Third Quarter of FY2018 Presentation Q&A

Q: How have you been progressing in your negotiations for correcting capacitor prices?

A: The negotiations have been going as planned. Out of respect for our relationships with customers, we cannot make any further comments.

Q: What is the outlook for demand for Murata automotive products in 2019F?

A: We are preparing our budget right now, and we expect active demand due to further automotive electrification.

Q: What is the outlook for 5G communication?

A: We have been developing various measures for 5G communication. The technology is expected to have its real impact felt in 2020F and thereafter.

Q: How is your MetroCirc[™] business doing?

A: MetroCirc[™] sales achieved significant year-on-year growth in Q2 2018F due to high demand for products used in new smartphone models, before it slightly declined in Q3 2018F. In Q4 2018F, seasonal factors are expected to lead to a year-on-year decrease.

Q: What was your capacity utilization for Q3 2018F, and what are your plans for Q4 2018F? A: In Q3 2018F, we used 105% of our 20-day operation month equipment capacity company-wide. In Q4 we expect to achieve 90% of that capacity. Capacitors used 100% of their 27-day operation month equipment capacity in Q3 2018F. In Q4 they will likely reach 95%.

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