





## 2. Strategy

Our medium-term business plan includes a commitment to taking action related to the carbon transition and circular economy. The Sustainability Committee and the committee's subcommittees lead organization-wide efforts to address this issue and other climate-related issues. In fiscal 2022, we identified key climate-related risks and

opportunities relevant to our organization. We recently updated the set of risks and opportunities in view of changes in the external business environment, expert opinions, and the results of our scenario analysis to date. (you can view the pre-update set of risks and opportunities at TCFD-Compliant Disclosures, December 2022).

Risk categories			Climate-related risks	Potential financial impacts	Timing <sup>*1</sup>	Financial impact <sup>*2</sup>	Scenario analysis findings	Description
Major category	Subcategory	Sub-subcategory						
Transition risks	Policy and legislation	Carbon pricing mechanisms (tax hikes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Higher expenditures on energy-efficient technologies and renewable energy technology</li> <li>Higher tax burden if GHG emissions cut is too small</li> <li>Higher costs of raw materials and packaging</li> <li>Higher costs of feed and livestock medicines</li> </ul>	Expenditure	Medium term	High	Extra ¥0.2 billion to ¥3 billion in expenses	<b>See Scenario 1 (p. 5)</b>
		Tighter mandates on GHG emissions and plastic waste Rising electricity costs due to changes in energy mix	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Higher manufacturing costs (for purchasing and recycling plastic packaging) following passage of Plastic Recycling Law</li> <li>Higher energy-related costs (costs of renewable shift) following revision to Law on Rational Use of Energy</li> <li>Requirement to upgrade manufacturing assets following tightening of energy legislation</li> </ul>	Expenditure	Medium term	Medium	—	
	Technology	Technological innovations that support a carbon transition (transition to lower-carbon or zero-carbon economy)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>More capital investments in technology due to rollout of energy-efficient technology</li> <li>Impairment of existing assets due to accelerated technological innovation</li> <li>Reduced time between technology upgrades</li> </ul>	Expenditure Assets	Medium term	High	High qualitative impact	<b>See Scenario 2 (p. 6)</b>
	Market	Shifts in consumer behavior	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If consumers perceive we are not doing enough to tackle climate change and plastic waste:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Poorer brand perception</li> <li>Poorer ESG ratings and reduced capital availability</li> <li>Poorer perceptions among jobseekers and local residents</li> <li>Diminished employee loyalty</li> </ul> </li> <li>Poorer sales due to increase in ethical consumerism in Japan</li> </ul>	Revenue	Medium term	Low	—	
		Higher raw material costs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Higher animal feed prices</li> <li>Higher costs of packaging and additives</li> </ul>	Expenditure	Short term	High	Animal feed prices: Extra ¥0.1 billion to ¥1 billion in expenses Packaging: Extra ¥0.5 billion to ¥0.7 billion in expenses	<b>See Scenario 3 (p. 6)</b> <b>See Scenario 4 (p. 7)</b>
	Reputation	Negative perceptions of business sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Poorer perceptions of meat industry</li> <li>Poorer brand perceptions due to plastic packaging</li> </ul>	Revenue Expenditure	Long term	Low	—	

\*1 Timing: Short-term (0–5 years), medium-term (5–10 years), long-term (10–30 years)

\*2 Financial impact: Small (0.5 billion yen or less), medium (0.5 to 1 billion yen), large (over 1 billion yen)

Risk categories			Climate-related risks	Potential financial impacts	Timing <sup>1</sup>	Financial impact <sup>2</sup>	Scenario analysis findings	Description
Major category	Subcategory	Sub-subcategory						
Physical risks	Acute	Increased severity of extreme weather events (typhoons, torrential rain, blizzards, severe thunderstorms)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Damage to traffic infrastructure</li> <li>• Stoppages following damage to production assets</li> <li>• Transport difficulties due to supply chain disruption or damage to warehouse</li> </ul>	Expenditure Assets	Long term	High	Equipment and inventory: Extra ¥1.1 billion in expenses Lost opportunities: ¥1.5 billion less in sales	See Scenario 5 (p.7)
		Epidemics and pandemics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stoppages due to infections in workforce</li> <li>• Supply disruption due to outbreak of animal disease</li> <li>• Shortage of raw materials for processed food products</li> </ul>	Revenue	Short term	High	High qualitative impact	See Scenario 6 (p.8)
	Chronic	Water withdrawal and drought risks in water-stressed areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restrictions on our plant and farm operations due to water withdrawal and water supply restrictions</li> </ul>	Revenue	Long term	High	Lost opportunities: ¥4.7 billion less in sales	See Scenario 7 (p.9)
		Rising mean temperatures, changes in precipitation patterns, rising sea levels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Water ingress in assets in coastal areas</li> <li>• Less revenue due to poorer animal feed harvests and adverse livestock conditions</li> <li>• Areas that rely on groundwater for irrigation and industrial water use: inadequate water supply due to groundwater salinization</li> <li>• Higher costs of managing employee health</li> <li>• Harder to attract labor for outdoor jobs due to normalization of heat extremes</li> <li>• Higher supply costs</li> <li>• Adverse conditions for livestock and poultry, and poorer meat quality, due to increased seasonal heat stress</li> <li>• Rising cost of temperature and humidity control in piggery</li> </ul>	Revenue Expenditure	Long term	Medium	—	

