

# ZEON ZEON CORPORATION

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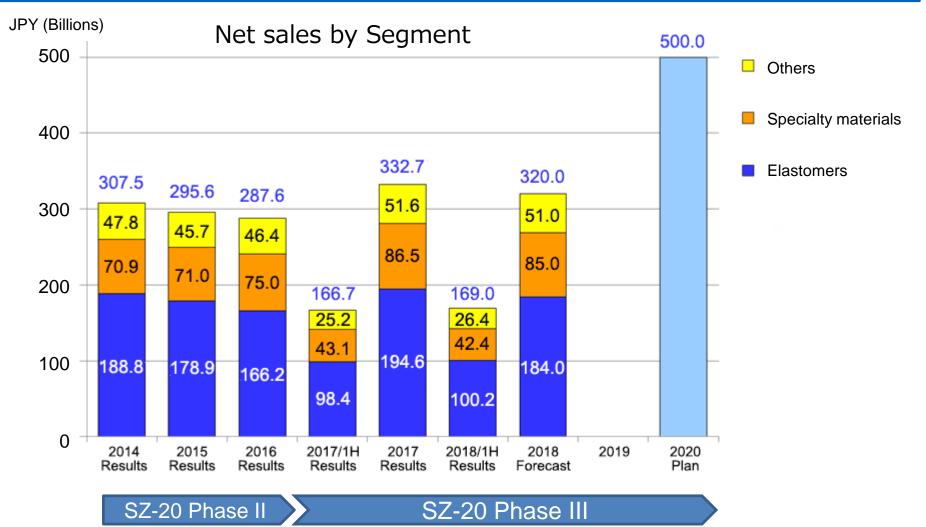
# 1. Consolidated Net Sales by Segment

# 2. Business Topics

#### **Consolidated Result**



Reported higher sales and lower profits in 1st Half of FY2018 Decisions made for building new plants for manufacturing synthetic rubbers and optical films in FY2020



# **Sphere of New Mid-term Management Plan**



# **Corporate Philosophy**

**Zeon CSR Policy** 

## **Enterprise Blueprint for 2020**

Zeon makes the Future Today through the Power of Chemistry.

Zeon will continue to contribute to the realization of customer dreams and a prosperous society through employees' individual growth.

Vision

## **Key Sense of Value**

Speed

Dialogue

Social contribution

# Treasured Characteristics of Zeon

Mutual trust and Confidence among Zeon Members

SZ-20 (2011–13)

Phase II (2014–16) Phase III (2017–20)



# **Corporate Philosophy**

Zeon is contributing to the preservation of the Earth and the prosperity of the human race.

Zeon, with its name from the words signifying the Earth (geo) and eternity (eon), is committed to responsible stewardship of the global environment as the foundation for human prosperity through the development and application of unique, world-leading technologies.

## **Zeon CSR Policy**

- We will ensure compliance and meet society's needs for safety and security
- We will contribute to sustainably developing society and protecting the global environment through our corporate activities
- We will ensure that each and every Zeon person is aware of CSR and acts accordingly



# SZ-20 Phase III: Groupwide Strategy

#### Growth

- 1. Reinforce the combined strengths of the Zeon Group.

  Explore ways of going beyond boundaries and collaborating with external players to provide solutions globally as a contribution to society.
- 2. Accelerate the pace of new business creation and product development in key development areas: global environment, smart devices, and health and living.

