FY2014 Results Briefing for the First Half

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FY2014 First-Half Results

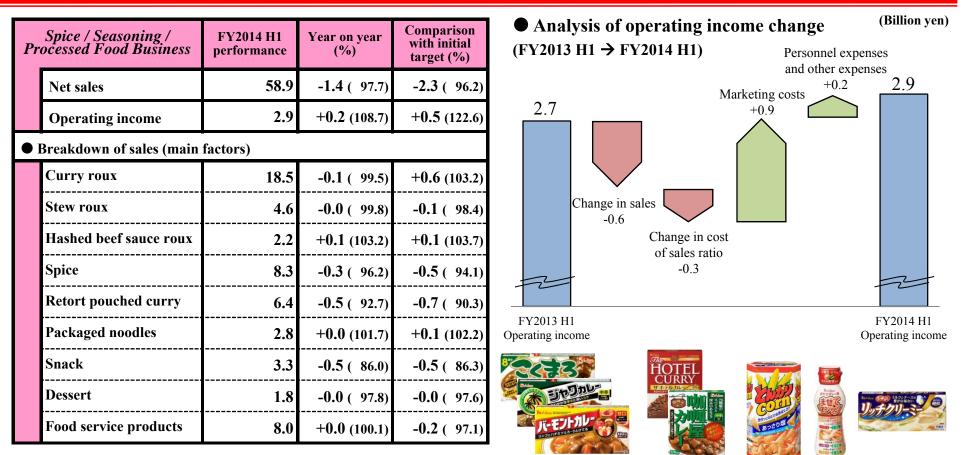
Income increased in the International Business, where operations were expanded, and in the Spice/Seasoning/Processed Food Business, where marketing costs were allocated effectively. However, the increase was more than offset by decreases in the Health Food Business, where costs increased due to launches of new products, and the Other Food-Related Business, whose logistics business faced challenges. Income declined overall.

FY2014 H1 Consolidated Performance

	(Billion yen)	FY2013 H1 performance	FY2014 H1 initial target	FY2014 H1 performance	Year on year (%)	Comparison with initial target (%)	ROS (%)	Breakdown by segment
Ne	et sales	114.6	120.0	114.4	-0.2 (99.9)	-5.6 (95.3)	_	Net sales
	Spice / Seasoning / Processed Food Business	60.3	61.2	58.9	-1.4 (97.7)	-2.3 (96.2)	_	21.9%
	Health Food Business	21.4	22.6	20.5	-0.9 (95.7)	-2.1 (90.6)	_	8.8% 51.4%
	International Business	9.0	11.2	10.1	+1.1 (111.9)	-1.1 (89.8)	_	17.9%
	Other Food Related Business	23.9	25.0	25.0	+1.1 (104.6)	+0.0 (100.1)	_	
Ol	perating income	4.7	4.8	4.0	-0.7 (85.4)	-0.8 (82.9)	3.5	Operating income
	Spice / Seasoning / Processed Food Business	2.7	2.4	2.9	+0.2 (108.7)	+0.5 (122.6)	5.0	73.9%
	Health Food Business	1.4	1.6	1.0	-0.4 (68.5)	-0.6 (61.1)	4.8	24.6%
	International Business	0.1	0.3	0.4	+0.2 (281.4)	+0.1 (118.5)	3.5	8.9%
	Other Food Related Business	0.4	0.5	-0.3	-0.7(-)	-0.8(-)	-1.2	-7.5%
	on-operating income xpenses)	0.9	0.7	0.7	-0.2 (75.4)	-0.0 (93.1)	_	
01	rdinary income	5.5	5.5	4.6	-0.9 (83.9)	-0.9 (84.2)	_	
Ex	xtraordinary income (loss)	-0.1	-0.0	-0.0	+0.1 (-)	+0.0 (-)	_	
Ne	et income	3.4	3.6	2.8	-0.6 (81.8)	-0.8 (77.6)	_	

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FY2014 H1 Performance by Business Segment (Spice / Seasoning / Processed Food Business)



Although earnings were affected significantly by rising costs of raw materials and energy, operating income rose, reflecting the effective use of marketing costs and the strengthening of the revenue base.

Curry roux sales exceeded the initial target, with the effects of promotions for expanding demand through proposals of new ways of eating curry based on continued initiatives to enhance the value of brands minimizing the effect of the consumption tax hike.

Retort pouched curry sales were adversely affected by the consumption tax hike, and initiatives in response to changes in the market environment were insufficient. The Company sought proper sales of snack products and struggled due to intensifying completion in the category.

The Company launched new products to meet customer needs for faster-cooking, easy-cooking, and high-quality products.

