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## Introduction & Agenda



## ◆ Mr. Li Ning, Founder & Executive Chairman

- Announcement Overview
- Strategy Overview
- Update on Marketing Initiatives

# ◆ Mr. Jin-Goon Kim, Executive Vice Chairman & Executive Director

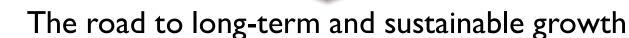
- Background
- Transformation Plan Update
- Channel Revival Plan

#### ♦ Q&A

## Announcement Overview



- Background on recent challenges with the sportswear sector and Li Ning Company
- Update on progress for key initiatives in Transformation Plan
- Board approves "Channel Revival Plan" to restore healthy profitability to channels, following successful pilot programs with top distributors
- Substantial loss expected for full year 2012, primarily due to onetime costs associated with the Transformation Plan, including the Channel Revival Plan

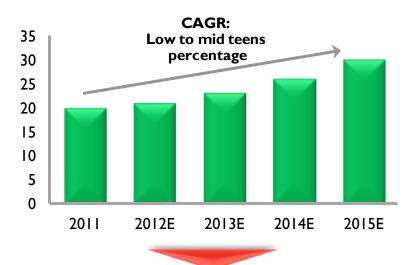


## Long-term Outlook



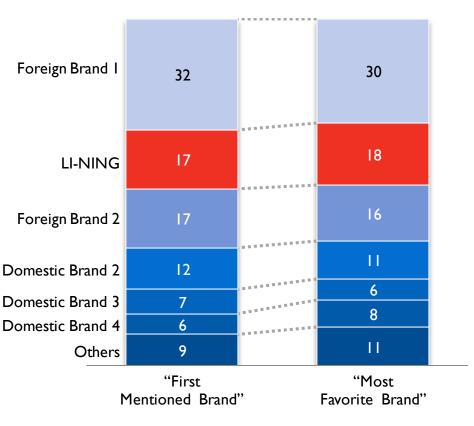
#### **Long-term Market Drivers**

- ◆ Urbanization continues to move 1~2% rural population to urban area annually
- Purchase consumers continues to purchase more as disposable spending and sophistication
- Trade up across brands (to premium) and within brands (to better design/technology/function) will benefit players with stronger brand and products
- Inflation inflation will continue to drive long term price increases



Long-term industry potential despite near term challenges

# LI-NING - Long heritage and close association with Chinese sports

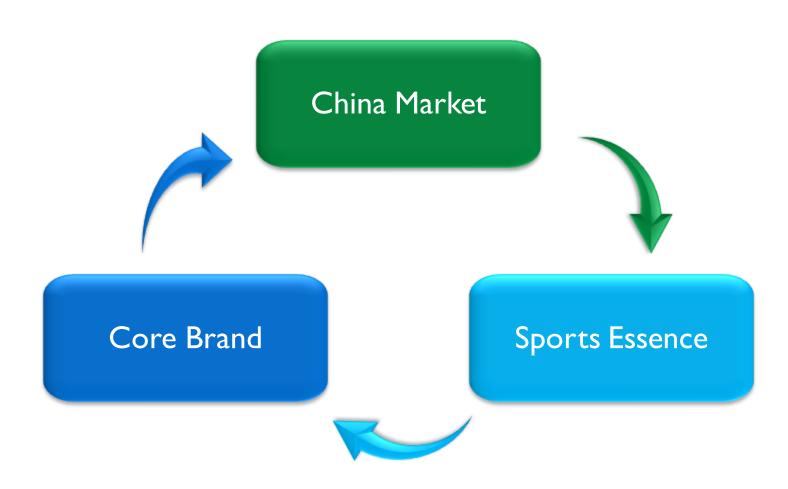


Source:  $3^{rd}$  party consumer research

Well positioned to benefit as no. I domestic sportswear brand & no. 2 overall

# Our Key Focuses





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## Continued Focus on Leadership in Key Sports

#### National Teams

#### Five gold medal teams, representing over 1/2 of gold medals that China won at the last Olympics





#### **Basketball**

#### ◆ CBA:

- Main professional basketball league in China
- Largest and most popular sports league in China
- Dwyane Wade:
  - One of the top NBA players





#### Track & Field / Running

- A key driving force of China's running culture through sponsorship of large-scale marathons and grassroots events
- Industry leader with technologically advanced functional products (e.g. LI-NING Ultralight, LI-NING Arc, LI-NING Bow)





