# Regarding the Acquisition of DUNLOP Trademark Rights, etc., from GOODYEAR

January 8th, 2025





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### The current mid-term plan is being steadily executed, reaching a turning point in 2025.

### By 2025

- Organizational transformation and continuous improvements through foundation-strengthening initiatives.
- Completion of core system renewal in 2025 to support DX-driven management.
- Focus on "selection and concentration of existing businesses" and "building a foundation for growth businesses."

2020



2023

### From 2026 Onward

 Re-growth through "optimization of the business portfolio" and "expansion of growth businesses."



**Foundation Strengthening Project** 

2025 2027

**Turning Point** 

### 1. Progress of the Mid-Term Plan



We have been steadily executing structural reforms while developing proprietary technologies and maximizing product value.

Selection and Concentration of Existing Businesses

### **Steady Execution of Structural Reforms**

- Decision was taken to terminate production and dissolve the North American tire manufacturing subsidiary. Out of approximately 10 targeted businesses, 6 have been addressed.
- Building a Strong Execution Base to Adapt to Change

Foundation Building for Growth Businesses

### **Development of Proprietary Technologies and Products**

- Launched SYNCHRO WEATHER in the domestic market.
- Advanced active tread technology with plans for expansion into the European and U.S. markets.

Mastering Rubber Technology and Maximizing Product Value

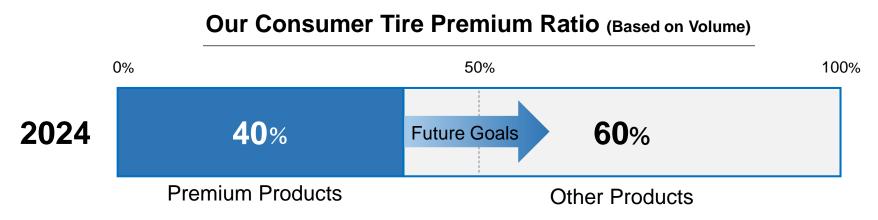


To accelerate the growth of our core tire business, we have been exploring ways to further maximize the value of differentiated products utilizing our proprietary technologies.

# 2. The Significance and Purpose of Acquiring This Trademark Right: Promotion of Premiumization in Our Tire Business



We continue to explore premium strategies and ways to maximize product value in the tire business, which is the core driver of our growth.



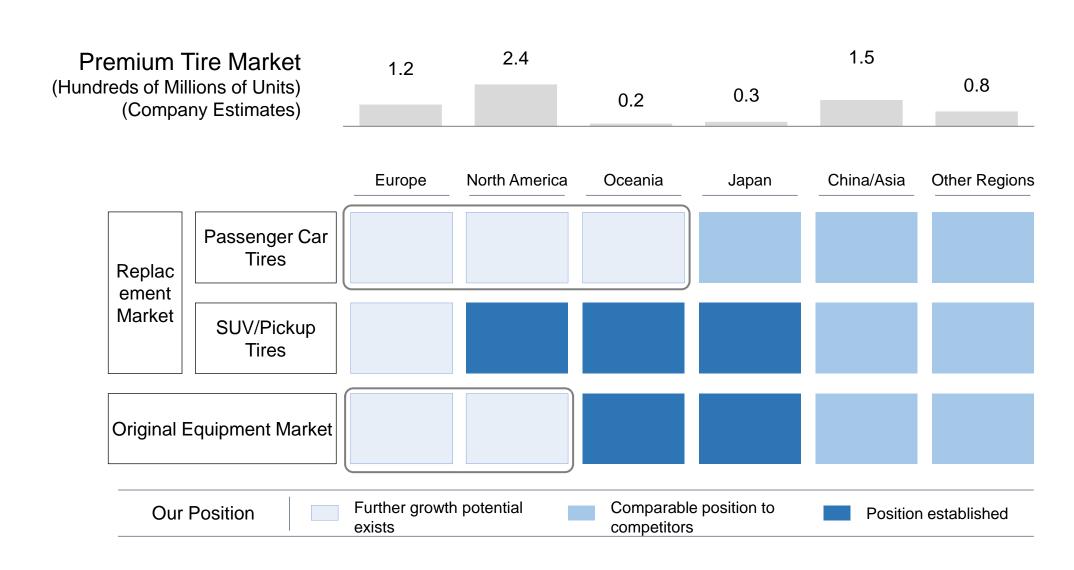


The above differentiated products, along with SUV tires and passenger car tires of 18 inches or larger, are defined as premium products.

