

### Stream Media Corporation (4772) **Business Plan and Growth Potential**

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Stream Media Corporation (SMC) - Business Plan and Growth Potential Overview

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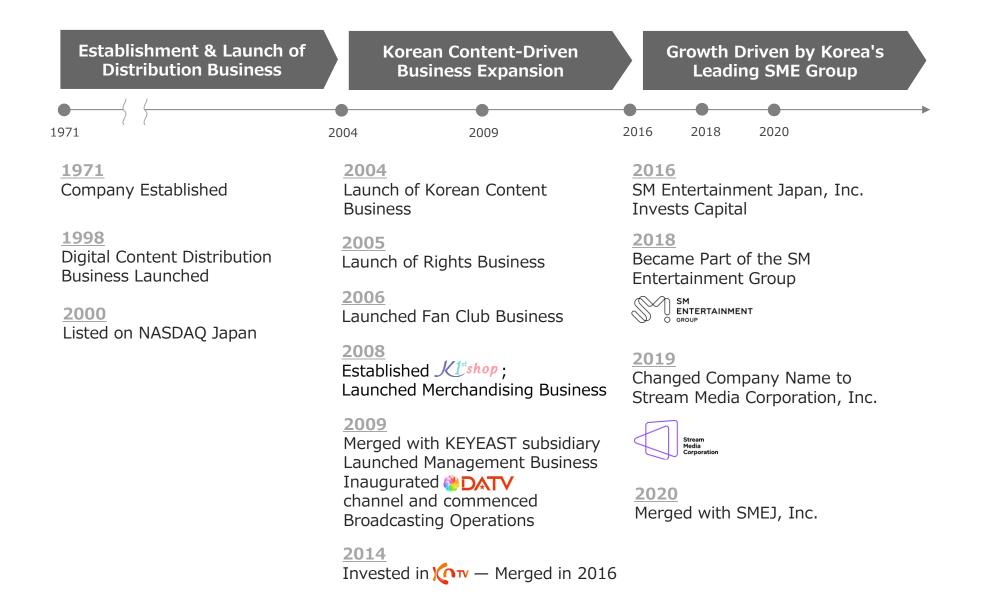
## **Company Overview**



Company Name	Stream Media Corporation, Inc.
Headquarters 21F, Roppongi Grand Tower, 3-2-1 Roppongi, Minato-ku, Tokyo 10 Japan	
Capital	50M yen (as of DEC 2024)
Core Business Activities	Concert business, merchandising, music business, media business, rights business
Operations Commenced	APR 1998 (Established DEC 1971)
Number of Employees	91 (as of DEC 2024)
Listing	Tokyo Stock Exchange Growth Market (Listed on JUL 27, 2000) Securities Code: 4772

**Company History** 

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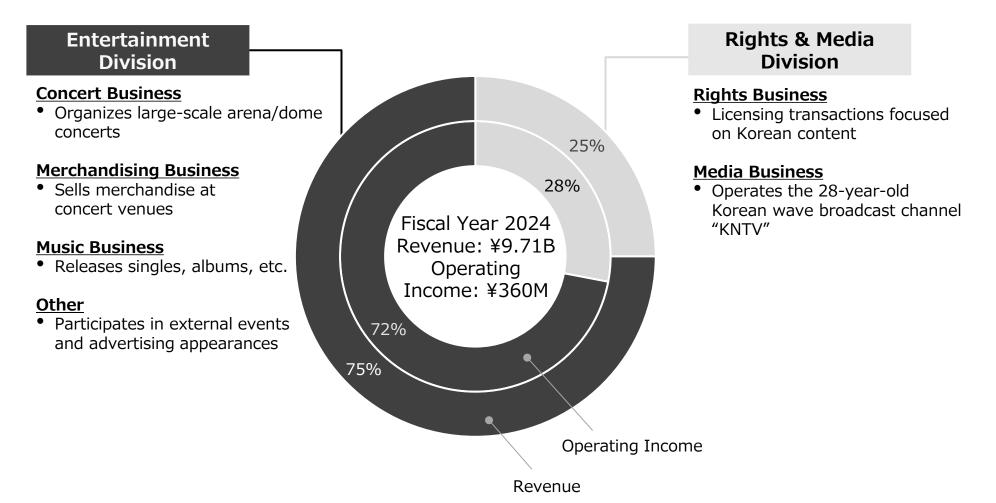




### **Business Overview**



We operate two divisions: an Entertainment Business with exclusive domestic management rights for SM Entertainment artists, leveraging their IP, and a Rights & Media Business that handles Korean content licensing and runs a Korean broadcast channel.





We hold exclusive domestic management rights for globally popular SM Entertainment artists and for actors affiliated with other companies. By leveraging these artist IPs, we are broadening our business across various sectors.

