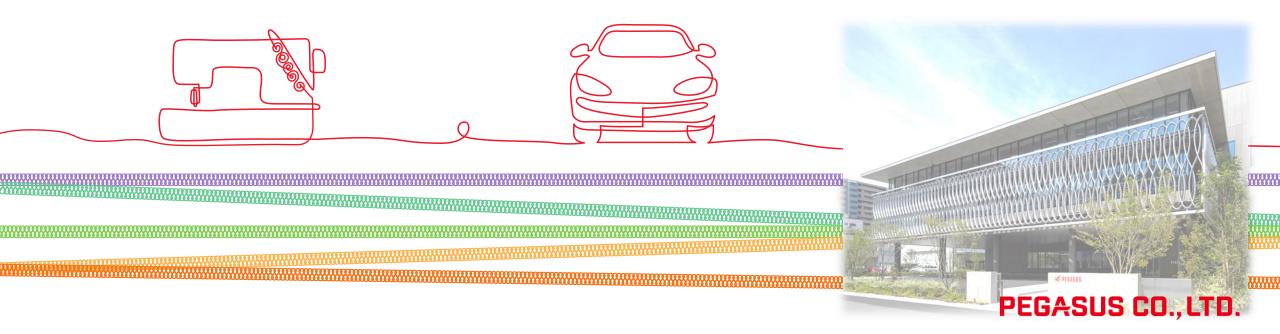


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# Mid-Term Management Plan

 $FY3/2025 - FY3/2027 \hspace{0.2cm} \text{\tiny (April 2024-March 2027)}$ 

# **Beyond the Limits**



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# Why PEGASUS: Introduction



### **Corporate Philosophy**



Through our people & technology, we strive to provide better Products, Service and Quality and make a positive contribution to the world of "social development"

Since its founding in 1914, PEGASUS has developed its businesses as a manufacturer of industrial chainstitch sewing machines with the group's shared philosophy of "contributing to the development of clothing cultures around the world through our people and technology."

Our operations have now expanded into automotive business field, in addition to clothing space, supporting people's necessities in daily lives through providing die-casting parts for automobile industry which requires stringent quality standards including seat belt retractors and engine room related parts utilizing our precision metalworking technologies cultivated over the years.

In view of the business expansion into the automotive space, we changed our corporate name to PEGASUS CO., LTD. from the previous PEGASUS SEWING MACHINE MFG. CO., LTD. in April 2023.

### **Beyond the Limits**

We decided to put up the slogan "Beyond the Limits" for this Mid-Term Management Plan.

In a rapidly changing world, it is important for us to receive "recognition" from our customers and we consider that as our mission. With that in mind, we will continue to strive to differentiate ourselves in three areas; products, service and quality, so we can go beyond our customers' imagination, our own limitations, and common sense of society.







Industrial sewing machine production

Automotive parts production

# Why PEGASUS: Two Business Pillars



### **Industrial Sewing Machine**

\*Japan, China, and Vietnam

We manufacture and sell industrial sewing machines used for apparel production at sewing factories with a focus on chainstitching machines used mainly for knitted clothing.

- ✓ Sold in about 70 countries
- ✓ Manufacturing globally\*
- √ 3,500+ types of sewing machines in product lineup



#### **Characteristics & Strengths**

We pride ourselves on the world-leading technological capabilities we have fostered over the years. We offer high precision machine types that reach 10,000 rpm. We address a wide range of needs for ever-evolving functional materials such as highly elastic materials and thin but durable fiber materials.

#### **Basic Policy**

By thoroughly differentiating in the 3 areas of products, service and quality as well as creating and expanding our markets, we will establish a strong position in the industrial chainstitch sewing machine industry.

#### **Automotive Parts**

\*China, Vietnam, and Mexico

We manufacture and sell automotive parts that require technological capabilities such as safety belt retractor (wind-up device) parts and other automobile parts.

- √ 4 production bases in 3 countries
- ✓ Manufacturing globally\*
- Production capacity of over 100 mil units/year



#### **Characteristics & Strengths**

We took advantage of our technological capabilities nurtured through our industrial sewing machine business and entered into the automobile industry that requires competitive production capability, quality, and cost. We provide high value-added products with our precise processing technologies and global production network.

#### **Basic Policy**

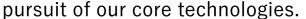
By adding higher value to products and reinforcing sales and marketing, we will facilitate the expansion of our distribution channels.