#### **Badminton**

- Leading sponsorships including national team and players (e.g. Lin Dan) in China
- Integrated promotions via multibrands, multi-channels and multi-platforms
- Strengthen the brand's association with badminton sector





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Leading sportswear brand and closest association with Chinese sports



## Successful Start of New CBA Season



- In the few months since the opening of the CBA season, attendance was significantly higher than last year
- Home games were sold out at Beijing, Guangdong, Shanxi and Xinjiang
- In the first 3 months, CCTV-5 broadcasted four games each week (audience rating of 0.4 and covering 5.2mm people/minute), and local TV stations broadcasted each game
- In addition to positive impact on brand, sponsorship also had direct impact on business with significant growth of basketball shoes and apparel sales compared to shoes and apparel overall



## Successful Launch of Dwayne Wade Sponsorship



#### Press Conference (10.10-11.11)

Promotion of LN Basketball Proposition (11.12-12.31)

10.10 10.8 **Airport** Press pickup by Conference fans

Fans participated in the

event marketing and used

micro-blogs to expand the

influence

10.11-10.14 China exhibition game

10.22 Launch of limited edition shoe for China exhibition game

The launch of the global

limited edition of 60 pairs of shoes have brought in 10,000 direct participants and used the digital marketing platform to cover over 3mm people



11.12 TVC and OOH





Fans were attracted to the Wade TVC/OOH which effectively communicates LN's basketball proposition through coverage of over 100mm people



Breakthrough to conventional press conference with distributors, key opinion leaders and Miami Heat all coming to Beijing



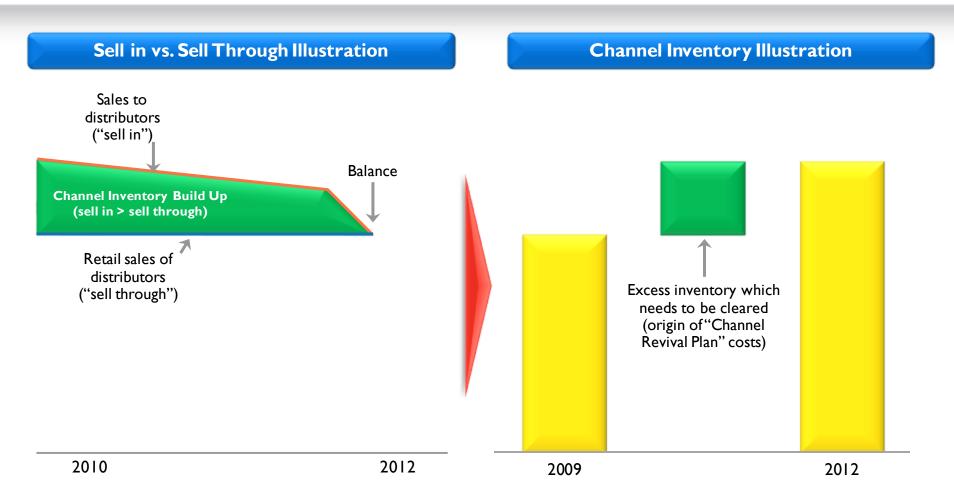
Digital media > all media Influenced 10,382,074 people and 207,607 participated in interaction

Significantly increased awareness of cooperation between LN and Wade in the first month through the above media events



# Source of Current Challenges





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Wholesale practice and overexpansion...

... leading to build up in channel inventory



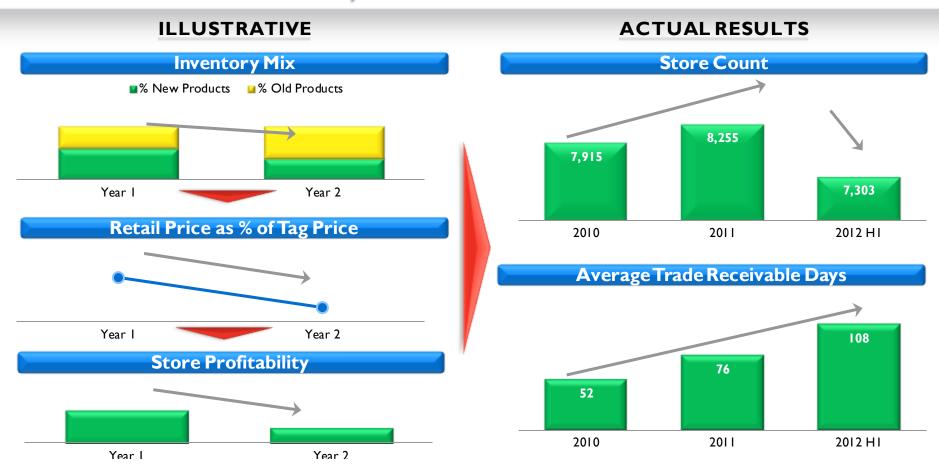




Current challenges within the channels resulting from the wholesale practice began to spill over into the company in 2011