[SM Affiliated Artists]



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WayV





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EXO

Red Velvet



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#### **Entertainment Business Leveraging Powerful IP**

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#### **Concert Business**

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- Hosting large-scale concerts in arena/dome venues
- Drawing over 1.5M attendees annually
- Online streaming to audiences worldwide
- Discovering and developing new IP

#### **Merchandising Business**

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- Selling merchandise at concert venues
- Expanding sales via e-commerce
  - Planning collaborative product lines
- Operating limited-time pop-up stores and cafés

#### **Music Business**

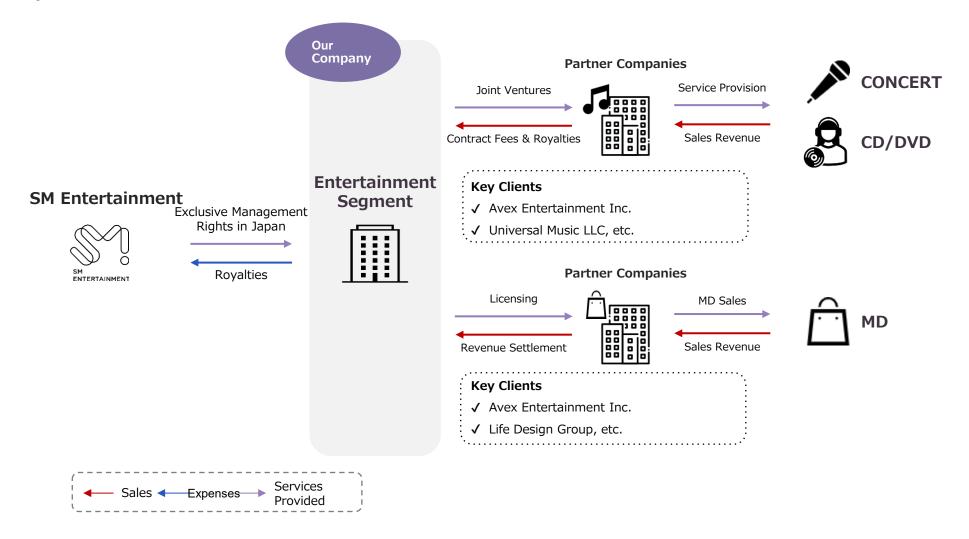
- Releasing singles and albums
- Producing live concert DVDs
- Achieving high rankings on various charts

#### Other

- Advertising contracts
- Appearances in films and dramas
- Fan club management business\*
- Planning and producing original content

\*Our fan club business mainly targets Korean actors and artists from other companies.

In our Entertainment segment, we obtain rights from Korean companies for their artists' activities in Japan and, using artist IP, offer a range of services and products with domestic partners.



In addition to importing popular Korean dramas, music, and other content for domestic sales, we also broadcast them via our self-operated channel KNTV, now celebrating its 28th anniversary.

#### **Rights Business**

We purchase popular content such as Korean dramas and variety shows, and sell them to broadcasters—including our own channel KNTV—as well as BS/CS channels and OTT providers.

### South Korea & China/Taiwan

- Content Production Companies
- Korean Terrestrial & CATV
- SM Group Companies

#### Drama



(Left) "Korea-Khitan War" (Original Title) (Right) "Missing Crown Prince" (Original Title)



#### Japan

- Terrestrial, BS, CS
- OTT Services
  - DVD Retailers

#### Variety



(Left) "April Snow" (Right) "TVXQ's 72 Hours"

#### **Media Business**

KNTV, which airs K-POP premium content and popular Korean dramas, is delivered via a CS service that reaches 30 million households nationwide in Japan.

#### **K-POP Premium Content**





[Live] SMTOWN LIVE 2024 : SMCU PALACE@TOKYO

[Live] 2025 WayV CONCERT [ON THE Way] FINAL IN SEOUL

#### Drama and Variety



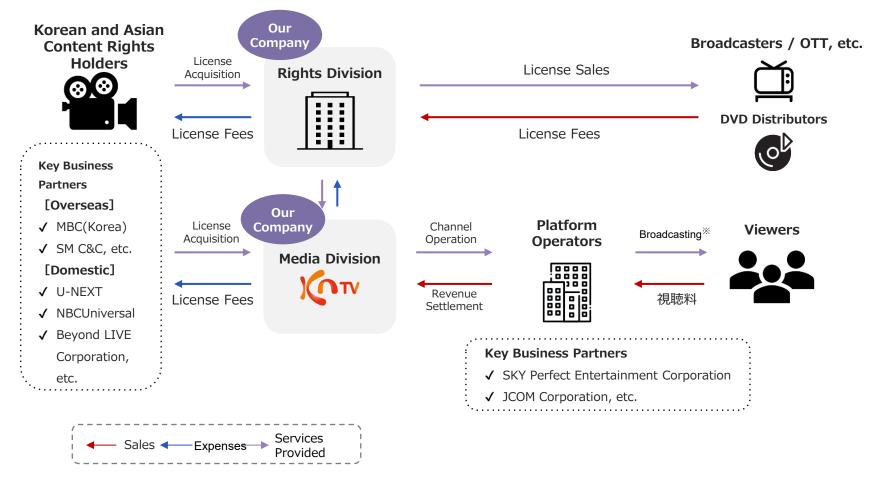
KBS Taiga Drama "Korea-Khitan War" (Original Title)