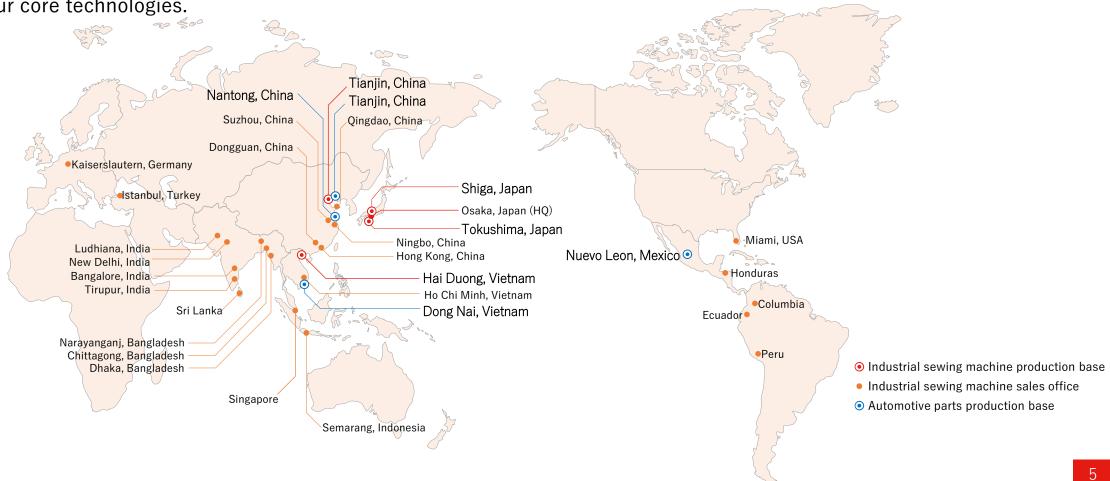
# Why PEGASUS: Global Niche Differentiation Strategy



• We have been actively investing in overseas markets and expanding our sales and production bases globally providing quality products and services that satisfy local needs with a focus on niche products such as industrial chainstitch sewing machines produced with our world-leading technological capabilities.

• In addition, we aim to build a stronger management foundation and to improve our corporate value through generating and expanding the markets we serve with our advanced technological capabilities and unique production processes through the





# Why PEGASUS: Production Bases





#### Industrial Sewing Machine

Automotive Parts



Established in January 2007 Founded jointly with Shimamoto Die casting Co., Ltd. PEGASUS automotive parts business started from this location. Production base for automobile parts for China and Europe IATF16949:2016, VDA6.3, VDA6.5





#### Tokushima, Japan

Established in March 1962 Production of sewing machine parts, maintenance of processing equipment



Established in June 2021 Established as a production base close to China's automobile industry cluster IATF16949:2016, VDA6.3, VDA6.5





#### Tianiin, China

Established in May 1985 Main production plant for sewing machines with R&D capabilities ISO9001:2015/14001:2015/ 45001:2018



Established in February 2016 Production base for automobile parts for North America Currently expanding the plant IATF16949:2016





#### Hai Duong, Vietnam

Established in January 2008 Second main production plant for sewing machines Currently expanding the production capacity ISO9001:2015 / ISO14001:2015



Established in April 2013 Production base for automotive parts for Southeast Asia and Japan IATF16949:2016



# Where We Are: Business Environment



#### **Industrial Sewing Machine**

#### Impact from apparel consumer trend

- Cautious stance continues toward capital investments due to the issue of mass disposal of clothing and changes in consumer needs deriving from rising middle-income class
- ✓ Establish high-mix small-lot production system
- ✓ Develop products with balanced quality and pricing

# **Evolution and diversification in functional materials for fabrics**

- Development of sewing machines suitable for fabric materials
- Compliance with sewing quality standards
- ✓ Strengthen mid to long term product development and basic research

# Labor shortage issue in the sewing industry

- Shifting of leading production countries as a backdrop of soaring labor costs
- Lack of human resources with technical skills
- ✓ Reinforce labor-saving/deskilling products
- ✓ Respond to globalization of sewing factories

#### **Automotive Parts**

#### Geopolitical risks

- Continued instability in supply chain due to U.S.-China trade friction, unrest in the Middle East, and international logistics issues (Red Sea crisis, Panama Canal water shortage, etc.)
- ✓ Establish the position as a global supplier responding to the needs to procure parts in neighboring regions

# Adapting to next-generation vehicle technology

- Increasing demands for precision die casting products for sensor components especially for EVs.
- ✓ Tap into new product demand with precision metalworking technologies cultivated through industrial sewing machine business
- ✓ Expand applicable product sizes from small items to medium-sized items

