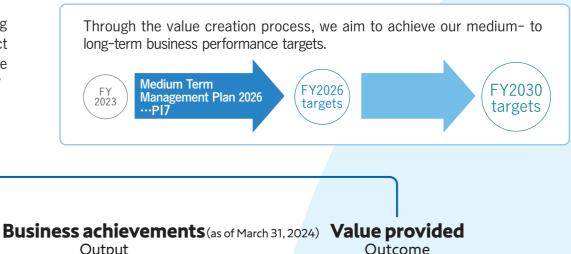
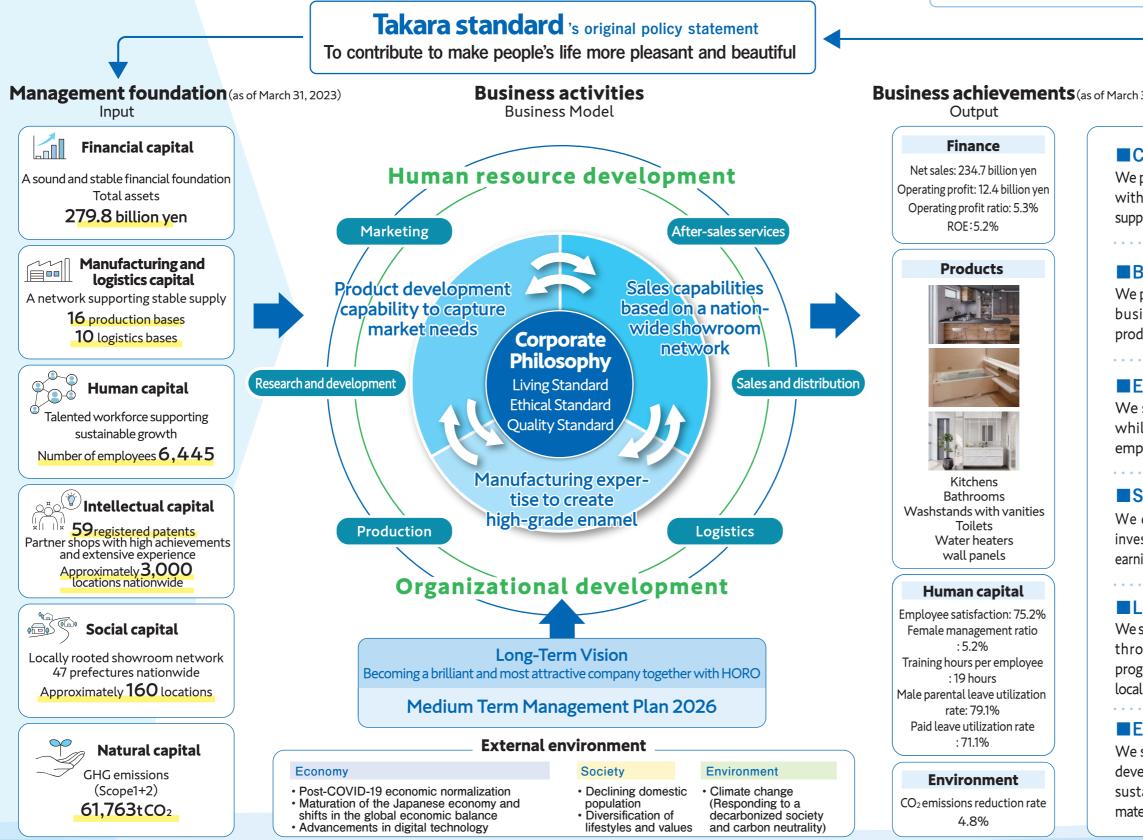
Value Creation Process and Business Model

Since its founding, Takara standard has built a unique position as the only domestic manufacturer of enamel-based wet areas housing equipment. This uniqueness is supported by our strong manufacturing capabilities, nationwide showroom-based sales force, and product development expertise in capturing market needs. Leveraging our accumulated know-how over many years, we continue to differentiate ourselves from competitors and create value to realize our philosophy of "To contribute to make people's life more pleasant and beautiful."





Customers

We provide kitchens, bathrooms, and washstands with vanities of the highest quality and design, supporting a comfortable and convenient lifestyle.

Business partners

We prioritize trust and aim to grow alongside our business partners by providing high-quality products and services.

Employees

We support growth and career development while providing a rewarding workplace that emphasizes health and well-being.

Shareholders and investors

We deliver high returns to shareholders and investors through sustainable growth and stable earnings while ensuring transparent management.

■Local communities

We support regional development and revitalization through community events and educational programs while strengthening collaboration with local businesses.

Environment

We strive to protect the global environment by developing eco-friendly products and promoting sustainable production, incorporating recycled materials and energy-saving technologies. We have categorized and summarized the analysis of short-, medium-, and long-term key risks and opportunities in the business environment surrounding Takara standard along the triple bottom line of economy, society, and environment, as shown in the table below.