## Culture

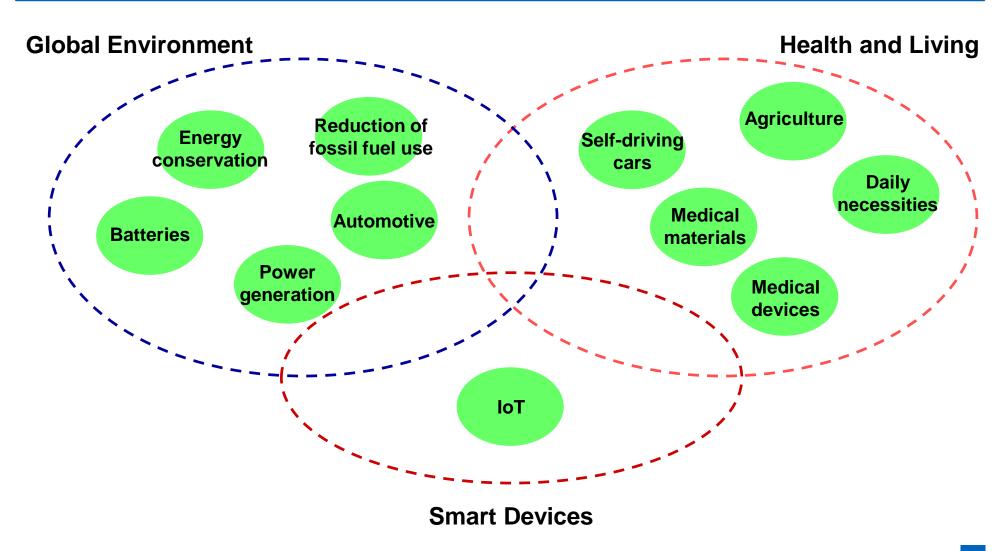
3. Cultivate a corporate culture that places value on taking proactive action by harnessing diverse ideas and implementing them.

#### **Phase III: Groupwide Strategy 2**





#### Key development areas: high potential for growth and innovation





# Strategy by Business Segment

## **Elastomer Business**

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# S-SBR: Developing New Products and Leveraging Technological Synergies



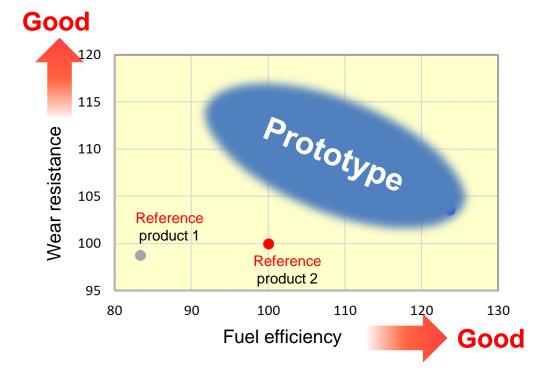
# Leveraging synergetic effects in technology and production derived from Sumitomo Chemical and Zeon for creating value;

ZS Elastomers is committed to providing products that meet Tire Customers' requirements such as Low fuel consumption (Low rolling resistance)

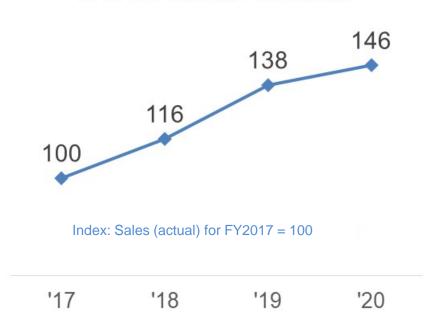
Safety (Good wet grip)

Longer service life (Good abrasion resistance)

Cornering stability (Good mechanical properties)



#### S-SBR Sales Forecast





# Established new subsidiary company for Acrylic Rubber manufacture and sale in Thailand



#### Reinforce Acrylic Rubber production in Asia to capture growing market demand

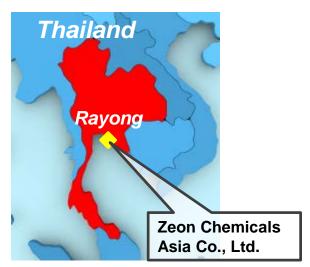
- Cover the demand expected to expand steadily in the Asian region, led by production growth of internal combustion and turbo charged engine powered automobiles.
- The Thailand operation joins Zeon's existing Acrylic Rubber manufacturing capabilities in Japan and USA.