# Rising labor costs and pricing pressure

- Rising wages due to global inflation
- Cost reduction requests from customers and intensifying price competition with competitors
- ✓ Reduce costs (automation and labor saving in fabrication processes)

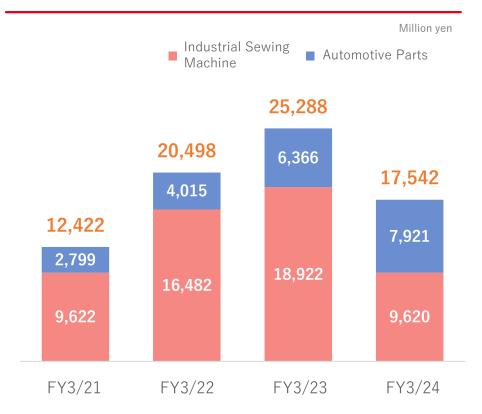
Reaffirm the risks in our business environment and execute upfront investment.

We aim for sustainable growth by grasping the business opportunities brought by changes surrounding our businesses.

## Where We Are: Financial Performance

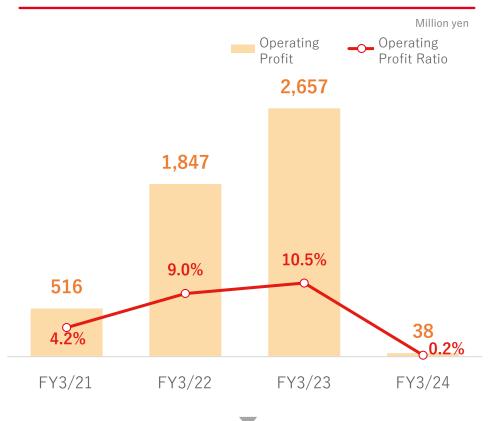


#### **Net Sales**



- Industrial sewing machine business saw demand recovery after the Covid-19 pandemic, but the demand peaked out in early 2023 and became sluggish in FY3/2024 due to backlash, which affected the sales revenue temporarily (currently in recovery trend).
- On the other hand, automotive parts business experienced good sales increase.

### **Operating Profit**

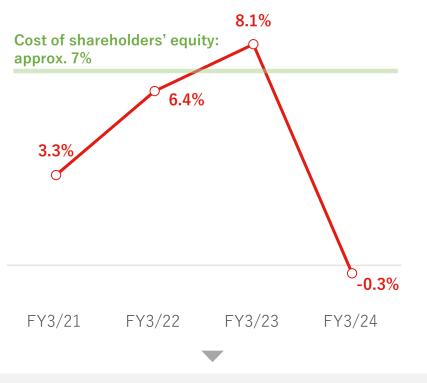


- The operating profits saw steady performance between FY3/2021 and FY3/2023.
- The total operating profit declined due to the decrease of net sales in the industrial sewing machine division in FY3/2024, however, we expect its recovery in FY3/2025 and onward with the market revival.

## Where We Are: Financial KPIs



#### ROE



Our ROE has been struggling to go above the recognized cost of shareholders' equity (approx. 7%).

### **Stock Price and P/B Ratio**



The level of the ROE required by the capital market (8.0% or above) has not been achieved leading to inadequate evaluation.

We will manage our business operation with the capital cost and share price in mind and be committed to improve corporate value and sustainable growth in mid to long run by implementing measure described in this Mid-Term Management Plan.

# Where We Are: Progress of Key Measures





#### Key measures

Develop machine types supporting flexible manpower lines

Expand market share through improvement of existing models

Acquire new market by introducing strategic models

Strengthen production system to respond to order increase



Reinforce production system toward acquiring new orders

Improve casting/machining technologies for better quality and additional cost reduction

Facilitate introduction of new technology



Stronger governance system

Enhancement of human capital

Financial and capital policies

#### **Progress (review)**

Developed multifunctional and electrical equipment integrated models

Renewal of design and functionality to make our products more competitive

Introduced price competitive models to tap into lower-end market where Chinese brands have high shares

Secured up to 4x production capacity by a new plant constructed in Vietnam (growth investment of approx. 2 billion yen) \*In operation from April 2024

Expansion of Mexico plant and new plant construction in Nantong, China (growth investment of approx. 1.6 billion yen) and installed additional die casting machine

Labor cost reduction by automation of finishing process, complete prevention of defective products released outside of the company by installing camera inspection system, and shortened MC processing cycle by replacing tools (blades)