"Doubt" (Original Title)

#### **Stream** Media Corporation Rights & Media Segment: Revenue Structure

In the Rights & Media business, we acquire licenses from content rights holders and develop services—such as channel operations and content distribution—based on those licenses.



KNTV is distributed through the broadcasting services of CS, CA, and IPTV providers, with viewing fees collected by each provider and settled with our company.

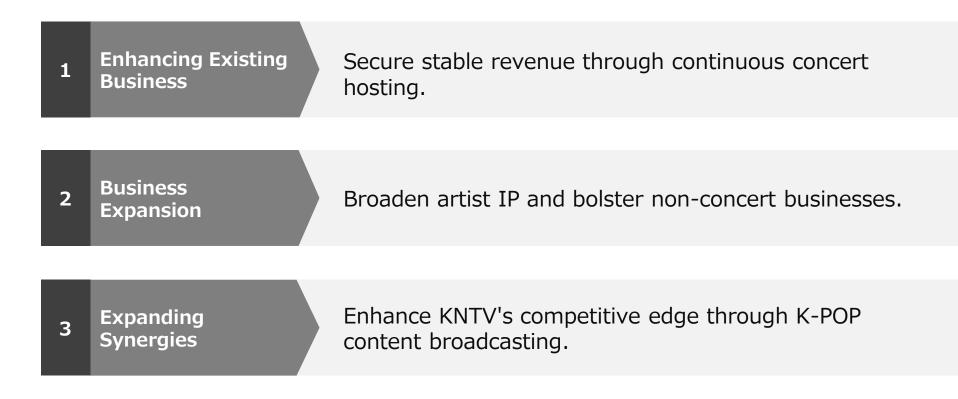


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## **Market Environment and Countermeasures**

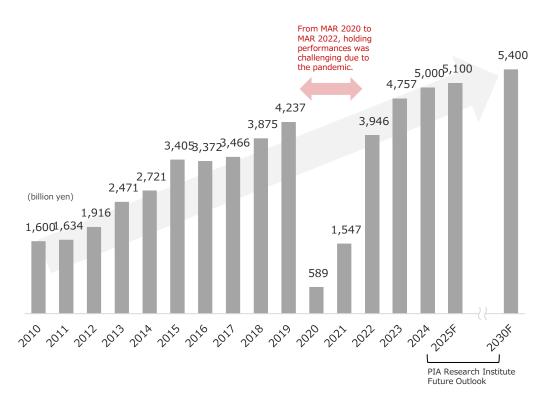


We will strengthen the revenue structure of our concert business to secure stable earnings while strategically expanding non-concert operations to achieve sustainable growth.



After suffering during COVID-19, the live music market exceeded pre-pandemic levels by 2023. Continued growth in large events, more venues, and higher ticket prices is expected to drive stability.

#### Concert Market Size Forecast



Aggregated genres: pop, classical, enka, kayōkyoku, jazz, ethnic music, and others
 Online live performances are not included.

Source: Pia Research Institute Estimate, "Live Entertainment White Paper 2024"

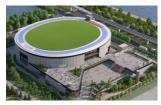
%1 From the Sports Agency's "New Construction/Reconstruction of Stadiums and Arenas and Formation of Advanced Case Studies," as prepared by our company

#### ■ Increase in Concert Venues<sup>×1</sup>

After 2025, six or more arena-class venues are planned to be built across Japan.



