

## For the Fiscal Year Ended March 2019

# SOFT99 corporation

## **The 65th Financial Results Briefing**

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## I: Outline of Corporate Group



**Corporate Profile** 

Capital

## SOFT99 corporation

October 28, 1954

Establishment

No. of employees

Principal business

¥2,310,056,000

Representative President and CEO Hideaki Tanaka

209 (as of March 31, 2019)

Manufacturing and sale of chemical products for car and home care





## Subsidiaries and Affiliates

Company name		Location	Stated capital or contribution	Percentage of our ownership of voting rights	Relationship
AION Co., Ltd.		Chuo-ku, Osaka	¥ <b>482</b> mil.	100.0%	Financial assistance and real estate leasing Interlocking directors
ASMO Co., Ltd.		Chuo-ku, Osaka	¥ <b>80</b> mil.	100.0%	Financial assistance and real estate leasing Interlocking directors
Shanghai SOFT99Chemical Co., Ltd.	<b>799</b>	Shanghai, People's Republic of China	US\$5,650 ĸ	100.0%	Interlocking directors
SOFT99 autoservice Co., Ltd.	<b>799</b>	Chuo-ku, Osaka	¥ <b>50</b> mil.	100.0%	Financial assistance and real estate leasing Interlocking directors
KURASHIKIKAKU Co., Ltd.	ĸ	Koto-ku, Tokyo	<b>¥50</b> mil.	100.0%	Interlocking directors and real estate leasing
Arise Inc.	A-RISE	Chuo-ku, Osaka	<b>¥50</b> mil.	100.0%	Financial assistance and real estate leasing Interlocking directors
Orange Japan Inc.	Orange Japan	Koto-ku, Tokyo	<b>¥30</b> mil.	100.0%	Financial assistance and real estate leasing Interlocking directors
ANTERIA Co., Ltd.	Anteria	Chuo-ku, Osaka	<b>¥10</b> mil.	100.0%	Financial assistance and real estate leasing
HANERON Co., Ltd.	RON	Yao-shi, Osaka	<b>¥33</b> mil.	100.0%	Interlocking directors



## **Outline of Operating Segments**

Operating segments	Subsegments	Operating companies
	Car care products (general/pro use)	
	Home care products	SOFT99 SOFT99 corporation
Fine	Foreign operations	Shanghai SOFT99 Chemical Co., Ltd.
Chemicals	Import and sale of foreign car care products	ANTERIA Co., Ltd.
	Planning, development and sale of TPMS	Orange Japan Inc.
	Electronic device and software development	HANERON Co., Ltd.
Porous	Industrial materials	AION Co., Ltd.
Materials	Consumables	AIN AION CO., LIU.
	Auto service business	SOFT99 autoservice Co., Ltd.
Services	Driving school business	ASMO Co., Ltd.
	Planning and sale of household products	KURASHIKIKAKU Co., Ltd.
Deal Fatata	Real-estate leasing business	SOFT99 corporation
Real-Estate Related	Bathhouse business	SOFT 99 SOFT 99 corporation
	Support for preventative long-term care	Arise Inc.



## II: Outline of Consolidated Results



Consolidated Results (Profit and loss: Year-on-year comparison)

Net sales increased in all operating segments.

Profit decreased due to an increase in depreciation expenses associated with capital expenditures and an increase in personnel expenses.

(In millions of yen)

		March 2018	March 2019	Year-on-year changes	Year-on-year % changes
Net sales		23,413	24,561	+1,148	+4.9%
Gross profit		8,886	8,969	+83	+0.9%
	Gross profit margin	38.0%	36.5%	–1.4 pt	
Selling, general a expenses	nd administrative	6,138	6,451	+312	+5.1%
Operating		2,747	2,518	-229	-8.3%
profit	Operating profit margin	11.7%	10.3%	–1.4 pt	
Ordinary profit		2,895	2,685	-209	-7.2%
Net income before	e income taxes	2,785	2,672	-113	-4.1%
Net income attributable parent company	to shareholders of	1,919	1,861	-57	-3.0%

## Condensed Consolidated Cash Flow



(Year-on-year comparison)

	1	(In millions of yen)
	March 2018	March 2019
Cash flows from operating activities	2,415	2,377
Cash flows from investing activities	-788	-941
Cash flows from financing activities	-656	-270
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents	1	-1
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	972	1,165
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	14,680	15,653
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	15,653	16,818

Depreciation expense	697	793
Capital expenditures (*)	977	723

(\*) Expenditure for purchase of property, plant and equipment

## **Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet**



(Year-on-year comparison)