# 2. The Significance and Purpose of Acquiring This Trademark Right: Current Position of Our Company in the Consumer Premium Tire Segment



# Capturing the passenger car tire markets, which are key segments in Europe, North America, and Oceania, is essential for future growth.



# 2. The Significance and Purpose of Acquiring This Trademark Right: Significance of Acquiring the DUNLOP Trademark Rights



We are focused on maximizing the value of differentiated products equipped with our proprietary technologies on a global scale.

### <Japan & Asia Markets>

Leveraging two brands to penetrate the consumer tire market, particularly the premium product segment.

Successfully introduced differentiated products utilizing our proprietary technologies, achieving notable results.

### < Europe, North America, and Oceania Markets>

Achieved market success in the SUV/Pickup segment through the expansion of the FALKEN brand.

Preparing to fully target the premium product segment globally.



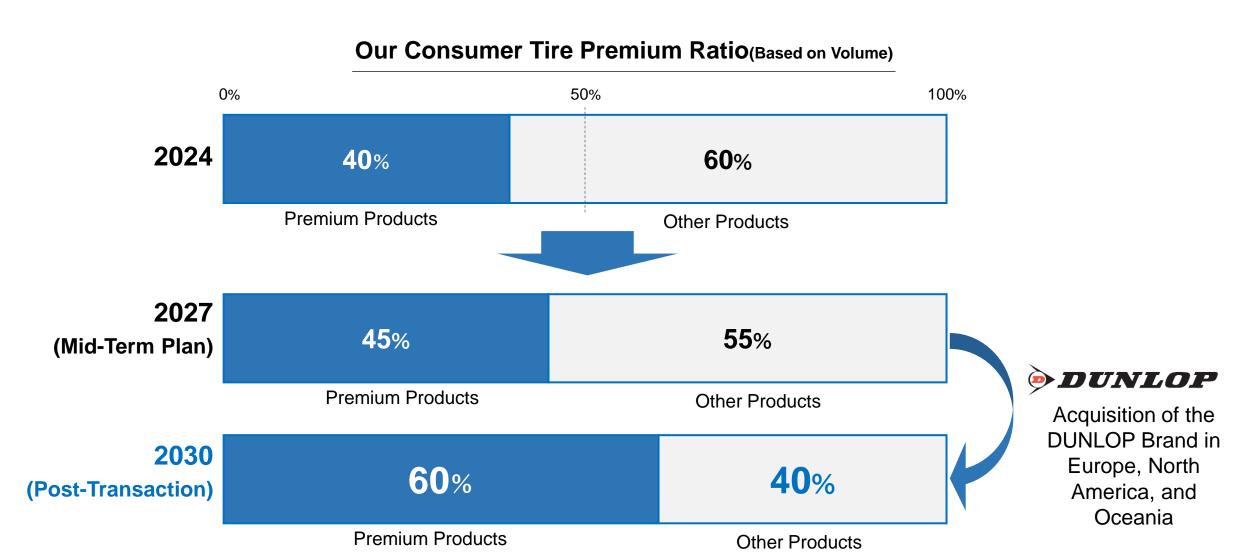
# Acquisition of the DUNLOP Trademark Rights held by GOODYEAR in Europe, North America, and Oceania.



# 2. The Significance and Purpose of Acquiring This Trademark Right: Promotion of Premiumization in Our Tire Business



We will expand the share of premium products by introducing differentiated products under the DUNLOP brand in Europe, North America, and Oceania.





Exchange rate at time of acquisition = ¥157 to the dollar (¥157/ USD )

Target	Acquisition of DUNLOP trademark rights for four-wheeler tires in Europe, North America, and Oceania.
Acquisition price	USD 526 million (JPY 82.6 billion)
Pro Forma DUNLOP EBITDA <sup>※1</sup>	USD 93 million (JPY 14.6 billion).
EV/EBITDA Multiple <sup>**1</sup>	5.7x
Closing	Scheduled for May 2025 (subject to approval under the competition laws of respective countries).
Funding	Combination of self-financing and borrowings.
Other contractual terms	- Transition support costs of USD 105 million related to customer transition for European DUNLOP products and the purchase of initial inventory will be paid together with the acquisition price at the time of closing.
	<ul> <li>A product supply agreement with GOODYEAR (for a period of 3-5 years until full transition to in-house manufacturing).</li> </ul>
Manufacturing site	The acquisition does not include the transfer of GOODYEAR's manufacturing facilities.

