# Results for the Nine Months Ended December 31, 2016



January 31, 2017

**AUTOBACS SEVEN CO., LTD.** 

### Q3 FY March 2017 Consolidated P/L



# <u>Decrease in net sales and income: Net sales and gross profit declined, while SG&A expenses remained within the plan.</u>

Demand for winter goods increased from the previous year, mainly reflecting the strengthening of sales promotions in the third quarter and snowfall, particularly in eastern Japan. Overall, however, sales of tires & wheels and accessories, among other items, declined. Operating income fell short of the plan and the previous year's result, although SG&A expenses remained at the same level year on year.

(Billion Yen)

	Nine n	nonths ended De	Nine months ended Dec 31, 2015		
	Actual result % of Sales YoY change ratio		Actual result	% of Sales	
Net sales	160.6	100.0%	-2.5%	164.8	100.0%
Gross profit	51.4	32.0%	-2.7%	52.8	32.1%
SG&A	45.2	28.2%	-0.2%	45.3	27.5%
Operating income	6.1	3.8%	-18.0%	7.5	4.6%
Non-operating Income/expenses	0.9	I	+1.8%	0.9	-
Ordinary income	7.1	5.1%	-15.8%	8.4	5.1%
Extraordinary gains/ losses	-	1	-	0	-
Net income	4.6	2.9%	-13.2%	5.3	3.2%

# **Analysis for Operating Income**



Domes	stic Retail sales	Tota	al store basis: +1.0% Same store basis: -1.1%
			Operating income (Billion yen)
		Amount	Major drivers of variance (yoy)
Segment Segment	n-consolidated	5.76	-2.31BY Net sales: -5.62BY (-4.3%) Gross Profit: -2.00BY (20.3% (last year 21.0%)  • Decrease in gross margins as a result of a decrease in sales of accessories, maintenance goods, tires & wheels, etc.  SG&A: +0.31BY  • Increase in costs as a result of the renovation of the logistics center, among other factors.
	mestic store bsidiaries	0.21	+0.80BY Net sales: -0.34BY (YoY -0.7%) Gross Profit: +0.34BY(39.3% (last year 38.4%) Increased, mainly reflecting efforts to improve gross margins and a change in the product mix.  SG&A: -0.46BY
Ove	erseas subsidiaries	-0.09	-0.16BY - Decrease in earnings at the French subsidiary, etc.
	bsidiaries for car goods oply and other	0.11	+0.06BY • Earnings increased at subsidiaries operating import car dealers and the oil wholesale subsidiary
	bsidiaries for supporting action	0.29	-0.03BY
Segme	ent total	6.29	-1.65BY
Consolidation Adjustments		-0.13	·Mainly due to change in unrealized profits
Conso	lidated	6.15	-1.34BY

# **Quarterly P/L**



(Billion Yen)

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	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter (Estimate-result)	FY March 2017 (Estimate)
Net sales	47.5	47.2	65.8	46.0	206.7
YoY	-3.1%	-4.7%	-0.5%	+6.4%	-0.7%
Gross margin (% of Sales)	14.8 (31.2%)	<b>15.7</b> (33.4%)	<b>20.7</b> (31.5%)	15.0 (32.8%)	<b>66.5</b> (32.2%)
YoY	-5.4%	-3.7%	+0.2%	+6.8%	-0.7 %
SG&A	14.6	14.9	15.5	16.0	61.3
YoY	-0.4%	+0.7%	-0.8%	+7.4%	+1.7%
Operating income	0.1	0.8	5.1	-0.9	5.2
YoY	-81.4	-47.1%	+3.2%	_	-22.4%
Ordinary income	0.5	1	5.5	-0.9	6.2
Net income	0.2	0.5	3.9	-0.9	3.7
Same store sales	-5.2%	-3.2%	+4.0%	-3.2%	-2.0%