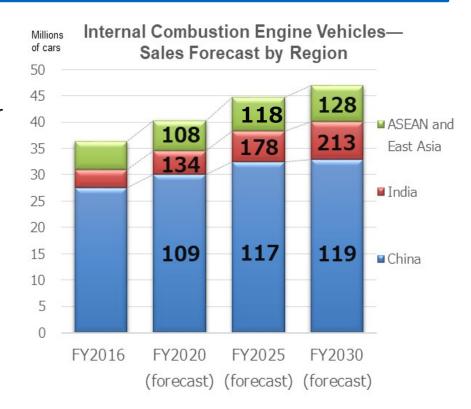
#### **Company Name : Zeon Chemicals Asia Co., Ltd.**

Location : Rayong Province, Thailand

Paid-in capital : THB 1,250 millionCapacity: 5,000 tons/year

Mechanical completion: 2020 Spring (plan)





#### Source:

- For ASEAN, East Asia, and China, "2018 In-depth Analysis Survey of HEV, EV-related markets" was published by Fuji Keizai Co., Ltd. (a total of HEV, PHEV, 48 V M-HV, and internal combustion engine vehicles).
- 2. For India, the figures are based on Zeon's estimate.

Numbers :Index as sales (actual) of each region for FY2016 = 100



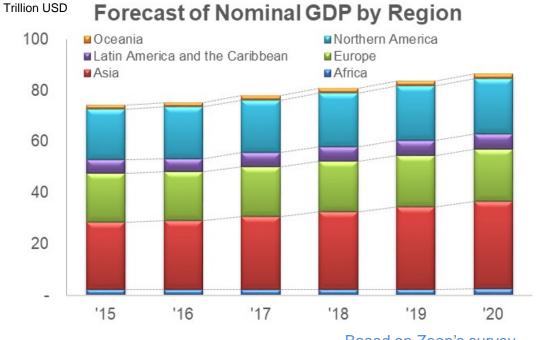
# Increasing Production Capacity for High-solids NBR Latex for Foam Rubber



#### To meet to demand in the growing cosmetics market

■ Characteristics of Zeon's high-solids NBR latex✓ High oil resistance

Powder puffs that use Zeon's high-solids NBR latex









## **Expanding the SIS Business**

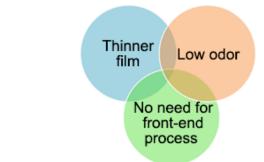


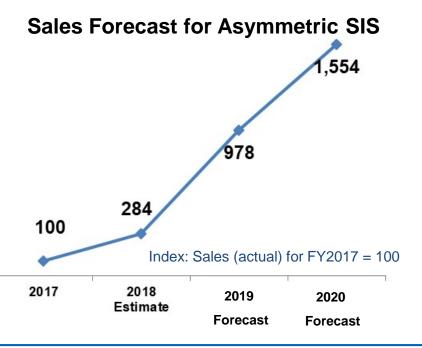


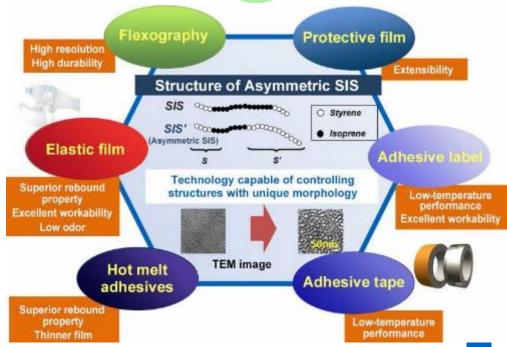
#### Aiming to expand business scale with our asymmetric SIS

- Extended for disposable diapers. Start a full-scale expansion in the 2nd half of 2018.
- Progressed the adoption for labels and flexographic plates.

#### **Characteristics of Asymmetric SIS**







#### **Zeon Kasei Launched a New Siding Material**



# Launching "GRAYNE®," the new series of resin-based siding "ZEON Siding"

- Excellent design featuring realistic wood patterns and colors by hybrid structure.
- High durability against freezing and salt damage compared to ceramic siding materials.
- Superior impact resistance, which enables to resist a golf ball flying at a speed of 120 km/hr.

# Treated Cedar (451) Treated Cedar (453) Virtiga Brown (454) Heritago Grey (455)



GRAYNE® is the registered trademark of TAPCO International Corporation.

