to increase number of UC fans



# **BC** Achieving an ideal child-rearing environment for parents and children



#### **HC** Achieving a total of "zero" bedridden elderly

# **FC** Changing women's "discomfort" during menstruation into "comfort"



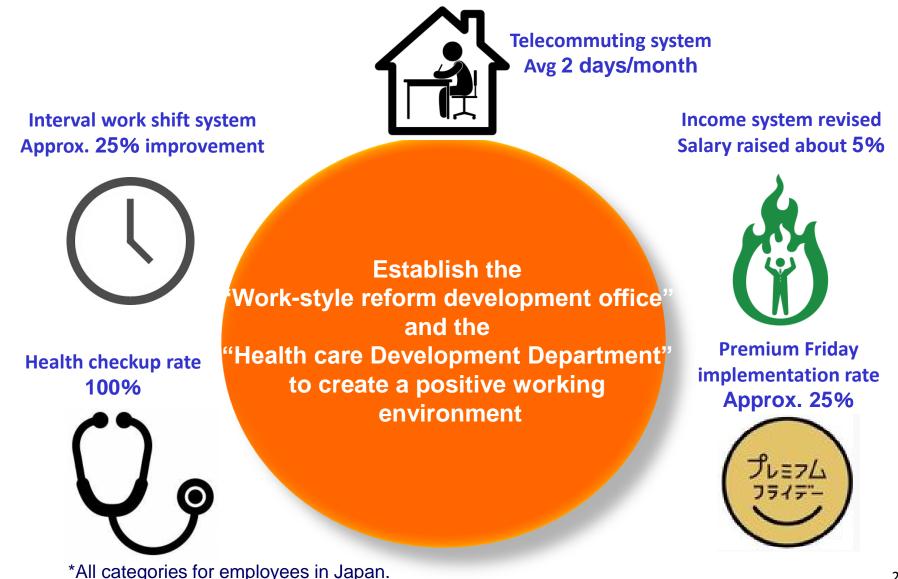
**PC** Realizing a healthy and long life for pets





Reinforcement of initiatives with the goal of employee health maintenance and productivity improvement





# Revitalization of Japan markets for all categories



■ New products for FY 2018 spring (Japan)







Unicharm shall continue to supply the world-first and world-#1 products & services that can provide all people around the world with comfort, deep impression and joy for contributing to realize the"Cohesive Society" in which they can always be brightening through their independence and mutual supports.

