

**UACJ (Thailand) Co., Ltd** 

### **Teerapun Pimtong**

**Executive Officer, Vice Senior General Manager of Bangkok Office, UATH** 



### Introduction

# **Teerapun Pimtong / Boy**

#### **EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE**

Apr, 2025 until present

As an Executive Officer and Vice Senior General Manager of Bangkok Office

Apr, 2015- Mar, 2025
Work in Domestic Sales & Marketing department

Nov, 2013- Mar, 2015
Work in QA & QC department and Quality Management Representative (QMR)



#### THAI SOCIETY EXPERIENCE

Apr, 2024 until present: Honorary Chairman of Aluminium Industry club, The Federation of Thai Industries (FTI.)

May, 2021 until present: Member of the Committee of Resource Management for Sustainability (3R) Foundation

Apr, 2020 until present: Advisor of Thailand Institute of Packaging and Recycling Management for Sustainable

Environment (TIPMSE)

Apr, 2020-Mar, 2024: Chairman of Aluminium Industry club, The Federation of Thai Industries (FTI.)

# Overview of UACJ (Thailand) Co., Ltd. (UATH)

### A core plant in Southeast Asia with an annual capacity of 320,000 tons

### **Employees**

1,307

#### **Products**

Can stock, automotive heat exchangers, air conditioner fin stock
Other general materials

### **Territory**

Can stock: 33 countries
Automotive heat exch.: 12 countries
Fin stock: 14 countries

#### Customers

More than 100 companies

- Southeast Asia's only advanced flat-rolled aluminum plant
- Good access to Asian markets where growing demand is expected
- A trusted supplier for Japanese and other can manufacturers







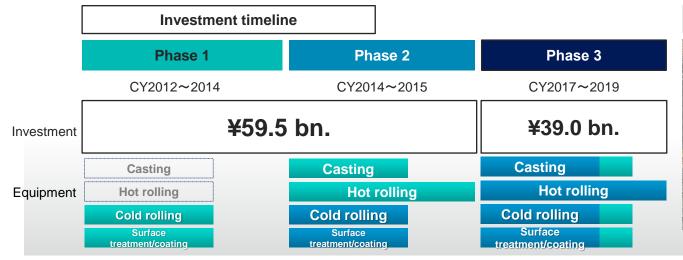




### **UATH's Investment and Sales Volume**

# Seeking steady growth and expansion through capturing robust demand





#### Recent investments



# [Investment in Recycling Facilities] No.4 Side-Well Furnace operation start: April 2024

:The fourth line of the side-well melting furnace for processing scrap materials. :Maximizing the utilization of scrap materials and promoting the conversion of environmental value into economic value by reducing environmental impact.

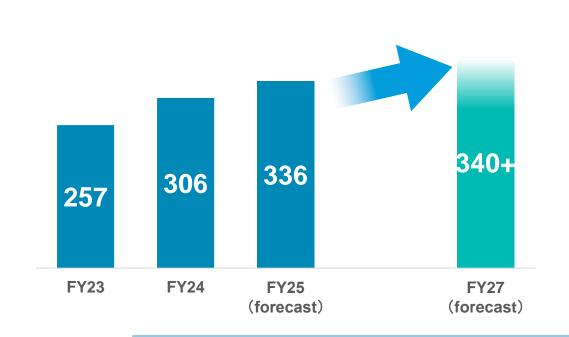
# Progress of the 4th Medium-Term Management Plan

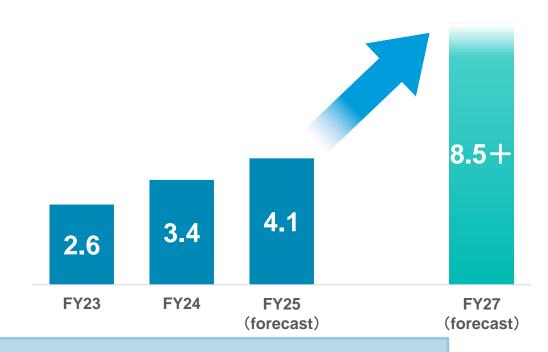
## Sales Volume, Business Profit Plan

Capture India, Middle East, and Africa demand to enhance profitability during the 4th mid-term plan

