# **Value Creation Process**

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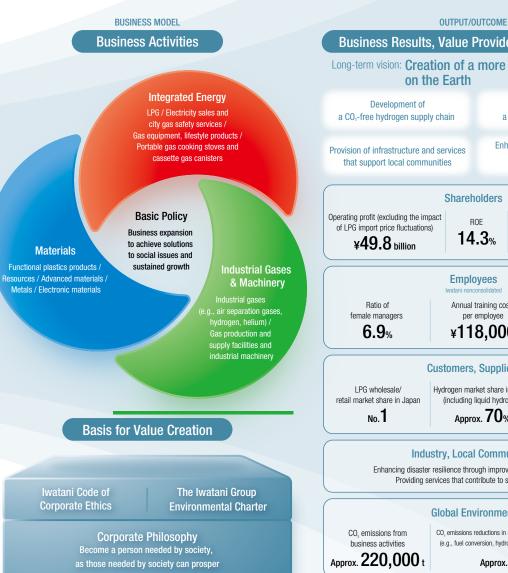
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O Energy use in Japan

(total converted to caloric value): 1.736 TJ



Business Results, Value Provided to Stakeholders Long-term vision: Creation of a more comfortable space Promotion of a resource-circulating society Enhancement of the management foundations to promote sustained growth Shareholders ROIC Payout ratio 14.3% 6.7% 15.8% **Employees** Iwatani nonconsolidated Annual training costs Percentage of childcare leave taken by male employees per employee ¥118.000 55.9% **Customers, Suppliers** Hydrogen market share in Japan Helium market (including liquid hydrogen) share in Japan Approx. 50% Approx. 70% Industry, Local Communities Enhancing disaster resilience through improving Core LPG Centers Providing services that contribute to social solutions **Global Environment** CO, emissions reductions in society through use of eco-friendly products (e.g., fuel conversion, hydrogen supply for FCVs, growth in PKS sales) Approx. 750,000 t

\* Figures are for FY2023, end of March 2024.

Value creation in the Iwatani Group can be traced to six types of capital: financial, manufacturing, intellectual, human, social and relationship, and natural capital. By effectively combining these types of capital in business activities based on our corporate philosophy and management policies, we strive both to find solutions to social issues and to deliver new value to society. As a result, we will build a virtual circle consisting of our own growth and social value creation through our accumulated capital to serve as a source of new value creation, and seek to achieve sustained enhancement of corporate value.

Financial Capital	<ul> <li>Sound financial foundations to enable proactive investment in growth</li> <li>Sustained earning ability and steady enhancements in financial foundations</li> <li>Utilizing interest-bearing debt in active investment</li> <li>Maintaining an external credit rating of A</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Total assets ¥834.3 billion</li> <li>Operating profit ¥49.8 billion (excluding the impact of LPG import price fluctuations)</li> <li>Equity ratio</li> <li>Net D/E ratio</li> <li>External financial rating (Japan Credit Rating Agency)</li> <li>A+</li> </ul>
Manufacturing Capital	<ul> <li>LPG and industrial gases networks to realize stable supply</li> <li>Stable supply structures utilizing extensive internal and external networks</li> <li>LPG business: Import, filling, and transport facilities nationwide</li> <li>Industrial gases business: Domestic and international supply chains</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>LPG sites (As of May 31, 2024) Import terminals 5 sites / Pressurized terminals (LPG terminals) 2 sites Filling stations 108 sites / Core LPG Centers* included above 61 sites * Core LPG Centers: Disaster-resistant centers equipped with seismic retrolitting, emergency power generators, and other improvements</li> <li>Industrial gas sites Industrial gas centers 21 sites / Hydrogen plants 11 sites / Air-separation plants 9 sites Japan   Helium centers 2 sites / Liquefied carbon dioxide plants, etc. 6 sites Overseas sites 11 sites</li> <li>Hydrogen-refueling stations Japan 51 sites / Overseas 8 sites</li> </ul>
Intellectual Capital	Technological development facilities to support our businesses; Gas and Energy handling technologies built up over the years • Technological strengths amassed by the Iwatani R&D Center over the years in gas and energy fields • R&D to realize a carbon-free society, advanced by the Iwatani Advanced Hydrogen Technology Center	<ul> <li>Joint R&amp;D projects with national projects and public research institutes 9 projects in total</li> <li>Center visitors 5,350 persons from 1,397 companies</li> </ul>
Human Capital	Diverse human resources capable of tackling the challenges of creating new value; specialized human resources to support sustained growth • Maintaining an environment in which diverse human resources can demonstrate their abilities to the fullest • Providing various training programs to support individual growth	<ul> <li>Consolidated number of employees 11,332</li> <li>Ratio of female new graduates in career track 16.3% (FY2024 [nonconsolidated])</li> <li>Investment in HR development Approx. ¥150 million/year</li> <li>Certified and specialized human resources supporting manufacturing and safety High-pressure gas production safety managers: 896 High-pressure gas sales managers: 325</li> </ul>
Social and Relationship Capital	Bonds of trust with customers and trading partners serving as the foundation for growth         • Dealership network to deliver value nationwide         • Enhancing relationships with suppliers essential to creating new value and ensuring stable supply	LPG customers       Strong ties to dealerships         Wholesale customers: 3.3 million households       Marui-Kai members*1, 1,400         Direct sales customers included above:       Iwatani-Kai members*2         1.11 million households       *1 LPG dealership network *2 Industrial gases dealership network
Natural Capital	Efforts to achieve a carbon-free society <ul> <li>Decarbonization of business activities</li> <li>Providing products and services to decarbonize customer business activities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Contributions to CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reductions</li> <li>CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from business activities: approx. 220 thousand tons</li> <li>CO<sub>2</sub> reductions in society through environmental products: approx. 750 thousand tons</li> </ul>