		March 2018	March 2019	Year-on-year changes			March 2018	March 2019	Year-on-year changes
Current Assets		23,548	24,777	+1,229	С	urrent Liabilities	3,819	3,250	-569
	Cash and deposits	16,107	17,496	+1,388		Accounts payable	1,249	1,121	-127
	Accounts receivable	4,025	3,786	-239		Income taxes payable	573	323	-250
	Marketable securities	300	200	–100		Payables and accrued expenses	1,182	1,200	+17
	Inventories	2,897	3,058	+161		Others	813	604	-209
	Others	217	236	+19		on-current iabilities	3,417	3,610	+192
-	on-current ssets	29,525	29,089	-436	т	otal Liabilities	7,237	6,860	-377
	Property, plant and equipment	22,397	22,268	-128	N	et Assets	45,836	47,006	+1,170
	Intangible assets	175	162	-12		Shareholders' equity	45,101	46,566	+1,464
	Investments and other assets	6,952	6,657	-294		Accumulated other comprehensive income	734	440	-294
	Assets	53,073	53,867	+793	L	iabilities and Net Assets	53,073	53,867	+793

(In millions of yen)

## Consolidated Highlight Financial Indicators



(Year-on-year comparison)

	March 2018	March 2019	Year-on-year changes
Total assets (million yen)	53,073	53,867	+793
Net assets (million yen)	45,836	47,006	+1,170
Equity ratio	86.4%	87.3%	+0.9 pt
ROA (Ordinary profit/Total assets*)	5.6%	5.0%	–0.6 pt
ROE (Net profit/Net assets*)	4.3%	4.0%	–0.3 pt
Total asset turnover (Net sales/Total assets)	0.44	0.46	+0.01
Net income per share (yen)	88.57	85.81	-2.76

\* Average of figures at the beginning and the end of the fiscal year.



## **III: Outline of Segment Results**



## Overall Results (Profit and loss: Year-on-year comparison)

- Net sales increased in all segments.
- Operating profit in segments except for Services decreased due to an increase in personnel expenses, an increase in depreciation expenses associated with capital expenditures, etc.



(Note) Excludes the consolidated adjustment amount



## Fine Chemicals (Profit and loss: Year-on-year comparison)

- Net sales in the segment as a whole increased, but profit decreased due to a rise in cost rate and increases in freight and personnel expenses, etc.
  - Sales of repair products, products for professional use and TPMS grew. Started development of electronic devices as a result of M&As.

	(In millions of yen)	March 2018	March 2019	Year-on-year changes	Year-on-year % changes
Ne	et sales	11,437	11,993	+556	+4.9%
	General use: Car-exterior care	1,948	1,776	–171	-8.8%
	General use: Glass care	3,610	3,459	–150	-4.2%
	General use: Repair products	2,194	2,264	+70	+3.2%
	Professional use	1,439	1,754	+314	+21.9%
	Home care products, etc.	589	598	+9	+1.7%
	Foreign operations	1,395	1,295	-99	-7.2%
	TPMS: Tire-Pressure Monitoring System	130	160	+30	+23.2%
	Electronic device	—	525	+525	
	Others (Includes import sale and sale of resin containers)	129	157	+28	+21.7%
Gr	oss profit	5,509	5,567	+57	+1.0%
	Gross profit margin	48.2%	46.4%	–1.7 pt	
Op	perating profit	1,423	1,267	–155	-10.9%
	Operating profit margin	12.4%	10.6%	–1.9 pt	



## Porous Materials (Profit and loss: Year-on-year comparison)

Net sales in the segment as a whole increased, but profit decreased due to increases in manpower, capital expenditures, etc., to increase the production capacity.

Regarding industrial materials, net sales of products for semiconductor production and grinding stones for HDD increased.

✓ Regarding consumables, domestic net sales of products for cars increased and the product lineup expanded overseas.

(Ir	(In millions of yen)		March 2019	Year-on-year changes	Year-on-year % changes
Net sales		5,461	5,760	+298	+5.5%
Indust	rial materials	3,928	4,164	+236	+6.0%
	Domestic	2,098	2,122	+24	+1.1%
	Overseas	1,830	2,042	+212	+11.6%
Consu	mables	1,532	1,596	+64	+4.2%
	Domestic	730	751	+20	+2.8%
	Overseas	802	845	+43	+5.4%
Gross pro	fit	1,837	1,746	-91	-5.0%
	Gross profit margin		30.3%	–3.3 pt	
Operating	Operating profit		702	-134	-16.1%
	Operating profit margin		12.2%	–3.1 pt	



### Services (Profit and loss: Year-on-year comparison)

Both net sales and profit increased as a whole.