GLION ARENA KOBE (Spring '25 forecast, 10K)



TOKYO A-ARENA (Autumn '25 forecast, 10K)



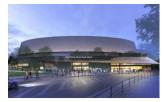
Osaka Expo Memorial Park Station Front Arena (Forecast '27, 18K)



Aichi International Arena (Summer '25 forecast, 18K)



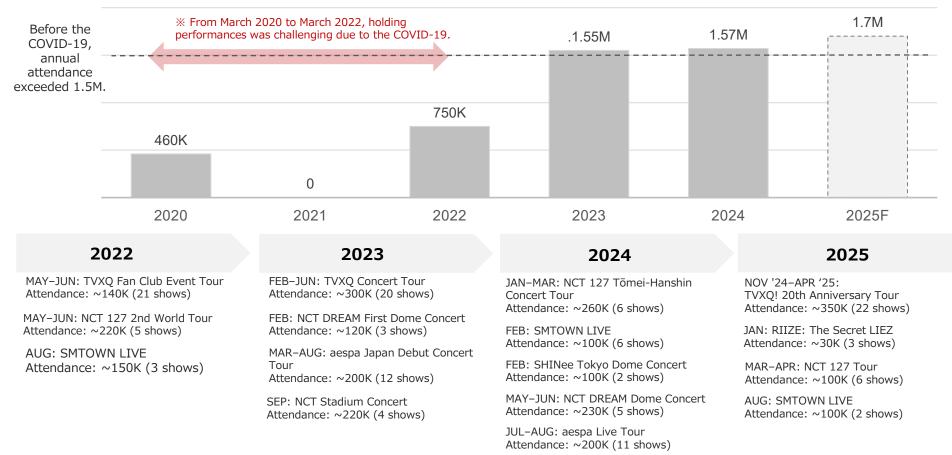
SeaHorse Mikawa New Arena (Forecast '26, 5K)



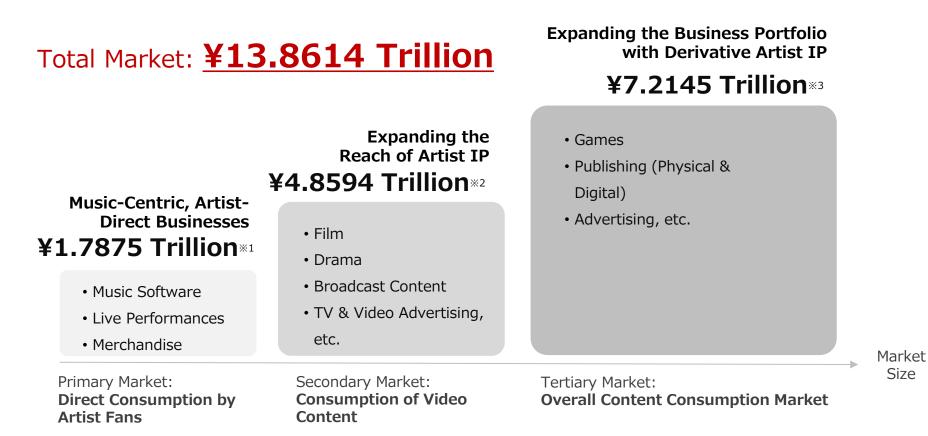
New Chichibunomiya Rugby Stadium (Winter '27 forecast, 20K)

Our company consistently boasts a robust artist lineup that attracts over 1.5 million concert attendees annually. We leverage this passionate fandom to expand our business portfolio.

#### Annual Concert Attendance



By leveraging artist IP in diverse ways, we will expand our business portfolio and increase our market share in a domestic market exceeding 13 trillion yen.



#### Sources:

%1 Combined figures from:

- The 2023 forecast for the character market by the Content Industry Division, Commercial Information Production Bureau, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry;
- The 2021 Japanese phonograph (physical & digital) market scale from "Statistics Trends: Japan's Record Industry 2022" by the Recording Industry Association of Japan; and
- The music live market scale estimated in the "Live Entertainment White Paper 2022" by PIA Research Institute.
- %2,3 Compiled by our company based on the 2023 forecast data from the Content Industry Division, Commercial Information Production Bureau, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry. Calculated at an exchange rate of 1 USD = 137.59 JPY.

Along with boosting our artist lineup, we will focus on developing original Japanese IP. By leveraging artist IP, we aim to broaden our business portfolio and increase our revenue potential.

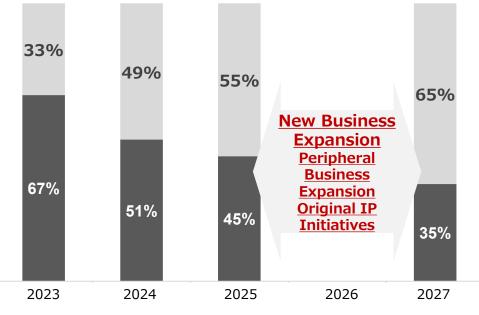
New Business Strategy

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 Objective: Increase the share of non-concert revenue to over 65%

**%**Based on total Entertainment Business revenue



Concert Non-Concert

#### What Is Non-Concert Business?

Our entertainment operations consist of the following areas:

- Concert Business
- MD Business
- Music Business (CDs, DVDs, etc.)
- Appearance Business (Advertising appearances in films, dramas, etc.)
- Artist IP
- New Businesses (Music, etc.)