FY2014 H1 Performance by Business Segment (Health Food Business)

Health Food Bi	isiness	FY2014 H1 performance	Year on year (%)	Comparison with initial target (%)	● Analysis of operating income change (Billion yen) (FY2013 H1 → FY2014 H1)
Net sales		20.5	-0.9 (95.7)	-2.1 (90.6)	
Operating inco	ome	1.0	-0.4 (68.5)	-0.6 (61.1)	+0.0
Breakdown of sa	lles (main factors)				Change in sales -0.3 Marketing costs
Ukon No Chika	vra	6.5	+0.3 (105.0)	-1.0 (86.9)	-0.2
Mega Shaki		1.3	-0.1 (93.5)	-0.1 (92.9)	
C1000		8.0	-1.6 (83.8)	-0.3 (96.4)	
SAMURIDE		0.6	+0.6 (-)	-0.6 (50.2)	FY2013 H1FY2014 H1Operating incomeOperating income
Ukon No Chikara:	make th	e item permeate	e the market ea	rlv.	uct, was launched in May. Investments in marketing were made to ptember, the existing items were renewed.
C1000:	Efforts v		prove the earn	ings structure o	of plastic-bottled products.
New fields:		· •			ing the energy drink market. ials, but results fell below the target.

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FY2014 H1 Performance by Business Segment (International Business)

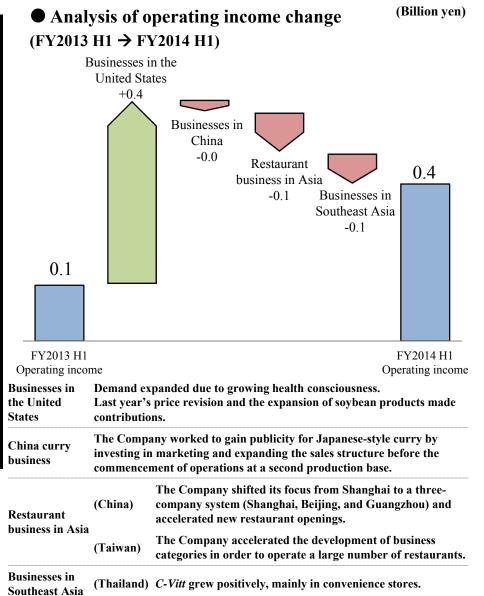
	International Business	FY2014 H1 performance	Year on year (%)	Comparison with initial target (%)
	Net sales	10.1	+1.1 (111.9)	-1.1 (89.8)
	Operating income	0.4	+0.2 (281.4)	+0.1 (118.5)
•	Breakdown of sales (main fac	tors)		
	Businesses in the United States	5.0	+0.5 (111.0)	-0.3 (94.1)
	Tofu business	3.8	+0.5 (116.7)	-0.2 (95.7)
	Restaurant business (11 restaurants)	0.7	+0.0 (104.6)	-0.1 (91.0)
	China curry business	1.3	+0.3 (133.4)	-0.3 (82.6)
	Restaurant business in Asia	2.0	+0.1 (107.8)	-0.4 (84.6)
	China (43 restaurants)	1.2	+0.0 (103.2)	-0.4 (77.4)
	Taiwan (25 restaurants)	0.6	+0.1 (115.6)	+0.0 (100.0)
	South Korea (21 restaurants)	0.2	+0.0 (114.5)	-0.0 (92.4)
	Businesses in Southeast Asia	0.6	+0.2 (166.4)	-0.0 (97.1)
	Thailand	0.6	+0.2 (169.2)	+0.1 (114.4)
	Vietnam	0.0	+0.0 (118.1)	-0.1 (20.0)

The fiscal year of the businesses in the United States, the China curry business, and the restaurant business in Asia ends in December.

The number of restaurants in each country above is as of September 30, 2014.

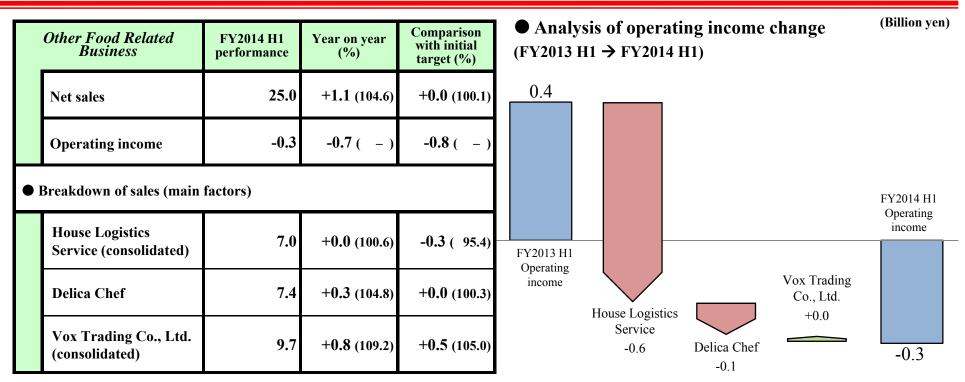
(Reference) Exchange rate

International Business (Unit)		FY2014 H1 performance	International Business (Unit)		FY2014 H1 performance
United States (USD)	98.59	101.36	South Korea (KRW)	0.0862	0.1002
China (CNY)	16.05	16.32	Thailand (THB)	3.11	3.38
Taiwan (TWD)	3.29	3.39	Vietnam (VND)	0.00463	0.00516



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FY2014 H1 Performance by Business Segment (Other Food Related Business)



House Logistics Service (transport and warehousing)

Earnings were significantly affected by costs generated associated with the commencement of newly commissioned operations and rising energy and subcontract costs.