Sales Volume (thousands of tons)

Business Profit (billions of yen)





Expansion of sales volume Improvement of the sales portfolio Implementation of thorough cost reduction measures

Preparation for the production and sales of foil Enhancement of roll margin (due to the abolition of China VAT refunds)

# **Toward Higher Capacity, Targeting 340,000 Tons**

- > Increasing production capacity to meet robust demand, currently by reducing bottlenecks
  - The order of Bottleneck: Casting, Finishing, Cold rolling, Hot rolling
  - It is necessary to advance measures to increase production capacity at each stage of the process.



Increasing capacity throughout production

### **Casting**

- Accelerate casting
- Reduce melting time

### **Hot Rolling**

Improve operating rate by taking steps to avoid breakdown and other issues

### **Cold Rolling**

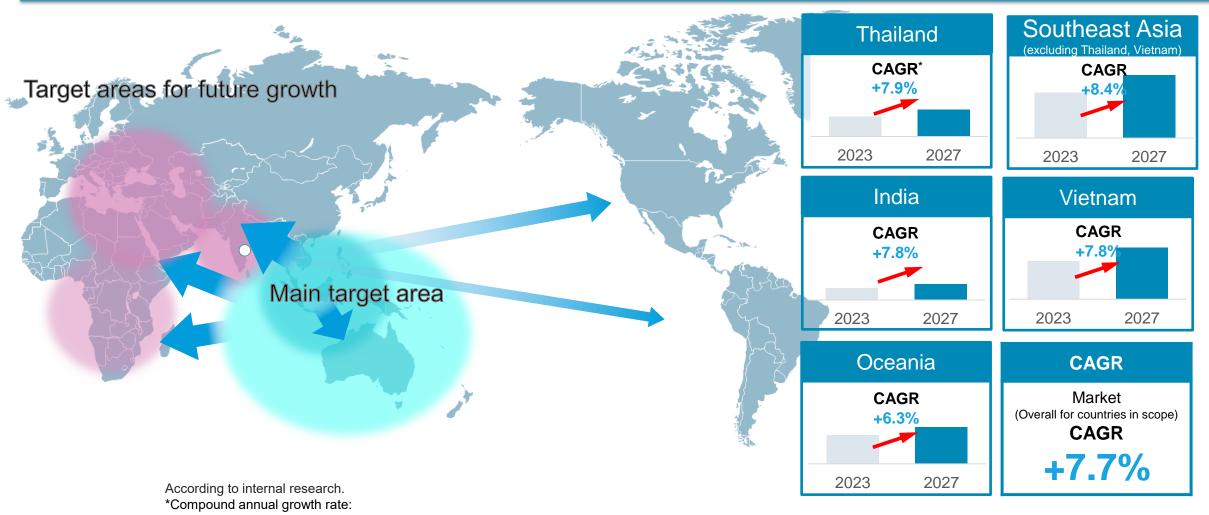
- Accelerate rolling
- Reduce setup time between lots

### **Finishing**

- Accelerate processing
- Reduce setup time between lots

# Market Environment Recognition-Can Stock

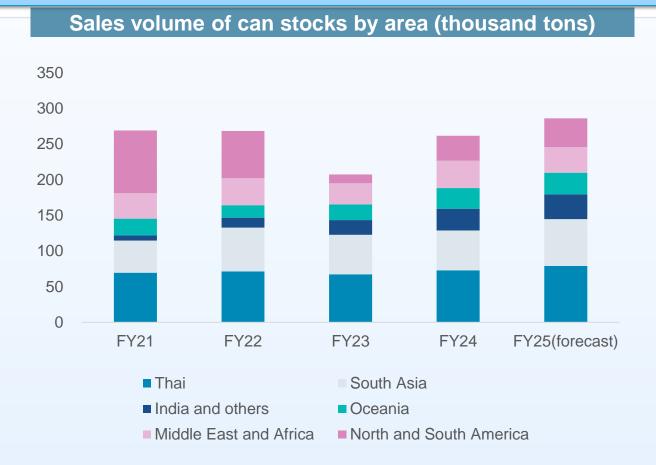
- Global demand for can stocks has recovered and is expected to remain stable
- ASEAN and Indian markets are expanding rapidly due to economic growth
- Growing environmental awareness among consumers will also increase demand for recycling



