# Financial Results for 1st Quarter of Fiscal 2020 Bridgestone Corporation



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## 1. Impacts of COVID-19 and Bridgestone's policies in response



## **Impacts of COVID-19 on Bridgestone's Business**

## **1. Operating Environment**

Significant stagnancy in global economic activity due to state of emergency declarations in countries worldwide; drops in demand for OE and REP tires stemming from global reductions in automobile production and lower operating ratios of passenger and commercial vehicles and certain mining vehicles

#### **2. Tire Production** Note: EMIA = Europe, Russia, Middle East, India, and Africa

Temporary halt of operations at Bridgestone plants in Europe, the United States, and other locations in response to reductions in tire demand and government policies of relative countries

Sufficient inventories secured to ensure no supply deficiencies result from production reductions in the foreseeable futures

## 3. Supply Chain

Tire deliveries and sales network operations continuing in almost all regions for the purpose of maintaining social infrastructure, despite shortened operating hours, decreased delivery frequencies, store closures, and other impacts seen based on region



## **Bridgestone's Policies in Response to COVID-19**

## **1.** Crisis Response Measures Prioritizing Lives and Safety of Customers, Employees, and Other Stakeholders

- •Entrenchment of responsible actions by employees to respond to social expectations and prevent spread of disease
- •Swift, organization-wide response to state of pandemic in relative countries (teleworking, temporary plant closures, etc.)
- •Social contribution activities such as Surgical mask production, healthcare facility support etc.

## 2. Minimization of Business Losses in Response to Operating Environment Deterioration

- •Optimal production control based on projected demand declines
- •Bolstering of cash flows from a cash-oriented perspective
- •Review of costs and investment plans out of consideration for operating environment volatility

### 3. Resolution of Fundamental Issues and Reinforcement of Management Constitution through Drastic Reforms in Face of Crisis

- •Reinforcement of fundamental competitiveness through approach oriented toward resolving fundamental issues from a medium- to long-term perspective
- •Organization-wide initiatives for strengthening operations by improving productivity from new perspectives such as workstyle reforms
- •Formulation of medium- to long-term strategies under new management team and thorough review of resource allocation priorities from global and local perspectives to accelerate strategies amid rapid social and economic change

## **COVID-19-Related Social Contribution Activities**

Various proactive social contribution activities to be advanced around the world based on policy of "crisis response measures prioritizing lives and safety of customers, employees, and other stakeholders"

### Japan

- Production of simple masks for use in Bridgestone's business activities to help alleviate surgical mask shortages, distribution of masks in early May in regions with Bridgestone Group production sites to respond to community needs and help prevent infection via droplets (total of 300,000 masks)
- Following Group resources to be supplied:
  - Healthcare institutions: Dusk masks (DS2), respirator masks (N95)
  - Osaka: Raincoats

#### **Overseas**

- Donation of face shields made using 3D printers to hospitals and long-term care facilities (Americas)
- Free tire maintenance services for emergency response vehicles available 24 hours a day (Spain)
- Donations of food, other supplies, and money to healthcare facilities (Italy, France)
- Provision of surgical masks and other supplies to healthcare facilities (Belgium, Germany)
- Support for in-house education through donation of 12 computers to Red Cross (Russia)
- Provision of food and other items to truck drivers on expressways (India)
- Monetary donations to organizations supporting pharmaceutical provision and healthcare workers (China)
- Maintenance and supply provision for delivery vehicles (South Africa)

## **Capital Policies in Response to Risk of Prolongation of COVID-19 Impacts**

<Financial Position on December 31, 2019 >

(Billions of yen)	FY 2019 (As of Dec. 31, 2019)	(Billions of yen)	FY2019		2019 Credit Ratings
Cash and cash equivalents	432.9	Cash flows from operating activities	505.0	Moody's	A2
Equity ratio	54.9%	Cash flows from investing activities	(261.9)	S&P	Α
Net debt-equity ratio	17.5%	Free cash flow	243.2	R&I	AA
Note: Figures are	e based on IFRS	Note: Fig	gures are based on IFRS		

#### <2020 Crisis Response Capital Measures>

Short-term working capital	Additional borrowings from banks secured to increase on-hand liquidity		
Corporate Bond	Expansion of shelf registration budget to increase flexibility in corporate bond issuances		
CP issuance budget	New CP issuance budget for diversifying funding sources		

#### Build upon Bridgestone's strength of strong cash flows in order to ensure sufficient liquidity even if the impacts of the COVID-19 are prolonged

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# 2. Business and Financial Performance for 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of Fiscal 2020