An operating loss was posted in the first half, but the loss was reduced in the second quarter. The Company will continue to strive to improve earnings in the second half.

Reorganization of logistics bases (14 bases at the end of March 2014 → 11 bases at the end of March 2015) As of the end of the first half of the fiscal year ending March 2015: 12 bases



Delica Chef (convenience store vendor)

Desserts products showed steady performance owing to an increase in demand for home meal replacements.

Earnings were adversely affected by rising energy and shipping costs.

The Company will commence operations at a new plant to tap into growing demand for home meal replacements (A Saitama Kuki plant will commence operations in January 2015.)

Vox Trading Co., Ltd. (import, sales, etc. of foodstuffs)

Sales rose, chiefly reflecting new transactions of grain and frozen fruit.

FY2014 H1 Operating Income Change Analysis

• Factors of changes by business segment (Billion yen) FY2014 H1 Spice / Seasoning / performance Processed Food Business +0.24Spice / Seasoning / Processed Food Business +0.24International Change in sales Business -0.6 4.7 +0.23Change in cost of sales ratio -0.3 (Change in and change in the ratio of) marketing costs +0.9+0.2Change in personnel expenses and other expenses Health Food Health Food Business -0.45 Business -0.45 -0.3 Change in sales (Change in and change in the ratio of) marketing costs -0.2 4.0Change in personnel expenses and other expenses +0.1Other Food International Business Related Business +0.23-0.70+0.4**Businesses in the United States** -0.1 **Restaurant business in Asia** -0.1 **Businesses in Southeast Asia Other Food Related Business** -0.70 FY2013 H1 FY2014 H1 House Logistics Service (consolidated) -0.6 Operating Operating Decrease of -0.1 **Delica** Chef income income ¥0.68 billion Vox Trading Co., Ltd. (consolidated) +0.0**Changes in operating income** -0.68

Full-Year Plan for FY2014

In the Spice/Seasoning/Processed Food Business, the Company will maintain and enhance brand power. In the Health Food Business, the Company will focus on revitalizing the main brands. In the International Business, the Company will strive to increase the top line in priority fields and will seek to make the business a core business.

FY2014 Full-Year Targets for Consolidated Income (Loss)/ Performance by Business Segment

(Billion yen)	FY2013 performance	FY2014 revised target	Year on year (%)	ROS (%)	FY2014 H2 (revised full-year target – H1 performance)	Year on year (%)
Net sales	232.6	234.0	+1.4 (100.6)	-	119.6	+1.6 (101.3)
Spice / Seasoning / Processed Food Business	125.5	125.0	-0.5 (99.6)	_	66.1	+0.9 (101.4)
Health Food Business	39.5	38.2	-1.3 (96.6)	_	17.7	-0.4 (97.7)
International Business	19.7	21.5	+1.8 (109.0)	_	11.4	+0.7 (106.5)
Other Food Related Business	47.8	49.3	+1.5 (103.1)	_	24.3	+0.4 (101.6)
Operating income	9.6	10.0	+0.4 (104.3)	4.3	6.0	+1.1 (122.1)
Spice / Seasoning / Processed Food Business	6.9	7.6	+0.7 (109.6)	6.1	4.7	+0.4 (110.1)
Health Food Business	1.6	1.8	+0.2 (113.6)	4.7	0.8	+0.7 (521.4)
International Business	0.6	1.0	+0.4 (162.1)	4.7	0.6	+0.2 (131.4)
Other Food Related Business	0.5	-0.4	-0.9 (-)	(0.8)	-0.1	-0.2 (-)
Non-operating income (expenses)	1.4	1.4	+0.0 (101.9)	_	0.7	+0.2 (147.0)
Ordinary income	11.0	11.4	+0.4 (104.0)	_	6.8	+1.3 (124.5)
Extraordinary income (loss)	2.5	-0.4	-2.9 (-)	_	-0.4	-3.0 (-)
Net income	8.8	7.1	-1.7 (80.8)	_	4.3	-1.1 (80.1)

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FY2014 Full-Year Targets for Consolidated Income (Loss)/ Performance by Business Segment