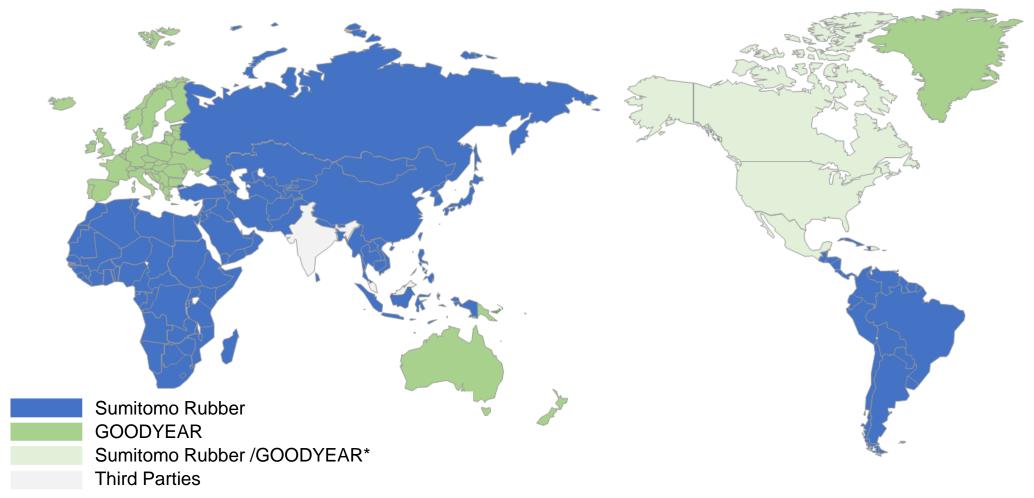
Note 1: Our Pro Forma DUNLOP EBITDA is estimated based on the FY2023 sales performance of the DUNLOP business.

Note 2: The purchase cost of initial inventory is currently undetermined. An estimated amount will be provisionally paid at the time of closing, with a subsequent review of inventory after closing. Price adjustments will be made as necessary based on this review.

# 3. Overview of This Transaction: Current Status of the DUNLOP Trademark (Tires)



In Europe, North America, and Oceania, the DUNLOP brand could not be used. As a result, these markets have primarily been developed with the FALKEN brand.

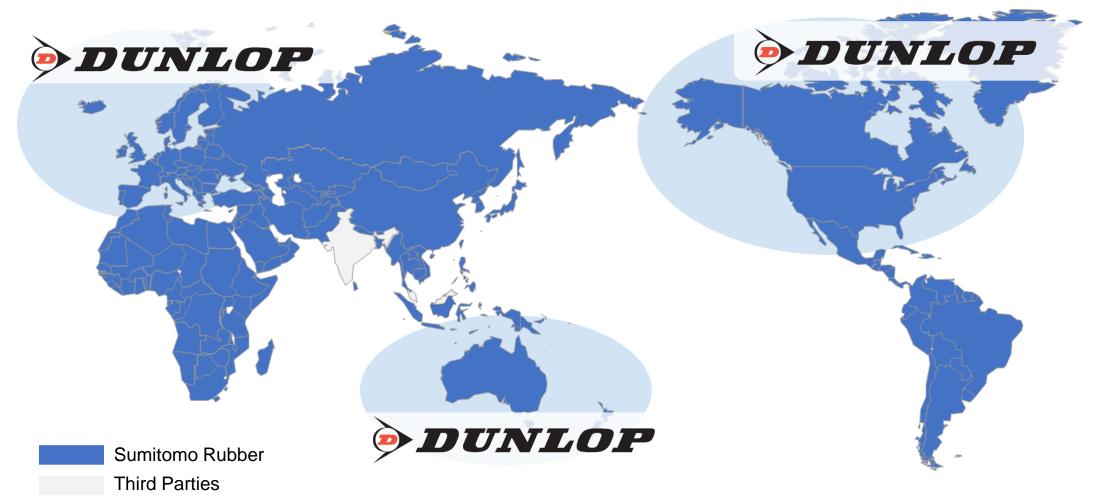


<sup>\*</sup>Sumitomo Rubber retains the rights to use the DUNLOP trademark in North America for original equipment (OE) tires supplied to Japanese automakers, as well as for motorcycle tires.