- ✓ In the auto service business, orders from import car dealers increased. The processing capacity improved as a result of the restructure of each factory.
- In the driving school business, net sales in large car driving schools increased. In addition, an increase in the number of training sessions contributed to net sales.
- ✓ In the planning and sale of household products business, development of hit products progressed for sales to co-ops that are key customers.

	(In millions of yen)	March 2018	March 2019	Year-on-year changes	Year-on-year % changes
Net	sales	5,059	5,343	+284	+5.6%
	Auto service	2,453	2,617	+164	+6.7%
	Driving school	885	902	+17	+2.0%
	Planning and sale of household products	1,720	1,823	+102	+6.0%
Gro	oss profit	1,241	1,354	+113	+9.1%
	Gross profit margin	24.5%	25.3%	+0.8 pt	
Ор	erating profit	209	280	+70	+33.7%
	Operating profit margin	4.1%	5.2%	+1.1 pt	



## Real-Estate Related (Profit and loss: Year-on-year comparison)

■Net sales increased and profit decreased in the segment as a whole.

- ✓ In the real-estate leasing business, net sales increased because the rebuilt branch building was leased to tenants.
- In the bathhouse business, net sales increased due to efforts made to provide a variety of food and drink menu options and to improve operations.
- In the support for preventive long-term care, net sales decreased due to a decline in sales capabilities due to labor shortages.

	(In millions of yen)	March 2018	March 2019	Year-on-year changes	Year-on-year % changes
Net	sales	1,455	1,464	+8	+0.6%
	Real-estate leasing	374	379	+4	+1.2%
	Bathhouse business	1,028	1,033	+4	+0.5%
	Support for preventive long-term care	52	51	-0	-0.9%
Gro	ss profit	306	297	-8	-2.8%
	Gross profit margin	21.0%	20.3%	–0.7 pt	
Оре	rating profit	269	258	-10	-4.0%
	Operating profit margin	18.5%	17.6%	–0.9 pt	



## Segment Information

(Comparison of net sales and operating profit by segment)

#### (In millions of yen)

Net sales	March 2018	Composition ratio	March 2019	Composition ratio	Year-on-year changes of composition ratio
Fine Chemicals	11,437	48.8%	11,993	48.8%	–0.0 pt
Porous Materials	5,461	23.3%	5,760	23.5%	+0.1 pt
Services and Real-Estate Related	6,514	27.8%	6,807	27.7%	–0.1 pt
Total	23,413	100.0%	24,561	100.0%	_

Operating profit	March 2018	Composition ratio	March 2019	Composition ratio	Year-on-year changes of composition ratio
Fine Chemicals	1,423	51.8%	1,267	50.3%	–1.5 pt
Porous Materials	837	30.5%	702	27.9%	–2.6 pt
Services and Real-Estate Related	478	17.4%	538	21.4%	+4.0 pt
(*) Total	2,747	100.0%	2,518	100.0%	

(\*) Total amounts include adjustments.



## IV: Progress of the Fifth Medium-term Management Plan



## **Outline of Medium-term Management Plan**

In this medium-term management plan, major changes in the business environment are treated as opportunities for business expansion and the period subject to this plan is positioned as the preparatory stage for future continuous growth. In addition to promoting projects that began to yield results during the previous medium-term plan, we will also focus on <u>shifting</u> to and creating new markets.

Management principle	<ul> <li>■ Lifestyle-creating company</li> <li>✓ Discover "future necessities"</li> <li>✓ Remains the same as the 3rd medium- term management plan as the consistent management principle of the Group</li> </ul>	Business issues	<ul> <li>✓ Respond to changes in business environment</li> <li>✓ Acceleration of business expansion</li> <li>✓ Improve operational efficiency through utilization of surplus funds</li> </ul>				
Themes of medium- term plan	✓ Shift to new markets and accelerate more vigorously by shifting down like automobiles						
Management       [Automotive field]         • Create new connections between human and automobile towards the era of globalization for the automotive industry and the rise of high-tech automobiles         Industrial field]       • Utilize surface modification technology and functional precision porous technology for solving a wide range of problems         [Living field]       • Solve small problems and stress in daily life and create a more comfortable living environment							

## Overall Progress of the Medium-term Management Plan



Efforts have been showing progress in a number of measures and some efforts are starting to bear fruit.



the development of exclusive products.

strive to further expand sales.