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Major category	Subcategory	Sub-subcategory						
Opportunities	Resource efficiency	Use of more efficient modes of transport, use of more efficient production and distribution processes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joint distribution, modal shift</li> <li>• Better efficiency through segmenting processes and automating packaging</li> <li>• Lower transportation costs with rise in domestic pork (to reduce food miles)</li> <li>• Shift to low-carbon production methods</li> </ul>	Expenditure	Short term	Medium	—	
		Use of recycling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lower packaging supply costs with higher rates of packaging recycling</li> </ul>	Expenditure	Medium term	Low	—	
	Energy source	Use of renewable energy (shift from thermal power generation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lower energy costs with increased use of renewable energy</li> <li>• Higher ESG ratings and increased capital availability (as more investors favor use of renewable energy)</li> </ul>	Expenditure	Medium term	Low	Extra ¥0.2 billion to 0.3 billion in expenses	See Scenario 8 (p.9)
	Products and services	Development and expansion of low-emission goods and services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Longer shelf lives due to better packaging</li> <li>• Expansion of products packaged sustainably (minimal, recycled, or biomass packaging)</li> <li>• More vegetables sourced from Japanese GAP-certified farms</li> <li>• Higher demand for animal manure due to reduced use of petrochemical fertilizers</li> <li>• Development of feed formulae that reduce animal methane emissions</li> <li>• Higher demand for low-carbon beef (beef produced with less GHG emissions)</li> <li>• Chance to reposition organization as purveyor of protein-rich foods in general (including plant and insect sources)</li> <li>• Growing demand for products that contribute to food loss reduction</li> <li>• Business expansion opportunities driven by new protein source utilization and growing demand for food waste reduction</li> </ul>	Revenue	Medium term	High	Extra ¥1.7 billion in sales	See Scenario 9 (p.10)
Resilience	Resource substitutes/diversification (to mitigate procurement risk)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased reliability of supply chain (globally dispersed, more diverse)</li> </ul>	Revenue Expenditure	Medium term	Low	—		



## Scenario 2

Risk

# Technological innovations that support a carbon transition (transition to lower-carbon or zero-carbon economy)

Businesses across the world are expected to contribute to global efforts to cut GHG emissions. The Paris Agreement, adopted at the 2015 UN Climate Change Conference (COP21), commits countries to holding the increase in the global average temperature to well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels (the 2°C goal) and to pursuing efforts to limit the temperature increase to within 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels. Reflecting this agreement, the Government of Japan has announced its 2050 Carbon Neutral Goal, committing to achieve carbon neutrality (net-zero greenhouse gas emissions) by 2050.

Our organization has committed to a reduction target for fiscal 2030: 24.3% down from the fiscal 2021 level. To achieve this target and contribute to the carbon transition, we invest in innovating and upgrading our production facilities and processes along with other measures for reducing our GHG emissions.

When deciding on capital expenditures for upgrading production facilities with a high carbon footprint, we compare each project's projected financial costs and potential carbon benefits, and then prioritize those projects with better cost-effectiveness. Along with immediately feasible projects, we consider projects that are currently unfeasible but that might be worth implementing in the medium term or the long term. We rank projects in four levels of feasibility (A to D).

As well as analyzing potential investment opportunities, we keep monitoring green innovations (emerging technologies for developing low-carbon materials and aiding the carbon transition). We also consider the possibility of switching to production lines that emit lower levels of GHG.

### Process for investing in green innovations



### Four ranks of feasibility

Feasibility ranking	Description
A	Feasibility is proven, or company already has solid plan in place
B	Will be feasible in 3–5 years
C	There are physical, technological, or financial obstacles
D	Just an idea for now

## Scenario 3

Risk

# Higher raw material (animal feed) costs

A risk in this scenario is that climate change may affect soybean and corn crops used for animal feed and hog farming operations.

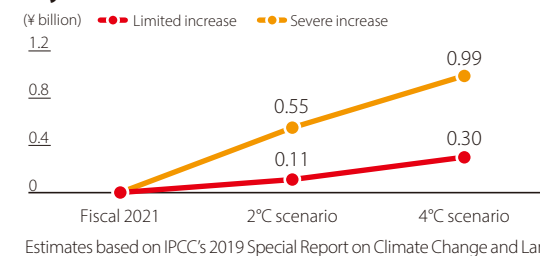
We analyzed two future scenarios in which climate change increases the cost of purchasing our main animal feeds (soybean and corn): 2°C scenario and 4°C scenario (see graph). Both scenarios assume that global warming leads to a decline in yields of crop-based feedstocks as predicted in the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's (IPCC's) 2019 Special Report on Climate Change and Land. In both scenarios, our pork shipments remain stable at the fiscal 2021 level. The results indicate that, in the 4°C scenario ("severe increase", indicated by the orange line), costs of purchasing soybean and corn rise to as high as ¥1 billion by 2050.

The fact that we import pork from overseas is another reason to be concerned about the impact of climate change on the livestock industry. As well as affecting yields of the soybean and corn used for swine feed, climate change could affect feed intake. The US government's Fourth

National Climate Assessment (published in 2018) suggests that higher global temperatures could reduce feed intake among swine, leading to longer swine production cycles. Longer swine production cycles would increase the cost burden on hog farmers, in turn pushing up the prices we pay to purchase the pork. However, further monitoring is required given that the Fourth National Climate Assessment also reports the opinion that global warming might lead to higher soybean and corn yields in the Northern United States.

We will continue analyzing available data and exploring measures to maintain stable prices for procuring raw materials.

