Semi-Annual Financial Review

From January 1 to June 30, 2013

Kao Corporation

July 30, 2013

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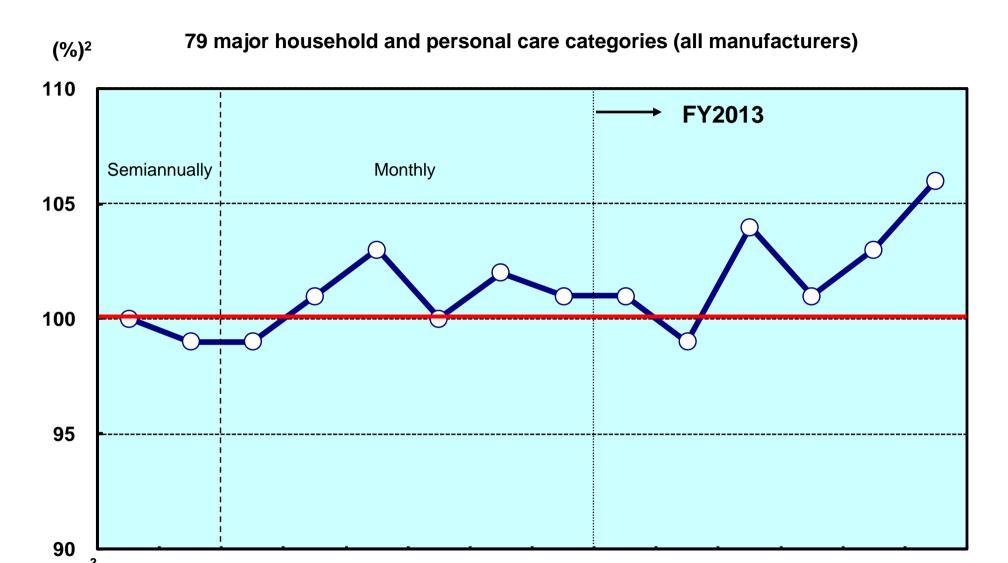


1. Business Environment

January 1 – June 30, 2013



Consumer Products¹ Market in Japan



1 Consumer products do not include cosmetics.

1H/FY12

- 2 Year-on-year growth rate of market size in value (yen)
- 3. 1H: From January 1 to June 30, 2H: From July 1 to December 31

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(Source: SRI POS data by INTAGE Inc.)

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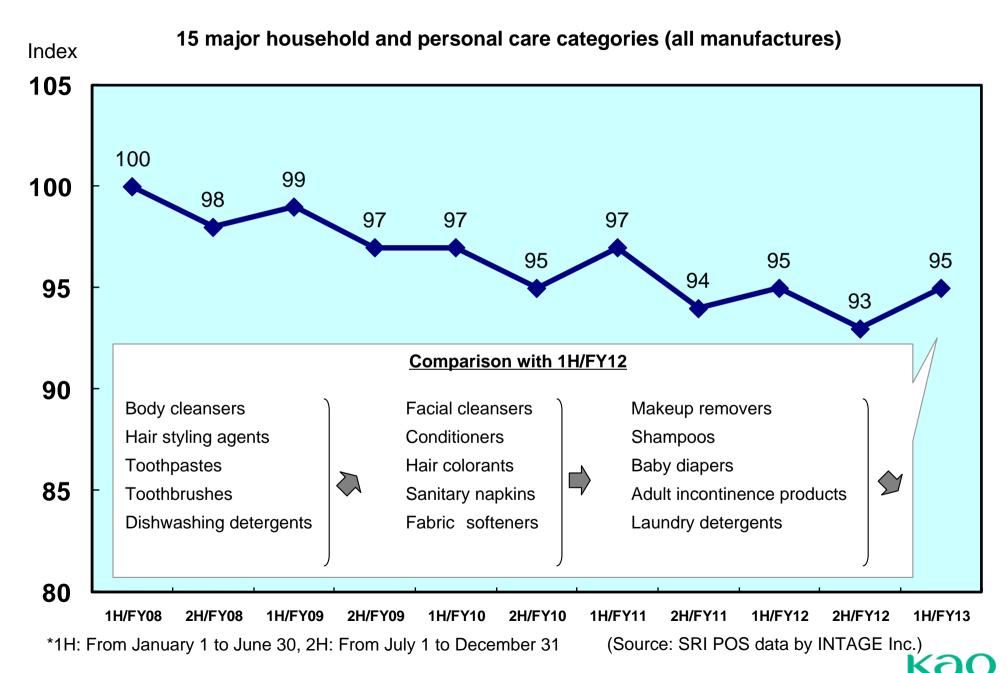
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Consumer Purchase Prices in Japan



Enriching lives, in harmony with nature

2. Consolidated Business Results

January 1 – June 30, 2013

Fiscal year end is December 31 from FY2012

Term of consolidation for 1H/FY2012

- Group companies whose fiscal year end was previously March 31 *: April-September 2012
- Group companies whose fiscal year end was already December 31: January-June 2012

Term of consolidation for FY2012

- Group companies whose fiscal year end was previously March 31 *: April-December 2012
- Group companies whose fiscal year end was already December 31: January-December 2012

Restated 1H/FY2012

Figures for the six-month period from January 1 to June 30, 2012 for the purpose of comparison with 1H/ FY2013 (January 1 to June 30, 2013).