#### Sales Forecast for "ZEON Siding"



Index: Sales (actual) for FY2017 = 100



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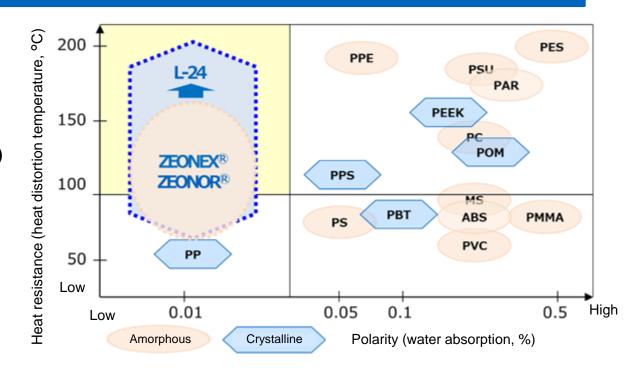
# **Specialty Materials Business**

• Expand business in step with the speed of market growth and technological progress through focused investment of resources and stronger collaboration with outside players.

#### Completely new type of resin with excellent features

#### Characteristics of "L-24"

- Low water absorption and excellent hydrolysis resistance
- Low transmission loss
- Low specific gravity (approx. 1.0)
- High heat resistance (melting point: 265°C)
- High chemical resistance (insoluble in acid, alkali, and organic solvent)
- High flexibility



#### **Applications**



Antenna (77 GHz)



Flexible Flat Cables (FFC)



Non-woven fabric, filter



Case



Cassette



Bottles

#### **Expanding the Production Capacity for ZeonorFilm®**





#### Determined to expand the production capacity for extruded films

Respond to growing demand for high-definition displays (mobile devices, large-screen TVs, etc.)

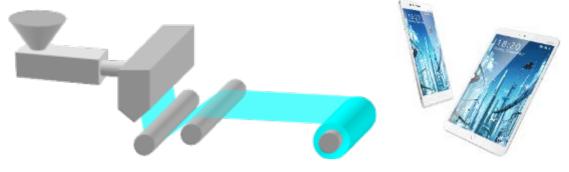


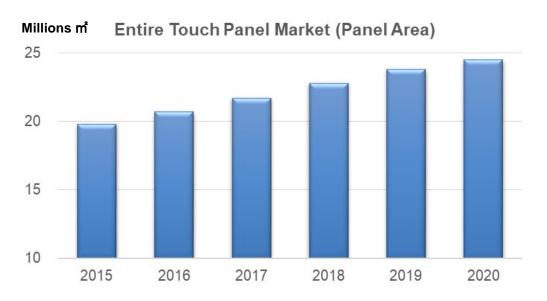
#### Location:

Optes Inc. (Takaoka site of the Hokuriku Plant)

#### Start of mass production:

October, 2019 (scheduled)





Source: 35th IHS Display Japan Forum / July 2018 (© 2018 IHS)

#### **Expanding the Production Capacity for ZeonorFilm®**





# Determined to construct a new production line for optical films for large-screen TVs

Respond to growing demand for ultra-wide, higher-definition displays mainly for large-screen TVs



Location: Optes Inc.

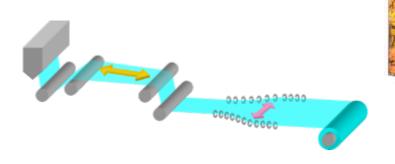
(Tsuruga site of the Hokuriku Plant)

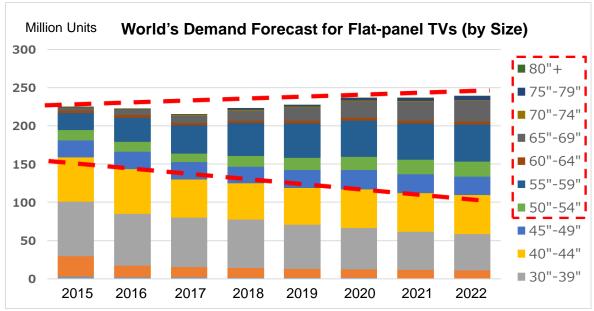
Production capacity: 50 million m<sup>2</sup>/year

Start of mass production: April 2020

(scheduled)

World's greatest width (approx. 2,500 mm)





Source: 35th IHS Display Japan Forum / July 2018 (© 2018 IHS)

#### **Energy Materials**



Forecast for Share of PHEVs and EVs by Region



#### Applying a "functional layer" (heat-resistant layer) to lithium-ion batteries

10,000 cars

400

350 300

250 200

150 100

Japan

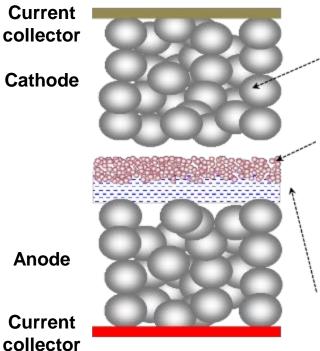
FUJI KEIZAI CO., LTD.