### Estimated increase in costs of procuring soybean and corn between 2021 and 2050





## Scenario 6 Risk Epidemics and pandemics

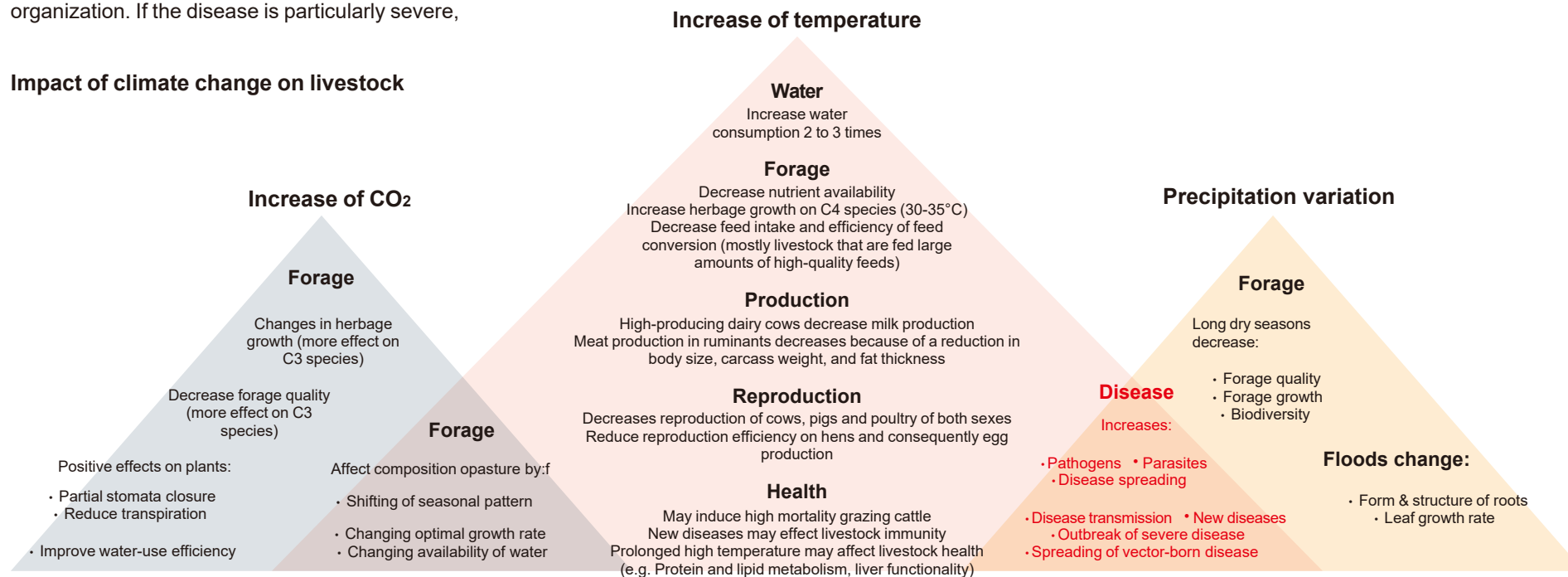
Climate change can potentially affect the livestock industry in a number of ways. It may affect the quantity and quality of crops used for animal feed. It may also lead to shortages of the water required in rearing and fattening, reduce the livestock's growth and reproduction, and increase the risk of disease outbreaks. These outcomes can occur because of any of, or a combination of, the following climate-related factors: 1) global warming, 2) higher atmospheric concentration of CO<sub>2</sub>, and 3) changes in precipitation patterns. Of these, global warming affects nearly all the key elements of the livestock industry: production of animal feed, reproductive capacity, and rearing. Higher global temperatures and changes in precipitation patterns encourage growth in pathogens and parasites, raising the risk of new disease outbreaks.

If one of our meat suppliers were to experience a disease outbreak in their livestock, they may incur increased costs associated with vaccinating the livestock. They may also face a longer production cycle as a result of diminished health and productivity. These outcomes would push up procurement costs for our organization. If the disease is particularly severe,

the farm may have to cull an entire herd and suspend meat shipments. This outcome would have severe ramifications for our business operations. While we have a general grasp of the climate-related risk of disease outbreaks and their potential impacts, precise analysis is difficult because of the myriad of variables involved, including those related to the local community and the level of biosecurity in the rearing and fattening facilities. Amid this uncertainty, we continue to monitor research on the role of climate change in increasing the risk of livestock disease. We also continue our efforts to ensure robust biosecurity on farms controlled by our organization.

One such farm is the new Miyagi farm, which made its first shipments in the summer of 2023. The farm uses strict biosecurity measures to protect the swine herd from infection. It uses a two-site approach, segregating breeding and fattening facilities. It also has a distribution center with a space for storing goods and a fogging chamber for disinfecting all inbound objects.

### Impact of climate change on livestock



## Scenario 7 Risk Water depletion risks in water-stressed locations

We used the Aqueduct Water Risk Atlas to assess our exposure to water risk across all 136 business locations. The assessment revealed that two Thai locations are exposed to high water stress. We then estimated how we would be financially impacted if climate-related water restrictions are imposed, forcing these business locations to suspend all or part of their activities.

### Financial impact of climate-related water shortages

Location	Financial impact
Thailand Primaham (Thailand) Primaham Foods (Thailand)	¥4.7 billion less sales revenue

### Calculation method

To determine how much sales revenue would be lost following water restrictions, we multiplied the two Thai locations' daily sales volume (derived from results in 2023) by the time during which operations are fully or partly suspended and the percentage of capacity utilization during that time.