# **Analysis for Operating Income (3rd Quarter)**



Domestic Retail sales		Total store basis: +4.4% Same store basis: +4.0%					
			Operating income (Billion yen)				
		Amount	Major drivers of variance (yoy)				
Segment	Non-consolidated	4.08	-0.47BY Net sales: -1.34BY (-2.5%) Gross Profit: -0.59BY (20.3% (last year 20.9%)  • Decrease in gross margins as a result of a decrease in sales of accessories, maintenance goods, tires & wheels, etc  SG&A: -0.11BY  • Reduction as a result of a review of advertisements.				
Ŧ	Domestic store subsidiaries	1.34	+0.75BY Net sales: +0.71BY (YoY +3.6%) Gross Profit: +0.55BY(39.7% (last year 38.3%) Increase in store sales for items such as tires & wheels. The gross margin ratio increased as a result of a change in the product mix and efforts to improve gross margins.  SG&A: -0.19BY				
	Overseas subsidiaries	-0.06	-0.02BY				
	Subsidiaries for car goods supply and other	0.13	+0.01BY				
	Subsidiaries for supporting function	0.10	-0.01BY				
Se	gment total	5.60	+0.25BY				
Co	onsolidated	5.17	+0.16BY				



# **Segment Information**



(Million Yen)

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		Nine months ended Dec 31, 2016	Nine months ended Dec 31, 2015	YoY change
Non-consolidated	Net Sales	124,136	129,756	<b>▲4.3</b> %
Non-consolidated	Ordinary Income	5,762	8,077	▲28.7%
Domestic store	Net Sales	51,864	52,205	▲0.7%
subsidiaries	Ordinary Income	214	<b>▲</b> 594	-
Overseas subsidiaries	Net Sales	5,975	7,061	<b>▲15.4%</b>
	Ordinary Income	<b>▲</b> 93	75	-
Subsidiaries for car	Net Sales	16,238	16,171	+0.4%
goods supply and other	Ordinary Income	115	55	+109.0%
Subsidiaries for	Net Sales	2,215	2,453	▲9.7%
supporting function	Ordinary Income	297	335	<b>▲11.2</b> %
Sogment total	Net Sales	200,431	207,649	▲3.5%
Segment total	Ordinary Income	6,297	7,949	▲20.8%

Amounts are rounded down.



<sup>%</sup> of Net Sales and YoY comparisons are calculated in the single digits.

# Analysis of Income statements (Nine months ended Dec 31, 2016)



#### Non-consolidated

Net sales 124.1 BY YoY: -5.62 BY	Wholesale	-5.47 BY -4.5%	<ul><li>↑ Fuel, car sales , inspection services, etc.</li><li>↓Accessories, tires &amp; wheels, car electronics and etc.</li></ul>			
	Retail	-0.00 BY +0.1%	↑ Car sales, accessories, fuel and etc. ↓ E-commerce, statutory inspection services, used parts etc.			
Gross profit	Wholesale	-2.10 BY -8.1%	↑ Oil & batteries, overseas business ↓ Accessories, maintenance parts, tires & wheels, etc.			
25.1 BY YoY: -2.00 BY	Retail	+0.09 BY +8.9%	↑ Used car sales, fuel, accessories, maintenance parts, etc. ↓ E-commerce, Inspection services, tires & wheels, etc.			
	Personnel expenses: Adjustments (decrease) related to performance-linked remuneration had been posted in the previous year. No adjustments were posted in the current year.					
SG&A 19.4 BY	Promotion expenses : Decrease in expenses for advertising, such as newspaper ads.					
YoY: +0.31 BY	Equipment costs: Increase due to expenses for the renovation of the logistics center, depreciation, etc.					
	Others: Increase in expenses related to the preferential point program for shareholders.					

#### **Domestic store subsidiaries**

Net sales 51.8 BY YoY: -0.34 BY

Operating Income 0.21 BY YoY: +0.8 BY Continuous efforts were made to improve inventory efficiency, raise gross margin ratios and use expenses more efficiently. Such efforts for improving profitability produced results as sales recovered from a year ago in the third quarter, leading to a significant improvement in operating income year on year.