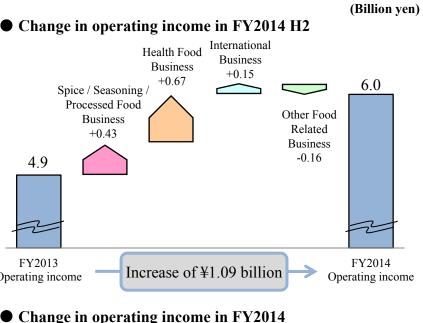
Breakdown of sales by Business Segment (Billion yen)	FY2013 performance	FY2014 revised target	Year on year (%)	FY2014 H2 (revised full-year target – H1 performance)	Year on year (%)
Spice / Seasoning / Processed Food Business	125.5	125.0	-0.5 (99.6)	66.1	+0.9 (101.4)
Curry roux	37.7	36.6	-1.2 (96.9)	18.0	-1.1 (94.4)
Stew roux	13.6	13.3	-0.3 (97.5)	8.7	-0.3 (96.4)
Hashed beef sauce roux	4.0	4.2	+0.1 (103.1)	2.0	+0.1 (102.9)
Spice	16.9	17.1	+0.2 (101.1)	8.8	+0.5 (106.2)
Retort pouched curry	14.0	13.4	-0.6 (95.4)	6.9	-0.1 (98.0)
Packaged noodles	6.1	6.2	+0.1 (101.2)	3.4	+0.0 (100.8)
Snack	7.6	7.1	-0.4 (94.1)	3.8	+0.1 (102.6)
Dessert	3.5	3.9	+0.4 (110.8)	2.1	+0.4 (125.7)
Food service products	16.0	16.3	+0.3 (101.9)	8.3	+0.3 (103.6)
Health Food Business	39.5	38.2	-1.3 (96.6)	17.7	-0.4 (97.7)
Ukon No Chikara	13.0	14.4	+1.4 (111.0)	7.9	+1.1 (116.5)
Mega Shaki	2.6	2.4	-0.3 (90.5)	1.1	-0.2 (87.2)
C1000	15.9	13.3	-2.6 (83.6)	5.2	-1.1 (83.2)
International Business	19.7	21.5	+1.8 (109.0)	11.4	+0.7 (106.5)
Businesses in the United States	9.7	10.3	+0.5 (105.6)	5.3	+0.0 (100.9)
China curry business	2.2	2.9	+0.7 (131.9)	1.6	+0.4 (130.8)
Restaurant business in Asia	4.2	4.6	+0.3 (108.1)	2.5	+0.2 (108.3)
Businesses in Southeast Asia	0.8	1.2	+0.4 (150.0)	0.6	+0.2 (137.3)
Other Food Related Business	47.8	49.3	+1.5 (103.1)	24.3	+0.4 (101.6)
House Logistics Service (consolidated)	13.7	14.8	+1.1 (107.7)	7.7	+1.0 (115.1)
Delica Chef	14.4	14.9	+0.6 (104.1)	7.6	+0.2 (103.3)
Vox Trading Co., Ltd. (consolidated)	17.2	17.7	+0.5 (103.2)	8.0	-0.3 (96.6)
Consolidated sales	232.6	234.0	+1.4 (100.6)	119.6	+1.6 (101.3)

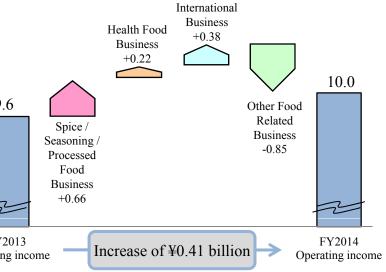
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FY2014 Full-Year Operating Income Change Analysis

• Factors of changes by business segment

_	(Billion yen)	FY2014 H1	FY2014 H2	FY2014	• Change in operating in
SI F	oice / Seasoning / Processed ood Business	performance +0.24	(full-year - H1) +0.43	revised target +0.66	Health Busin
	Change in sales	-0.6	+0.5	-0.1	Spice / Seasoning / +0.0
	Change in cost of sales ratio	-0.3	-0.5	-0.8	Processed Food Business
	(Change in and change in the ratio of) marketing costs	+0.9	+0.3	+1.2	4.9
	Change in personnel expenses and other expenses	+0.2	+0.2	+0.4	
H	ealth Food Business	-0.45	+0.67	+0.22	
	Change in sales	-0.3	-0.2	-0.5	
	Change in cost of sales ratio	0.0	+0.3	+0.3	FY2013
	(Change in and change in the ratio of) marketing costs	-0.2	+0.7	+0.5	Operating income Increase
	Change in personnel expenses and other expenses	+0.1	-0.1	-0.0	Change in operating in
In	nternational Business	+0.23	+0.15	+0.38	Health I
	Businesses in the United States	+0.4	+0.2	+0.6	Busin +0.2
	Businesses in China	-0.0	-0.1	-0.1	
	Restaurant business in Asia	-0.1	+0.0	-0.1	9.6
	Businesses in Southeast Asia	-0.1	+0.2	+0.1	Spice /
0	ther Food Related Business	-0.70	-0.16	-0.85	Seasoning /
	House Logistics Service (consolidated)	-0.6	-0.1	-0.7	Processed Food Business
	Delica Chef	-0.1	-0.2	-0.3	+0.66
	Vox Trading Co., Ltd. (consolidated)	+0.0	+0.1	+0.1	FY2013 Operating income Increase
С	hanges in operating income	-0.68	+1.09	+0.41	Operating income Increase





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FY2014 Revised Full-Year Targets (comparison with initial targets)

