### **GEOGRAPHIC BUSINESS REVIEW**

# JAPAN

- Sales in Japan decreased 36% in year-on-year terms to ¥70.3 billion.
- During the first half of the fiscal year, capital investment remained weak due largely to the persistent Operating Conditions and slump in the real global economy. As a result, demand fell substantially. Despite a pickup in demand in the second half, particularly for electronics and related products, full Performance Overview fiscal year sales in Japan decreased year on year reflecting the aforementioned scope and scale of decline during the first half. Sales Amid the drop in demand toward mainstay capital goods manufacturers, THK placed considerable emphasis on cultivating such new business sectors as automotive parts and seismic isolation devices. THK continued to implement the "TAP 1" skills development program for sales personnel as part of broader efforts to deepen relationships with existing customers and develop new customers. In concrete terms, while showcasing the unique characteristics of each product, steps were also taken to **FY09** actively promote sales proposals inviting customers to apply THK products as an answer to specific issues. (Results) Production -Despite the decline in operating hours in the first half, THK initiated worksite programs used to upgrade **Operating Activities** workforce skills and increase productivity in anticipation of a recovery in demand. ■ In connection with the second half of fiscal 2009, the Company was able to smoothly increase production amid the positive turnaround in demand. THK was also successful in linking these favorable conditions to steady improvements in sales. **General Overview** Against the backdrop of a harsh operating environment, THK continues to redouble its efforts to curtail expenses. At the same time, and in an effort to take full advantage of the "revival stage" that will inevitably follow, the Company launched the P25 Project, a cross-functional initiative in April 2009, whose objective is to increase profitability by lowering THK's break-even sales point. Under this Project, the Company worked thoroughly to examine each principal function to determine whether there is any further waste or inconsistency that needs to be eliminated and strove to bolster its business platform. Sales -Recognizing the positive prospects of increased overseas production by capital goods manufacturers, THK will harness its proposal capabilities fostered over many years in Japan to focus on expanding transactions in new areas. Buoyed by the growing trend toward electric-powered equipment across all product areas, THK will promote increased application of its actuators. FY10 **Operating Activities** Production Marshalling the fruits of initiatives aimed at enhancing productivity, implemented throughout fiscal (Plan) 2009, the Company will make every effort to ensure that the upswing in demand translates steadily into increased sales. General Outlook THK will continue to promote the P 25 Project as a part of efforts to increase profitability. In this manner, the Company remains committed to strengthening its business platform. Sales in Japan Bases Group companies As of March 31, 2010 (Millions of yen) Sales offices 49 Japan •THK CO., LTD. 150,000 Plants 15 •THK INTECHS CO., LTD. Distribution centers 3 •TALK SYSTEM CORPORATION 120,000 Beldex Corporation •THK NIIGATA CO., LTD. 90,000 RHYTHM CORPORATION 70.296 •Rhythm Kyushu Co., Ltd. •Rhythm L Co., Ltd. 60,000 •L Tool Co., Ltd. •L Trading Co., Ltd. 30,000 •L Engineering Co., Ltd. Note: RHYTHM CORPORATION and Rhythm Kyushu
  - Iote: RHYTHM CORPORATION and Rhythm Kyushu Co., Ltd. changed their corporate names to THK RHYTHM CO., LTD. and THK RHYTHM KYUSHU CO., LTD., respectively, in June 2010.

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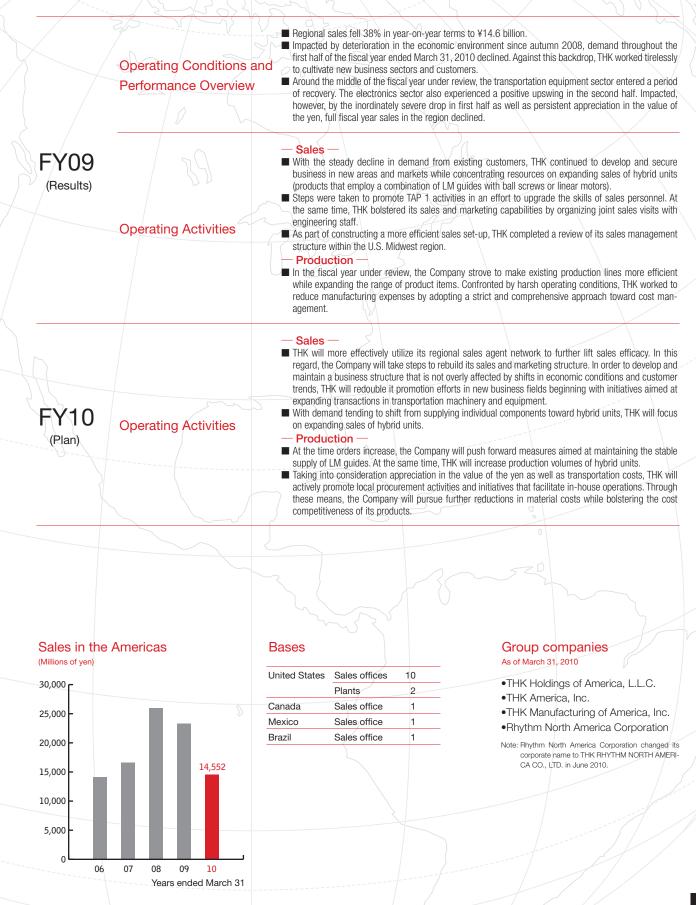
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Years ended March 31

## THE AMERICAS



# EUROPE

**FY09** 

(Results)

FY10

(Plan)

Regional sales fell 49% in year-on-year terms to ¥12.6 billion.