## **Business Environment Surrounding Bridgestone Group**

<b>¥</b> ¥	Currency Exchange	<ul> <li>Stronger JPY against USD/EUR vs PY</li> <li>1USD=109yen, 1EUR=120yen</li> <li>(Ref.) 19Q1 : 1USD=110yen 1EUR=125yen</li> </ul>		
	Raw Material Prices	<ul> <li>Natural Rubber : Lower vs PY</li> <li>Crude Oil : Lower vs PY</li> </ul>		
Ø	<b>Tire Demand</b> (PSR/TBR)	<ul> <li>Weaker Global tire demand vs PY due to COVID-19</li> </ul>		

Market trend of natu	aral rubber and crude oil
(Average)	2019

#### Tire Demand (Year-on-Year/unit base%)

\*1 Note: The numbers of demand are estimated by Bridgestone Corporation

		201	19		2020	PSR TBR		TRP		
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1		OE	REP	OE	REP
Natural Rubber	140	4 🗆 4	125	107	122	·	UE	REP	UE	KEP
$\langle TSR20 \rangle * ( c/kg)$	140	151	135	137	133	Japan	93%	90%	99%	91%
Natural Rubber 〈RSS#3〉*(¢/kg)	164	183	159	154	158	N.America	82%	<b>87%</b> (USTMA95%)	78%	101% *2 (USTMA95%)
Crude Oil 〈WTI〉(\$/bbl)	55	60	56	57	46	Europe	85%	84%	76%	89%
*Source: Singapore Commodity Exchange Limited				*2 Source	e: U.S. Tire Manufa	actures Ass	ociation			

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## Tire Sales Growth for 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of Fiscal 2020

(Year-on-Year, unit base)

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OE & REP	SR	OE & REP	BR		R
Global	85%	Global	87%	Ultra-Large (REP)	92% (92%)
OE		OE		Large (REP)	79% (88%)
Japan	94%	Japan	101%		
N. America	81%	N. America	74%		
Europe	92%	Europe	77%		
China, Asia-Pacific	69%	China, Asia-Pacific	69%		
REP		REP			<b>PSR</b> ⊦RD (≧ 18″)
Japan	88%	Japan	90%	Global	92%
N. America	89%	N. America	102%	(REP)	(99%)
Europe	86%	Europe	94%		
China, Asia-Pacific	74%	China, Asia-Pacific	69%		

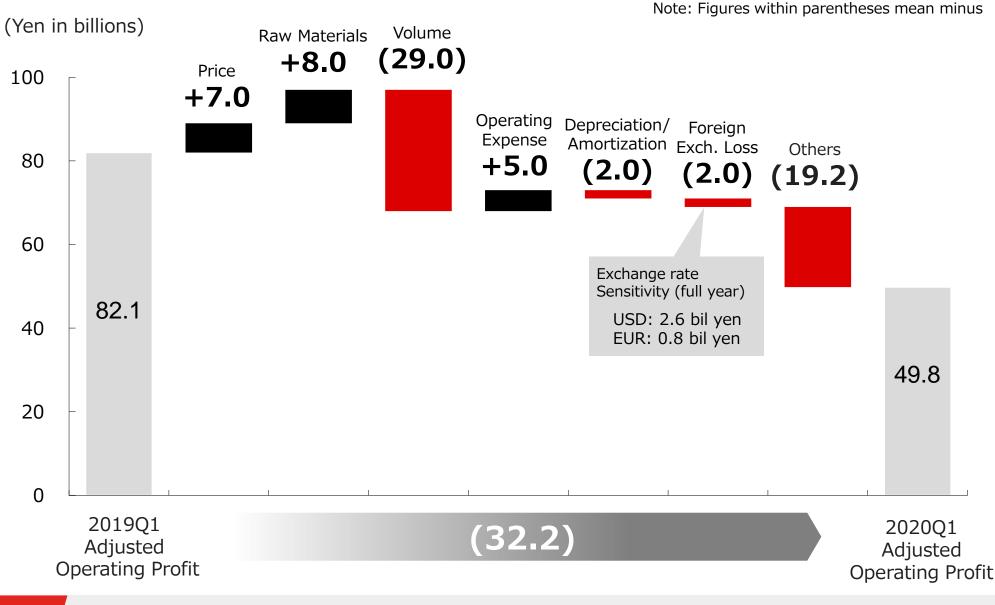
## Consolidated Results for 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of Fiscal 2020

(Yen in billions)