Realization of casting products previously considered difficult to produce by die casting by introduction of vacuum puller and push-in devices for special die casting process

Achieved external officer ratio of more than 50% and female officer ratio 25% Appointment and Compensation Committee and Sustainability Committee established and in operation

Proactive recruitment of new graduates and career professionals and implementation of various education plans for human resource training and development Appointment of local staff to managerial and officer positions

Implementation of growth investments (active capital investments and overseas expansion)
Stable return to shareholders

### Growth Strategy & Priority Measures: Basic Policies & Mid-Term Management Plan

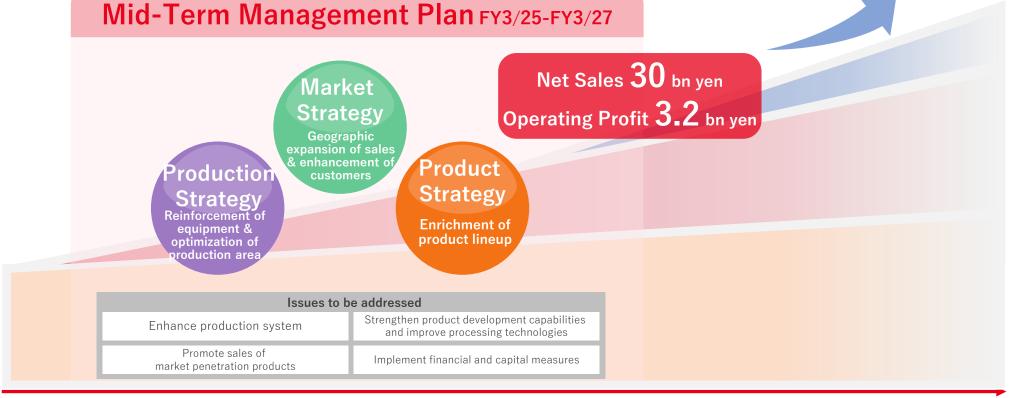


#### **Beyond the Limits**

We continue to strive to achieve differentiation in 3 areas (products, service and quality) and to exceed customers' imagination, our own limitations, and common sense of society by implementing growth strategy and priority measures described in this Mid-Term Management Plan to reach the targets: 30 billion yen in Net Sales and 3.2 billion yen in Operating Profit.

Sustainable growth of existing business

Further evolution through new business



March 2024 March 2027 Beyond

Improve corporate value Execute growth strategy and priority measures Sustainable growth Further advancement

# Growth Strategy & Priority Measures: KPIs



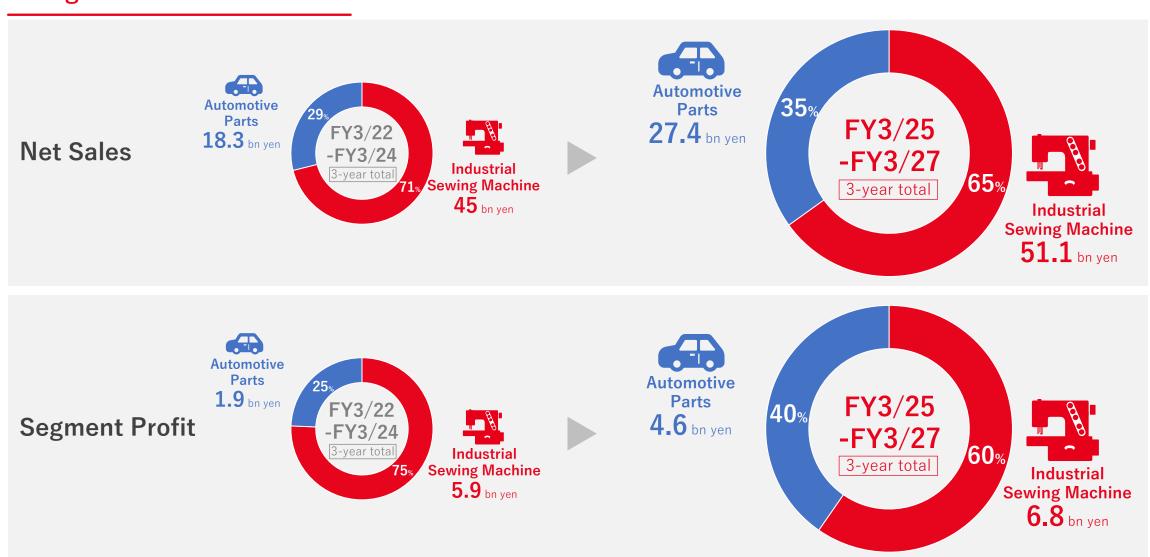
	FY3/2024 (actual)		FY3/2027 (target)	
Net Sales	<b>17,542</b> mil yen	3,200 m	<b>30,000</b> mil yen	Execute growth strategy & priority measures  Improve corporate value
Operating Profit	38 mil yen		<b>3,200</b> mil yen	
Operating Profit Ratio	0.2%		10.5%	
ROE	-0.3%		8.6%	ROE 8%+  (Cost of shareholders' equity: approx. 7%)
Dividend Payout Ratio	-		30%+	Improve P/B ratio