### Assumptions for duration of suspension, assumptions for limited capacity utilization

A yardstick we used in the analysis was the amount of water stored in Pa Sak Cholasit Dam, situated near the two Thai locations. When the amount of water is critically low, at 30% or less of the dam's full storage capacity, the Thai locations would face water restrictions. According to a publication of Japan's Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism about climate-related risks, water restrictions of less than 30% would incur partial suspension of business operations while water restrictions of 30% or higher would incur complete suspension. When the amount of water in Pa Sak Cholasit Dam stands at 30% to 22% of the full storage capacity, the business locations would face water restrictions of less than 30% and would therefore have to suspend some operations. When the amount is less than 22% of the full storage capacity, the business locations would face water restrictions of 30% or higher and would therefore have to suspend all operations.

Referring to water levels in Pa Sak Cholasit Dam during a drought that Thailand experienced in 2015, we estimated how long operations would be fully or partially suspended if a similarly severe drought were to occur.

### Assumptions for percentage of capacity utilization

If operations are partly suspended, actual output will be 50% of potential output. If operations are completely suspended, actual output will be 0% of potential output. Therefore, percentage of capacity utilization is 50% in the first case and 100% in the second case.

## Scenario 8 Opportunity Use of renewable energy (shift from thermal power generation)

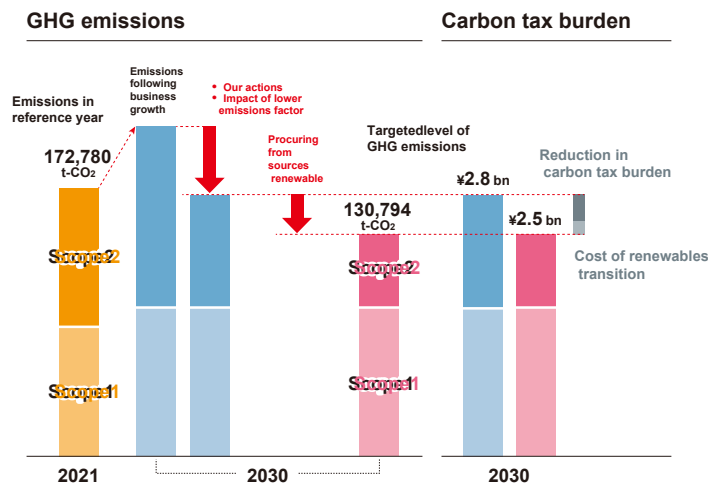
Amid the transition to a lower- or zero-carbon economy, climate-related regulation is likely to be toughened. In particular, carbon taxing is likely to be introduced. In fiscal 2022, our Board of Directors set a GHG emissions reduction target for fiscal 2030: 24.3% down from the fiscal 2021 level. This goal entails an active commitment to energy efficiency and a transition to renewables. These actions, as well as creating climate benefits (helping to mitigate climate change), will create business benefits such as cost savings.

We therefore estimated the cost savings we could generate by shifting to renewables. On the assumption that GHG emissions from energy will be taxed by fiscal 2030, we estimated the carbon tax we would pay in that year if we took no action and the carbon tax we would pay then if we achieved the target. We calculated the difference between these two sums and compared this difference with the cost of procuring the renewable energy necessary for achieving the reduction target. This comparison revealed that investing in the renewable energy would reduce our carbon tax burden by ¥0.2 billion to ¥0.3 billion, ultimately saving us money.

In view of this finding, we have stepped up efforts to shift to renewable or low-carbon energy sources and reduce our energy consumption (by improving productivity and upgrading our fixed assets) so that we can achieve our 2030 reduction target. We are taking

an assortment of measures to shift to renewables, mindful of how such measures are cost-effective and contribute to a renewables shift across society.

### Savings generated by a renewables transition



### Calculation method/assumptions

- When calculating the carbon tax burden in fiscal 2030, we assumed the Net Zero Emissions by 2050 Scenario (NZE Scenario), which involves the highest degree of regulation (IEA World Energy Outlook 2022). We also assumed the carbon tax amount for developed countries: 140 USD / t-CO<sub>2</sub>.
- Having assumed that from-energy GHG emissions will increase in tandem with our business growth, we envisaged two scenarios for fiscal 2030. The first is a scenario in which take no action to shift to renewables. This scenario considers the effects of a reduction in the emissions factor. The other scenario assumes we shift to renewables and achieve our reduction target for fiscal 2030.
- The estimated cost of the renewables shift assumes that we pursue multiple approaches to procuring renewable energy.

## Scenario 9 Opportunity

# Potential for developing and expanding sustainable products and services (products and services that have a low or zero carbon footprint or that help reduce food loss)

World population growth has led to rising meat demand. However, demand for alternative proteins is rising too amid concerns about the environmental effects upon livestock, threats to meat supply continuity, and food security challenges. Although the alternative protein market faces a number of obstacles, it has strong growth prospects. Having already launched alt-protein brands (Try Veggie, Field Good), we estimated the opportunity for sales growth in this market.