On the economic front, in the short term, cost increases due to geopolitical instability, exchange rate fluctuations leading to rising raw material costs, rising logistics costs symbolized by the "2024 problem," and government-mandated wage hikes are significant concerns. To effectively manage these challenges, we need to implement proper cost management, reduce inventory and logistics costs, and make timely price adjustments. While our company has grown steadily by capturing the demand for more comfortable living amid domestic market growth, Japan's population decline, which began in the 2010s, is expected to accelerate after 2030. Consequently, not only new construction starts decline, but the currently strong demand for remodeling will also likely decrease in the long term. Thus, addressing the risk of market contraction is recognized as the most critical midto long-term challenge. As countermeasures, our core strategies will include expansion into emerging markets, primarily in Asia, where rising living standards are expected to drive growth in the wet area products market, as well as the creation of new businesses leveraging the customer base cultivated in Japan's housing equipment industry.

On the social front, population decline and the diversification of people's values are expected to have the greatest impact. Addressing labor shortages due to a shrinking workforce and adapting to changing perspectives on work and employment practices will be key. Our diversity and inclusion initiatives represent both a risk and an opportunity, making them central to our human capital strategy. Regarding environmental concerns, the timeframe until Japan's 2050 carbon neutrality goal is narrowing, and international environmental standards must be met for overseas market expansion. Consequently, more proactive decarbonization initiatives are deemed essential.

| Field | Social and | Risks and opportunities | | Ti | Timeframe | | - Strategy (countermeasures) |
|-------------|---|-------------------------|---|-------|-----------|------|--|
| | environmental factors | | | Short | Medium | Long | |
| Economy | Post-COVID-19 economic normalization | Risks | Limitations in factory production capacity | | | | Enhancement and streamlining of production capacity through new factory construction and capital |
| | | | Rising logistics costs | | | | Reduction of inventory and logistics costs through item management |
| | | | Government-mandated wage increases | | | | Effective utilization of human resources through area management |
| | | Opportunities | Growth in remodeling demand | | | | Expansion of the remodeling business by leveraging the showroom network |
| | | | | | | | Strengthening of high-grade enamel products, a proprietary material |
| | Maturation of the Japanese economy and changes in the global economic balance | Risks | Rising prices of raw materials and other resources | | | | Strengthening supply chain management Timely price adjustments |
| | | | Stagnation in household disposable income growth | | | | Strengthening overseas business and creating new business opportunities |
| | | | Deterioration of financial indicators such as ROE and PBR | | | | Effective utilization of capital through financial strategy |
| | | Opportunities | Growth in emerging markets | | | | Expansion of market share in overseas markets |
| | Advances in digital technology | Risks | Loss of opportunities due to delays in digitalization | | | | Improvement of labor productivity and logistics efficiency through DX utilization |
| | | Opportunities | Creation of new value through digital utilization | | | | |
| Society | Declining domestic population | Risks | Decrease in new construction starts | | | | Strengthening overseas business and creating new business opportunities |
| | | | Declining labor force | | | | Promotion of human resources and organizational development |
| | Diversification of lifestyles and values | Risks | Increased costs due to diversified work styles | | | | Enhancement of work satisfaction through increased labor mobility and enriched training p Innovation driven by women's empowerment and mid-career recruitment |
| | | Opportunities | Productivity improvement through diversified work styles | | | | |
| | | Risks | Increased costs for DE&I implementation | | | | |
| | | Opportunities | Organizational revitalization through DE&I | | | | |
| | | Risks | Rise in cooking appliances and ready-to-eat food products | | | | Strengthening overseas business and creating new business opportunities |
| | | Opportunities | Growth in remodeling demand | | • | | Expansion of the remodeling business by leveraging the showroom network Strengthening of high-grade enamel products, a proprietary material |
| | | | Expansion of the e-commerce market | | | | Utilizing an online store for selling consumable goods |
| Environment | Climate change | Risks | Strengthening of environmental regulations | | | | Proactive and planned decarbonization transition ahead of regulatory tightening |
| | | | Rise in fossil fuel costs | | | | Energy procurement plans, including the transition to renewable energy |
| | | | Cost burden for achieving carbon neutrality | | | | Planned decarbonization transition incorporating transition costs |
| | | | Intensification of natural disasters | | | | Implementation of appropriate countermeasures at each business site again natural disasters such as heavy rainfall |
| | | Opportunities | Growth of the environmental-related market | | | | Creation of new businesses |
| | | | Advancements in energy-saving technology | | | | Greation of new pushesses |

Takara standard conducts analysis and evaluation of risks and opportunities to determine key issues.

This report includes a table summarizing key risk and opportunity analyses, presenting only those items deemed highly significant for the company and its stakeholders.