#### Non-Concert **Business**

#### Why Strengthen Non-Concert Business?

#### Limitations of the Concert Business

- Artist schedules
- Venue availability
- Numerous physical constraints

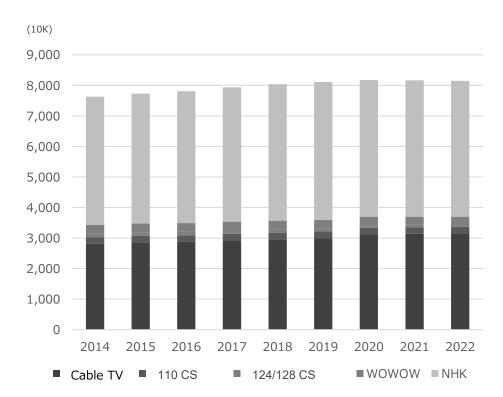
#### Points to Consider for Further Revenue Growth

- Risks in businesses reliant on SM artists
- Additional revenue through leveraging artist IP
- Creating new businesses tied to existing royalty-generating operations

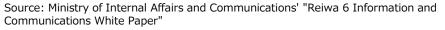
(prioritizing new businesses that do not incur royalties)

Despite the diversification of content-viewing devices, the number of broadcasting service subscribers remains stable. Furthermore, demand for Korean content remains high, and export volumes continue to increase.

#### Number of Broadcasting Service Subscribers



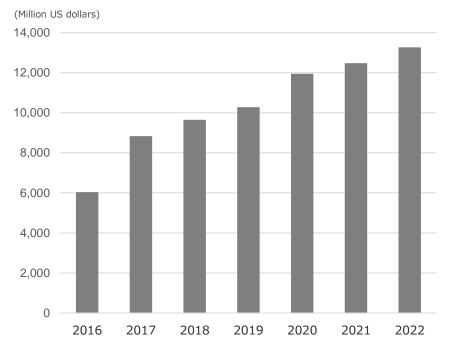
Shows a slight upward trend, maintaining 80M.



#### Overseas Exports of Korean Content

The export value of Korean content is growing rapidly, with Japan accounting for 15% of the total.

% Includes publishing, manga, music, film, games, anime, broadcasting, advertising, characters, knowledge information, and content solutions.



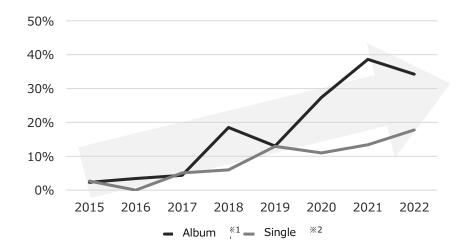
Source: Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism of Korea "Content Industry Survey" (2023)

KNTV airs Japan-premiere dramas and premium K-POP content via group synergies, further leveraging these assets for marketing and audience engagement.

#### ■ Market Demand for K-POP Content

Amid intensifying competition for drama and film licensing, we will capitalize on our strength in premium K-POP content to meet market needs.

• The Influence of K-POP in Japan's Music Market



%1 Proportion of K-POP albums among albums that sold over 100,000 copies in the Oricon annual ranking

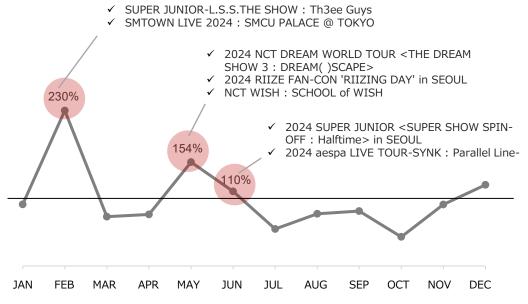
%2 Proportion of K-POP singles among singles that sold over 150,000 copies in the Oricon annual ranking

Source: HI INVESTMENT & SECURITIES, "K-POP Outside Korea That Koreans Don't Know"

Source: Compiled from the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications' "Reiwa 6 Information and Communications White Paper"

#### Enhancing Business Synergies by Strengthening K-POP Content Programming

- In 2024, we will broadcast 15 premium content titles.
   ※ A live broadcast of premium content was canceled in December 2024 due to an airplane accident.
- Notably, two live broadcasts of SM TOWN LIVE significantly exceeded the annual average attendance.
- Monthly New Subscriber Trends for KNTV in 2024
   ※ Percentages are calculated based on the 2024 monthly average of new subscribers.