# Sales strategy for can stocks

### Maintaining the existing fundamental policy without alteration.

- Establishment of a sales structure for 340,000 tons per year
- Continuing existing contracts and developing new costumers
- Enhancing compatibility between bases in the UACJ group to address future demand fluctuations and strengthening stable supply capabilities



- Expand business with global customers
- Improve product sales portfolio
- Continue negotiations for price optimization mainly based on the abolishment of China's value-added tax refund
- Reduce environmental impact
- Consider sales expansion to Europe

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### Market Environment Recognition and sales strategy - HEX, A/C Fin

Automotive heat exchanger materials

Markets: Vehicle sales are sluggish in Thailand and elsewhere in Southeast Asia, with sales in North

America also uncertain

Sales strategy: Build closer ties with main customers; potential for expanded U.S. sales due to U.S.

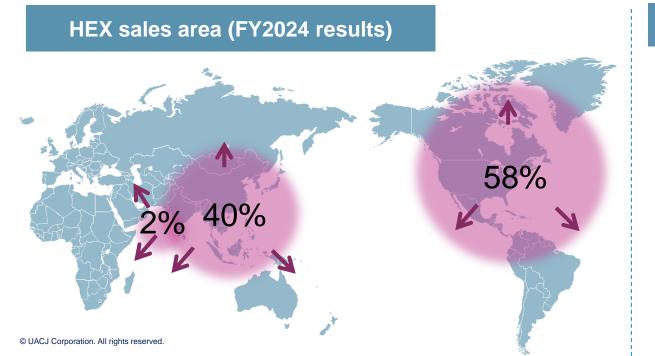
competitor plant closure

Air conditioner fins

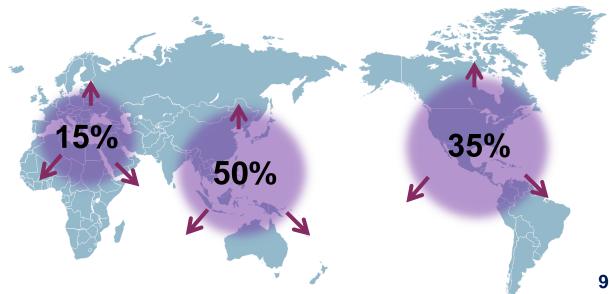
Markets: Increased demand from climate change and global population growth

Sales strategy: Leverage highly value-added products to expand sales in Southeast Asia, Europe and the U.S.,

and emerging markets such as India



#### A/C Fin sales area (FY2024 results)



# **Recycling and Environmental Initiatives**

# **Toward a Sustainable Society**

Spearheading recycling and circularity in Southeast Asia

November 25, 2020

General MOU on beverage containers signed at the Thai

**Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment** 



Thai environmental minister press conference on November 25, 2020

**Reducing environmental** impact through effective use of scrap metal

**April 2024** 

New furnace for recycled materials now operational

#### Internal aluminum can collection activities

Raising awareness of our social contribution through full participation in environmental activities by employees in Thailand

**Providing customers** with product/scrap metal advantages



CO<sub>2</sub> footprint from recycling 3% \* With the footprint from production with virgin aluminum set at 100%

**Can-To-Can Closed-Loop Initiative** 

Aiming to build a business that benefits society, customers, and UACJ, as a key contributor to the closed-loop recycling in the ASEAN region Currently engaged in activities with leading Thai can manufacturers, with participation from Thai government/industry stakeholders

Increasing the amount of scrap metal purchased

**December 7, 2021** MOU on UBC purchasing and closedloop promotion



\*Based on figures in Vision 2050, Japan Aluminum Associ

MOU signing ceremony on December 7, 2021, with senior environmental ministry officials in attendance