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[Fine Chemicals] Building a foundation for foreign operations by cultivating new sales areas and enhancing

✓ Concentrate resources on Europe, Russia and South America that have been leading sales in recent years and

### **Progress of Key Measures** (1/10: Building a foundation for foreign operations)

Changes in foreign operations' net sales and the target figure



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Progress of Key Measures (2/10: Redefine the beauty of automobiles Approach to sharing market

[Fine Chemicals] Proposal of new products in line with the changing automobile maintenance market (1)

 In response to expansion of car sharing and an increase in high-tech automobiles, the view of the beauty of automobiles has expanded from exterior to interior. Continue to bolster the product lineup of car interior care products.



- ✓ Launched the car interior care product brand "ROOMPIA" in March 2017.
- ✓ In the window Fuku Pika series, supplementary products, such as "HANDY WIPER," with which users can also clean the inside of windshields easily, also sold steadily.

## Goal of the final fiscal year of the medium-term plan

- ✓ Promote sales expansion of ROOMPIA "Leather Barrier," driving support cushion "Bodydoctor" and antifog liquid "Fukupika Glass Anti-Fog Gel" that can also be used for cleaning car interior windows, which were launched in March 2019.
- $\checkmark$  Bolster the product lineup of the ROOMPIA series.



**Car interior care products** Aiming for 13% year-on-year increase (50% increase compared to fiscal 2017) Progress of Key Measures (3/10:

Redefine the beauty of automobiles Maintain market share in the existing market



■ [Fine Chemicals] Proposal of new products in line with the changing automobile maintenance market (2)

- Although the DIY care market is trending downward, car wash products that respond to the need for reducing tedious work and working hours are making steady progress.
- Propose products that respond to similar needs in the field of car wash chemical products and promote sales expansion.

#### <u>Changes in net sales of car wash products and car</u> wash chemical products, as well as the target figure

(Presented as indices assuming the results for March 2017 as 100)



The purpose of having a car is changing from a hobby to a means of mobility, and big body cars such as minivans, SUVs and lightweight tall wagons are increasing. In response to such circumstances, the "Max Wash" series, which respond to the need for reducing the time required to wash a car and improving the efficiency, were launched.

## Goal of the final fiscal year of the medium-term plan

Regain lost ground in the body coating and car shampoo market, with a central focus on the new product "Rain Drop" that enables coating of both body and glass at the same time, as well as "Fukupika Spray" series that are waterless car wash products.



Body coating and car shampoo products Aiming for 10% year-on-year increase (5% decrease compared to fiscal 2017) Progress of Key Measures (4/10:

Redefine the beauty of automobiles Maintain market share in the existing market



[Fine Chemicals] Building the brand and increasing share in the professional-use car body coating market (1)
 ✓ Bring further high-value-added products of our own brand to the steady professional-use car coating market, and strive to expand sales.



- ✓ From 2018, started to deliver water-repellent wipers, which were mainly for sales at retail stores, to imported car dealers as OEM products.
- ✓ From 2018, started to sell high-value-added coating agent to big used car dealers who are our customers.

## Goal of the final fiscal year of the medium-term plan

- Due to channel inventory adjustments of water-repellent wiper products that were brought to the market in high volume in the previous period, OEM sales for the fiscal year ending March 2020 are expected to decrease compared with the previous period.
- With respect to the own-brand coating agent "G'ZOX," two new products were added to the high-value-added product "Hi-MOHS COAT" series to promote sales expansion.



Own-brand professional-use coating agent Aiming for 8% year-on-year increase (25% increase compared to fiscal 2017) Progress of Key Measures (5/10: market share in the existing market Combine products and services through the broducts and services through the service of t

Redefine the beauty of automobiles/Maintain
market share in the existing market
Combine products and services through provision of training to customers, etc.



- [Fine Chemicals] Building the brand and increasing share in the professional-use car body coating market (2)
  - Body coating when a new car is purchased is becoming a necessity.
  - Boost users' confidence by providing highly convenient and transparent services in addition to products, and accelerate the maturation of the market.

#### Combination of products and services in professional-use car body coating



Progress of Key Measures (6/10:

Develop TPMS for cars Approach the truck and bus industry (chemical-TPMS)



[Fine Chemicals] Expand sales of Tire-Pressure Monitoring System (TPMS)

- ✓ Intend to develop new products of TPMS for cars with our own-brand and OEM from 2019.
- ✓ Aim to develop extensively with a view toward developing for special vehicles and light trucks.



Aiming for 45% year-on-year increase (140% increase compared to fiscal 2017)

\* The product images above are simulations at present only and do not guarantee the appearance or performance of the final products.

