





## **Aftersales**



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"Aftersales was established in 2002 because Nissan wanted to expand the scope of what was once the Parts Division. Our primary objective is to extend the value chain. We are trying to engage new-car owners for a longer time by offering an extensive range of attractive aftersales products. These products include parts, service contracts, conversion-both accessories and customization-and new service methods such as quick inspection and quick body repair. Global Aftersales covers the downstream business in cooperation with other marketing and sales divisions.

This has become an increasingly global function as we deploy and monitor various programs throughout the world. For example, Project SX, the new Nissan service standard, should drastically improve dealer service operations. This program educates dealers on how to be more customeroriented by providing insights into productivity, marketing

and management. To increase service productivity and efficiency, we send former factory foremen and engineers to various service workshops to analyze service staff performance. This will help cut repair times and improve customer satisfaction. The Nissan Sales and Service Way is also a tool used to increase the quality of service provided by all dealers. Its successful implementation has enhanced customer satisfaction worldwide.

The conversion business in Japan looks very promising. We discovered that 50 percent of car owners want to customize their vehicles, and 28 percent already had. Such a high penetration rate illustrates how much people want a car that's different from everyone else's. The Rider series customized versions of Nissan cars developed by our wholly owned subsidiary Autech—are very popular, especially among younger Japanese. The series exemplifies the major potential of the conversion business.

Global Aftersales is a young division, but we've performed well from the start, meeting our global commitments every year during NISSAN 180 and contributing to the Company's growth. We have expanded nearly 20 percent year-on-year between 2001 and 2004, and intend to continue this momentum during NISSAN Value-Up. We will optimize our cost structure by sourcing parts from the leading competitive countries. We are striving to develop an even tighter relationship with our customers and to provide them with new services throughout the ownership cycle. I believe this broader range of aftersales services will provide sustainable growth in Nissan's revenues and profit."

## **MOTORSPORTS**



Motorsports is a dynamic form of marketing that offers a natural forum for presenting the Nissan brand. On the track, Nissan's technologies are pushed to the limit-and sometimes beyondunder grueling conditions.

Nissan participates in a wide range of motorsports, including the Super GT Series. This is the most popular racing series in Japan, and is increasingly broadcast around the world. Motorsports will remain an important marketing outlet that enhances both Nissan's brand presence and our engineering capabilities.