# Growth Strategy & Priority Measures: Business Portfolio \*\* PEGASUS.



• We aim to establish stable profit structure by increasing the share of automotive parts in both net sales and profit.

### **Changes in Business Portfolio**



# Growth Strategy & Priority Measures: Industrial Sewing Machine



# Industrial **Sewing Machine**

FY3/2024 **9.6** bn yen FY3/2027 Net Sales **20** bn yen

### **Development of New Products**

#### **Priority Measures toward FY3/2027**

- Development of labor-saving devices (User-friendly support)
- Development of motor integrated sewing machine
- Development of next generation sewing machine (digital control)
- Adaptation to sewing specifications addressing market needs
- Focusing on basic research on sewing and technologies

### **Stronger Production Structure**

#### **Priority Measures toward FY3/2027**

- Full-scale operation of Vietnam plant and expansion of processing facilities
- Introduction of 24-hour production system
- Establishment of two major production bases with China
- Introduction of new processing equipment and expansion of production capacity
- High-mix, small-lot production system

### **Expansion of Distribution Network**

#### **Priority Measures toward FY3/2027**

- New market development (10 countries in South America, Africa, etc.)
- Development of wholesale distributors (4) countries)
- Sales collaboration with JUKI Corporation
- Strategic introduction of popular models
- Improvement of existing models
- Expansion of product lineup with balanced quality and price

# Growth Strategy & Priority Measures: Automotive Parts





FY3/2024 **7.9** bn yen FY3/2027 **10** bn yen

### **Establishment of Supply System**

#### **Priority Measures toward FY3/2027**

- Substantial expansion of production facilities. Establishment of stable supply system for China, North America, and Asia.
- Expansion into the EU region. Examined establishment of new production base in the EU region to further strengthen local production and sales. Detailed investigation of business environment etc. for the potential countries for expansion.

### **Technological Development**

#### **Priority Measures toward FY3/2027**

- Enrichment of product lineup. Experimenting new technologies and increasing the size of existing parts.
- Active promotion of automation and labor-saving. Realizing stable quality, higher productivity, and cost reduction by automation of finishing processes etc.
- Improvement of mold design and manufacturing technologies.

### **Expansion of Distribution Network**

#### **Priority Measures toward FY3/2027**

- Acquiring customers leveraging our strength with 4 production bases in 3 countries (sharing customer information).
- Supply chain optimization. Production and sales expansion at locations closer to customers.
- Tap into Japanese and non-Japanese auto parts manufacturers at each location.

# Growth Strategy & Priority Measures: PEGASUS Sustainability Plan 🚜 PEGASUS.

Since its founding, PEGASUS has strived to solve social issues through daily business activities based on our corporate philosophy:

"Through our people & technology, we strive to provide better Products, Service and Quality and make a positive contribution to the world of social development."

We formulate our basic business policy with consideration for the importance of sustainability of society and the global environment and will continue to strive to develop a sustainable society through the business activities based on the spirit of our corporate philosophy.



#### **Environment**

 We are installing solar panels on our production facilities and promoting effective use of rainwater at the headquarters building.



Solar power generation at Tianjin production facility



#### Social

 We are aiming for the female employee ratio of 35% and 15% for the ratio of women in managerial positions by 2030.



Facilitate further participation of female employees



#### Governance

 We enhance dialogue with various stakeholders from different angles including our business performance and policies.