(Billion yen)	FY2014 revised target	Comparison with initial target (%)	FY2014 H2 (revised full-year target - H1 performance)	Comparison with initial target (%)
Net sales	234.0	-4.0 (98.3)	119.6	+1.6 (101.4)
Spice / Seasoning / Processed Food Business	125.0	-3.0 (97.7)	66.1	-0.7 (99.0)
Health Food Business	38.2	-2.3 (94.3)	17.7	-0.2 (99.0)
International Business	21.5	-1.5 (93.5)	11.4	-0.4 (97.0)
Other Food Related Business	49.3	+2.8 (106.0)	24.3	+2.8 (112.9)
Operating income	10.0	-1.5 (87.0)	6.0	-0.7 (89.8)
Spice / Seasoning / Processed Food Business	7.6	+0.1 (101.3)	4.7	-0.4 (91.3)
Health Food Business	1.8	-0.4 (81.8)	0.8	+0.2 (137.1)
International Business	1.0	+0.0 (100.0)	0.6	-0.1 (92.1)
Other Food Related Business	-0.4	-1.2 (-)	-0.1	-0.4 (-)
Non-operating income (expenses)	1.4	+0.0 (100.0)	0.7	+0.0 (106.9)
Ordinary income	11.4	-1.5 (88.4)	6.8	-0.6 (91.5)
Extraordinary income (loss)	-0.4	-0.3 (-)	-0.4	-0.3 (-)
Net income	7.1	-1.4 (83.5)	4.3	-0.6 (87.9)

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Major Businesses: Strategies and Initiatives

Spice / Seasoning / Processed Food Business	Core business	Achieving growth and improving profitability in the domestic market	
Health Food Business		Strengthening the position and improving profitability by focusing on functional drinks	
International Business Growing business		Realizing growth by promoting business in each area	

FY2014 Full-Year Performance Targets by Business Segment (Spice / Seasoning / Processed Food Business)

P	Spice / Seasoning / rocessed Food Business	FY2013 performance	FY2014 revised target	Year on year (%)
	Net sales	125.5	125.0	-0.5 (99.6)
	Operating income	6.9	7.6	+0.7 (109.6)
• E	Breakdown of sales (main facto	ors)		
	Curry roux	37.7	36.6	-1.2 (96.9)
	Stew roux	13.6	13.3	-0.3 (97.5)
	Hashed beef sauce roux	4.0	4.2	+0.1 (103.1)
	Spice	16.9	17.1	+0.2 (101.1)
	Retort pouched curry	14.0	13.4	-0.6 (95.4)

FY2014 H2 (revised full-year target – H1 performance)	Year on year (%)
66.1	+0.9 (101.4)
4.7	+0.4 (110.1)
18.0	-1.1 (94.4)
8.7	-0.3 (96.4)
2.0	+0.1 (102.9)
8.8	+0.5 (106.2)
6.9	-0.1 (98.0)

(Billion yen)

• Goals of the initiatives

Achieving growth and improving profitability in the domestic market

Strengthening existing areas (enhancing brands)

- Boosting demand through promotions taking advantage of our strengths
- Implementing promotions for a range of meals (Halloween: curry, stew, *Tongari Corn*)

- Curry roux

Promoting a full-line strategy to enhance brand value

- Retort pouched curry Expanding mid-priced products (*The Hotel Curry*)



Halloween promotion

Expanding new areas

- Products that respond to customer needs to permeate the market early and expand the market share Mazete Magic: Promoting demonstrations and trials at stores
- Mitsuboshi Shokkan: Expanding the product lineup

The series that does Creating palatability through a unique process,

not use the seven using new raw materials

specific raw
materials:(Please refer to "Initiatives of the House Foods
Group" below.)

Improving profitability

- Allocating marketing costs

more effectively



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FY2014 Full-Year Performance Targets by Business Segment (Health Food Business)

					_		(Billion yen)
	Health Food Business	FY2013 performance	FY2014 revised target	Year on year (%)		FY2014 H2 (revised full-year target – H1 performance)	Year on year (%)
	Net sales	39.5	38.2	-1.3 (96.6)		17.7	-0.4 (97.7)
	Operating income	1.6	1.8	+0.2 (113.6)		0.8	+0.7 (521.4)
• 1	Breakdown of sales (main facto	rs)					
	Ukon No Chikara	13.0	14.4	+1.4 (111.0)		7.9	+1.1 (116.5)
	Mega Shaki	2.6	2.4	-0.3 (90.5)		1.1	-0.2 (87.2)
	<i>C1000</i>	15.9	13.3	-2.6 (83.6)		5.2	-1.1 (83.2)

• Goals of the initiatives

Strengthening the position and improving profitability by focusing on functional drinks

Revitalizing the Ukon No Chikara brand

- Moving to the next stage ten years after launch A useful component, bisacurone, has been identified.
- ⇒ Renewing the existing items in September

- Retaining heavy users and promoting trials Expanding the visibility and points of contact of the new product *Ukon No Chikara Liver Plus*

C1000

- Focusing on the bottled item *Vitamin Lemon* Promoting the continuous intake of vitamin C Strengthening initiatives by channel
- Continuing to strive to improve the earnings structure Allocating marketing costs effectively