### Projected sales in alt-protein market

$$\text{¥2.24 trillion} \times 0.08\% = \text{¥1.7 billion}$$

Size of market in 2030 (our projection)   
 Our share of the global processed food market

#### Calculation method

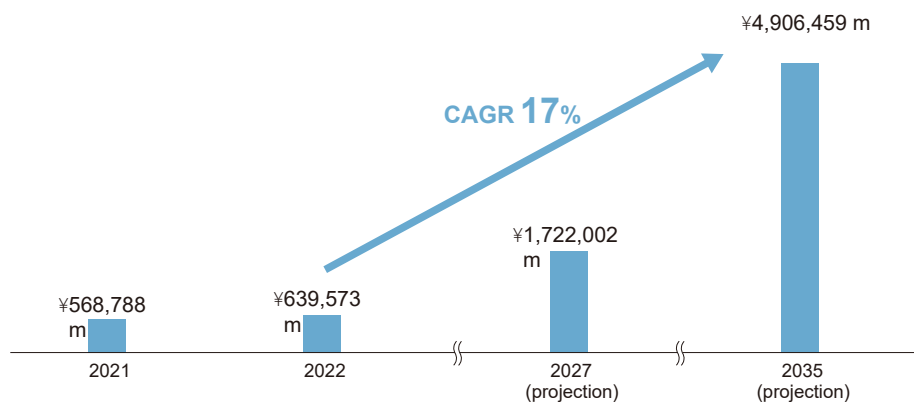
We multiplied the projected size of the alt-protein market in 2030 by our share of the global processed food market to derive the sales revenue we will obtain in alt-protein market in 2030.

#### Assumptions/parameters

- Our share of the global processed food market is the quotient of dividing the net sales posted by the processed food segment in fiscal 2023 by the size of the global packaged food market.
- Size of the global alt-protein market in 2030 is our projection.
- We used the fiscal 2023 average exchange rate, where 1 USD is worth 144.49 JPY.

#### Growth prospects of global alt-protein market

- The Yano Research Institute projects that market will grow with a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 17%, reaching ¥5 trillion in 2035.
- Adopting this 17% CAGR, we assumed that the market would reach ¥2.24 trillion in 2030.



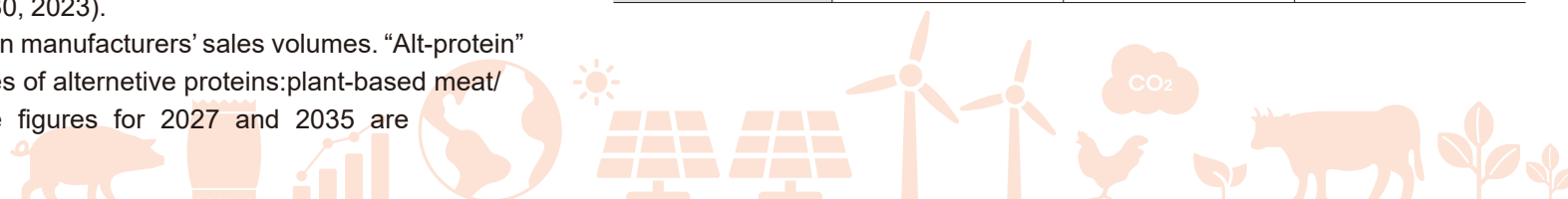
Source: Yano Research Institute, (*Global Alternative Proteins Market: Key Research Findings 2023*), (Aug 30, 2023).

Note: The market size is based on manufacturers' sales volumes. "Alt-protein" combines the following categories of alternative proteins: plant-based meat/ seafood, and insect proteins. The figures for 2027 and 2035 are projections.

#### Key drivers of market growth, challenges

- Growth drivers: Supplying consumers' dietary demands, tackling restrictions related to health, environment, and animal welfare.
- Challenges: See table below.

Challenge	Plant-based meat	Cultured meat	Edible arthropods
Avoiding animal-based protein	○ High feasibility	△ Medium feasibility Produced from animal cells	× Low feasibility Consumer disgust poses big obstacle
Health issues	○ High feasibility	× Low feasibility Safety regulation required	× Low feasibility Safety regulation required
Sustainability issues (environment, animal welfare)	△ Medium feasibility Concerns about environmental impact of vegetable production	△ Medium feasibility Cells must be harvested from livestock	○ High feasibility
Technical issues (cost)	△ Medium feasibility More expensive than meat	△ Medium feasibility Culture medium (containing growth factors) is expensive	× Low feasibility Production expensive



### 3. Risk management

The Sustainability Committee discusses the climate-related risks and opportunities relevant to our corporate group and reports its findings to the Board of Directors.

Based on the committee's reports, the Board of Directors reviews risk factors of concern and then sets a group-wide strategy and action plans for addressing environmental issues. It also promotes the awareness that risk factors of concern are

organization-wide concerns in that they could affect the business operations and performance of the organization as a whole. The Sustainability Committee and its subcommittees develop their own action plans incorporating the strategy and action plans set out by the Board of Directors.

### 4. Metrics and targets

#### (1) FY2024 results

Reducing GHG emissions is one of our material issues, and as such the Board of Directors, in fiscal 2022, set an emissions reduction target for fiscal 2030: <sup>\*1</sup> By that year, we aim to reduce Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions by 24.3% from the fiscal 2021 level. <sup>\*2</sup> By working toward this goal, we are fighting climate change.

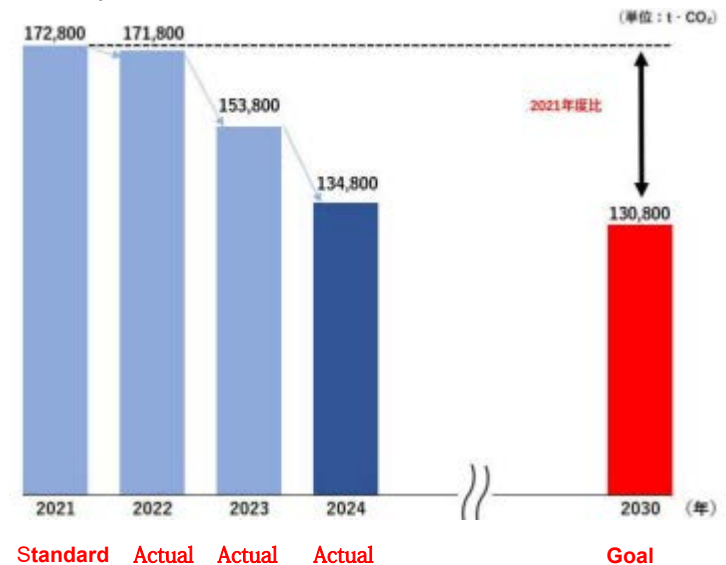
In fiscal 2024, we reduced GHG emissions by 12.4% from the previous year by rolling out renewable energy and investing in a program to phase out fluorinated refrigerants.