Enrich IR communication

# Growth Strategy & Priority Measures: PEGASUS Sustainability Plan

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	Issues tackled	Main activities
<b>E</b> (Environment)	Contribution to reducing environmental impacts	<ul> <li>Development of highly energy-efficient small motors</li> <li>Development of a clean environment at die-cast production sites (installation of equipment that purifies wastewater and reduces air pollutants)</li> <li>Saving resources by providing digital instruction manuals for sewing machines</li> <li>Introduction of renewable energy and equipment with high environmental performance</li> <li>Introduction of solar power generation equipment as part of carbon neutral initiative</li> </ul>
S (Social)	Enhancement of human capital	<ul> <li>Appointment of local staff to managerial and officer positions at overseas subsidiaries</li> <li>Improvement of operational efficiency by introducing remote work and using IT to promote diverse work styles</li> <li>Sharing technology and knowledge with local staff at overseas subsidiaries</li> <li>Active recruitment of new graduates and career professionals</li> <li>Implementation of various educational plans for human resource training and development</li> </ul>
	Contribution to improving the working environment	<ul> <li>Development of user-friendly products that are safe and easy for customers to use (improved usability has reduced the work of operators and improved quality and productivity)</li> <li>Improvement of safety by introducing automatic carrying system at production facilities</li> <li>Revitalization of the organization and improvement of productivity by introducing a refreshing time</li> </ul>
<b>G</b> (Governance)	Reinforcement of corporate governance system	<ul> <li>External officer ratio of more than 50%, emphasis on female officer ratio (appointment of three directors and two auditors among independent external officers (three men and two women))</li> <li>Diversity of the Board of Directors (proactive appointment of those active in various fields to director and managerial positions regardless of nationality)</li> <li>Increased communications with investors</li> <li>Thorough financial strategy (cash allocation, equity ratio, etc.)</li> </ul>

#### **Future policies**



Discussions are underway toward disclosure of non-financial information including responding to TCFD and disclosure of integrated reports. We will implement sustainable business to establish a sustainable business model and highly transparent relationships with stakeholders.

# Growth Strategy & Priority Measures: Financial Strategy



#### FY3/2025-FY3/2027 [3-year total]

Cash In Cash Out **Investment Policy Industrial Sewing Machine Automotive Parts** Sustainability (core business) (growing business) Investment Approx. **0.2** bn yen Approx.  $\mathbf{1}$  bn yen Approx. 3 bn yen **Growth Investment** Production capacity expansion & Production capacity expansion & IT/Infrastructure investment streamlining streamlining Human Resource investment Approx. 4.2 bn yen - New Vietnam plant construction - Mexico plant expansion - Education & training - Investment in production facilities - Investment in production facilities - Recruitment R&D investment R&D investment **Shareholder Return Policy Operating Cash Flow** Dividend payout ratio of **Shareholder Benefit Program** Approx. 7 bn yen 30% or above To express our gratitude to the shareholders for their continued support and patronage, we offer the shareholder benefit program: ■ Catalog gift (equivalent to 2,000 yen) Return to [Number of shares held] 500+ [Holding period] Not specified Our basic policy is to provide stable ■ Catalog gift (equivalent to 4,000 yen) **Shareholders** shareholder returns with a target payout ratio [Number of shares held] 3.000+ [Holding period] 1 year or longer\* ■ Delivered at each fiscal year end (March 31) of 30% or above as profit distribution in Approx. **1.6** bn yen accordance with consolidated business \*"[Holding period] 1 year or longer": Shareholders who have been listed or recorded three or more times consecutively on the shareholders' register at the end of March and September of each year under the same shareholder number and who have performance. held 3,000 or more shares of the Company's stock at any time during the period. **Fund Procurement Policy** Interest-Bearing Debt Reduction Securing funds on hand for expansions and risks Approx. **1.2** bn yen Securing extra financing capacity for large investment opportunities

# Growth Strategy & Priority Measures: IR System



#### **Enrichment of information disclosure**

#### **Provide information:**

- Information disclosure in English for overseas investors (earnings briefings, financial reports, convocation notices, other presentation materials, etc.)
- Promote disclosure of non-financial information such as materialities related to sustainability
- Responding to climate change and promoting initiatives related to reduction and mitigation of environmental impact

#### Dialogue with shareholders/investors

#### **Increase communications:**

- 50+ IR/SR meetings annually with the Representative Director and President etc. as the main speaker
- Dialogues regarding the topics such as changes in business environment and our business model and strengths reflecting the area of interest of the shareholders and investors
- Hold business briefings per business segment



We aim to deepen our relationships with existing shareholders/investors and to facilitate investments from new shareholders/investors through our enhanced IR system.

# PEGASUS SEWING MACHINE MFG. CO., LTD. changed its corporate name to "PEGASUS CO., LTD." on April 1, 2023.



#### <Notes regarding this document>

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