# 3. Overview of This Transaction: DUNLOP Trademark Rights (Tires) After This Transaction



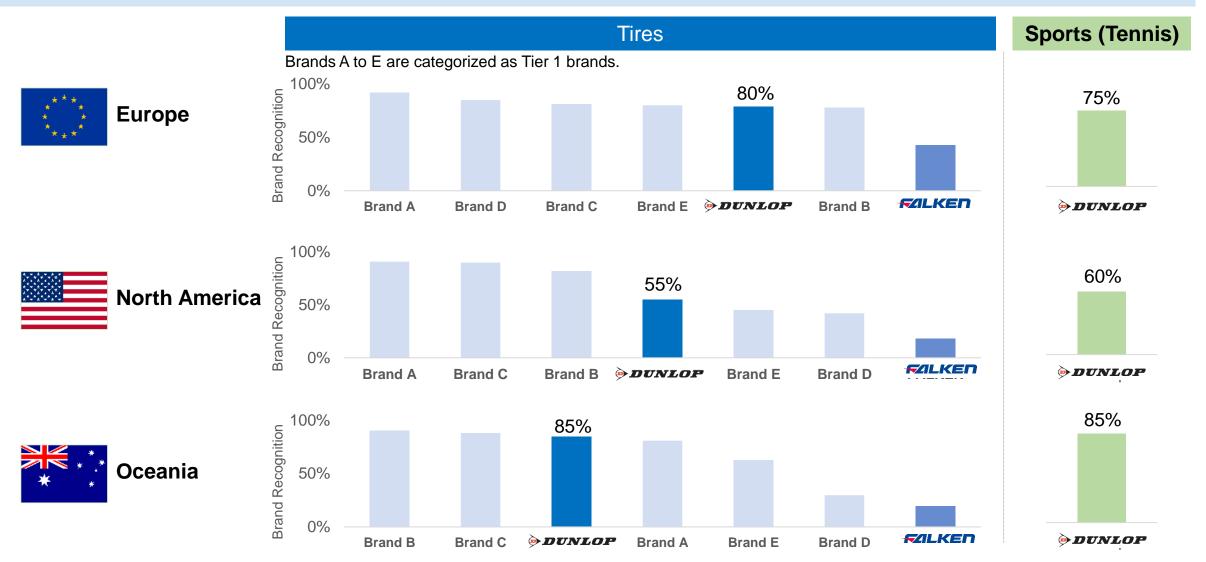
We acquired the DUNLOP trademark rights for tires in Europe, North America, and Oceania, previously held by GOODYEAR. Sumitomo Rubber will globally expand the DUNLOP brand, with some exceptions for specific regions and product categories.



# 4. Business Development Direction after Acquiring: Brand Recognition



# DUNLOP enjoys a high level of brand recognition among Tier 1 brands, particularly in the following categories:



**Sports Business** 

# **Tier 1: Premium Category**



### **Global Consumer Premium Tires**

 Passenger car/SUV tires utilizing "Active Tread" technology

 Flagship tires differentiated by proprietary technologies

Tier1



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Premium original equipment (OE) tires for highend vehicles

Tires for motorsports



Tier2





Edgy tires targeted at the fan base cultivated in North America and Europe.