Adjusted growth / Adjusted change Comparison with the restated 1H/FY2012



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Key Points in 1H/FY2013

Japan sales related

- 1. Consumer purchase price of 15 major household and personal care categories market in Japan¹: Flat year-on-year
- 2. Growth of household and personal care market in Japan²: +2% year-on-year
- 3. Growth of the cosmetics market in Japan³: -0.9% year-on-year

Income statements related

		Adjusted growth ⁴
1. Net sales:	¥625.0 billion	+8.0%
 Effect of currency translation: 	+¥31.9 billion	+5.5%
 Sales growth excluding effect of 		
currency translation:	+¥14.4 billion	+2.5%
2. Increase/decrease in operating income ⁵ :	+¥8.1 billion	

Cash flow related

1.	Free cash flow ⁶ :	¥36.9 billion
2.	Payments of cash dividends ⁷ :	¥18.6 billion
3.	Share repurchase8:	¥30.0 billion
4	Ronds:	Redemption ¥50.0 billion / Issuance ¥50.0 billion

5. Retirement of treasury stock: 10.2 million shares

- 1 Index with the 1st half of FY2008 as 100 (Source: SRI POS data by INTAGE Inc.)
- 2 Source: SRI POS data by INTAGE Inc.
- 3 Source: SLI data by INTAGE Inc.
- 4 Please refer to slide 6 for details.
- 5 Please refer to slide 12 for details.
- 6 Free cash flow = Net cash provided by operating activities + Net cash used in investing activities
- 7 Includes payments of cash dividends to minority shareholders.
- 8 Excludes repurchase of shares less than one unit



1H/FY2013 Consolidated Results

		Restated		Adjusted
Billion yen	1H/FY12 ¹	1H/FY12 ¹	1H/FY13	growth 1
Net Sales	609.0	578.7	625.0	+8.0%
EBITA ²	69.7	51.5	57.5	+11.5%
EBITA Margin	11.4%	8.9%	9.2%	
Operating Income	53.4	34.8	42.9	+23.2%
Operating Margin	8.8%	6.0%	6.9%	
Ordinary Income	55.4	36.1	44.9	+24.4%
Net Income	35.9	19.2	18.3	- 5.1%
EBITDA	91.6	74.3	80.1	+7.9%
EPS (yen)	68.72	36.87	35.41	-4.0%

¹ Please refer to slide 6 for details.

² Operating income before amortization of goodwill and intellectual property rights related to M&A.



Consolidated Net Sales [1]

	Restated 1H/FY2012 ¹	1H/FY2013		
	Billion yen	Billion yen	% Gı	
			Adjusted ¹	Like-for-like ²
Beauty Care Business	193.5	200.3	+3.5	+3.5
Human Health Care Business	80.6	86.0	+6.7	+6.7
Fabric and Home Care Business	115.8	8 121.0 +4.4		+4.4
Japan total	390.0	407.2	+4.4	+4.4
Asia	42.4	56.7	+33.8	+11.1
Americas	28.1	34.3	+22.2	+1.8
Europe	27.4	34.0	+24.1	+3.1
Eliminations	-12.2	-15.6	-	-
Consumer Products Business	475.6	516.7	+8.6	+4.4

^{1:} Please refer to slide 6 for details.



^{2:} Adjusted growth excluding the effect of currency translation

Consolidated Net Sales [2]

	Restated 1H/FY2012 ¹	1H/FY2013		
	Billion yen	Billion yen	% Gı Adjusted ¹	owth Like-for-like ²
Japan	60.4	59.8	-1.1	-1.1
Asia	39.6	40.8	+2.9	-14.7
Americas	17.4	19.8	+14.0	-6.6
Europe	27.0	30.5	+12.9	-6.9
Eliminations	-24.6	-24.9	-	-
Chemical Business	119.9	125.9	+5.0	-5.1
Reconciliations	-16.8	-17.6	-	-
Consolidated net sales	578.7	625.0	+8.0	+2.5

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^{2:} Adjusted growth excluding the effect of currency translation

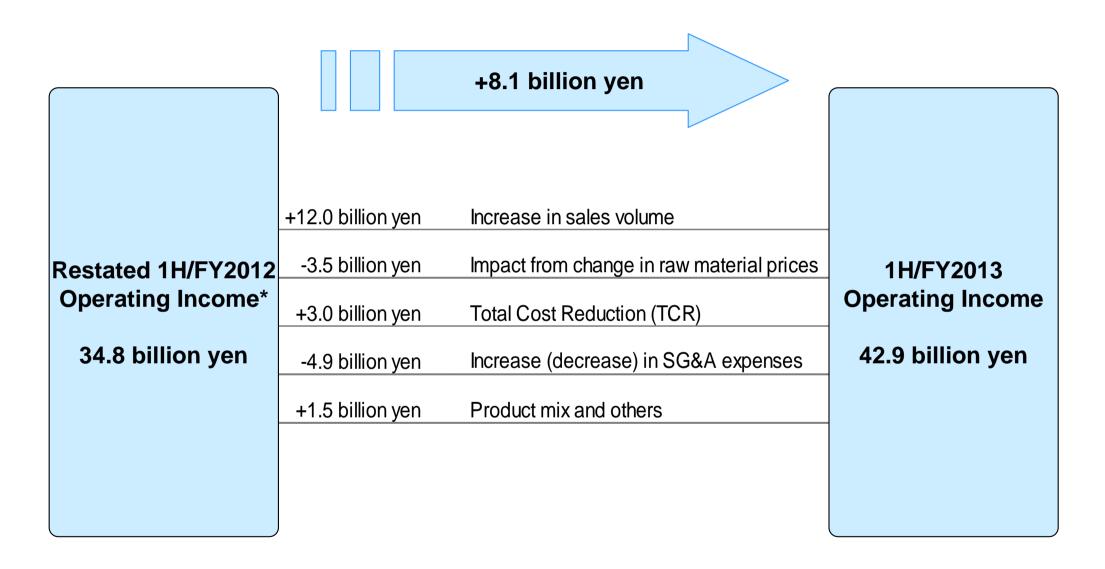
Consolidated Income Statements

	1H/FY2012 ¹		1H/FY2013		Adjusted
	Billion yen	%	Billion yen	%	% growth ¹
Net Sales	609.0	100.0	625.0	100.0	+8.0
Cost of Sales	262.9	43.2	276.0	44.2	
Gross Profit	346.0	56.8	349.0	55.8	
SG&A Expenses ²	292.7	48.1	306.0	49.0	
Operating Income	53.4	8.8	42.9	6.9	+23.2
Non-operating Income/Expenses	2.0	0.3	2.0	0.3	2004
Ordinary Income	55.4	9.1	44.9	7.2	+24.4
Extraordinary Gain/Loss	-0.7	-0.1	-6.5	-1.0	
Income Before Income Taxes and Minority Interests	54.7	9.0	38.4	6.1	
Income Taxes	18.2	3.0	19.3	3.1	
Income Before Minority Interests	36.5	6.0	19.1	3.0	
Minority Interests	0.6	0.1	0.8	0.1	
Net Income	35.9	5.9	18.3	2.9	-5.1

