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Materiality Items (Priority Issues) to Realize Our Mission

A Pressing Need to Respond to Climate Change

Various social issues in Japan and overseas are leading to unsustainable conditions. In 2023, average global temperatures are expected to reach all-time highs, sparking discussions about the onset of an era of the global boiling-clearly more severe than global warming.

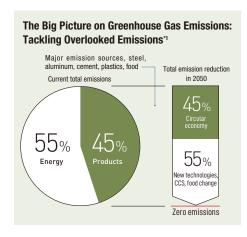
The external environment around us is also undergoing major changes.

Societal Trends Surrounding

neutrality as climate change advances. Achieving carbon neutrality requires not only the electrification of economic activity and the transition to renewable energy for power consumption but also the reassessment and intentional redesign of product lifecycles. This means taking a circular economy approach to manufacturing, usage, and disposal.

Society is likely to press more firmly for carbon

1. Growth Strategy



According to the Ellen MacArthur Foundation², 55% of all greenhouse gas emissions can be reduced through renewable energy conversion, while the remaining 45% are attributed to the manufacturing and use of products. Reducing this 45% can be addressed through a circular economy approach. In Japan, it is also estimated that in some sectors resource circulation has the potential to reduce as much as 36% of emissions that contribute to greenhouse gases*3

Looking to Achieve Carbon Working to Expand the **Neutrality by 2050 Circular Economy**

> The ENVIPRO Group's goal is to achieve a sustainable society by "using every material repeatedly, preserving their value for as long as possible." We promote RE100 and produce green materials*4, including ferrous scrap and other non-ferrous metals and minor metals that are necessary to support the electrification of economic activities. By integrating the production of these green materials into arterial procurement and manufacturing processes, we aim to realize a circular economy and establish a supply chain that allows products and materials to continue circulating while maintaining their value.

> The market related to the circular economy is expected to expand significantly both in Japan and overseas. In Japan, the market is projected to reach a value of ¥80 trillion by 2030 and ¥120 trillion by 2050.

Identifying Materiality Items (Priority Issues) as a Company That Leads the Circular Economy

Materiality Items (Priority Issues)

Increasing demand for green materials

Increasing demand for ferrous scrap due to building

Increasing demand for nonferrous metals and minor

Promotion of advanced resource circulation of waste

production process, promotion of data

in the supply chain

of additional electric furnaces

metals due to electrification

Reducing labor required in the

utilization in business activities



- Growing international competition for resources
- Surfacing social issues related to waste plastics
- Data utilization in non-IT businesses
- Increase in utilization of IoT. Al. robotics
- Increasing competition for human resources

Investment in human resources to levelopment promote business activities

Themes

Production of

Materials

Productivity,





Corresponding SDG Targets









- *1 Source: "Completing the picture: How the circular economy tackles climate change," the Ellen MacArthur Foundation
- *2 Ellen MacArthur Foundation: This organization was established in the United Kingdom in 2010 with the vision of accelerating the transition to a circular economy. Since its establishment, the foundation has engaged in various activities, including awareness campaigns through information dissemination and the establishment of a global network transcending national boundaries.
- *3 Source: "Reference Materials on the Second Progress Check of the Fourth Basic Plan for Establishing a Sound Material-Cycle Society and the Circular Economy Process Chart," Ministry of the Environment
- *4 Green materials: Materials made from terrestrial resources (waste) in ways that do not produce greenhouse gases or produce very little greenhouse gases (recycled raw materials and recycled materials)

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The Value Creation Process

Mission Statement

"Contribute to Create a Sustainable Society"

This is the ENVIPRO Group's significance in the world and its purpose and aspirations until 2050.

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Increasing demand for green materials in the supply chain

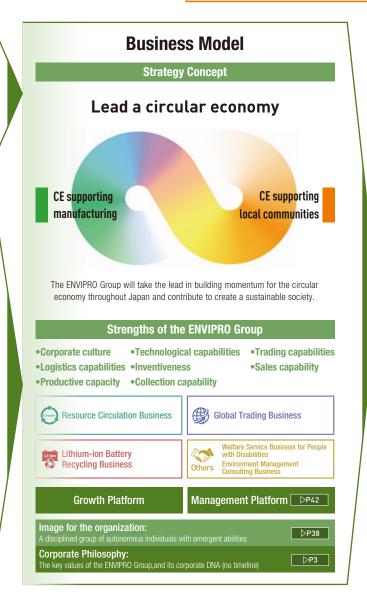
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- Reducing labor required in the production process, promotion of data utilization in business activities
- ■Investment in human resources to promote business activities

Inputs (Year ended June 2023) **Financial Capital** ¥33.6hillion ■ Total assets 48.6% ■ Equity ratio **Manufacturing Capital** 14 ■ Group companies 12 ■ Domestic plants Shipping ports 13 Overseas locations ■ Capital investment ¥4.6hillion **Intellectual Capital** 19 ■ Patents held ■ Laboratory expansion **Human Capital** Employees (consolidated) 632 **Natural Capital** ■ Resource recovery rate 94.3% ■ Electric power from 86.5% renewable sources ■ Reduction in

CO₂ emissions

50.1%



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