# **Performance by Overseas Subsidiaries**



	FRA	NCE	THAI	LAND	SINGA	PORE	СН	INA	MALA	AYSIA
Number of stores at Sep. 30, 2015 -including FC stores-	11		8		2		0		5	
Period	9 months FY March 2017	9 months FY March 2016	9 months FY March 2017	9 months FY March 2016	9 months FY March 2017	9 months FY March 2016	9 months FY March 2017	9 months FY March 2016	9 months FY March 2017	9 months FY March 2016
Net sales (Million Yen)	4,597	5,505	203	275	949	1,014	207	255	17	10
SG&A (Million Yen)	2,485	2,821	145	137	360	353	88	99	47	41
Operating income (Million Yen)	-62	50	-89	-55	97	110	2	7	-40	-36
Business conditions	Efforts are being made to improve gross margins by increasing the ratio of sales on services in comparison with tire sales. Despite this, operating income declined as a result of decreased sales.		The Srira was open Novembe will continuild a bumodel to maintena demand the operasmall-sca	er. Efforts hue to usiness capture nce hrough	The Bukit Store that renovated October p well, althousales deco as a resu closure of store in the	t was d in performed ough creased lt of the f one	The expo business Autobacs remained other who businesse continued experience difficulties	for stores solid, but blesale es I to	The busing model with on mainted services in tested in stores that last year.	h a focus enance s being the three

# **Store Openings and Closings (Plan)**



			Fiscal year ending March 31, 2016						(Plan)
Domestic	No. of stores	Q	1 ~ Q3 (resu	lt)	No. of stores		Q4 (Plan)		No. of stores
stores	as of March 31, 2016	New	S/B • R/L	Close	as of Dec 31, 2016	New	S/B • R/L	Close	as of Mar 31, 2017
AUTOBACS	498	+7	+2/-1	-9	497	+2		-2	497
Super AUTOBACS	75			-1	74				74
AUTOBACS Secohan Ichiba	9				9				9
AUTOBACS EXPRESS	12				12				12
AUTOBACS CARS Stand-alone Store	3		-1		2	+2			4
AUTOBACS Used Car Purchase Store	2	+4			6	+3			9
Total	599	+11	+2/-2	-10	600	+7		-2	605

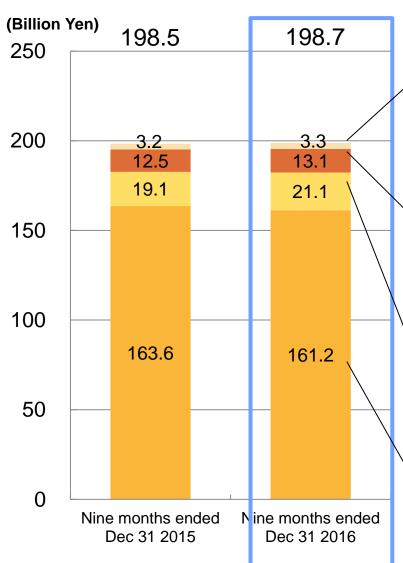
		FY Mai	rch 2016(Results & For	(Plan)	
Overseas stores	No. of stores as of March 31, 2016	Q1 ~ Q3 (result)	No. of stores as of Dec 31, 2015	Q4 (Plan)	No. of stores as of Mar 31, 2017
France	11		11		11
Thailand	6	+2	8		8
Singapore	3	-1	2		2
Taiwan	6		6		6
Malaysia	5		5		5
Indonesia	2	+1	3	+2	5
Philippines	0	+1	1		1
Total	33	+3	36	+2	38

S/B=Scrap & Build, R/L=Relocation

### **Domestic Retail Sales**



### Retail sales including FCs\*: 198.7 billion Yen (+0.1% YoY)



Fuel & second-hand goods: 3.3 billion Yen (+4.7% YoY)

Statutory safety inspection:
13.1 billion Yen (+4.2% YoY)
448 thousand cars (+4.3% YoY)

Number of fully certified & designated stores: 413 stores (403 stores, as of March 31, 2016)

Car purchase and sales: 21.1 billion Yen (+8.2% YoY)

20,914 cars (+8.1% YoY)

Number of CARS membership stores: 499 stores (480 stores, March 2016)

Car related goods and services: 161.2 billion Yen (-1.5% YoY)

\* Sales at all domestic store formats (AUTOBACS, Super AUTOBACS, AUTOBACS CARS, AUTOBACS Secohan Ichiba and AUTOBACS EXPRESS)



Amounts are rounded down.