This year, on a consolidated basis, we calculated and disclosed our Scope 3 (supply chain) emissions. In September 2025, we will disclose our fiscal 2024 Scope 3.

<sup>\*1</sup> Excludes emissions from overseas sources and from livestock.

<sup>\*2</sup> The 24.3% reduction (compared to the fiscal 2021 level) was determined by annualizing the Japanese government's 2030 emissions on a consolidated basis. We will continue efforts to reduce emissions across our supply chain.

Reduction target for Scope 1 and 2 GHG emissions (the target excludes emissions from overseas sources and from livestock)



## (2) Addition of FY2035 Target and Roadmap to Achievement

In addition to the previous target of a 24.3% reduction in Scope 1 and 2 GHG emissions by FY2030 compared to FY2021 (excluding overseas sites and livestock), the Prima Meat Packers Group has set a new target of a 38.0% reduction by FY2035 compared to FY2021.

Furthermore, the scope of this new target covers the entire Group, including overseas sites and livestock.

This new target aligns with the Japanese government's "Plan for Global Warming Countermeasures," which sets a national FY2035 target. Prima Meat Packers Group had already set a FY2030 target of a 24.3% reduction (annualized 2.7%) by converting the government's FY2030 target (46% reduction compared to FY2013) to an FY2021 base. In response to the government's updated plan, the Group has added a FY2035 GHG reduction target.

Currently, thanks to the effects of expanded renewable energy procurement and investment in fluorocarbon countermeasures, progress toward both the FY2030 and FY2035 targets is ahead of schedule.

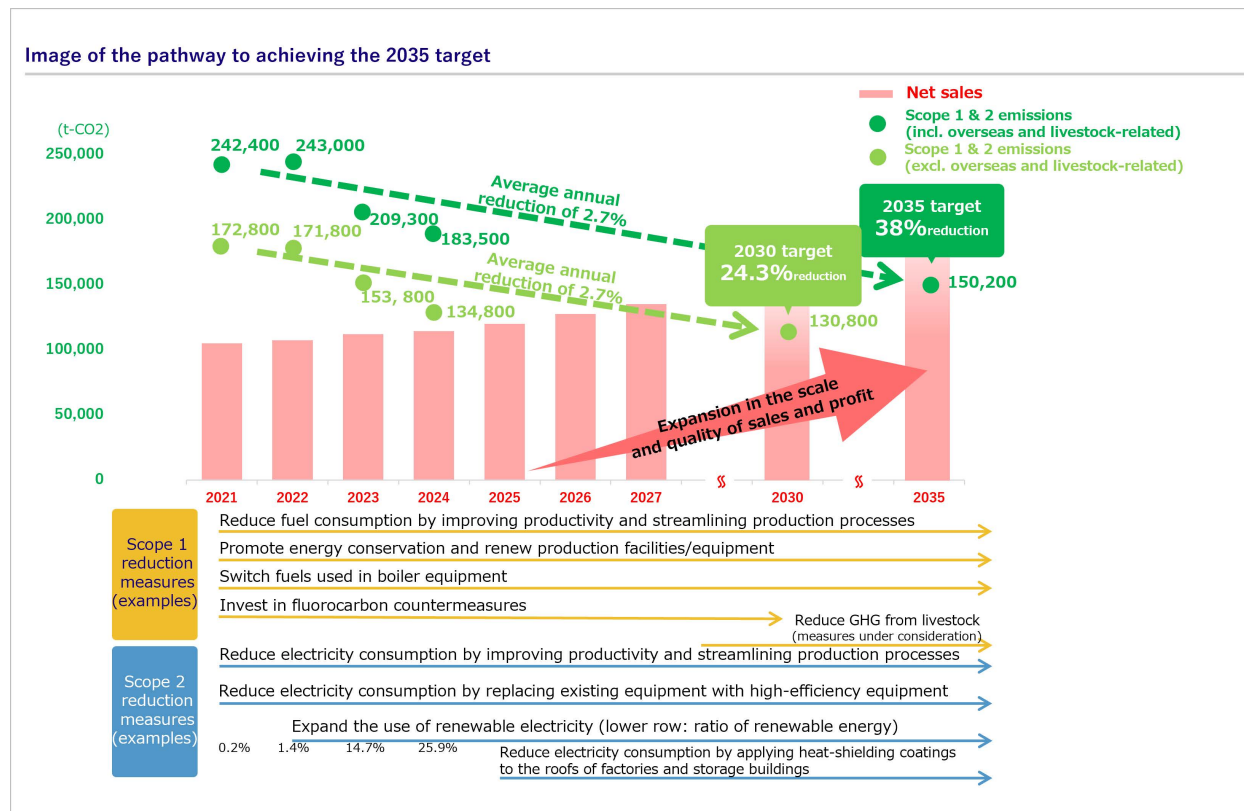
To achieve these targets, the Group will further advance its material issue of "contributing to global environmental conservation" and strengthen efforts to address climate change as a social and environmental challenge.