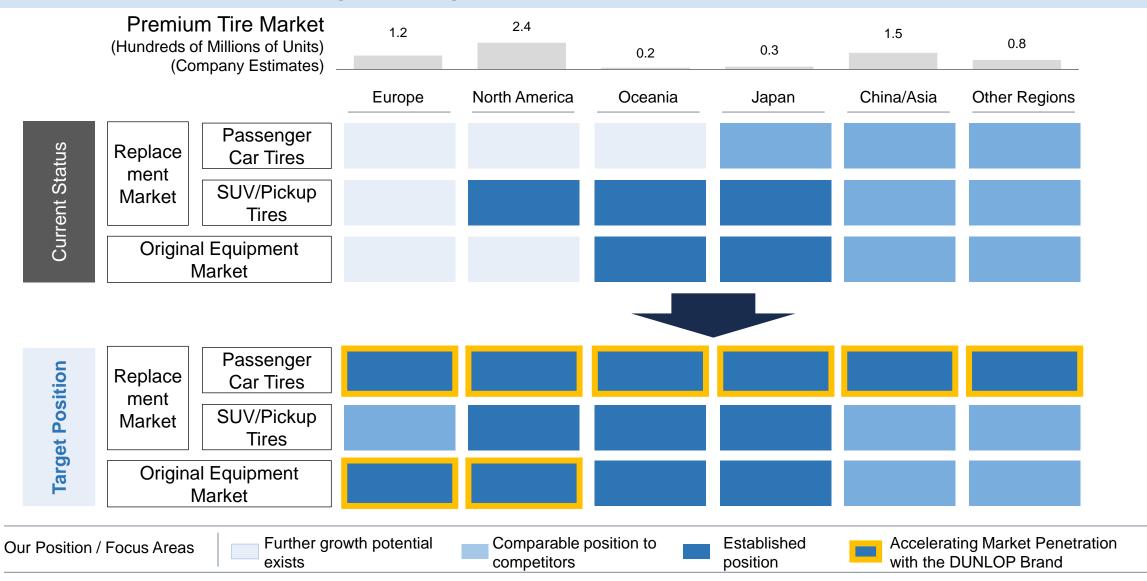
**Budget** 

**Cross-Marketing with** 

# 4. Business Development Direction after Acquiring: Our Position in the Premium Consumer Tire Segment



# The acquisition of the DUNLOP brand will accelerate our efforts to penetrate the passenger car segment in Europe, North America, and Oceania.



### 4. Future Business Development in the European Market 1 (Germany-Centered and Surrounding Economic Regions)



We will sequentially launch our proprietary products under the DUNLOP brand, targeting the rapidly growing segments of all-season tires and ultra-high-performance tires.





- All-Season Tires and EV Tires Utilizing **Active Tread Technology**
- **Ultra-High-Performance Tires**



**Premium Original Equipment for High-End Vehicles** 

### **SPORT MAXX**



**Integration of GOODYEAR's Sales Channels** 



Leveraging Visibility from the Tennis ATP Tour



ACTIVE TREAD

SILENT CORE



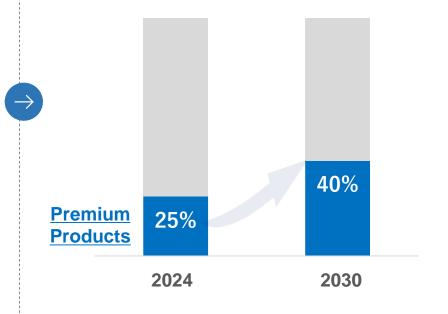




 Maintaining a Top Tier 2 Position with Edgy Products for the Fan Base

### **Future Goals for the European Market** (Volume Composition Ratio)

Increase of +15 percentage points



## 4. Future Business Development in the European Market (2) (UK Region)

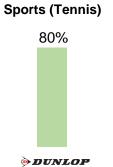


We will expand the DUNLOP brand by leveraging its high brand recognition and the sales network of our subsidiary, Micheldever Group Ltd. (MTS).



• Due to the origin of the DUNLOP brand, it boasts higher recognition than other Tier 1 brands.







- Utilizing MTS's Retail and Wholesale Network
   \*Micheldever Group Ltd.(Our subsidiary)
- Adding direct sales of the DUNLOP brand alongside the FALKEN brand.

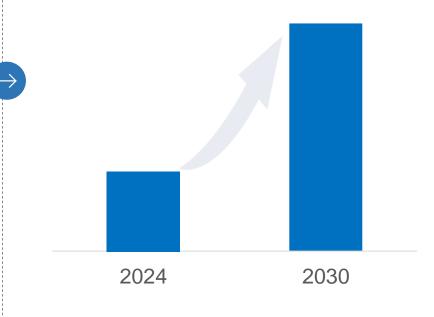






# Future Goals for the UK Market (Sales Volume)

# Triple the Sales of the DUNLOP Brand



### 4. Future Business Development in the North American Market



# We will expand our passenger car tire offerings by introducing DUNLOP products into the sales channels cultivated through FALKEN.





 Leveraging the national retail channels and an independent network of 18,000 stores established through FALKEN.



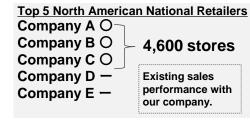
- All-Season and All-Weather Tires Utilizing Active Tread Technology.
- Specialized tires for the rapidly growing CUV segment.



- High market share in OE tires for Japanese automakers.
- Synergies with motorcycle tires.



 Cross-marketing opportunities with the sports business (Dunlop Sports Americas).

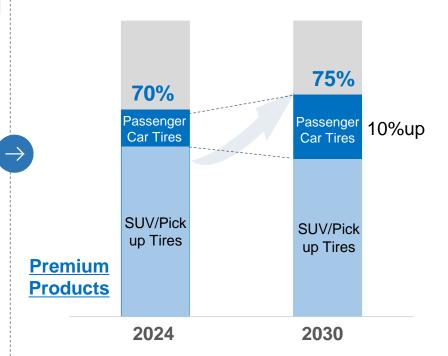






# Future Goals for the North American Market (Volume Composition Ratio)

Increase of +5 percentage points





Expanding SUV tires with a focus on the WILDPEAK series.