- 1 Please refer to slide 6 for details.
- 2 Amortization related to Kanebo Cosmetics 1H/FY2012: 13.7 billion yen, 1H/FY2013: 13.4 billion yen



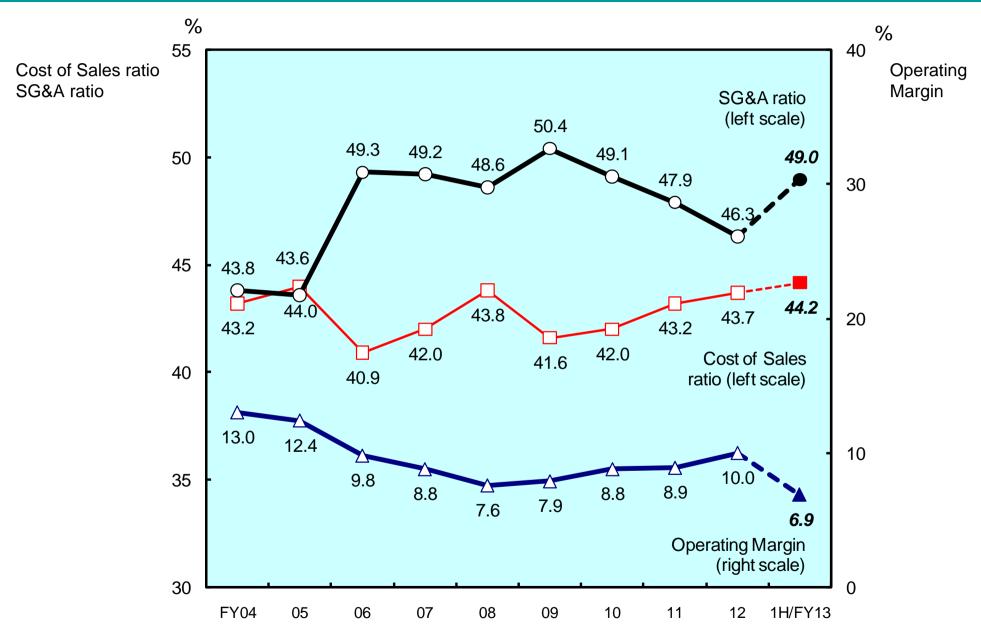
1H/FY2013 Consolidated Operating Income Analysis



^{*} Please refer to slide 6 for details.



Consolidated Cost of Sales and SG&A to Net Sales



^{*} Structure has changed significantly since FY2006 due to the consolidation of Kanebo Cosmetics. The impact of the change in financial term is included in FY2012. (Please refer to slide 6 for details.)



Breakdown of Major Consolidated SG&A Expenses

(Billion yen)

	1H/FY2012*	1H/FY2013
Total SG&A Expenses	292.7	306.0
Freight/Warehouse	34.9	36.0
Advertising	43.2	44.8
Sales Promotion	31.3	34.1
Salaries and Bonuses	60.7	66.1
R&D	24.0	24.5

^{*}Please refer to slide 6 for details.



Consolidated Non-operating Income/Expenses and Extraordinary Gain/Loss

(Billion yen)

Non-operating Income/Expenses	1H/FY2012*	1H/FY2013
Non-operating Income	3.2	3.5
Interest Income	0.5	0.5
Dividend Income	0.1	0.1
Equity in Earnings of Nonconsolidated Subsidiaries and Affiliates	1.2	1.1
Foreign Currency Exchange Gain	0.1	0.3
Other	1.3	1.5
Non-operating Expenses	1.2	1.6
Interest Expense	0.8	0.7
Other	0.4	0.9

Extraordinary Gain/Loss	1H/FY2012*	1H/FY2013
Extraordinary Gain	0.5	8.0
Gain on Sales of Fixed Assets	0.1	0.0
Gain on Sales of Stock of Subsidiary	0.3	-
Gain on Transfer of Business	-	0.4
Other	0.1	0.4
Extraordinary Loss	1.1	7.3
Loss on Sales/Disposals of Fixed Assets	1.1	1.4
Loss related to cosmetics	-	5.6
Other	0.0	0.4

^{*}Please refer to slide 6 for details.



Consolidated Results by Segment

		Restated 1H/	FY2012 ³	1H/FY2013		Adjusted changes ³	Adjusted growth ³
		Billion yen	% of net sales	Billion yen	% of net sales	Billion yen	%
	Net Sales ¹	256.7	-	278.6		+21.9	+8.5%
Beauty Care Business	EBITA ²	16.7	6.5%	17.6	6.3%	+0.9	+5.6%
	Operating Income	0.0	0.0%	3.1	1.1%	+3.1	NA
Human Health	Net Sales ¹	89.7	-	99.6	-	+9.9	+11.1%
Care Business	Operating Income	4.2	4.7%	6.7	6.7%	+2.5	+59.2%
Fabric and Home	Net Sales ¹	129.2	-	138.5	1	+9.3	+7.2%
Care Business	Operating Income	20.8	16.1%	23.7	17.1%	+2.8	+13.5%
	Net Sales ¹	119.9	-	125.9	-	+6.0	+5.0%
Chemical Business	EBITA ²	9.7	8.1%	9.4	7.5%	-0.3	-2.7%
	Operating Income	9.7	8.1%	9.4	7.5%	-0.2	-2.5%
Consolidated	Net Sales	578.7	-	625.0	-	+46.3	+8.0%
	EBITA ²	51.5	8.9%	57.5	9.2%	+5.9	+11.5%
	Operating Income	34.8	6.0%	42.9	6.9%	+8.1	+23.2%

¹ Before elimination of intersegment transfers

² Operating income before amortization of goodwill and intellectual property rights related to M&A

³ Please refer to slide 6 for details.