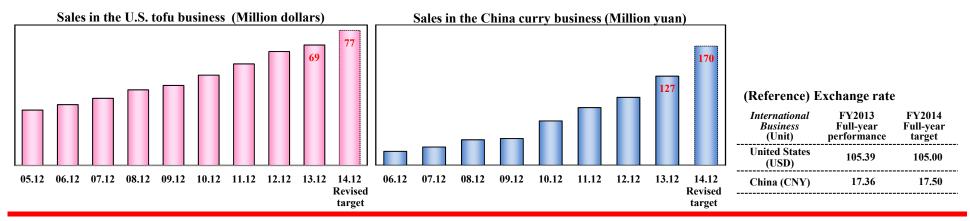




FY2014 Full-Year Performance Targets by Business Segment (International Business)

					(Billion
International Business	FY2013 performance	FY2014 revised target	Year on year (%)	FY2014 H2 (revised full-year target – H1 performance)	Year on year (
Net sales	19.7	21.5	+1.8 (109.0)	11.4	+0.7 (1
Operating income	0.6	1.0	+0.4 (162.1)	0.6	+0.2 (1
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Businesses in the United States	9.7	10.3	+0.5 (105.6)	5.3	+0.0 (1
Tofu business	7.2	7.8	+0.6 (107.8)	4.0	+0.0 (1
Restaurant business	1.4	1.4	+0.0 (102.7)	0.8	+0.0 (1
China curry business	2.2	2.9	+0.7 (131.9)	1.6	+0.4 (1
Restaurant business in Asia	4.2	4.6	+0.3 (108.1)	2.5	+0.2 (1
China	2.6	2.8	+0.2 (108.3)	1.6	+0.2 (1
Taiwan	1.2	1.3	+0.1 (108.7)	0.7	+0.0 (1
South Korea	0.4	0.4	+0.0 (104.7)	0.2	-0.0 (
Businesses in Southeast Asia	0.8	1.2	+0.4 (150.0)	0.6	+0.2 (1
Thailand	0.8	1.2	+0.4 (147.8)	0.6	+0.1 (1
Vietnam	0.0	0.1	+0.0 (194.8)	0.1	+0.0 (2

The fiscal year of the businesses in the United States, the China curry business, and the restaurant business in Asia ends in December



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FY2014 Full-Year Performance Targets by Business Segment (International Business)

Commercial-use Vermont Curry Java Curry • Goals of the initiatives Realizing growth by promoting business in each area - House IF y侍八哇 Q 咖 China curry business Tofu business in the United States Making curry and rice a more popular dish in China Expanding the business by further promoting the benefits of tofu and soybeans - Commence operation of the second production base (Dalian) in September - Targeting demand in markets that continue to grow steadily - Expanding the lineup of soybean products and establishing - Large-scale promotion (Curry Week) ⇒Gain publicity products on the market - Expand areas for the business - Focus on commercial-use products ⇒ Accelerate the growth - Aim for total sales of 100 million dollars from the business in the both of commercial-use and household-use products United States La Llour Food WOK tofu Shirataki Second production base (Dalian) Large-scale promotion * Operation commenced in Curry Week (Aug. 2014; Shanghai) BCD SOON TOFU Wok Me Up **Tofu product** tofu Shirataki September 2014 **Restaurant business in Asia Businesses in Southeast Asia** Increase the number of restaurants (100 branches) and gain publicity for Make efforts to establish a foundation for the business the appeal of Japanese-style curry - Focus efforts on the improvement of the relative value of - Aim to make the functional drink business profitable China restaurants in a challenging, competitive environment Thailand - Seek to expand the product lineup Develop business categories for the operation of a large Taiwan number of restaurants - Establish a position in the market by enhancing the lineup Vietnam South of power desserts - Improve profitability Korea New Raffles City Branch Taiwan **Gangnam Branch** C-Vitt **Purin Mix** Sherbic in China Take-out store in South Korea

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Supplementary Description

History of businesses (Abstract)

-1950s

1913 Urakami Shoten, an enterprise dealing in herbal medicines, founded

Spice

- **1926** Launch of powder curry start
- **1934** Hashed beef sauce

1960s-1980s

- **1960** Solid curry roux
- 1964 Dessert
- 1966 Stew
- **1970** Retort pouched food (Sun House Foods) Transport and warehousing
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Vermont Curry

- Transport and warehousing (House Logistics Service)
- 1973 Instant noodles
- 1977 Snacks
- 1983 Entry into USA (Restaurants, Tofu) Mineral water



1985 Deli products (Delica Chef)



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1995 1997	Liquid seasoning Entry into China (Restaurants) Health foods	C1000 Cicco Launched in 1990
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2000	Entry into Taiwan (Restaurants)	<u>Ukon No Chikara</u>
2002	Retort pouched curry (China)	
2004	Ukon extract drink	Launched
2005	Curry roux (China)	in 2004
2006	Health foods (House Wellness Foods)	<u>Vermont Curry (China)</u>
2007	Entry into South Korea (Restaurants)	Launched in 2005
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2010s

- **2010** Transfer of the mineral water business
- 2011 Entry into Thailand (House Osotspa Foods Co., Ltd.)
- 2012 Entry into Vietnam (House Foods Vietnam Co., Ltd.)
- 2013 Import/sales of foodstuffs (Vox Trading Co., Ltd.)