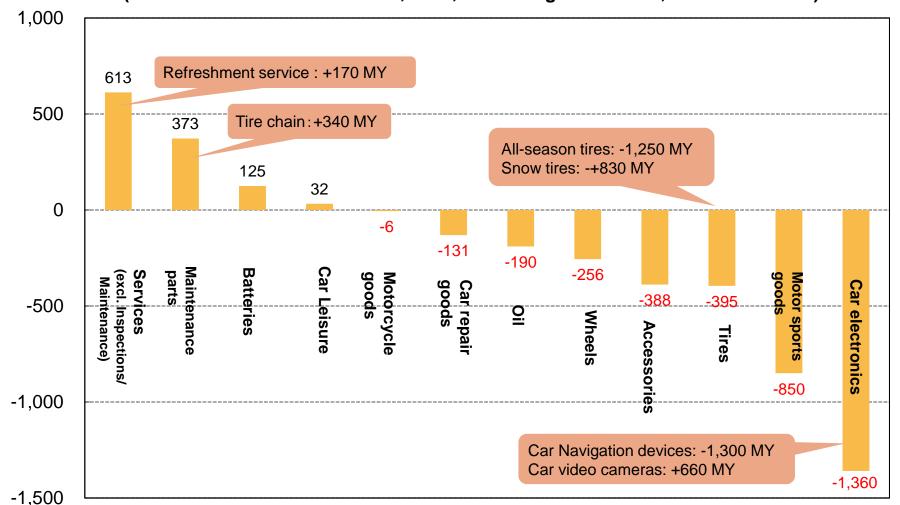
# Sales Ups & Downs by Merchandise (Q3)



[Same Store Basis] Sales: -1.1% YoY, Number of customers: -4.4% YoY

### Retail sales ups and downs by merchandise category

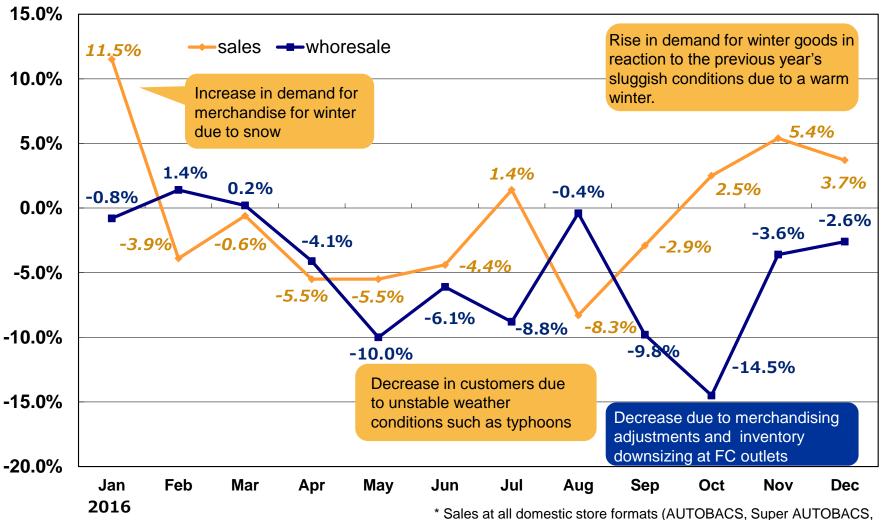
(Million Yen) (for nine months ended Dec. 31, 2016, YoY change in amount, total store basis)