[Reference] Consolidated Results by Geographic Area

			Restated 1H/FY2012 ³		013	Adjusted changes ³	Adjusted growth ³
		Billion yen	% of net sales	Billion yen	% of net sales	Billion yen	%
	Net Sales ¹	435.8	-	452.0	-	+16.3	+3.7%
Japan	EBITA ²	44.4	10.2%	47.7	10.5%	+3.2	+7.3%
	Operating Income	28.7	6.6%	34.2	7.6%	+5.5	+19.3%
Asia	Net Sales ¹	80.5	-	95.6	-	+15.1	+18.7%
ASIa	Operating Income	3.3	4.1%	5.8	6.1%	+2.5	+75.3%
	Net Sales ¹	45.4	-	54.0	-	+8.6	+19.0%
Americas	EBITA ²	1.2	2.7%	2.1	3.9%	+0.9	+76.3%
	Operating Income	0.9	2.0%	1.8	3.3%	+0.9	+99.5%
	Net Sales ¹	54.4	-	64.4	-	+10.0	+18.5%
Europe	EBITA ²	2.8	5.2%	2.6	4.1%	-0.2	-6.4%
	Operating Income	2.2	4.0%	1.9	2.9%	-0.3	-13.4%
	Net Sales	578.7	-	625.0	-	+46.3	+8.0%
Consolidated	EBITA ²	51.5	8.9%	57.5	9.2%	+5.9	+11.5%
	Operating Income	34.8	6.0%	42.9	6.9%	+8.1	+23.2%

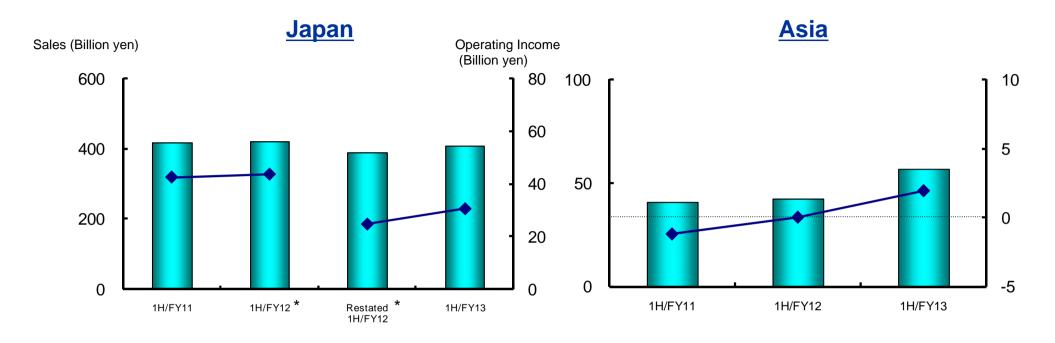
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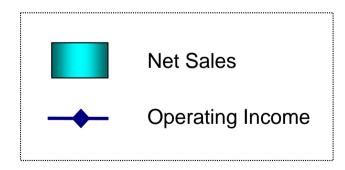


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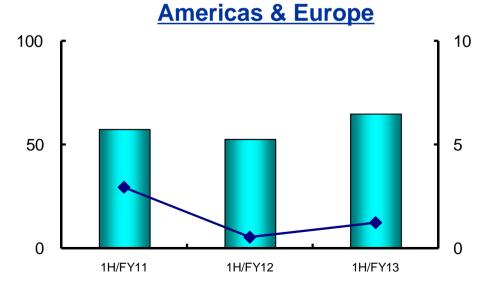
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Consumer Products Business by Geographic Area



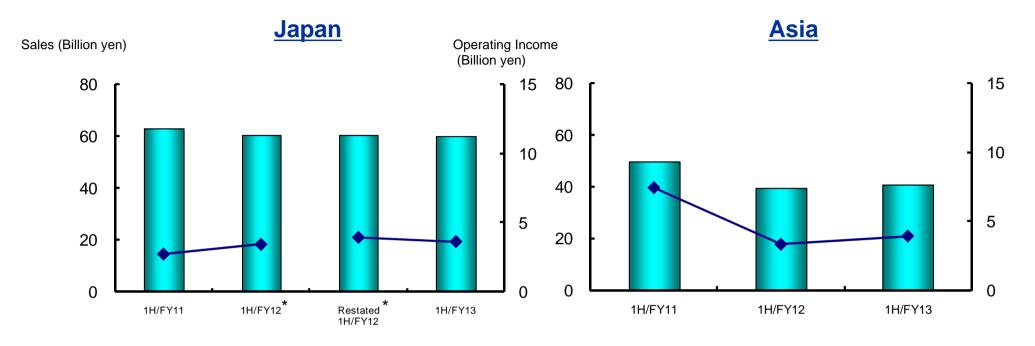


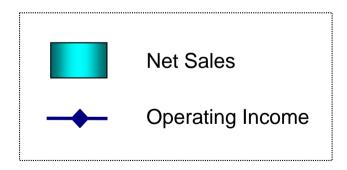
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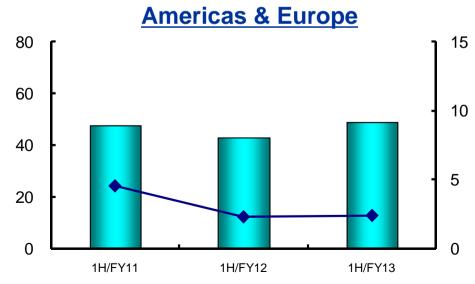


Chemical Business by Geographic Area





* Please refer to slide 6 for details on 1H/FY2012 and restated 1H/FY2012 of Japan.