North

America

Separators featuring functional layers are fast becoming widely used to improve the safety of **batteries** 

- **Higher capacity**
- Larger numbers of cars with LiB



**Active material** 

Functional layer

#### Thermal Contraction Test of separator (150°C for 1 hr)

**Examples:** Ceramics

Functional layer binder



PHEV EV PHEV EV PHEV

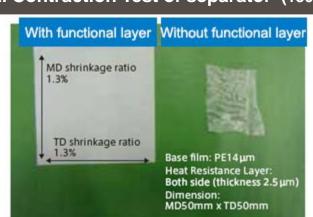
Source: "2018 In-depth Analysis Survey of HEV, EV-related markets," published by

China

Other

Europe

■2016 ■2018 ■2020 ■2025 ■2030

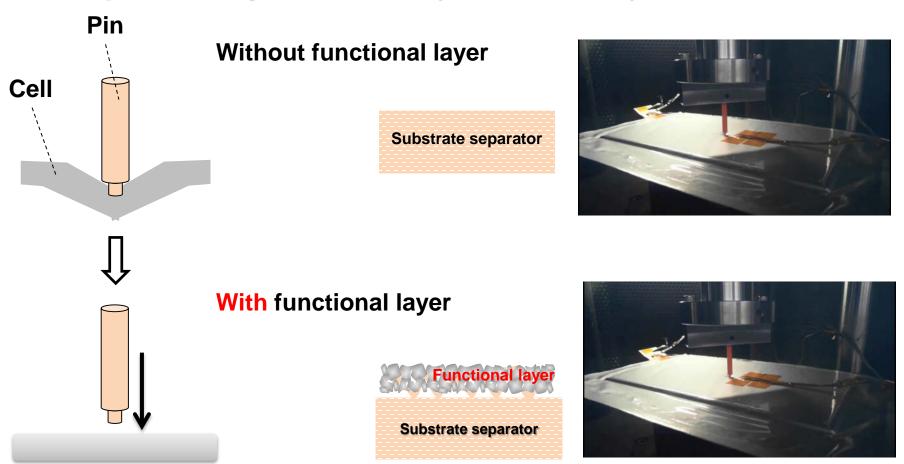








## **Example of Safety Assessment (Pin Crush Test)**



Functional layer will contribute to improving safety of lithium-ion batteries.



#### **Medical Devices: Launch of New Products**





#### Expanding sales by launching new gastrointestinal system devices

Balloon Catheter for Removing Bile Duct Stones

Released on May 30, 2018



Short-wire lumen type that allows the operator to replace catheters easily while the guide wire is in use



We are aiming for the second largest market share in Japan.

HILZO
Biliary Stent Products

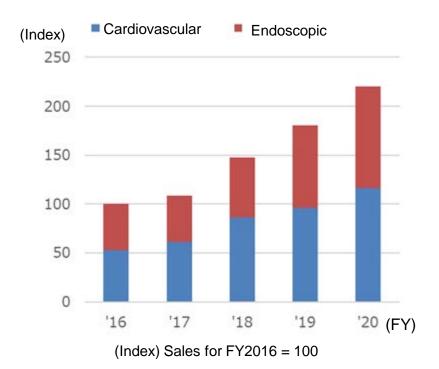
Released on August 22, 2018

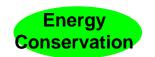


Moving cell structure that allows cells to expand easily (interweaving type)



We are aiming for larger market share by selling both stents of this braided type and the laser cut-type. Zeon Sales of Medical Devices





# DCP-RIM: Contributing to the lighter weight of automobiles





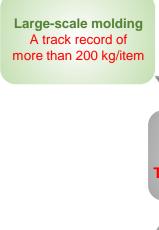
#### **Growing demand in large trucks and buses**

#### Advantage of DCP-RIM

- Enables the manufacture of a single-piece large-size molding product with a good physical balance, without using reinforcement metal or glasses.
- Enables a wide variety of distinctive designs that take note of aerodynamic characteristics, which respond to market needs.