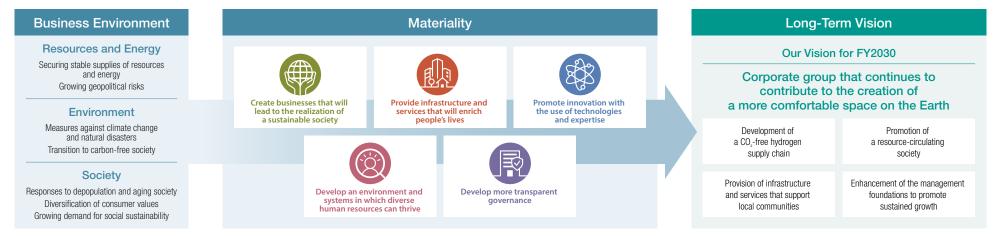
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## Key Issues for Realizing the Long-Term Vision (Materiality)

### **Materiality Topics**

Based on our Corporate Philosophy-Become a person needed by society, as those needed by society can prosper-the lwatani Group will strive to achieve sustained growth and to deliver solutions to social issues, thereby completing the four component processes of our Long-Term Vision for 2030.

We have also identified materiality topics as key issues for realizing the Long-Term Vision.



### **Materiality Identification Process**

Identifying issues	Identifying issues gleaned from the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and items evaluated by environmental, social, and governance (ESG) rating agencies
Determining the importance of various issues	<ul> <li>Analyzing the importance of issues in light of the corporate philosophy, the Iwatani Code of Corporate Ethics, and management strategies</li> </ul>
Identifying materiality	Identifying as each materiality judged to be important both to society and stakeholders and to the Iwatani Group

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The medium-term management plan, PLAN27, establishes five priority measures based on the five identified materiality topics. We will make progress on addressing the materiality topics by achieving the priority measures and targets of PLAN27.

Materiality		Related SDGs	Related Priority Measures	
	<ul> <li>Create businesses that will lead to the realization of a sustainable society</li> <li>Promote commercialization of a CO<sub>2</sub>-free hydrogen supply chain</li> <li>Develop and expand low-/zero-carbon solutions</li> <li>Deliver stable supplies of resources and strengthen resource circulating businesses</li> </ul>	13 serie Constanting 13 serie Constanting	<ul> <li>Hydrogen Strategies</li> <li>Carbon-Free Strategies</li> <li>Overseas Strategies</li> <li>Climate Change Response (non-financial strategies)</li> </ul>	[⇒P.18] [⇒P.23] [⇒P.27] [⇒P.30]
	<ul> <li>Provide infrastructure and services that will enrich people's lives</li> <li>Maintain resilient LPG supply chains and strengthen disaster prevention measures</li> <li>Embody Iwatani GateWay concept</li> <li>Extend cartridge gas business overseas and develop new products</li> </ul>	7 remember       9 merceneration         (1) merceneration       10 merceneration         (1) merceneration       13 merceneration         (1) merceneration       (1) merceneration	<ul> <li>Domestic Energy &amp; Service Strategies</li> <li>Overseas Strategies</li> </ul>	[⇒P.25] [⇒P.27]
	<ul> <li>Promote innovation with the use of technologies and expertise</li> <li>Develop and market technologies for the social implementation of hydrogen</li> <li>Establish and implement green LPG technology</li> <li>Develop applications for and strengthen quality control and safety of industrial gases</li> </ul>	7 resources       9 merce merces         13 merce       14 Merces         13 merce       14 Merces	<ul> <li>Hydrogen Strategies</li> <li>Carbon-Free Strategies</li> <li>Technology Strategy (non-financial strategies)</li> </ul>	[⇒P.18] [⇒P.23] [⇒P.39]
	<ul> <li>Develop an environment and systems in which diverse human resources can thrive</li> <li>Establish systems to enhance employee engagement</li> <li>Create workplace environments where diversity is accepted and valued</li> <li>Recruit and develop people who respond to change and continue to create value</li> </ul>	4 morts <b>5 more</b> <b>7</b> more <b>7</b> more <b>8</b> more more more <b>8</b> more more more <b>1</b>	<ul> <li>Human Resource Strategy (non-financial strategies)</li> </ul>	[ <b>⇒</b> P.34]
R	<ul> <li>Develop more transparent governance</li> <li>Fulfill the functions of the Board of Directors and secure its diversity</li> <li>Promote dialogue with stakeholders</li> <li>Strengthen risk management system</li> </ul>	5 intern	<ul> <li>Corporate Governance</li> <li>Messages from Outside Member of the Board</li> <li>IR Activities</li> </ul>	[⇒ P.45] [⇒ P.47] [⇒ P.52]