Consolidated Balance Sheets

	yen)

				1			(Billion yen)
	Dec/12	Jun/13	Changes		Dec/12	Jun/13	Changes
Current Assets	493.4	515.3	+21.9 Current Liabilities		315.9	292.1	-23.8
Cash and Time Deposits	99.3	94.6	-4.8	Payable - Trade	105.5	111.6	+6.1
Notes and Accounts Receivable - Trade	164.3	163.2	-1.1	Bonds/Short-term Loans (incl. Current Portion of Bonds/Long-	53.1	1.3	-51.8
Short-term Investments	57.4	68.4	+10.9	term Loans)			
Inventories	122.2	132.0	+9.8	Accrued Income Taxes	11.7	16.5	+4.8
Other	50.2	57.2	+7.1	Other	145.6	162.7	+17.1
Fixed Assets	546.6	554.6	+8.0	Long-term Liabilities	118.4	174.4	+56.0
Property, Plant and Equipment	252.3	269.2	+16.9	Bonds/Long-term Loans	50.1	100.1	+50.0
Intangible Assets	215.9	205.6	-10.4	Other	68.3	74.4	+6.0
Investments and Other Assets	78.3	79.8	+1.5	Total Liabilities	434.3	466.6	+32.3
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				Shareholders' equity	663.6	636.3	-27.4
				-Common Stock	85.4	85.4	-
				-Capital Surplus	109.6	109.6	-
				-Retained Earnings	477.6	450.9	-26.7
				-Treasury Stock, at Cost	-9.0	-9.7	-0.7
				Accumulated other comprehensive income	-71.3	-46.8	+24.5
				 - Unrealized Gain on Available-for-sale Securities 	2.4	4.0	+1.5
				- Deferred Gain (Loss) on Derivatives under Hedges Accounting	0.0	0.0	+0.0
				- Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments	-71.9	-46.1	+25.7
				 Post retirement adjustments for foreign consolidated subsidiaries 	-1.9	-4.7	-2.8
				Stock Acquisition Rights	1.3	1.2	-0.1
				Minority Interests	12.1	12.7	+0.6
				Total Net Assets	605.7	603.3	-2.4
Total Assets	1,040.0	1,069.9	+29.9	Total Liabilities and Total Net Assets	1,040.0	1,069.9	+29.9

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(Billion yen)

	1H/FY2012 ¹	1H/FY2013
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	63.9	78.9
Net Cash Used in Investing Activities	-30.6	-41.9
Net Cash Used in Financing Activities	-16.2	-50.7
Translation Adjustments on Cash and Cash Equivalents	0.0	11.2
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	17.2	-2.5
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Period	129.7	160.4
Cash and Cash Equivalents from Newly Consolidated Subsidiary, Increase	0.3	0.6
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Period	147.2	158.5
Total Debt at End of Period	103.6	101.4
Free Cash Flow ²	33.3	36.9

<Net cash used in investing activities>

Capital expenditures:

- Construction of new plants in Indonesia
- Production capacity enhancement of fatty alcohols in the Philippines
- Production facilities for new products
- Production capacity expansion
- Optimization of distribution bases
- IT related, etc.

<Net cash used in financing activities>

Payments of cash dividends (Includes payments of cash dividends to

minority shareholders): 18.6 billion yen Purchase of treasury stock³: 30.0 billion yen

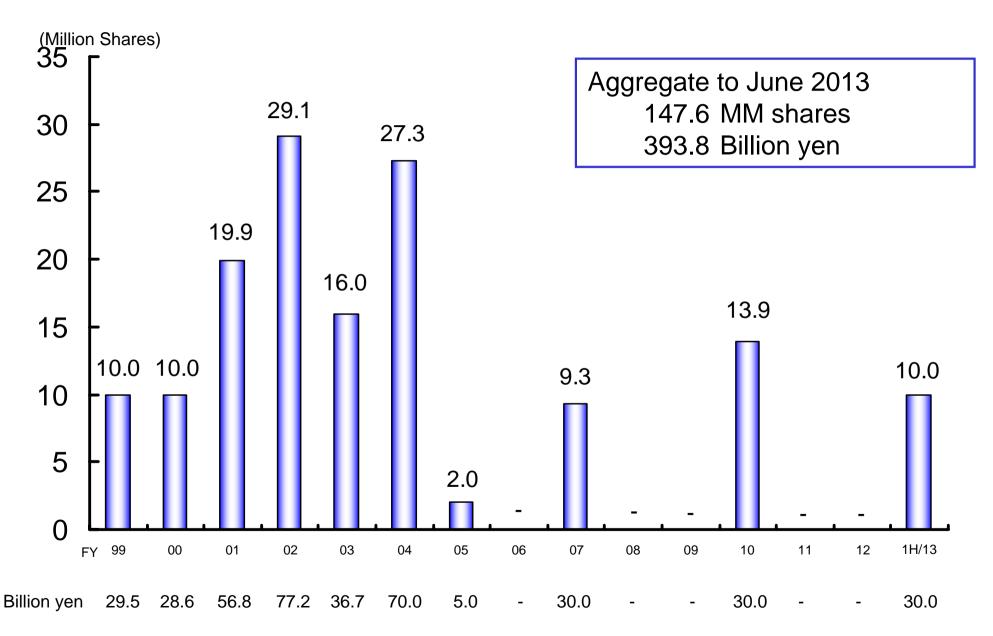
Bonds: Redemption 50.0 billion yen / Issuance 50.0 billion yen

Retirement of treasury stock: 10.2 million shares

- 1 Please refer to slide 6 for details.
- 2 Free cash flow = Net cash provided by operating activities + Net cash used in investing activities
- 3 Excludes repurchase of shares less than one unit



Share Repurchase *



^{*} Share repurchase from the market



3. Forecast for FY 2013

Fiscal year end is December 31 from FY2012

Term of consolidation for FY2012

- Group companies whose fiscal year end was previously March 31*: April-December 2012
- Group companies whose fiscal year end was already December 31: January-December 2012

Restated FY2012

Figures for the twelve-month period from January 1 to December 31, 2012 for group companies whose fiscal year end was previously March 31

Adjusted growth

- FY2012 actual
 Comparison with the nine-month period from April 1 to December 31, 2011 for group companies whose fiscal year end was previously March before the fiscal year end change
- FY2013 forecast Comparison with the restated FY2012



^{*} Kao Corporation and certain consolidated subsidiaries with the same fiscal year end

Major Assumptions for FY2013 Forecast

- ♦ Year-on-year growth rate of market size in value (yen) for the Consumer Products Business¹ in Japan: +1 to +2%
- ◆ Year-on-year growth rate of cosmetics market size in value (yen) in Japan: 0 to +1%

Adjusted growth²

+1.6%

♦ Net sales:	¥1,300.0 billion	+6.5%	
Effect of currency translation:	+¥60.0 billion	+4.9%	

• Sales growth excluding effect of currency translation: +¥19.6 billion

Estimated impact on income

- **♦** Impact from change in raw material prices:
 - Gross impact: +¥9 billion
 - Net impact: -¥7 billion
- ◆ Total Cost Reduction (TCR) activities: +¥6 billion
- **◆** Capital expenditures/depreciation and amortization:
 - Capital expenditures: ¥60 billion
 - Depreciation and amortization: ¥76 billion

Exchange rate assumptions

- ◆95 yen/USD (FY2012 actual exchange rate [average]: 80.12 yen/USD) ◆125 yen/Euro (FY2012 actual exchange rate [average]: 103.46 yen/Euro)
- 1 Excludes cosmetics.
- 2 Please refer to slide 23 for details.