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### **Business Plan & KPIs**

**Mid-Term Strategy** 

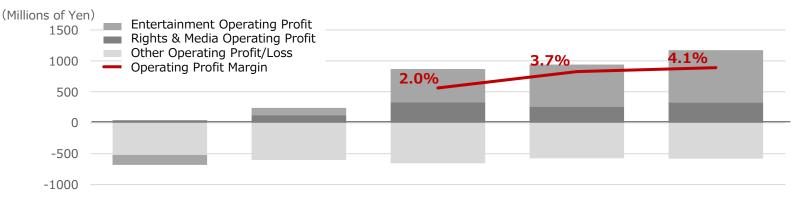
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# In 2023, we will normalize concert operations impacted by COVID-19. From 2024 onward, we will strengthen and expand our existing business. In 2025, we will pursue new business opportunities to achieve stable long-term growth.

AUG 2020 Merger with SMEJ	Recovery APR 2022 Post-COVID	Normalization	Investment & Growth
	Post-COVID Performance Recovery	Achieving Operating Profit	Expansion & New Business Development
	<ul> <li>Resumption of offline concerts</li> <li>Expanded utilization of artist IP, including: <ul> <li>Collaborative character merchandise projects</li> <li>Film and OTT content appearances</li> <li>Pop-up store operations, etc.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Strengthening domestic sales of group companies' original content and popular content form Chinese region.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Recovery of concert business performance</li> <li>Enhanced entertainment business through an expanded artist lineup and broader IP portfolio</li> <li>Further premiumization of KNTV through expanded K- POP content programming</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Strengthen revenue stability by leveraging derivative artist IP <ul> <li>Expand non-concert ventures (merchandising and commercial appearances)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Pursue new initiatives through original Japanese IP development <ul> <li>Girls' group and VR idol debut in AUG 2025</li> <li>Boys' group debut in 2026</li> </ul> </li> <li>Improve efficiency and reinforce operations <ul> <li>Boost non-concert business activities</li> <li>Focus on content rights acquisition</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Following our Entertainment Business recovery, we expect profitability in 2023 and record post-merger revenue and operating profit in 2024, with further growth projected for 2025.

#### Operating Profit and Operating Profit Margin



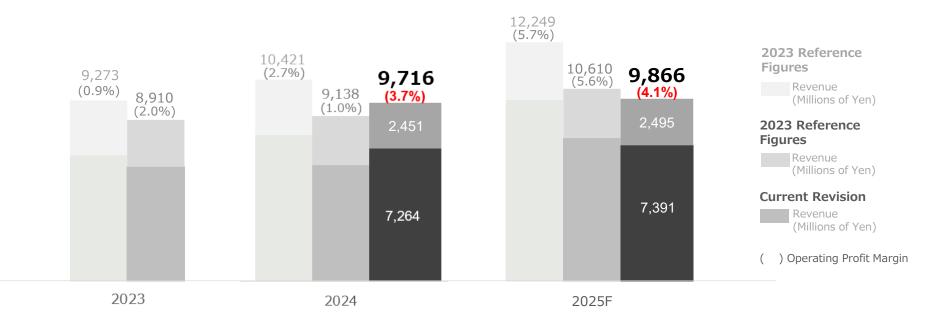
Fiscal Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025F
Revenue	5,631	7,078	8,910	9,716	9,866
Entertainment	2,124	3,714	6,330	7,264	7,391
Rights & Media	3,498	3,205	2,682	2,451	2,495
Profit/Loss	-641	-381	181	364	405
Profit Margin	-	-	2.0%	3.7%	4.1%

• In addition to continuing our concert business, we will drive revenue growth by expanding non-concert segments.

• With our original Japanese IP launching full-scale domestic activities in 2025, profit margins are expected to improve.

% The difference between total revenue and the sum of each division's revenue represents the performance of the "Other" segment.

We have revised our forecast for the Entertainment Business due to concert production costs rising beyond expectations.



#### [2024]

- Entertainment: Non-concert segments are driving performance; notably, the MD business has increased average customer spend through key merchandise renewals.
- Rights & Media: Along with continued strong performance in archive titles from the Rights business, the Media segment has cut fixed costs by streamlining office operations.

[2025]

- Entertainment: We have revised our plans due to slower-than-expected growth in the live music market and concert production costs not falling as anticipated.
- Rights & Media: Despite a persistently challenging market, revenue and profit margins remain steady.

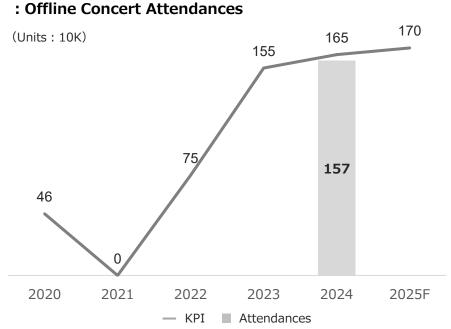
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Stream Media Corporation Departmental KPIs

By setting concert attendance as a KPI, we can manage the size and loyalty of the fandom that forms the basis of our IP business.