Along with this, a roadmap has been developed for achieving the FY2035 target, assuming future technological progress and strengthened climate regulations. Scope 3 emissions have also been calculated and disclosed on a consolidated basis, and the Group will consider setting Scope 3 reduction targets.

As a basic policy of the Medium-Term Management Plan, the Group promotes both "expansion of scale and quality of sales and profits" and "management with an emphasis on sustainability." Developing this roadmap is one of the concrete measures for achieving these policies.

The Group recognizes that if future technological advances, market changes, or regulatory trends change significantly, the roadmap will need to be reviewed.

Prima Meat Packers Group will steadily pursue initiatives to realize a decarbonized society, while aiming for business growth and enhanced corporate value.



# Initiatives to Reduce GHG Emissions to Achieve Targets

## ● Scope 1 and 2 Reduction Initiatives

### Introduction of Renewable Energy

Prima Meat Packers Group is proactively introducing renewable energy. Specific measures include installing solar power generation systems at plants and offices to use self-generated electricity, and switching to electricity derived from renewable energy. These initiatives aim to curb GHG emissions and improve energy efficiency while also reducing energy costs. The Group will continue to expand the introduction of renewable energy and pursue efficient energy use to reduce GHG emissions.



PrimaFineFoods Co., Ltd. Solar power generation facilities

### Initiatives at the New Kagoshima Plant

The new Kagoshima plant, which began full-scale operation in April 2023, aims for carbon neutrality by implementing more environmentally friendly measures than ever before.

One such measure is a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA), under which solar panels owned by a power company are installed on-site and the electricity generated is purchased by the plant. The electricity corresponds to approximately 10% of the power used by four of our plants (Hokkaido, Ibaraki, Mie, and the former Kagoshima), reducing GHG emissions by over 5,000 tons per year.

In addition, the plant has switched boiler fuel from heavy oil to LNG (liquefied natural gas) and adopted on-site cogeneration, which utilizes waste heat generated during fuel-to-thermal energy conversion for hot-water production and other uses.



Kagoshima Plant LNG (Liquefied Natural Gas) Tank

### Investment in Fluorocarbon Measures

Fluorocarbons have been widely used in refrigeration and air-conditioning equipment but contribute to global warming as GHGs; proper management and replacement are required.

The Group ensures legally mandated leak inspections and proper recovery of fluorocarbons. When introducing new equipment, we are shifting to refrigerants with lower global warming potential and improving energy efficiency of refrigeration and freezing facilities.

Through these efforts, we reduce GHG emissions attributable to fluorocarbons and curb energy consumption, thereby strengthening our contribution to decarbonization. We will continue to reduce GHG emissions through ongoing fluorocarbon management and equipment renewal.



Mie Plant Natural refrigerant refrigerator

### Investments in Temperature Control for Plants and Materials Warehouses

We are applying radiative cooling coatings to the roofs of plants and food materials warehouses. These coatings suppress roof surface temperature increases and reduce cooling loads inside buildings.

As a result, energy use is reduced and GHG emissions are lowered. This investment was implemented using our “environmental investment quota.”

#### **Environmental investment framework**

This system supports the realization of investment plans by incorporating greenhouse gas reduction effects into investment decisions by each division and department when considering investment plans that have a significant effect on greenhouse gas emissions but are difficult to adopt under conventional investment criteria.

# Scope 3 Emissions Reduction Initiatives — Environmentally Conscious Products

## ◆Environmentally friendly products

### • Reducing plastic use to cut Scope 3 Categories 1 and 12.

In part of efforts to reduce Scope 3 Categories 1 and 12 emissions, the Group is revising packaging—specifically, reducing plastic used in product packaging. This initiative promotes efficient use of resources and waste reduction, while contributing to lower Scope 3 Category 1 and 12 emissions. For example, the package for Koukun® Sausage was changed from a drawstring package to an Eco Package in April 2022, followed by further downsizing in March 2023 and September 2024. As a result, plastic used per product was reduced by approximately 38.5% vs. March 2022, and annual GHG emissions were reduced by about 2,200 t. We are also enhancing environmental considerations by adopting materials that are easier to recycle and improving package design.

### • Reducing Food Loss to Cut Scope 3 Category 12

We are promoting product development aimed at extending shelf life and enabling long-term storage at room temperature to reduce food loss (Scope 3 Category 12). By improving product storability, we extend best-before dates and focus on reducing disposal by consumers and in distribution. Through these measures, we aim to use food resources efficiently and reduce the volume of food loss, thereby curbing GHG emissions associated with disposal. We will continue product development and quality management aligned with product characteristics and market needs to further reduce Scope 3 Category 12.

### • Joint Delivery, Review of Delivery Conditions, and Modal Shift to Cut Scope 3 Categories 4 and 9

We are implementing joint delivery by four ham and sausage manufacturers and reviewing delivery conditions. Joint delivery improves truck loading efficiency and reduces the number of delivery trips by consolidating shipments across multiple companies. Delivery lead times are also being extended to improve logistics efficiency.

In addition, the new Kagoshima plant uses marine transport for raw meat used in ham and sausages, shifting transport to Osaka onto ferries to reduce GHG emissions. These efforts are expected to reduce Scope 3 Categories 4 and 9 and contribute to building a sustainable logistics system. We will continue working with logistics stakeholders to further reduce Categories 4 and 9 and environmental impact.