Consolidated Sales and Profit Forecast

	FY2012 ⁴		[Reference] 2 Restated FY2012	FY2013(F) ⁵	
	Billion yen	Adjusted 2 % growth	Billion yen	Billion yen	Adjusted2 % growth
Net Sales	1,012.6	+0.4	1,220.4	1,300.0	+6.5
Operating Income	101.6	+3.2	111.8	116.0	+3.8
[% of Sales]	10.0%		9.2%	8.9%	
Ordinary Income	104.2	+4.0	114.1	118.0	+3.4
[% of Sales]	10.3%		9.4%	9.1%	
Net Income	62.4	+20.5	62.7	67.0	+6.8
[% of Sales]	6.2%		5.1%	5.2%	
Net Income per Share (yen)	119.55	+20.6	120.21	130.84	+8.8
ROE ³	11.0%	-	11.1%	11.0%	-
EBITDA (Operating Income + Depr. & Amort.)	161.4	+0.4	189.2	192.0	+1.5
Cash Dividends per Share (yen)	62.0	+3.3	62.0	64.0	+3.2

¹ Exchange rate assumptions: 95 yen/USD,125 yen/Euro

Enriching lives, in harmony with nature

² Please refer to slide 23 for details.

³ ROE forecast of FY2012 is for the transitional period connected with the change in fiscal year end.

⁴ Kanebo Cosmetics (Apr. -Dec. 2012): Net sales = approximately ¥150 billion / operating margin before deduction of royalties = slightly more than 7%; amortization related to Kanebo Cosmetics: ¥20.5 billion

⁵ Kanebo Cosmetics (Jan. -Dec. 2013): Net sales = slightly more than ¥180 billion / operating margin before deduction of royalties = approximately 6%; amortization related to Kanebo Cosmetics: ¥26.8 billion

Sales Outlook by Segment – FY2013

<Billion yen>

Adjusted growth²

Consolidated Net Sales

1,300

+6.5%

By Segment¹

Reference:

By Geographic Area¹

Chemical	250	+5.7%
Fabric and Home Care	309	+5.8%
Human Health Care	210	+10.8%
Beauty Care	565	Adjusted growth ² +5.1%

Japan	956	Adjusted growth ² +2.4%
Asia	191	+19.4%
Americas	106	+17.8%
Europe	128	+15.8%

¹ Sales are before elimination of transactions between segments or geographic areas.

² Please refer to slide 23 for details.

Sales Outlook - FY2013

- Consumer Products Business in Japan -

<Billion yen>

		1st Half		Full Year			
	Restated FY2012	FY2013	Adjusted growth*	Restated FY2012	FY2013	Adjusted growth*	
	Actual	Actual	9.0	Actual	Forecast	9.0	
Beauty Care	193.5	200.3	+3.5%	408.3	407.0	-0.3%	
Human Health Care	80.6	86.0	+6.7%	170.3	181.0	+6.3%	
Fabric and Home Care	115.8	121.0	+4.4%	264.4	274.0	+3.6%	
Consumer Products Business	390.0	407.2	+4.4%	843.0	862.0	+2.3%	

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FY2013 Outlook by Segment/Geographic Area

Decrease in operating income

Increase in operating income

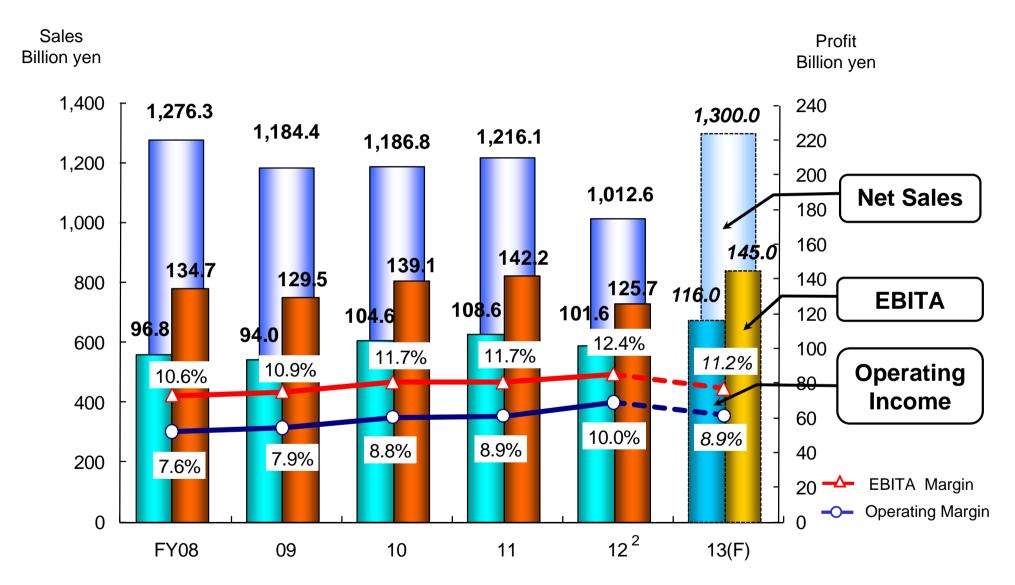
CP1 - Japan Increase in CP1 - Asia CP1 - Americas **Chemical – Japan** CP1 - Europe net Chemical - Asia sales Chemical - Americas **Chemical – Europe** Decrease ₹. net sales



^{1:} CP = Consumer Products

^{2:} Excludes the impact of the change in financial term. (Please refer to slide 23 for details.)