Demand throughout the first half of the fiscal year under review declined due largely to continued deterioration in the economic environment since autumn 2008. Under these circumstances, THK took steps to develop new business sectors and customers.

Around the middle of the fiscal term, the automotive sector trended toward a recovery. Signs of a rally in the general machinery and electronic sectors also began to emerge in the second half. Taking into consideration the substantial slump in the first half, however, as well as further appreciation in the value of the yen, overall sales were lower than in the previous fiscal year.

#### - Sales -

- Amid an ongoing downward correction in demand among existing customers, THK focused on creating revenue-generating opportunities through the development of new areas and aggressive expansion of its regional sales agent network.
   In new areas, THK approached the aerospace-, railway-, automotive-, energy- and other-related indus-
- Operating Activities

**Operating Activities** 

Operating Conditions and

Performance Overview

- Production -

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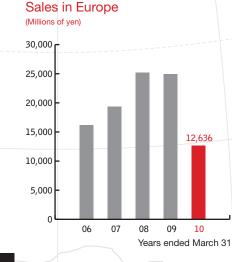
With demand falling across the region, THK continued to develop its production management set-up in order to realize a consistent supply of high-quality products with short delivery lead-times. Ongoing efforts were also made to broaden the range of products manufactured locally and to maintain capacity utilization through a higher local production ratio.

#### — Sales

- While pursuing efforts to deepen relationships with existing customers and cultivating new customers in the mainstay general machinery and other sectors, THK plans to focus on developing such new areas as aerospace, where demand for the Company's products can be expected to grow, as well as the railway- and other, related industries.
- THK will upgrade, expand and increase sales of its lineup of Deutsche Industrie Normen (DIN) code compliant balls screws.

#### - Production -

- THK will endeavor to further increase productivity by upgrading the skills of worksite staff and rigorously managing capacity utilization.
- THK will work to diversify material suppliers while at the same time curtailing variable expenses by lowering purchase unit costs and reducing material inventories.



#### Bases

Germany	Sales offices	4
United Kingdom	Sales office	1
Ireland	Plant	1
Italy	Sales offices	2
Sweden	Sales office 1	
Austria	Sales office 1	
Spain	Sales office	1
France	Sales office	1
	Plant	1
Turkey	Sales office	1
Czech Republic	Sales office	1
Netherlands	Sales office	1
Russia	Sales office	1

### Group companies As of March 31, 2010

- •THK Europe B.V.
- •THK GmbH
- •THK France S.A.S.
- •THK Manufacturing of Europe S.A.S.
- •PGM Ballscrews Ireland Ltd.

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FY09 (Results)	Operating Activities	<ul> <li>existing customers while at the same time ag stay machine tool sector.</li> <li>In Taiwan, amid the ongoing downward correct tool sector, which remains the Company's prin promote new applications in energy-related ar</li> <li>Production —</li> <li>At each of its plants, THK continued to prepare to prepare the sector of the se</li></ul>	ork in China, THK took steps to tap latent demand amon ggressively developing new customers outside the main tion in demand among existing customers in the machin ncipal business within the area, THK worked diligently reas. re for the anticipated recovery in demand by developin ng to raise productivity and cultivate workforce skills.
FY10 (Plan)	Operating Activities	<ul> <li>at upgrading and expanding its sales network.</li> <li>The Company will also pursue ongoing mean mainstay machine tool sector.</li> <li>THK will focus on expanding sales of those province including cross roller rings, seismic isolation dition to promoting such initiatives as the im sales, the Company will take steps to approve equipment-related areas.</li> <li>In other parts of Asia, THK will work to deeper and Singapore. At the same time, the Company and the Philippines.</li> <li>Production</li> <li>Amid growing demand, THK will continue to system employed at each plant to expand proof in addition to increasing the number of product through improved processes and the local procreate more cost competitive products.</li> </ul>	sures designed to cultivate new customers outside the oducts that can be expected to attract significant deman platforms, ball screws and hybrid units in Taiwan. In ac plementation of technical seminars aimed at increasin ach photovoltaic power generation- and LED production in its foothold in existing markets including Thailand, Indi y will enter such untapped markets as Indonesia, Vietnar of leverage its rotating four-squad triple-shift production duction capacity. uction items at each plant, THK will work to lower cost rocurement of components and materials in an effort to s more in tune with local needs, the Company set up th
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Sales in Asia (Millions of yen) 25,000 - 20,000 - 15,000 - 10,000 -	17,846 Ir	Bases       China     Sales offices     19       Plant     4       Faiwan     Sales offices     3       Singapore     Sales office     1       India     Sales office     1       Thailand     Plant     1       Korea     Sales offices     14       Plants     2	Group companies As of March 31, 2010 •THK TAIWAN CO., LTD. •THK (CHINA) CO., LTD. •THK (SHANGHAI) CO., LTD. •DALIAN THK CO., LTD. •THK MANUFACTURING OF CHINA (WUXI) CO., LTD. •THK MANUFACTURING OF CHINA (LIAONING) CO., LTD. •Beldex KOREA Corporation •THK LM SYSTEM Pte. Ltd.