Switch to a holding company system (the company name changed to House Foods Group Inc.)

Major new products and varieties for the autumn and winter 2014



Category	Category Product		Suggested retail price (reference price)		
Curry roux	160g Jukusei Koku Demi Curry	Open	(¥258)	Aug. 18	
Curry roux	Vermont Curry Chu-Kara without Seven Specific Raw Materials	Open	(¥320)	Aug. 18	
Stew roux	Stew Mix Cream without Seven Specific Raw Materials	Open	(¥320)	Aug. 18	
Cooking sauce for specific menus	Sauce A La Carte (Nishuno Bouillon Tokekomu Beef Curry Sauce, Komi Spice Kiwadatsu Chicken Curry Sauce)	Open	(¥271)	Aug. 18	
Cooking sauce for specific menus	Sauce A La Carte (Red Wine Kaoru Hayashi Rice Sauce, Sour Cream Tokekomu Stroganoff Sauce)	Open	(¥271)	Aug. 18	
Liquid seasoning	190g Mazete Magic	Open	(¥276)	Aug. 18	
Stir-fry paste	Mitsuboshi Shokkan Chuka Itame Paste (Chicken Flavor, Seafood Salt Flavor)	Open	(¥304)	Aug. 18	
Retort pouched curry	200g Fukauma Curry (Roasted Onion Jitate, Roasted Spices Jitate)	Open	(¥227)	Aug. 18	

• Variety

Stew roux	180g Stew Mix Rich Creamy		¥240	Aug. 18
Stew roux	140g Koku No Zeitaku Stew Kinoko	Open	(¥170)	Aug. 18
	Mitsuboshi Shokkan (Koromo Sakusaku Agenai Milan Fu Katsu, Koromo Sakusaku Sake No Panko Yaki, Cabbage Shakishaki Buta No Miso Itame, Koromo Zakuzaku Agenai Tori Tatsuta)	Open	(¥180)	Aug. 18
Seasoning	Spice Cooking Bar Menu (German Potato, German Potato Mustard Flavor, Paella, Squid Ink Paella, Bagna Cauda, Anchovy Cabbage, etc.)	Open	(¥110)	Aug. 18

Renewal

Stew roux	Hokkaido Stew Cream (90g, 180g), Corn Cream (180g)	90 g: ¥145 180 g: ¥275	Aug. 18
Drink	Ukon No Chikara (Ukon Extract Drink, Cassis Orange Flavor)	¥190	Sep. 29
Drink	Ukon No Chikara Super	Open (¥286)	Sep. 29
Drink	C1000 Chotto Koime No Yasashii Lemon	¥140	Sep. 22

Initiatives of the House Foods Group

House Foods

"Delicious meals for the entire family" Aiming to realize the corporate philosophy

Items from the series that does not use the seven specific raw materials, Vermont Curry Chu Kara and Stew Mix Cream, have been launched.

House Foods has launched curry and stew products that do not use the seven specific raw materials (wheat, milk, egg, peanut, buckwheat, shrimp, and crab) so that families having trouble with food allergies can share the same delicious meal at the same table.

House Foods has developed palatability without using the seven specific raw materials, through a unique process using new raw materials. House Foods has set up a dedicated line in its own plant and has established a thorough control system to block the seven specific raw materials from being mixing in.

House Wellness Foods

Has identified Bisacurone, a useful component of the turmeric extract.

Adding new power to Ukon No Chikara, which has been on the market for ten years Its power has been strengthened thanks to Bisacurone, a newly identified component. (A patent has been obtained.)

House Wellness Foods has significantly improved its Ukon No Chikara series (Ukon Extract Drink, Cassis Orange Flavor, Ukon No Chikara Super, and Karyu) by including a stable amount of bisacurone, which has been newly identified as a useful component of turmeric. The renewed items were launched nationwide on September 29.

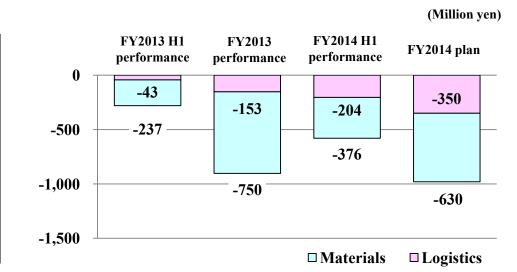


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Trends of cost reductions and capital investment

Trends of cost		from the yea	0 ,
	Materials cost	Logistics cost	Total
FY2013 H1	237	43	280
FY2013	750	153	903
FY2014 H1	376	204	580
FY2014 plan	630	350	980