Note: Figures within parentheses mean minus

	2019 Q1 Results	2020 Q1 Results	vs PY (%)
Revenue	848.2	752.2	(11)
Adjusted Operating Profit	<b>82.1</b> (Ratio) 9.7%	<b>49.8</b> (Ratio) 6.6%	<b>(39)</b> (Ratio) (3.1)pt
Profit Attributable to Owners of Parent	55.8	19.5	(65)
US Dollar / Yen rate:	110 yen	109 yen	(1) Yen
Euro / Yen rate:	125 yen	120 yen	(5) yen

## Analysis of Consolidated Adjusted Operating Profit for 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of Fiscal 2020



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## Financial Results for 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of Fiscal 2020 by Segment

Note: Figures within parentheses mean minus	(Yen in billions)				
	2019 Q1 Results	2020 Q1 Results	vs PY (%)		
Consolidated Revenue	848.2	752.2	(11)		
Japan	215.3	194.9	(9)		
Americas	396.7	363.0	(9)		
Europe, Russia, Middle East, India and Africa	156.7	142.6	(9)		
China, Asia-Pacific	119.9	89.9	(25)		
Consolidated Adjusted Operating Profit	82.1	49.8	(39)		
Japan	24.5	14.0	(43)		
Americas	38.7	30.2	(22)		
Europe, Russia, Middle East, India and Africa	4.3	(1.2)	-		
China, Asia-Pacific	11.4	4.8	(58)		

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## B/S and C/F Highlights for 1st Quarter of Fiscal 2020

Note: Figures within parentheses mean minus	(Yen in billions)	
	2020 Q1 Results (As of Mar. 31, 2020)	vs Dec. 31 2019
Total Assets	4,004.7	(272.4)
Total Equity	2,266.3	(136.2)
Equity Ratio (%)	55.4%	+0.4%
Interest-Bearing Debt (Net)	485.8	+74.3
	2020 Q1 Results	vs PY
Cash Flows from Operating Activities	64.1	(58.0)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities	(59.3)	+12.9
Free Cash Flow	4.8	(45.0)
Capital Expenditure	53.1	(0.8)
Depreciation and Amortization	66.9	+1.0

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# 3. About Consolidated Projections for Fiscal 2020



## **Full-Year Forecasts for 2020 Performance**

#### **Bridgestone's Operating Environment**

- Demand for OE and REP tires projected to be substantially lower than indicated by February forecasts due to significant stagnancy in global economic activity stemming from state of emergency declarations in countries worldwide; market conditions by product category as follows:
  - •PSR: Relatively strong demand for HRD despite falling demand resulted from automobile factory closures and export restrictions implemented worldwide
  - •TBR: Lower rates of operation of trucks and buses due to stagnant economic activity but new demand related to e-commerce and delivery-purpose light trucks
  - •ORR: Overall consistent rates of operation at mines, but contraction or halt of operations at certain mines
  - •AC: Reductions in demand following massive curtailments of flights accompanying global travel \_\_\_\_\_\_ restrictions
- Gradual recovery in tire demand forecast in conjunction with resumption of economic activities in regions worldwide, but inability to project recovery timing or speed at this point in time

#### **Revision of Full-Year Forecasts in Response to Operating Environment Changes**

- Revise full-year forecasts for 2020 announced in February in response to aforementioned operating environment changes
- Unclear outlook for spread / conclusion of COVID-19 in regions worldwide resulting in difficult producing rational performance forecast figures; revised forecasts to be disclosed promptly when calculation becomes possible



## **Future Outlook**

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- Faced with unprecedented COVID-19 crisis, experience accumulated while overcoming challenges seen thus far to be utilized to develop flexible management structures accounting for various risks and to advance response measures focused on minimizing immediate damage to business
- Cash-oriented business management approach to be adopted based on various scenarios for short-term trends amid opaque operating environment while reviewing costs and investment plans from a multitude of perspectives (prior cash-oriented management approach to be ramped up)
- Aforementioned measures not temporary, short-term provisions but rather initiatives decided based on Bridgestone's medium- to long-term strategies Current crisis viewed as <u>opportunity for drastic reforms</u> to Bridgestone's management from medium- to long-term perspective, fundamental competitiveness and strategic edge to be secured in preparation for future demand recovery and market conditions thereafter rather than simply focusing on weathering crisis from short-term perspective
- Medium- to long-term business strategies, aiming for Solution Company with our strength of Tire & Rubber business, being formulated through in-depth, global scale discussions utilizing Bridgestone's SBU organizational structure, strategies to be announced as soon as possible
   Full-year forecasts for 2020 to be announced together with explanation of <u>framework of medium- to long-term business strategies</u> to underpin those forecasts as soon as revised forecasts have been prepared



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