## Decline in Retail Profitability



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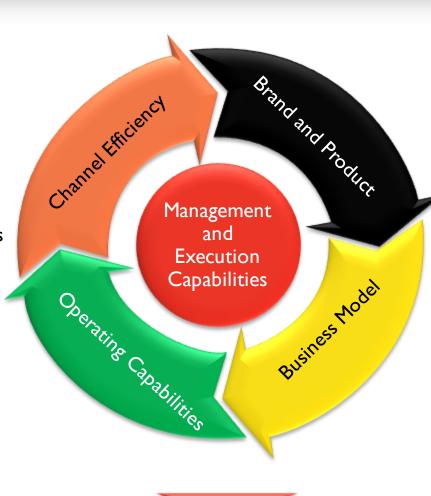
Higher mix of older products leading to more retail discounts, which in turn impacts store profitability...

... leading to store closures and working capital issues for Li Ning Company



## Transformation Plan Recap

- Improve store unit economics
- Rationalize network coverage through retail profiling
- Strengthen outlets and direct stores
- Improve capabilities of retail and channel partners
- Competitive cost structure in product and operations
- Effective marketing and channel spending
- Lean and efficient operations, particularly in product and sales

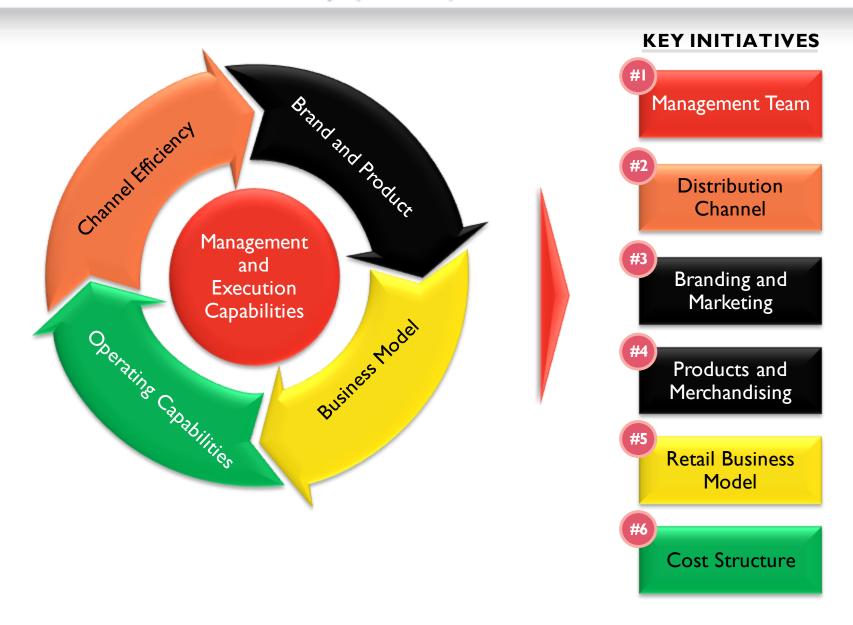


- Focus on core brand sportswear in China
- Strategic investments in brand (e.g., CBA)
- Make competitive products with exciting designs and technologies, in shorter
   development cycles to stay current with market demands
- More retail-oriented and consumer-oriented
- Consistent brand experience through merchandising & store operations
- Improve supply chain and ordering model to lower cost and time-to-market

Vision: Solidify LI-NING as the leading brand in Chinese sportswear industry with world-class branding & retail capabilities



## Transformation Plan Recap (Cont'd)



## Progress Update



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Management Team

#### **Near Term**

#### **Medium Term**

- Appointment of Mr. Jin Goon Kim as Executive Vice Chairman
- Appointment of Chief Marketing Officer, Chief Product Officer, Chief Designer, interim Chief Sales Officer and Chief Supply Chain Officer
- Improved internal systems and processes

 Organizational restructuring and optimization



- Channel Revival Plan
  - Inventory clearance
  - Inventory buy-back
  - Operational and financial support to channel partners
- Rationalization of store base
- Optimization of channel policies