Enables to replace from metals and FRP materials for weight reduction to improve fuel efficiency and comply with the regulations against overloading.

#### Advantage of DCP-RIM



Large-thickness molding Thickness of over 100 mm capable

Low-pressure molding Capable of reducing mold costs

Low viscosity

×
Thermosetting olefin resin

**Heat resistance** 

Required for the engine

hood (against high

temperatures)

Impact resistance
Required for body panels
in a low-temperature
environment

Chemical resistance Required for industrial

use (for high corrosion resistance)

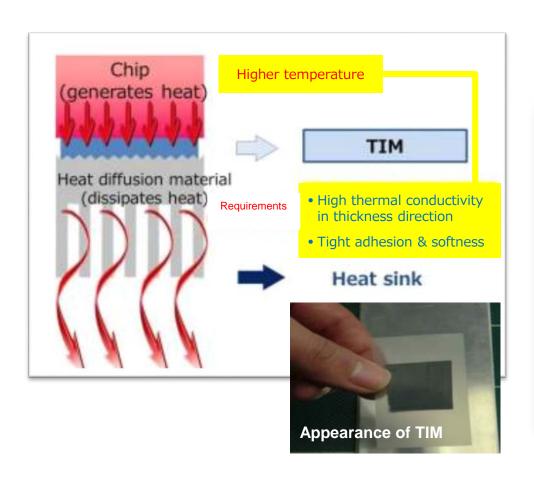
#### Use Volume of DCP-RIM for Trucks and Buses





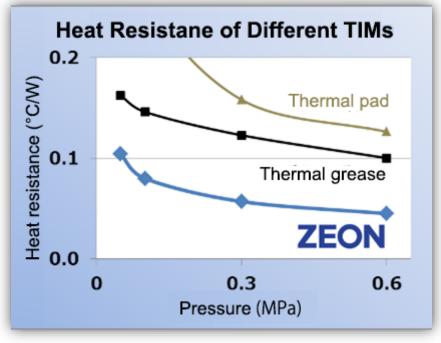
# A solution in thermal management for power devices

Developed a high-performance pad-type thermal interface material (TIM) with high thermal conductivity.



**IoT** 

Achieving lower heat resistance under wider range of pressure



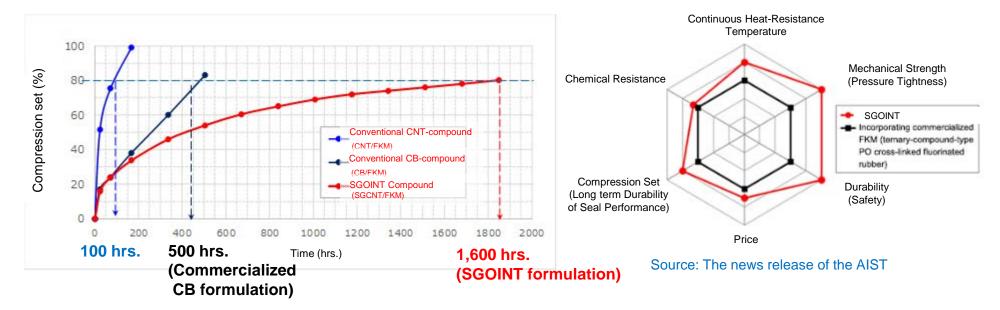
#### **New Application Fields for Carbon Nanotubes**



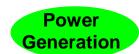
#### Developed and launched SGOINT® O-rings that incorporate ZEONANO® SG101

The result of R&D activities by the Team of Application for Carbon nanotubes Composite (TACC), jointly established by Zeon, SUNARROW, and the AIST. (The AIST published a news release about the product on September 13, 2018.)

- Superior resistance to high temperatures and pressure
- Cost effective



- Manufacture the composite of ZEONANO® SG101 and ternary-compound-type PO cross-linked fluorinated rubber.
- Provide high-performance O-rings at a reasonable price by eliminating "compression set," a major problem in manufacturing CNT composite.
- Built a mass production system for SGOINT O-rings at SUNARROW LIMITED using a master batch provided by Zeon.