### Using less plastic



**Koukun® Sausage**

We replaced the drawstring design with an eco-package that uses 30.6% less plastic and no drawstring tape.



**Steamed chicken strips from Kyushu-reared poultry**

By reducing the length and width of the packaging, we cut the amount of plastic used in the packaging by 24%.



**Gran Tokachi-Salami for the grown-up palate**

We switched to paper for the outer packaging and used biomass ink for some of the text, reducing carbon footprint.



**“Perfect for salads”® series**

The packaging uses a resealable lidding film called Futapita®. This design helps cut waste because it allows you to reseal the package without resorting to cling film.



**Reducing food waste Takumi no Zen® giftpack**

By neutralizing microorganisms with high-pressure processing, we extend shelf lives from 35 days to 60 days.



**Stock Dish®**

The product remains fresh at room temperature for as long as 180 days, making it an ideal complement to a household's regularly

## Non-consolidated Scope 3 emissions

Category		Fiscal 2021	Fiscal 2022	Fiscal 2023	IDEA Ver.2.3	IDEA Ver.3.5.1	Percentage of total emissions	Numerical change from fiscal 2023	Percentage change from fiscal 2023
					Fiscal 2024	Fiscal 2024			
Category 1	Purchased goods and services	2,736,181	2,601,164	2,607,582	2,384,226	1,870,337	79.74%	(737,246)	(28.3%)
Category 2	Capital goods	20,321	36,782	18,260	15,482	15,482	0.66%	(2,778)	(15.2%)
Category 3	Fuel- and energy-related activities not included in Scope 1 or Scope 2	9,151	9,816	10,123	10,904	11,631	0.50%	1,509	14.9%
Category 4	Upstream transportation and distribution	38,291	36,568	45,535	44,048	119,160	5.08%	73,624	161.7%
Category 5	Waste generated in operations	6,488	8,155	4,623	4,679	4,147	0.18%	(475)	(10.3%)
Category 6	Business travel	259	542	833	1,000	910	0.04%	77	9.2%
Category 7	Employee commuting	987	1,014	606	1,096	1,096	0.05%	490	81.0%
Category 8	Upstream leased assets	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Category 9	Downstream transportation and distribution	77,167	72,290	65,180	68,283	79,311	3.38%	14,131	21.7%
Category 10	Processing of sold products	149,725	151,776	139,393	144,208	144,208	6.15%	4,815	3.5%
Category 11	Use of sold products	83,720	79,318	79,969	79,895	79,895	3.41%	(75)	(0.1%)
Category 12	End-of-life treatment of sold products	21,019	20,056	20,176	21,528	19,248	0.82%	(928)	(4.6%)
Category 13	Downstream leased assets	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Category 14	Franchises	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Category 15	Investments	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total		<b>3,143,308</b>	<b>3,017,482</b>	<b>2,992,281</b>	<b>2,775,350</b>	<b>2,345,426</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>(646,855)</b>	<b>(21.6%)</b>

In calculating our Scope 3 emissions, we followed the Ministry of the Environment's guidelines for calculating supply-chain emissions. For each category, we ran a scenario analysis.

\* We did not include categories 8, 13, 14, and 15 in our Scope 3 disclosures.

\* We mainly used the emissions numerators included in the following:

1. Ministry of the Environment, Basic Guideline for Calculating Greenhouse Gas Emissions Throughout the Supply Chain (ver. 3.5)
2. AIST-IDEA Ver. 3.5.1 Standard Edition (2025/05/30)

IDEA Lab, Research Institute of Science for Safety and Sustainability, National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST)

3. From fiscal 2021 through fiscal 2023, we calculated emissions using IDEA Ver. 2.3, while in fiscal 2024 we calculated them using both IDEA Ver. 2.3 and AIST-IDEA Ver. 3.5.1.

## Consolidated Scope 3 emissions

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Category		Fiscal 2023	Fiscal 2024	Fiscal 2024	Percentage of total emissions	Numerical change from fiscal 2023	Percentage change from fiscal 2023
Category 1	Purchased goods and services	3,156,397	3,107,154	2,557,225	79.70%	(599,171)	(19.0%)
Category 2	Capital goods	47,843	39,040	39,040	1.22%	(8,803)	(18.4%)
Category 3	Fuel- and energy-related activities not included in Scope 1 or Scope 2	34,307	37,039	38,998	1.22%	4,691	13.7%
Category 4	Upstream transportation and distribution	95,649	92,649	170,174	5.30%	74,525	77.9%
Category 5	Waste generated in operations	13,280	13,047	12,958	0.40%	(323)	(2.4%)
Category 6	Business travel	1,469	1,721	1,631	0.05%	162	11.0%
Category 7	Employee commuting	9,675	10,562	10,569	0.33%	894	9.2%
Category 8	Upstream leased assets	—	—	—	—	—	—
Category 9	Downstream transportation and distribution	91,975	93,262	109,264	3.41%	17,288	18.8%
Category 10	Processing of sold products	139,393	144,208	144,208	4.49%	4,815	3.5%
Category 11	Use of sold products	84,977	86,088	85,901	2.68%	923	1.1%
Category 12	End-of-life treatment of sold products	39,813	41,830	38,468	1.20%	(1,346)	(3.4%)
Category 13	Downstream leased assets	—	—	—	—	—	—
Category 14	Franchises	—	—	—	—	—	—
Category 15	Investments	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total		<b>3,714,779</b>	<b>3,666,602</b>	<b>3,208,436</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>(506,343)</b>	<b>(13.6%)</b>

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