## Progress of Key Measures (7/10: Maintain market share in the existing market)



#### ■ [Porous Materials] Expand sales in the high-tech market for industrial materials

- ✓ With the increase in production volume of semiconductor makers, domestic shipments of semiconductor cleaning products expanded in the first half of the fiscal year ended March 2019 and overseas shipments expanded in the second half of the same fiscal year. Shipments of grinding stones for HDD also increased due to the active cloud market.
- Sales are not expected to significantly increase in the fiscal year ending March 2020, but the market is expanding in the mediumto long-term, and so high-quality products will continue to be developed.

#### <u>Changes in sales of products for semiconductor production and</u> grinding stones for HDD, as well as the target figure

(Presented as indices assuming the results for March 2017 as 100)



#### ✓ As demand for memory is getting stronger and the IoT market is expanding, semiconductor makers intend to make capital investments, and so sales of semiconductor cleaning-related products are expanding.

✓ Due to the increasing demand for cloud servers, sales of grinding stones for HDD are also increasing.

## Goal of the final fiscal year of the medium-term plan

- Due to the impact of the U.S.-China trade conflict, there is little room for optimism regarding sales at present, but market conditions are expected to gradually recover toward the second half of the year.
   Assuming that the market will grow in the mediumand long-term, high-quality cleaning materials required by semiconductor makers will continue to be developed.
- Expect negative growth compared to the previous period assuming a wave of demand.

#### Sale of products for the high-tech market Aiming for 1% year-on-year increase (20% increase compared to fiscal 2017)

## Progress of Key Measures (8/10: Maintain market share in the existing market)



[Porous Materials] Promote expansion of use of PVA products in the field of consumables
 ✓ Launch new products for car and home care markets, and make efforts to generate synergy with existing products.



Aiming for 4% year-on-year increase (10% increase compared to fiscal 2017)

products could not keep up with the orders received.

✓ For this reason, human and capital investments for boosting

materials products, and so production and shipments of consumable

production capacity were processed from 2018 ahead of schedule.

## Progress of Key Measures (9/10: Deploy functional porous body to information, environmental and health industries



[Porous Materials] Aim at establishing a key field for a new business through New Demand Creation activities (1)

- ✓ Aim to propose products in the medical field derived from existing products and bolster marketing, development and sales resources.
- ✓ Ultimately, aim at developing and manufacturing end products with higher added value from current supply of structural components.





[Porous Materials] Aim at establishing a key field for a new business through New Demand Creation activities (2)
 ✓ For environmental use, the performance data of catalyst support for waste water treatment is being collected and the development of high-performance carriers is being promoted.

Efforts toward developing and expanding products for environmental use "Develop a new market by improving product performance in the field of waste water treatment"



✓ We are currently developing high-performance carriers through the industry-university joint research and joint development with cooperative companies.



### Financial Results Forecast (1/2: Consolidated profit and loss)

- With regard to the forecast of financial results for the full fiscal year ending March 2020, which is the final fiscal year of the current Medium-term Management Plan (three-year plan), consolidated net sales are expected to be 25 billion yen and consolidated operating profit is expected to be 2.5 billion yen.
  - Operating profit is expected to be the same as the previous fiscal year due to increases in capital expenditures for the future, expenses related to personnel and R&D, as well as investment expenses associated with information systems for improving the operational efficiency.



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## Financial Results Forecast (2/2: Reference: Profit and loss by segment)







## Policy on Return to Shareholders

With regard to return to shareholders, our basic policy is to continue stable dividends and the threshold of the return to shareholders is "20% of operating profit" from the fiscal year ended March 2018.

■ We plan to use retained profits as investments to expand future business and strengthen management structure.

	Fiscal year ended March 2018 (Actual)	Fiscal year ended March 2019 (Actual/Forecast)	Fiscal year ending March 2020 (Forecast)
Consolidated operating profit (in million yen)	2,747	2,518	2,500
Consolidated net profit (in million yen)	1,919	1,861	1,820
Total dividends (in million yen)	478	502	(*2) 520
Interim dividends per share (yen)	11.0	11.0	12.0
Year-end dividends per share (yen)	11.0	12.0	12.0
Annual dividends per share (yen)	22.0	23.0	24.0
Total dividends divided by operating profit	(*1) 17.4%	19.9%	20.8%
(Reference) Dividend payout ratio	24.8%	26.8%	28.6%

#### **Dividend payments and forecasts**

\*1: Return to shareholders related to the acquisition of treasury shares is not included.

If the acquisition of treasury shares of 93 million yen that was resolved during the period is included, the total return to shareholders divided by operating profit for the fiscal year ended March 2018 equals 20.8%.

\*2: The figure was temporarily calculated using the average number of shares during the fiscal year ended March 2019 and it is not a fixed amount.



# Thank you very much for your attention.