Meanwhile, KNTV will actively schedule premium content to attract new subscribers.

Entertainment Segment



pprox Until July 2020, performance was based on the track record of SM Entertainment Japan or SMEJ.

- In 2024, we held concerts as planned and largely met our KPIs.
- For 2025, due to slower-than-expected growth in the live music market and concert production costs not declining as anticipated, we have revised our plans.

■ Rights & Media Segment

(Units : Titles)

: K-POP Premium Content Titles Broadcast on KNTV

- In 2024, our regular, strategic scheduling of premium content not only attracted new subscribers but also helped prevent churn after the first month.
- However, due to continued live broadcast cancellations following a Korean airplane accident in December 2024, the number of premium content titles fell short.
- In light of these circumstances, we have revised our 2025 plans.



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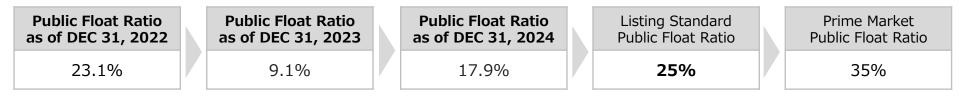
## **Reporting Matters**

### Measures to Maintain Listing

#### Measures to Secure a 25% Public Float Ratio

• Since the stock market reorganization in April 2022, our company has opted for the Growth Market.

However, our public float ratio does not meet listing maintenance standards.



#### Current Situation

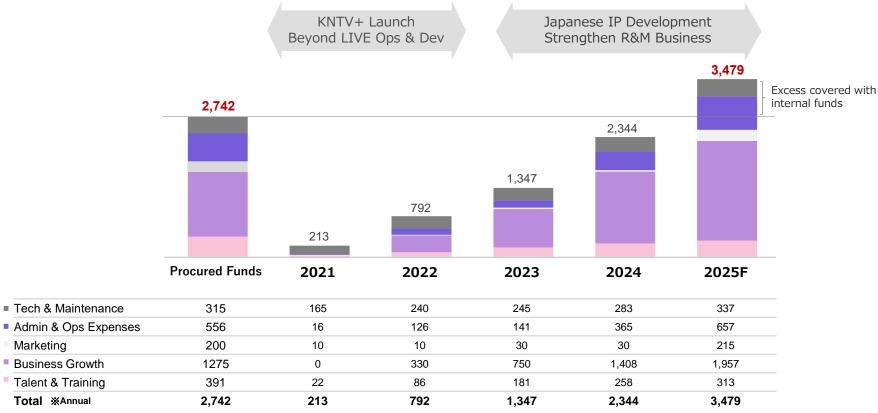
- At the end of 2023, the emergence of a major shareholder holding over 10% led to a decline in the public float ratio.
- In 2024, our parent company completed two share sales, raising the public float ratio to 17.9%.

#### ■ Future Initiatives to Meet the Listing Standards

- Request that major shareholders partially divest and cooperate to improve the public float ratio.
- Additionally, we will work to secure the public float ratio by:
- Expanding investor outreach through enhanced IR.
- Exploring financing methods that protect non-controlling shareholders.

#### In 2025, all funds from NAVER Korea will be invested in new businesses, core operations, and talent acquisition.

■ Investment Status and Plan for Funds Raised from NAVER



- The initial ¥1.7 billion plan for platform development, including Beyond LIVE, has been revised. Fund allocation and timing will be adjusted.
- Remaining funds will focus on KNTV content acquisition, original Japanese IP development, and talent recruitment.

### **Initiatives Toward Achieving the SDGs**

We promote a diverse, inclusive workplace and remain committed to advancing the SDGs through multifaceted efforts.

SDG Contribution Areas	Current Initiatives and Future Plans				
Workplace Diversity and Labor Environment Improvement	<ul> <li>Internal Employee DEI Female Employee Ratio</li> <li>Male 34%</li> <li>Female Manager Ratio</li> <li>Male 39%</li> <li>Male 39%</li> <li>Female Manager Ratio</li> <li>Male 61%</li> <li>Overseas 36%</li> <li>Japan 64%</li> <li>Health checkups &amp; stress tests (2024: 78.3%, 2025 goal: 80%)</li> <li>Occupational health consultations</li> <li>Refresh leave for long service</li> <li>Free e-learning access</li> <li>Skill and welfare enhancement</li> </ul>	Age Diversity 14% 28% 28% 28% 20s 30s 40s 50+			
Environmental Protection and Climate Action	<ul><li>Smart work environment</li><li>KNTV brochure digitalization</li></ul>	12 RESPONDENT ADMODICTION ADMODICTION			
Partner Co-Growth and Social Justice	<ul> <li>Data and info security systems</li> <li>Sustainable management framework</li> <li>Ethics and human rights training</li> <li>Strengthening partnerships</li> </ul>	16 PEACE, AUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS INSTITUTIONS			

#### We mitigate risks through stronger internal controls and diversified revenue sources. \*For other risks, see "Business Risks" in the Securities Report.