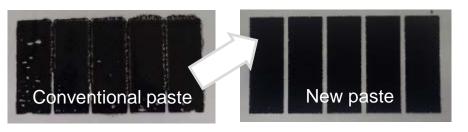
# **Developing New Application Fields for Carbon Nanotubes**

## **Project LNES**

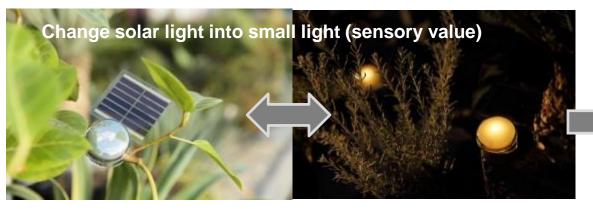
#### **LNES**

Creating a new lifestyle by offering new energies and environments that lead to the next connected society. (Leading, Next, Engaging, Society) (Leading, New, Energy/Environment, Solution)

New printing technology that enables to create of Nanocarbon Hybrid Solar Cells







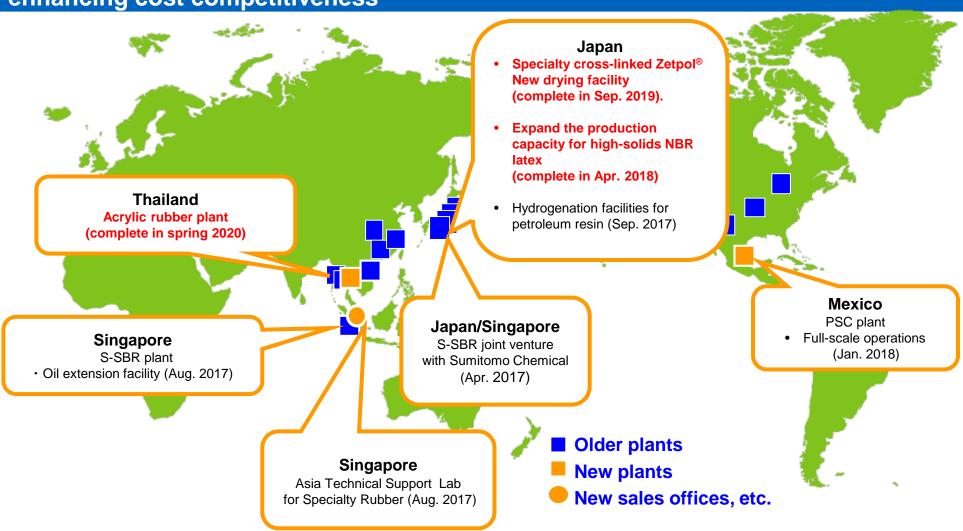


Offer creative lives and cultures using a small amount of energy, which we tend to ignore.

## **Summary: Elastomer Business**



# Further reinforce Zeon's strengths by responding to growth markets globally and enhancing cost competitiveness



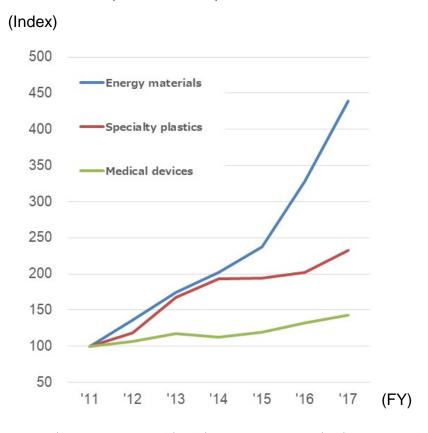
### **Summary: Specialty Materials Business**



Expand the business through a focused investment of resources and stronger collaboration with outside partners

#### **Sales of Specialty Materials**

(FY2011 = 100) consolidated



SZ-20 Phase II SZ-20

#### **Topics on Specialty Materials**

#### ★ Expand Production Capacity for Optical Films

- Retardation films for LCD TVs
  - Himi Plant: 24 million m²/year (began operations in October 2017)
  - Tsuruga Plant: 50 million m²/year (scheduled to begin operations in April 2020)
- **■** Extruded films