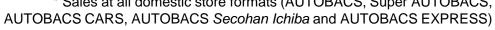


# Sales Trend: Retail & Wholesale (Jan 2016 – Dec 2016)



#### [YoY change for the last 12 months]





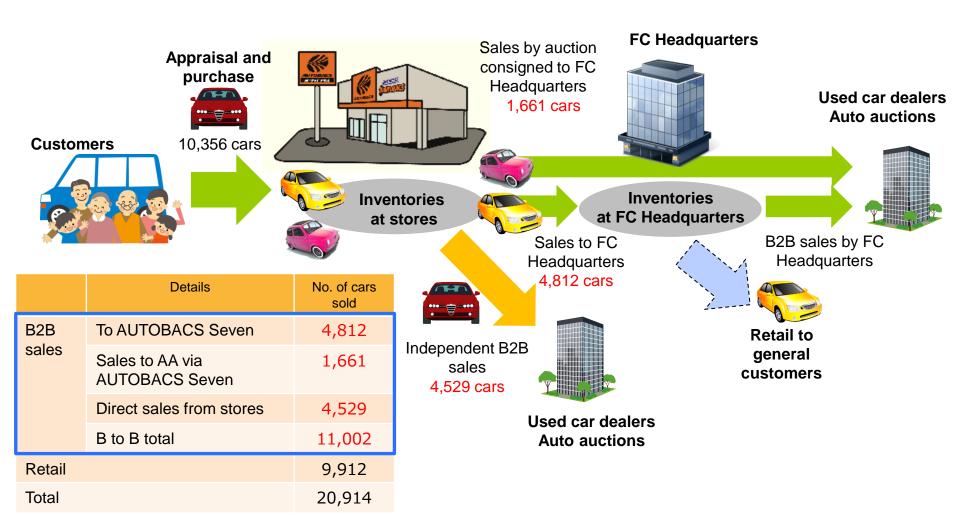


# Automobile purchase and sales (1)



# Commercial flow of car purchase and B2B sales

(No. of cars denotes cumulative units for the nine months ended Dec. 31, 2016)

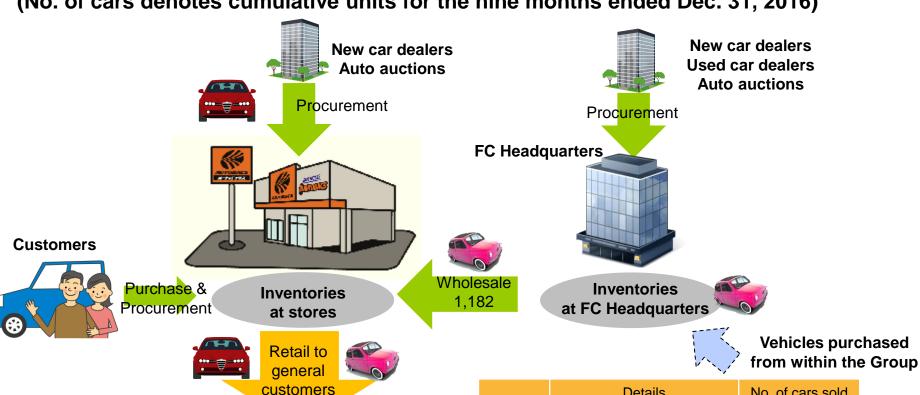


# **Automobile purchase and sales (2)**



### Commercial flow of retail sales

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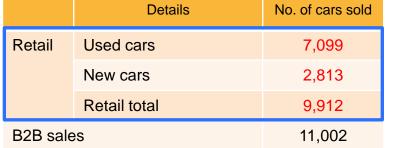


Total

9,912 cars

(New cars 2,813 cars, Used cars 7,099 cars)







20,914

# **Consolidation Adjustments**



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(Million Yen)

	Nine months ended December 31, 2016	Nine months ended December 31, 2015
Operating Income for segment total	6,297	7,949
Elimination of Intersegment transaction	0,231	7,545
(Income of subsidiaries for supporting functions, etc.)	-336	-376
Inventories (Unearned income of subsidiary inventories, etc.)	30	-375
Depreciation of Goodwill	-92	-77
Adjustment in fixed assets	265	373
Allowance for point card	2	-7
Others	-7	21
Consolidation adjustment	-137	-441
Consolidated operating income	6,159	7,507

Amounts are rounded down.



# **Progress of New Store Openings**



	Store name	Location (Prefecture)	Owner of store	Opening date
1	AUTOBACS KAWAGOE Store	Saitama	FC	November 3, 2016
2	AUTOBACS TATEBAYASHI SUWA-CHO Store	Gunma	RC	November 3, 2016
3	AUTOBACS AWASE-MALL Store	Okinawa	FC	November 11, 2016
4	AUTOBACS Used Car Purchase Store MANBAYAMA	AICHI	RC	December 5, 2016
5	AUTOBACS AKITA YURIHONJO Store	AKITA	RC	December 23, 2016
6	AUTOBACS IWAKUNI Store	YAMAGUCHI	RC	December 23, 2016







AUTOBACS AWASE-MA LL Store



AUTOBACS AKITA YURIHONJO Store

AUTOBA





AUTOBACS Used Car Purchase Store MANBAYAMA

# Development of stores featuring a gas station facility



### **AUTOBACS TATEBAYASHI SUWA-CHO Store**

With a focus on the operation of self-service gas stations that are expected to be used more frequently by drivers, we developed new stores that offer a combination of automotive goods, statutory safety inspections, maintenance, and a drive-through car wash (opened on November 23, 2016).