### 4. Future Business Development in the Oceania Market



We will expand the DUNLOP brand by effectively leveraging synergies with Japanese OE tires, retail networks, and the sports business.





 Capturing aftermarket demand from vehicles equipped with original equipment (OE) tires.



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 In addition to the existing retail network developed through FALKEN, we will keep good relationship with the DUNLOP retail network.











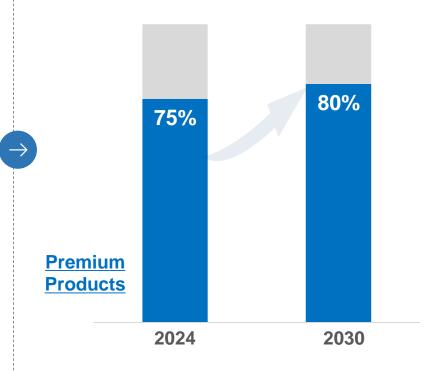
 Leveraging synergies with the sports business through exposure at the Australian Open Tennis (official ball).



• Expanding SUV tires with a focus on the WILDPEAK series.

# Future Goals for the Oceania Market (Volume Composition Ratio)

### Increase of +5 percentage points



# 4. Future Business Development: Sumitomo Rubber Group's Activities to Enhance the Value of the DUNLOP Brand



Positioning DUNLOP as our core brand, we will promote company-wide efforts to strengthen the brand.

### **Tire Business**





### **Sports Business**



Promoting joint branding between tires and sports

Accelerating global activities in tennis.

**Investing in brand presence in motorsports.** 





The heritage and recognition built through motorsports over the years.



Overwhelming recognition in tennis (based on external surveys).

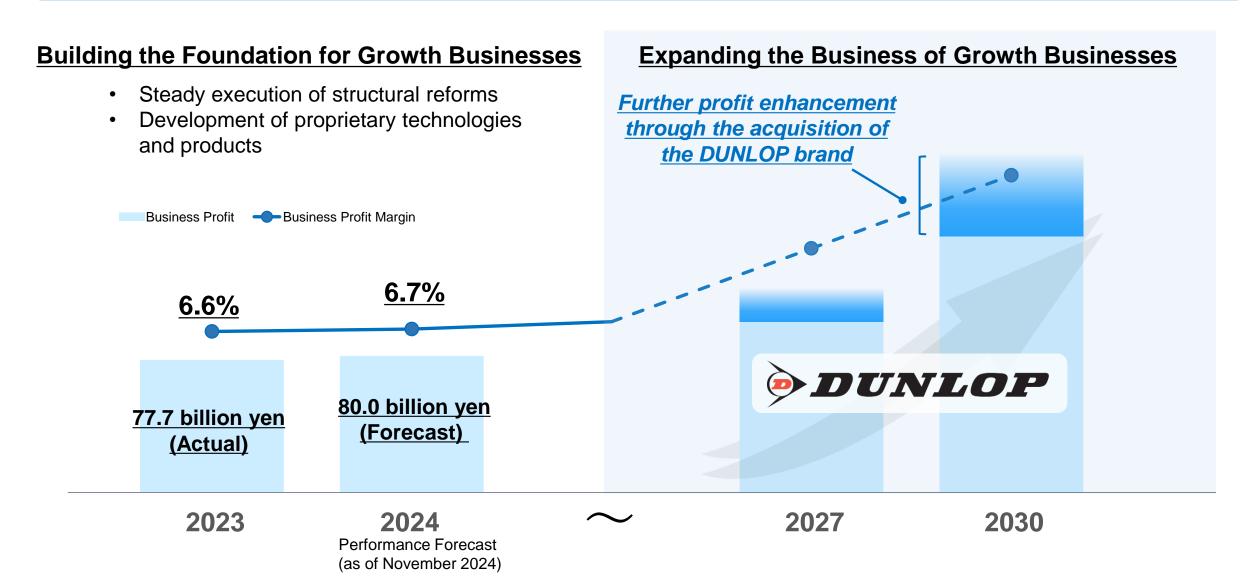


Achievements in golf tournaments, including strong performance on the PGA Tour.

### 4. Future Business Development: Performance Trends (Concept)



We aim to achieve the financial targets of the mid-term plan ahead of schedule. A revision of the mid-term plan and growth strategy will be announced in March.



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