Takaoka Plant (scheduled to begin operations in October 2019)

- **★** Development of New Products
- **COP resins** 
  - ZEONEX®T-62R for highly heat-resistant optical lenses
  - L-24 (new product): Highly heat-resistant/ low waterabsorption resin
- Medical devices

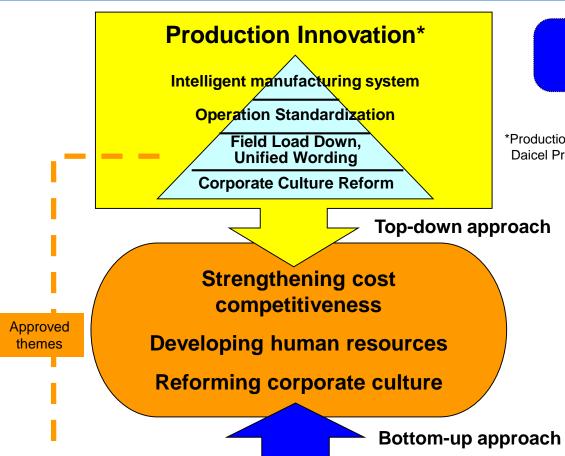
Large-diameter balloon catheter for removing bile duct stones

**■** Carbon nanotubes

O-rings, SOLAR CARD

## **Strengthening Competitiveness**





**ZΣ** Activities

**★** Raising cost awareness and

**★** Cost reduction activities

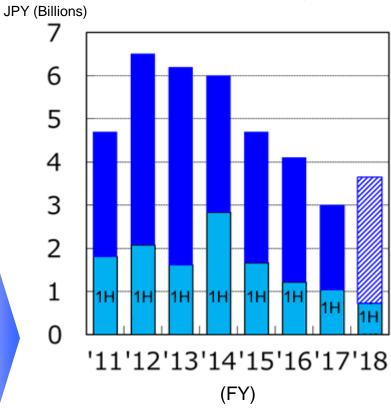
**★** Small group activities

education

# Continuing Efforts for Innovation and Improvement

\*Production Innovation:
Daicel Production Innovation

#### **ΖΣ** Activities, Monetary Effect



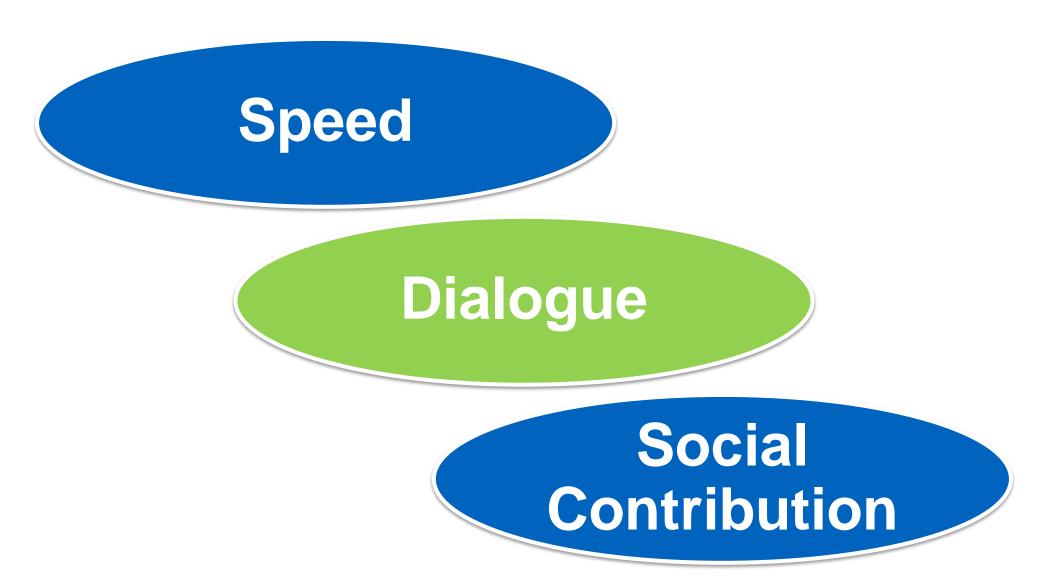


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