## We've Put in Place a Successful Growth Strategy

#### We have a firm and creative base

### Rebuilt R&D

- Implemented a localization strategy
- Activated M&A process
- Created more competitive businesses in more markets than ever before
- Changed the growth rate of company
- Increased internal entrepreneurship
- Stepped-up our leadership capabilities
- Built broad operational excellence

#### And a clear road ahead

- Maintain our optimism on growth
- Ensure R&D is the center of the plan
- Continue to fund the growth with operational excellence
- Gain share through broad competitive differentiation
- Build on our enduring franchises
- Continue International expansion
- Address the US & Western Europe growth challenges

The plan will continue to evolve and strengthen

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# Once Turbulence Settles Down, Who Will be the Winners?

- We are likely seeing an economic reset, then entering a long period of rebuilding
  - Revenue will likely be used to repair broken national balance sheets rather than stimulate growth or expand social welfare
  - The likely outcome will be net lower growth for some time
- The winners will be those companies who:
  - Are highly cash generative
  - Have the ability to re-invent and differentiate themselves constantly
  - Are willing to adapt to a new, more global competitive model
  - Have powerful and trusted brands
  - Maintain a strong presence in more rapidly growing emerging markets
  - Are capable of competing with and beating tough Asian competition
  - Deliver steady dividends through a thoughtful capital allocation model



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## 2012 in Summary

- We assume no "Black Swan" financial meltdown
- China slowdown stabilizes, growth remains positive and then rebounds
- An electronics recovery happens in H2; with a turning point in Q1/Q2
- Western Europe in a mild recession; currency a drag
- Slow but positive growth in the US
- A recovering Japan, but perhaps more slowly due to Thailand
- No new major downward resets in end-market demand but a few minor negative inventory transients
- Latin America growth above 3%
- Actual WW IPI is likely worse than currently forecasted
- This results in 3M sales growth somewhere between 2% and 6%

2012 will be a good year for 3M despite many challenges

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