Concept: "Your gas station that offers greater convenience"



Appearance 1



Appearance 2



### Development of stores that are not inconvenient for customers



### **AUTOBACS AKITA YURIHONJO Store**

We implemented renewals to improve customer usability (opened on December 23, 2016).

Significant change in the way goods are displayed.

[Differences from conventional Autobacs stores]



車内を快適に



安全・安心のために



これは便利!



きれいにしたい

⇒ Displays that adapt to customers' purposes and the way they use goods

Classification signs by scene

- Installation of goods and replacement work
   offered through reservations by telephone or online.
  - ⇒ No need to wait for the start of work
- ·Review of display equipment.
  - ⇒ Improvement of in-store visibility by using low-height display equipment



Sales floor of AUTOBACS AKITA YURIHONJO Store



# Development of store focusing on car maintenance, especially car washing



### Smart+1 IBARAKI NISHI Store (opened on February 9, 2017)

### Providing three Smarts Plus One Value for customers

### **1** Smart time management

Smart+1

- ⇒ Full reservation system
- ⇒ You can make a reservation as early as three hours before

### **2**Smart choice of goods

⇒ Through its full membership system, Smart+1 presents goods that are most suitable for customers' tastes and needs

### ③Smart notification to visit again

⇒ Notification about the time to wash cars and get an oil change



Smart+1Cafe, which was built to enable customers to wait comfortably, provides drinks and bread for free.

### Development of goods that address growing concerns regarding safety



# New product responds to new customer's needs through cooperative efforts with suppliers





#### "Pedal Watcher"

Release date: December 5, 2016

Price: 39,999 yen

(Including the main body, installation parts and installation service. Excluding taxes.)

- Prevention of an unintended fast start due to drivers stepping on the wrong pedal while idling or driving very slowly.
- Supports more than 100 types of Japanese cars.
- •Includes traffic accident insurance coverage for a one-year period.

In Japan, recently, people are concerned about accidents attributable to unintended fast starts due to drivers stepping on the wrong pedal. Given this emerging social problem, the product attracted a great deal of attention among customers and the media before it was released.

# Reorganization of Store Subsidiaries



# Optimize the operational structure and increase area competitiveness and management efficiency

### Transfer of shares of store subsidiaries

Transferred all shares of a store subsidiary in Hokkaido to a franchisee (include transfer of 17 stores)

### Transfer of store ownership

Transferred two stores in Saga area to a franchisee

Number of domestic store subsidiaries

As of February 1, 2017: 18 companies



# **New Business Development**



# Addition of an import car dealer operating company as a subsidiary (December 2016)

### Motoren Tochigi Corp.

- Operates five dealers including authorized BMW dealers in Tochigi.
- ·Sells new and certified pre-owned BMW cars as well as services.



Tochigi BMW Utsunomiya Headquarters



BMW Premium Selection, Oyama

# Organizational Changes (from April 1, 2017)



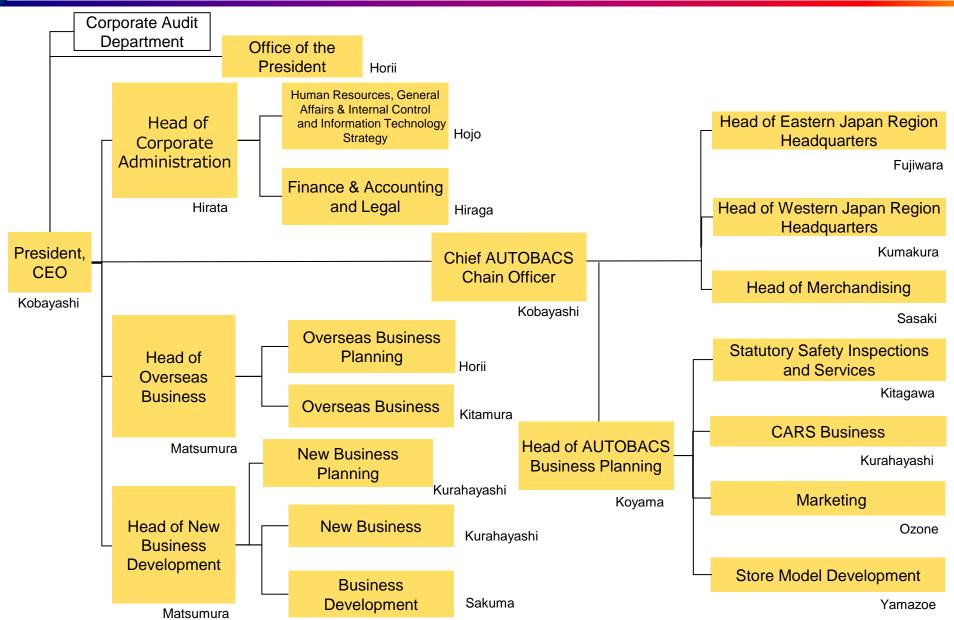
To reinforce framework for quick business operation under Head Officer positions responsible for overseeing each division, so as to increase the efficiency of business execution in the new medium-term business plan