- Continue to build capacity for dedicated clearance channel
- Continue to streamline distribution network



- Optimization of sponsorship resources
- Focus on national teams and 3 key sports (basketball, running, badminton)
- Marketing of China Basketball Association (CBA) and Dwayne Wade sponsorships
- Improvement in and integration of consumer positioning, brand positioning, sports category marketing and resources
- Improvement in commercialization of sponsorship resources





# Products and Merchandising

#### **Near Term**

- SKU rationalization
- Improved pricing strategy with broader and more targeted coverage of key demographics
- Introduction of "hero" SKUs

#### **Medium Term**

- Consumer-oriented product planning, design and development
- Build stronger innovation capabilities

- Retail Business Model
- Adjustments to the trade fair process
- More flexible supply chain and logistics
- Store level forecasting and rapid replenishment (pilot stage)

- Redesign of sales and channel organization and practices
- Continued build up of retail capabilities in the channel partners
- Flexible ordering and fast retail capabilities

- Cost Structure
- COGS reduction
- SG&A reduction

On-going cost optimization efforts

## Management Team Status





3 executive directors

3 non-executive directors

4 independent nonexecutive directors

#### Introduce outstanding talents to build a strong management team

#### Chief Supply Chain Officer

- Over 19 years of industry experience
- Worked at leading MNC (Dell) with excellent supply chain management

## Interim Chief Sales Officer

- Rich industry experience
- Worked in a leading sporting goods MNC (Nike)

# Chief Product Officer

 Worked in a leading sporting goods MNC (Adidas, Nike)

#### Chief Designer

 Worked in leading sporting goods MNCs (Nike and Umbro)

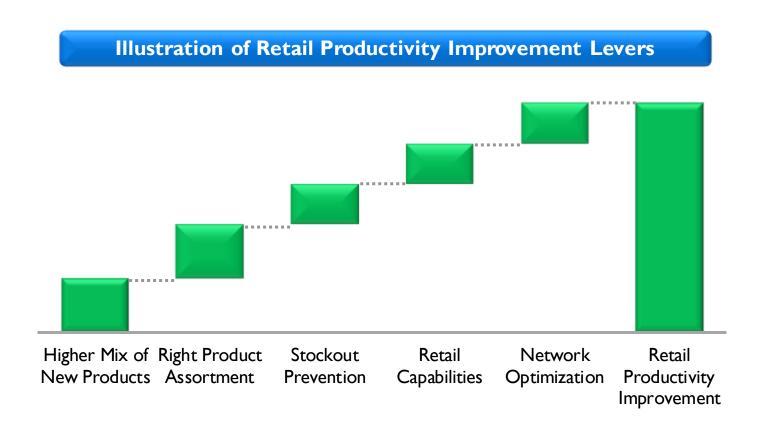
## Chief Marketing Officer

 Worked in leading consumer goods MNCs (General Mills, Johnson & Johnson and P&G)

Strengthening of board and enhancement of the management's execution capability



## Operational Opportunities and Initiatives





Multiple opportunities identified for improving retail productivity



## Operational Opportunities and Initiatives: Examples

## **ILLUSTRATION OF** PRODUCT ASSORTMENT PILOTS **NETWORK OPTIMIZATION Entry Level Sneaker Pilot (Sell Out%)** Size and number of stores —Pilot — All Sneakers Location and density Launch **Today** Channel policies Hero SKU Pilot (Sell Out %) —Pilot —All SKUs Order fulfillment model Retail operations Launch **Today**

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More price point coverage for different demographics and identification of "hero" SKUs

Improvement in network structure and operations



#### Channel Revival Plan

- ◆ Estimated costs of RMB 1.4-1.8 billion (mostly non-cash and in the form of accounts receivables offsets) for the various channel initiatives
- Expected to restore the healthy profitability of channel partners

# Channel Revival Plan Actions

- ◆ Inventory clearance
- Inventory buy-back
- Construction of dedicated clearance channels
- Merchandising initiatives
- Network rationalization
- Other operational support
- Adjustments in channel policies
- Accounts receivables restructuring

#### **Current Status**

- Test pilots commenced with select distributors
- Negotiations with top distributors representing majority of business for full roll out

#### **Target Results**

- Inventory and mix of new products back to healthy levels
- Strengthened financial position of distributors
- Continued monitoring and assessment of distributors
- Closer cooperation and alignment with distributors
- Ensure best outcome for all stakeholders
- Strengthens Li Ning's leadership position and creates platform for long term sustainable growth