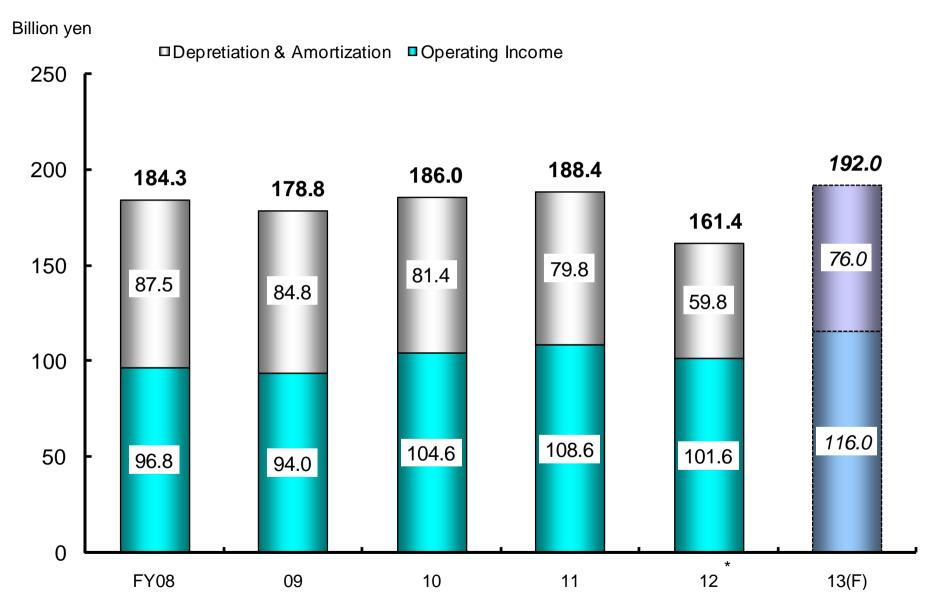
Consolidated Net Sales/EBITA¹/Operating Income



- 1 Operating income before amortization of goodwill and intellectual property rights related to M&A
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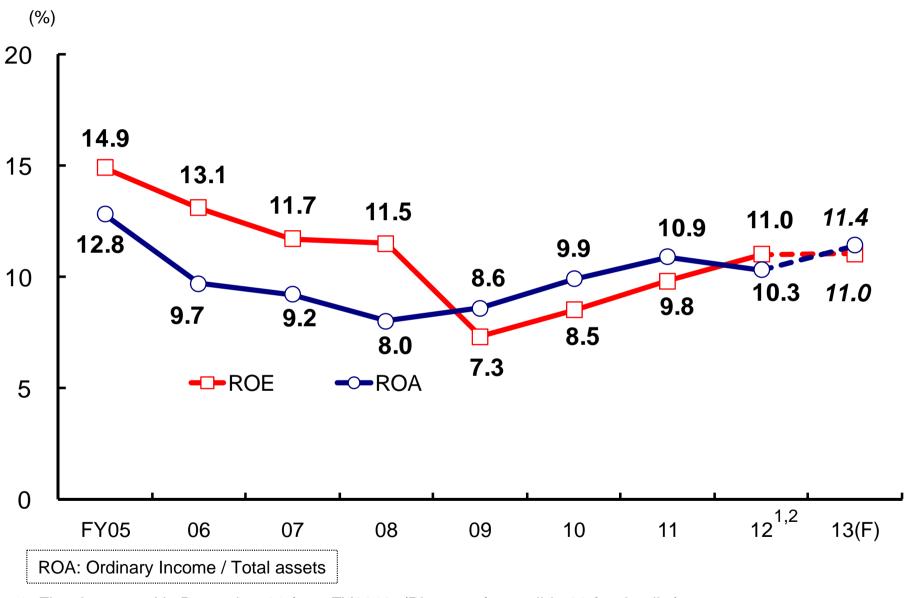
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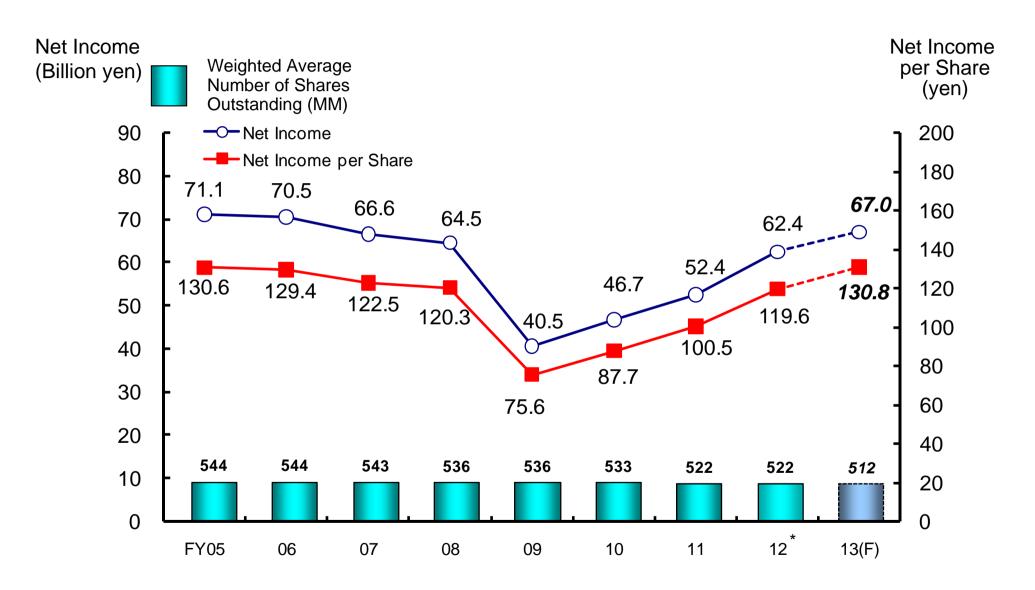
ROE & ROA



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- 2 ROE and ROA of FY2012 are for the transitional period connected with the change in fiscal year end.



