

# FY2025 Q2 DISCO's Tidbits

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## **Notes**



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## **Important Points**



## > We cannot answer questions regarding specific customers.

Please note that we cannot answer questions that may lead to the prediction of a specific customer's manufacturing process, production capacity, inquiry and investment trends, confidential production information, etc.

Each semiconductor manufacturer may have different technologies and manufacturing processes, which constitute confidential production information of each company.

In principle, we do not provide answers regarding specific customers' orders, equipment specifications, throughput, etc.

## Responses regarding market conditions are to be based on the outlook at the time of the financial results announcement.

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## Market Situation Overview: Comparison to 3 Months Ago



- ✓ Although there were fluctuations in equipment shipments for each quarter, there were no large changes in business sentiment.
- ✓ Equipment shipments for generative AI remain high linked to factors such as final demand, and investment continues.
  - There are differences in the investment timings of each manufacturer (details are not disclosed).
- ✓ Precision processing tool shipments remain at a high level, and close monitoring is required regarding additional investment trends.
  - Customer facility operation rates for mass production applications are on an upward trend.
  - The market for commodity memory shows signs of improvement.
- ✓ For advanced packaging technologies, an expansion in applications and full-scale ramp-up are expected.
  - Currently, there are more manufacturers in the R&D and small-scale mass production phases, and shipments are limited.
- ✓ Although competitors are present in regions such as Japan, China, and Korea, there are no significant changes in the competitive environment.

## General Trends and Perspectives on Equipment Demand



#### 1. Characteristics of the back-end process

For semiconductor manufacturers, it often remains unclear whether they will undertake contracted package processing until the last minute, and thus orders tend to be placed with suppliers only just before the start of production.

On the other hand, once they undertake a contracted processing order, it is necessary to establish a mass production line as soon as possible, so they often verbally share the desired equipment leadtime and number of units in advance. This is called an "inquiry."

#### 2. Sources of variation in inquiries from semiconductor manufacturers

- Competition between semiconductor manufacturers in receiving contract orders
- Fluctuation in the number of necessary units due to a revision in final product demand
- Customer's mass production process status

Inquiries from semiconductor manufacturers can change even weekly due to various factors including those mentioned above. Therefore, the equipment leadtime and number of units that are disclosed at the inquiry stage are fluid, and oftentimes they end up changing.

#### 3. Leadtime from order receipt to shipment

When a purchase order is received, we often only have one to two months left until the customer's desired leadtime. As there is not much time until the equipment need to be shipped out, DISCO begins equipment manufacturing at the inquiry stage, and ships out the equipment as soon as possible once the purchase order is received.

There are various sources of variation in each phase from inquiry, to order, to shipment, based on factors such as the customer business environment, correlation with final demand, and industry-specific business practices. Therefore, as it is difficult to predict demand, DISCO is strengthening our ability to respond regardless of external changes and strengthening the company as a whole, and working to enhance our corporate value from a medium- to long-term perspective.

## Composition Ratio of All Equipment (Shipment Basis)



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(Forecast)

		FY24		FY25				
		Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan-Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
Customer	OSAT	Slightly less than			Slightly more than		Slightly less than	
		30%	30%	20%	20%	30%	30%	25%
Application	Memory *	Slightly more than		Slightly more than		Slightly more than	Slightly less than	
		30%	35%	30%	25%	40%	40%	20%
	Power					Slightly less than	Slightly less than	
		20%	20%	15%	15%	10%	10%	10%

<sup>\*</sup> Including generative AI related

### **Generative Al**



- ✓ Actual results of shipment for generative AI: FY24 approx. 55 billion yen
  - Detailed breakdown by region, product, and quarterly transition is not disclosed.
- ✓ The situation is fluid as investment plans in back-end processes are difficult to predict, and orders are not finalized until just before shipment.
  - Investment plans will fluctuate depending on changes in the final demand trend and outlook for generative AI.
  - Our customers' investment appetite varies depending on the market share held by each semiconductor manufacturer.
  - Each manufacturer's capital investment differs in terms of capacity expansion, technology trends, etc.
- ✓ Forecast amount is not disclosed.
  - Difficult to discern future demand due to the various factors mentioned above.
  - Details are not disclosed as the information is related to the capital investment status of specific customers.

## Perspective on GPM and SG&A



#### GPM Outlook for the October-December period

Formulated based on QoQ decrease of 1.5 points (assumed exchange rate USD 145 yen). Formulated based on the previous fiscal year (FY24)'s trend. Detailed profit plans for individual equipment cases have not been formulated. Based on the increase in consumable shipments, current profitability has been reflected in the plans.

SG&A Outlook for the October-December period: Approx. 30 billion yen
 Although linked to the quarterly shipment amount, there is slight concentration in the second half due to the timing of provision for bonuses.

#### Perspective on SG&A

- 1. The majority of SG&A is personnel expenses (including personnel expenses in R&D costs).
- 2. Fluctuates significantly due to provision for bonuses linked to business performance.
- 3. As it is mainly linked to the shipment amount, it may fluctuate on a quarterly basis.

## **R&D/CAPEX Forecast**



■ CAPEX (No change from July)

F24 Actual: 69.8 billion yen

Acquisition of real estate for R&D purposes (Approx. 50 billion yen)

F25 Forecast: Approx. 33 billion yen

Construction start of Haneda R&D Center new building & Hiroshima Works new plant

Reference: Plans to Construct Gohara Plant as Part of Hiroshima Works (2025/4/18)

■ **DEP** (An increase of approximately 1 billion yen from the previous July outlook)

• F24 Actual 12.1 billion yen

F25 Forecast Approx. 14.0 billion yen

Increase of 1 billion yen per year due to acquisition of real estate for R&D

■ R&D (An increase of approximately 1 billion yen from the previous July outlook)

• F24 Actual 31.6 billion yen

F25 Forecast Approx. 34.0 billion yen

Continue to proactively engage in R&D

## To Investors Considering Purchasing DISCO Shares



DISCO believes that striving to increase our Missionachievability connects to an increase in our Valueexchangeability and competitiveness, enabling us to respond to the expectations of all capital-market stakeholders.

- ✓ Pursuing Quality of Business
- ✓ Utilization of Tangible Net Worth and Purpose
- ✓ Shareholder Return Policy
- ✓ Action to Implement Management that is Conscious of Cost of Capital and Stock Price

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