• Trends of capital investment

	Capital investment		nent	Major capital investment	Depreciation and amortization			
	Investment	Leases	Total		Investment	Leases	Total	
FY2013 H1	2,973	217	3,190	Construction of new building for the Osaka Head Office Purchase of land for Delica Chef's plant	2,438	175	2,613	
FY2013	11,115	395	11,510	Land for Delica Chef's plant and construction of the plant Investment related to the roux production line for House Foods	5,056	333	5,389	
FY2014 H1	3,985	162	4,148	Construction of Delica Chef's plant Investment related to the roux production line for Dalian Horie Yamatoya Food Co., Ltd.	2,632	141	2,774	
FY2014 plan	13,100	400	13,500	Construction of Delica Chef's plant Investment related to the roux production line for Dalian Horie Yamatoya Food Co., Ltd.	5,800	300	6,100	

Breakdowns of non-operating income and expenses and extraordinary income and loss

(Million ven)

• Non-operating income and expenses

(Minion yen)					
	FY2013 H1	FY2014 H1	Year on year		
Interest income / Interest on securities	269	250	-19		
Dividend income	308	311	+3		
Share of profit of entities accounted for using equity method	249	300	+50		
Foreign exchange gains	138	202	+64		
Other	130	134	+4		
Total non-operating income	1,095	1,198	+103		
Interest expenses	120	64	-55		
Other	110	481	+371		
Total non-operating expenses	230	546	+316		

• Extraordinary income and loss

(Million yen)

(Minion yer)					
	FY2013 H1	FY2014 H1	Year on year		
Gain on sales of non-current assets	8	2	-7		
Gain on sales of investment securities	27	_	-27		
Gain on sale of invested money	_	18	+18		
Compensation income	_	13	+13		
Other	1	5	+4		
Total extraordinary income	37	38	+1		
Loss on sales of non-current assets	1	0	-1		
Loss on retirement of non-current assets	100	49	-51		
Loss on valuation of investment securities	-	3	+3		
Loss on step acquisitions	69	_	-69		
Other	6	13	+7		
Total extraordinary losses	175	65	-110		

Targeted performance and management indexes for the final year of the Fourth Medium-Term Business Plan

Basic concept and initiatives

1) Position the two domestic businesses as core businesses and accelerate overseas expansion by positioning the International Business as a growing business

2) Establish an optimal organizational structure for consolidated management to continue growth and expansion

3) Continue to bolster initiatives to increase development capability, cost competitiveness and CSR initiatives

• Consolidated net sales and operating income targets for FY2014

Net sales: ¥230bn	(107.3% of FY2011 level)		FY2011	FY2014
Operating income: ¥18bn	(128.1% of FY2011 level)	* Operating margin	6.6%	→ 7.8%

• Breakdown by business segment: Net sales and operating income targets for the final year (FY2014)

Business segment	Position of the business	Net sales target	Comparison with FY2011	Operating income target	Comparison with FY2011	ROS	Difference from FY2011
Spice / Seasoning / Processed Food Business	Core business	¥132.4bn	102.4%	¥10.5bn	105.7%	7.9%	+0.2
Health Food Business		¥50.0bn	108.7%	¥5.5bn	217.2%	11.0%	+5.5
International Business	Growing business	¥20.0bn	170.0%	¥1.0bn	153.6%	5.0%	-0.5
Other Food Related Business		¥27.6bn	101.0%	¥1.0bn	107.0%	3.6%	+0.2

Operating income for the Health Food Business in FY2011 includes goodwill amortization of House Wellness Foods (¥1,345m) (Comparison vs FY2011: 217.2% → Actual comparison:141.9%)

• Guidelines concerning business investments

Utilize 50 billion yen as business investment funds and aim for growth and expansion of businesses.

Borrow 20 billion yen, which is equivalent to around 10% of shareholders' equity, as necessary, and set 70 billion yen as the upper limit of business investment.

• Guidelines concerning retained earnings

Secure consolidated payout ratio at 30% or higher

Flexibly implement stock buybacks by considering the business environment, capital needs and trends in share prices and the stock market.

Content of business segments (As of September 30, 2014)

Business segment	Group company name		
Spice / Seasoning / Processed Food Business	House Foods Corporation Sun House Foods Corporation / Sun Supply Corporation Asaoka Spice K.K. House Ai-Factory Corporation		
Health Food Business	House Wellness Foods Corporation		
	United States	House Foods Holding USA, Inc. / House Foods America Corporation / El Burrito Mexican Food Products Corporation	
International Business	House Foods China Inc. / Shanghai House Foods Co., Ltd. / DalianChinaHorie Yamatoya Food Co., Ltd. / Shanghai House Curry CocoIchibanya Restaurant, Inc. / House Restaurant Management (Beijing Co., Ltd. / House Restaurant Management (Guangzhou) Co., Ltd.		
	Taiwan	Taiwan Curry House Restaurant, Inc.	
	South Korea	Curry House Korea Corporation	
	Thailand	House Osotspa Foods Co., Ltd.	
	Vietnam	House Foods Vietnam Co., Ltd.	
Other Food Related Business	House Logistics Service Corporation / High Net Corporation Delica Chef Corporation House Food Analytical Laboratory Inc. Horie Yamatoya Co., Ltd. Vox Trading Co., Ltd. / Tim Food Co., Ltd. / PT. Java Agritech		
Support for Inter-Group Indirect Operations	House Business Partners Corporation		