Net Income per Share

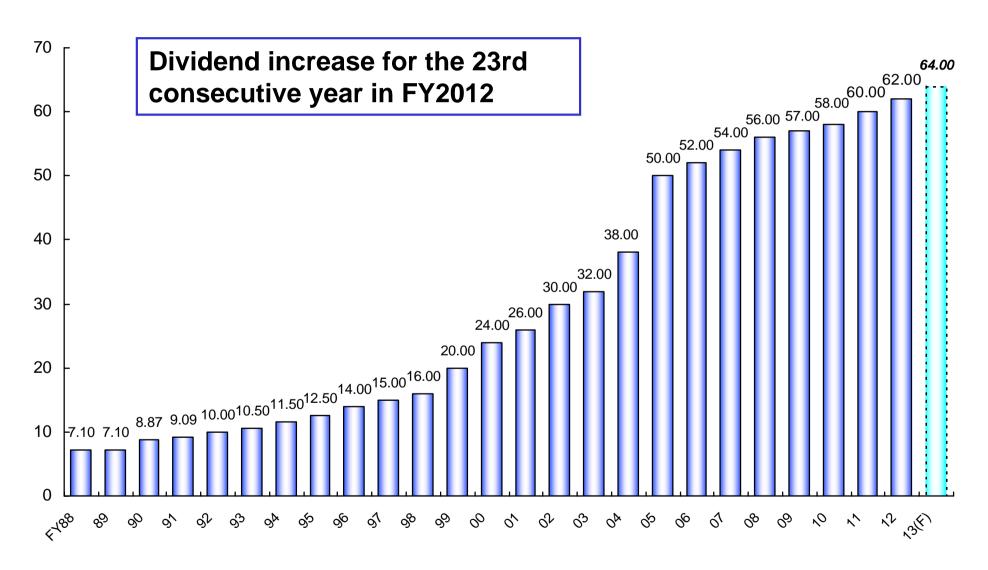


^{*} Fiscal year end is December 31 from FY2012. (Please refer to slide 23 for details.)



Cash Dividends per Share

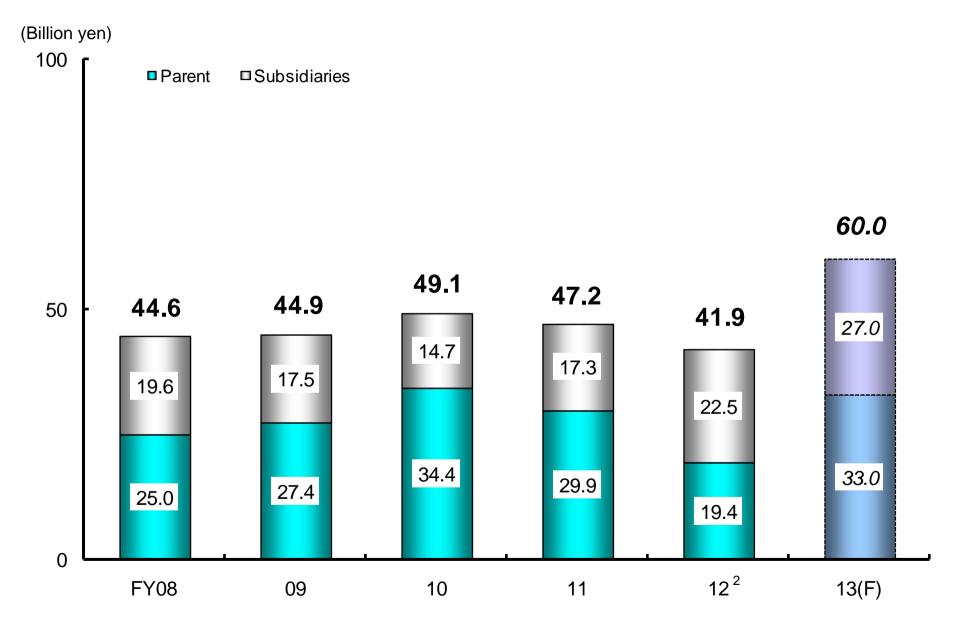
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^{*}Impacts of share splits are retroactively reflected.



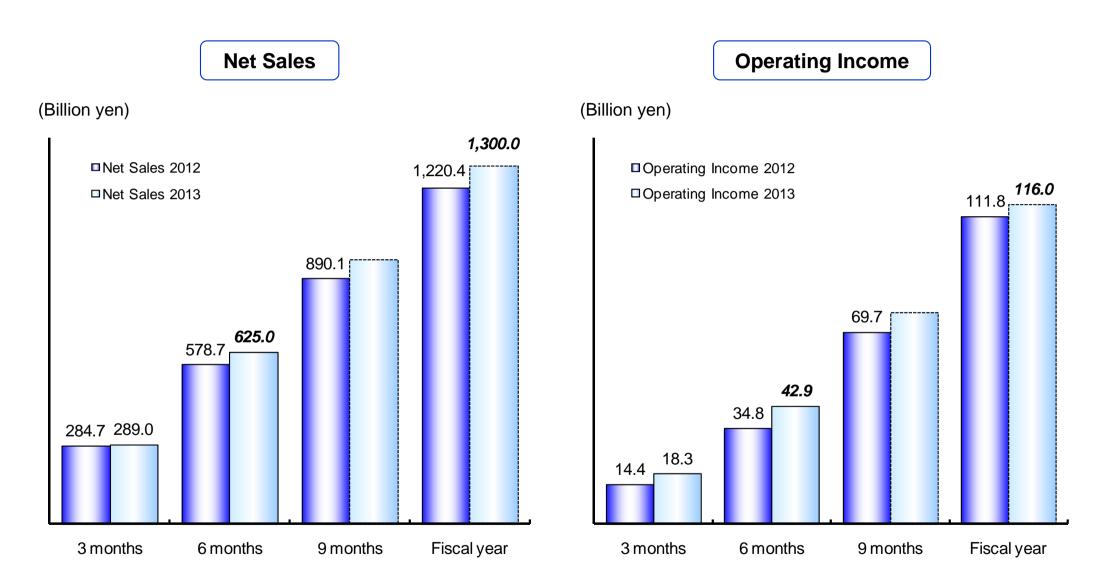
Capital Expenditures



- 1 Includes long-term prepaid expenses.
- 2 Fiscal year end is December 31 from FY2012. (Please refer to slide 23 for details.)



FY2013 Quarterly Consolidated Sales and Profit Forecast



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