Overview	Risk	Division	Probability	Impact	Risk Response
Concerts	Rising production costs may reduce concert sales and profits	ENT	Medium	Medium	Although production cost increases persist, the share of non-concert business is being raised, and outsourced operations are gradually reduced.
Artists	Artist inactivity due to contract end or suspension may lower related revenue	ENT	Low	small	Expanding the artist lineup, including original Japanese IPs, to reduce dependence on any single artist.
Content	Competition for content rights intensifies with OTT growth, raising license costs	R&M	Medium	Medium	Acquiring a broad range of content including Chinese and variety shows, not limited to Korean dramas; also reusing group-produced content.
Talent Retention	Talent loss may hinder operations or delay business	ENT R&M	Low	Medium	Improve work conditions and retention incentives.
Legal	Copyright or attribution issues may halt content delivery	ENT R&M	Low	small	Engage in dialogue with copyright associations and raise internal awareness.
Exchange Rates	Yen depreciation (vs. KRW, USD) may raise licensing and production costs	ENT R&M	Medium	Medium	Share currency risk in joint productions; select optimal payment and settlement methods.

\*1 ENT: Entertainment / R&M: Rights & Media

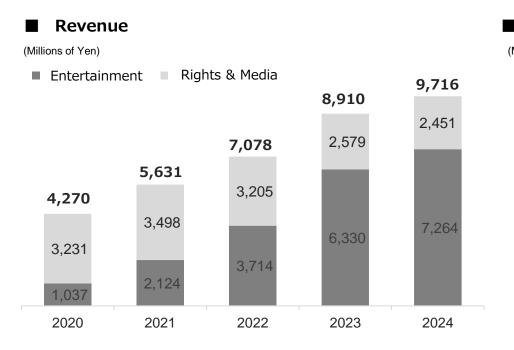
\*2 COVID-19 excluded as it was reclassified to Category 5 in May 2023



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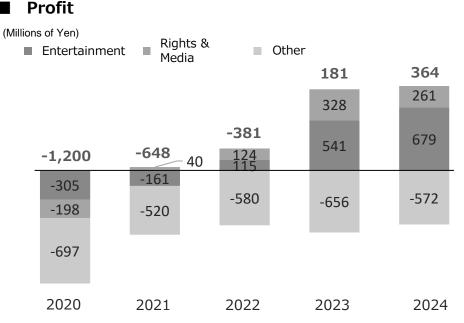
# Appendix

Concerts proceeded as planned, but higher production costs led to a sales gap. We continue selling archive content while pursuing new titles.



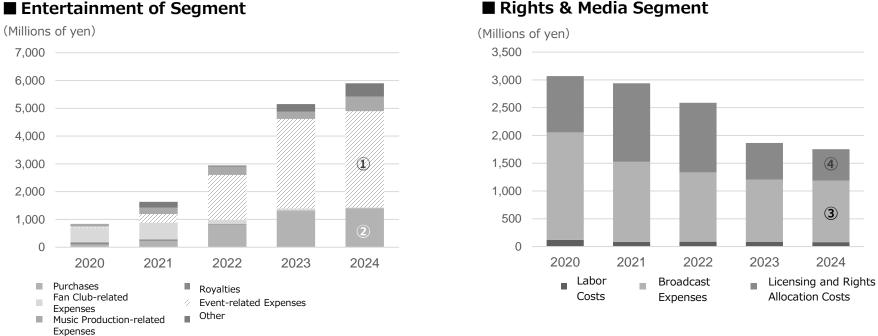
#### Entertainment sales grew year-on-year, supported by major concerts and strong non-concert business.\*

 Rights & Media worked to sustain sales through archive content despite a tough market.\*



- The Media Business stayed profitable through licensing and subtitle sales, despite declining viewership.
- Tight SG&A control supported year-on-year profit growth.

In 2024, the Entertainment segment's increased number of concerts led to higher associated costs. Meanwhile, in the Rights & Media segment, strengthened sales of archive titles and strategic use of group synergies resulted in lower expenses.



#### Rights & Media Segment

- Increased participation in third-party events led to higher travel and staffing costs. (1)
- More random prize events and popup stores raised merchandise procurement costs. (2)
- KNTV reduced costs through efficient programming, despite adding premium K-POP content. (3)
- Leveraging fully amortized archive content enabled more efficient rights budget management. (4)

<sup>※</sup> Merged with SMEJ Inc. in August 2020

X Rights & Media Division costs exclude Beyond LIVE Corporation



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