## Purposes

- 1) Creates four Head Officers for domestic AUTOBACS business and a Head Officer for each Overseas Business and New Business expecting to implementing initiatives with strong mutual collaboration and communication among each Head Officers.
- 2) Creates a Head Officer position for the Corporate administration expecting to carry out reforms of the Consolidated Group's profit and cost structure.

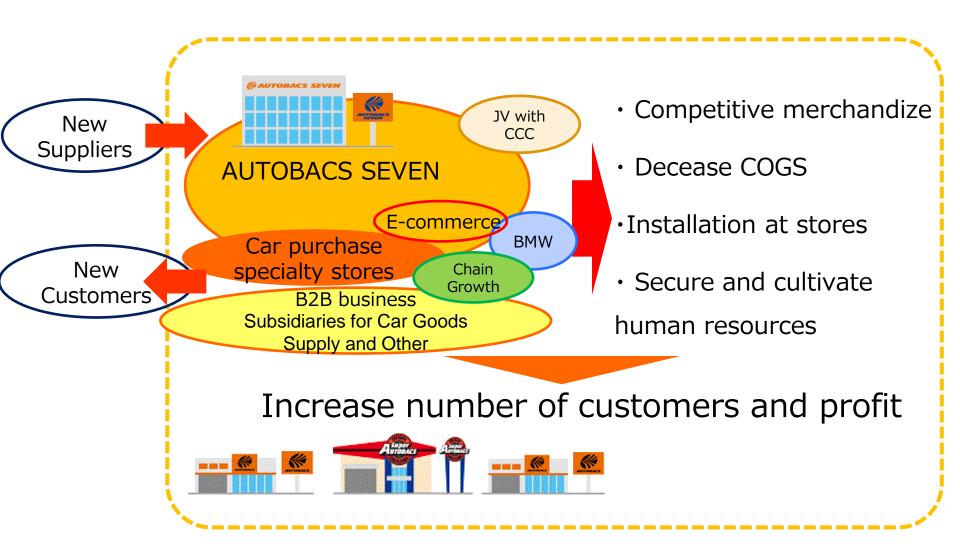
# **New organization and officers** (from April 1, 2017)





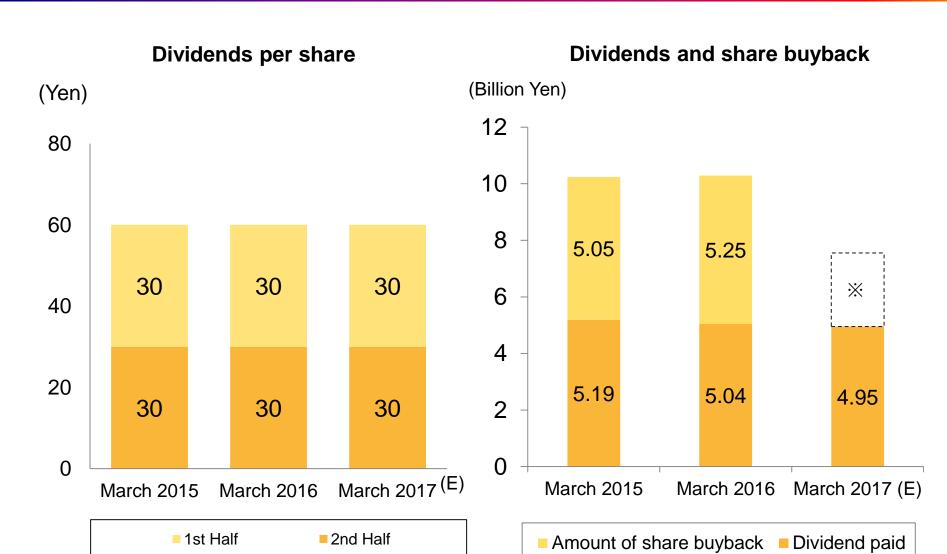
## Aiming growth by utilizing total function in our group