June 16, 2022 MOU on UBC purchasing and closed-loop promotion

in Vietnam

Raising awareness of UACJ as an environmentally conscious company that supports recycling

#### **ASI Certification**

- PS: Certified on Jan. 5, 2023; COC: fully certified on Mar. 10, 2022
- •Group-wide procurement guidelines established, suppliers requested to comply



# Can to Can Journey - Signing of an MOU to promote the use of aluminum cans

MOU signed for Aluminum Can Promotion on Two Islands: Koh Tao and Koh Phangan Promoting the use of aluminum cans through the following Initiatives;

- 1. Change in Beverage Containers
- 2.Development of an Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) System
- 3. Reform of General Waste Management

#### Tao Island

- ◆ MOU: August 28, 23
- ◆ Signed parties: 9(Customers, Pollution Control Authority, GIZ, CP All, local governments, NGOs, etc.)
- ◆ Outcome: 80% reduction in beer bottle use (compared to November 2023)

### **Phangan Island**

- ◆ MOU: December 24, 24
- ◆ Signed parties: 17(Customers, Pollution Control Authority, GIZ, CP All, local governments, NGOs, etc.)
- ◆ Target: 100% reduction of beer bottle waste

### Change step can classify as below:

#### Phase I <Appropriate transition from existing packaging>

- •Beer: change from glass bottles to aluminum cans
- •Carbonated Soft Drinks: change from PET to aluminum cans
- •Juice: change from multilayer cartons to aluminum cans or PET

#### Phase 2 <Redesign of beverage containers>

- •Mineral/energy drinks: change from glass bottles to aluminum cans
- •Coffee and tea: change from PET to aluminum cans
- •Milk: change from multilayer cartons to aluminum cans or PET



MOU concluded to promote use of aluminum cans



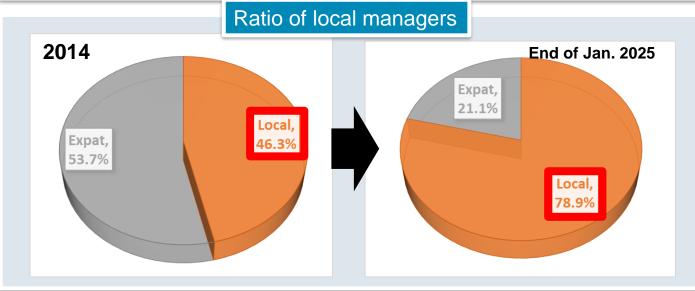
Educational poster; promoting the benefits of aluminum cans.

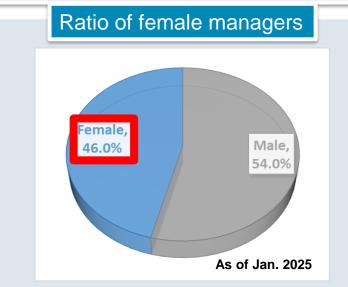
# Efforts to localize management

## **Toward Localized Operation**

- ♦ Employees transferred to UATH: 54 as of Mar. 2025. We plan to have 47 by 2027 and 37 by 2030 (including in the Bangkok office).
- lacktriangle Ratio of local managers: 46.3% in 2014  $\rightarrow$  78.9% in 2025
- ◆ Female managers: 46.0% (as of Jan. 2025)







### **UACJ** (Thailand) & Suranaree University of Technology Collaboration

## Support next-generation development and secure excellent talent



MOU signing ceremony at SUT on March 17, 2025
From right to left: SUT President Sakhob, Vice President Dr. Anan, UATH
President Yamada, and Executive Officer Pimtong



Students presenting their work at the UATH Sustainability Awards

- Promote UATH in the SUT School of Engineering through alumni and recruit interns.
- Provide the UACJ Sustainability awards
   (Aluminum works competition by students)

Expand activities to other universities to secure excellent human resources



*Aluminum lightens the world* アルミでかなえる、軽やかな世界