### **Shareholders Return**





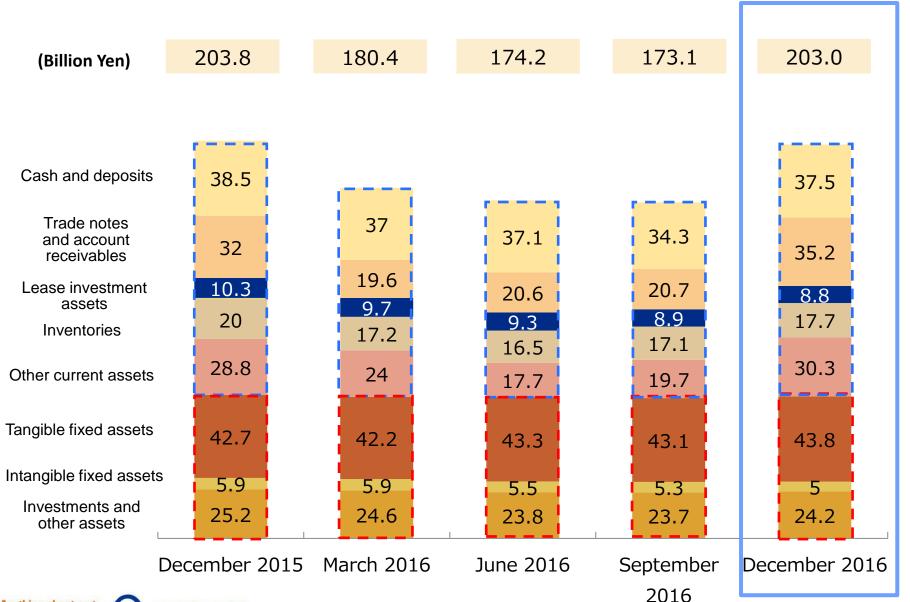
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Company will purchase 1,500 thousand share utmost 3 billion Yen



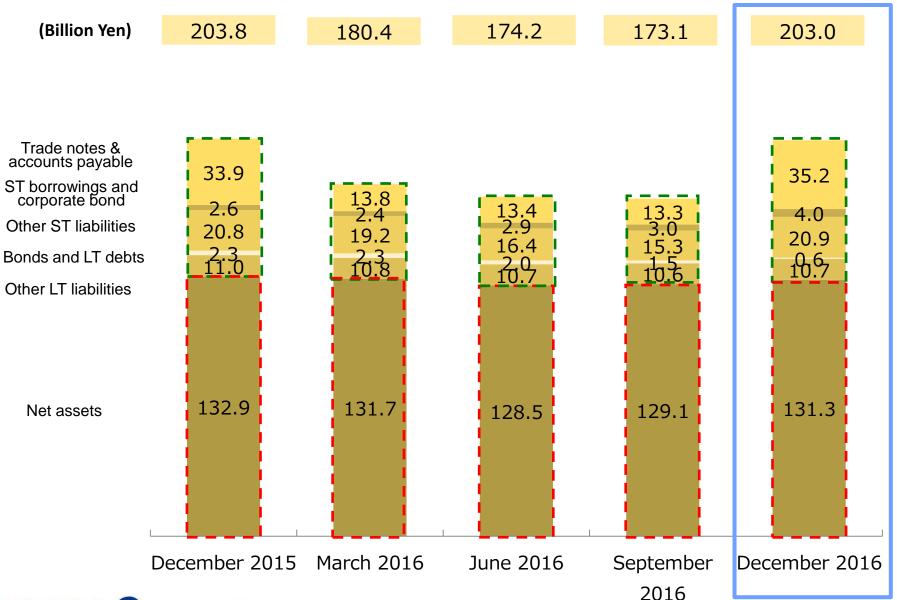
### **Balance Sheet / Assets**





# **Balance Sheet / Liabilities & Net Assets**







### **Forward-Looking Statements**

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