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(Stock Exchange Code 6651) June 7, 2022

To Shareholders with Voting Rights:

Toru Kurono President NITTO KOGYO CORPORATION 2201 Kanihara, Nagakute-shi, Aichi

NOTICE OF THE 74TH

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

Dear Shareholders:

We would like to express our appreciation for your continued support and patronage.

Please be informed that the 74th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of NITTO KOGYO CORPORATION (the "Company") will be held for the purposes as described below.

In order to prevent the spread of COVID-19, we ask that you refrain from attending this year's Annual General Meeting and exercise your voting rights in writing or via the Internet in advance. Please review the attached Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, indicate your vote for or against the proposals on the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form, and return it so that it is received by 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 28, 2022, Japan time, or exercise your voting rights via the Internet by the above deadline.

For details, please see the "Guide to Voting Rights Exercise Methods" on page 3.

Committee Members

1.	Date and Time:	Wednesday, June 29, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. Japan time
		(The reception will begin at 9:00 a.m.)
2.	Place:	Conference room at the Corporate Headquarters located at
		2201 Kanihara, Nagakute-shi, Aichi
		* Please note that in case the above conference room is full, we may guide you to the second conference room.
3.	Meeting Agenda:	
	Matters to be reported:	 The Business Report, Consolidated Financial Statements for the Company's 74th Fiscal Year (April 1, 2021 - March 31, 2022) and results of audits by the Accounting Auditor and the Audit & Supervisory Committee of the Consolidated Financial Statements Non-consolidated Financial Statements for the Company's 74th Fiscal Year (April 1, 2021 - March 31, 2022)
	Proposals to be resolved	:
	Proposal 1:	Appropriation of Surplus
	Proposal 2:	Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation
	Proposal 3:	Election of 7 Directors (excluding Audit & Supervisory Committee Members)
	Proposal 4:	Election of 3 Directors Concurrently Serving as Audit & Supervisory

- When attending the meeting, please submit the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form at the reception desk.
- The meeting will be held in light attire ("Cool biz").
- Of the documents to be included in this Notice of the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders pursuant to laws and regulations and provisions of Article 16 of the Articles of Incorporation, Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes to the Non-consolidated Financial Statements are posted on our website (https://www.nito.co.jp/IR/). Therefore, they are not included in the documents accompanying this Notice. Additionally, the Consolidated Financial Statements and the Non-consolidated Financial Statements in the documents accompanying this Notice are parts of the Consolidated Financial Statements and the Non-consolidated Financial Statements and the Audit & Supervisory Committee of the Consolidated Financial Statements when they prepared the accounting audit report and the audit report, respectively.
- If the Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, Business Report, Consolidated Financial Statements, and Non-consolidated Financial Statements are revised, the revisions will be posted on the Company's website (https://www.nito.co.jp/IR/).

Our response associated with COVID-19 infection risk

- In order to prevent the infection and its spread, we ask that you exercise your voting rights in writing (via postal mail) or via the Internet in advance and refrain from attending this year's Annual General Meeting. A video of the reports and resolutions made on the day of this year's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be posted on the Company's website (https://www.nito.co.jp/IR/) at a later date.
- At the venue of this year's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, the Company will take measures to prevent the infection and its spread. Such measures include setting alcohol disinfectants and having our operation staff members wear face masks. We would also like to ask shareholders who visit the venue to take their temperature and wear a mask.
- At the venue of this year's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, the Company is considering of arranging spaces between the seats, and is therefore expecting to decrease the number of seats available to shareholders compared to the previous years. In case the seats are full, we may guide you to another conference room in the same building. We would appreciate for your understanding.
- If you are seen feeling unwell, our staff may ask you to refrain from entering the conference room.
- No souvenirs will be provided to shareholders attending the General Meeting of Shareholders.
- The invitation to the "PLAZA NEXTA" product showroom, which is held every year, will be cancelled from the perspective of preventing the infection and its spread.
- In case there will be a major change to the operation of the General Meeting of Shareholders depending on the future situations, the updates will be posted on the Company's website (https://www.nito.co.jp/IR/) (available in Japanese).

Guide to Voting Rights Exercise Methods

If you are attending the General Meeting of Shareholders

Date and time of the General Meeting of Shareholders: Wednesday, June 29, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. Japan time <The reception will begin at 9:00 a.m.>

Please bring the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form and submit it to the reception desk.

Additionally, the Company requests you to bring this document as reference material.

* Exercise of voting rights via proxy is limited to entrustment to 1 shareholder who holds voting rights. Furthermore, written documentation will be required to certify proxy rights.

If you are not attending the General Meeting of Shareholders

Exercise via postal mail

Exercise deadline: Arrival by Tuesday, June 28, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. Japan time

Please indicate your vote for or against the proposals on the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form and return it so that it arrives by the exercise deadline.

Exercise via the Internet, etc.

Exercise deadline: Exercise by Tuesday, June 28, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. Japan time

Please access the voting rights exercise website and indicate your vote for or against the proposals by the exercise deadline.

[Voting rights exercise website] https://soukai.mizuho-tb.co.jp/

* The website may not be used depending on the Internet environment, the Internet access service and the mobile phone model.

To Institutional Investors

The Company participates in the Voting Rights Exercise Platform (for institutional investors) operated by ICJ, Inc.

- (1) If voting rights are exercised both via mailing of the Voting Rights Exercise Form and the Internet, the voting rights exercised via the Internet shall be deemed valid.
- (2) If voting rights are cast multiple times via the Internet, the most recent exercise shall be deemed valid.
- (3) The password (including the ones you changed) is only valid at this General Meeting of Shareholders. The Company will issue a new password at the next General Meeting of Shareholders.
- (4) The shareholders are requested to bear the fees for connecting with the provider and telecommunication costs for accessing to the voting rights exercise website.

Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders

Proposals and References

Proposal 1: Appropriation of Surplus

The Company positions the return of profits to shareholders as an important management policy, and while comprehensively considering the consolidated dividend payout ratio and the ratio of the consolidated dividends to net assets with continued stable dividends as a basic principle, implements the distribution of results.

Based on the above policy, the Company proposes year-end dividends of 25 yen per share for the fiscal year under review.

As a result, annual dividends including interim dividends (25 yen per share) will be 50 yen per share.

- (1) Type of dividend property Cash
- (2) Matters regarding distribution of dividend property for shareholders and total amount The Company proposes 25 yen per common share of the Company. Additionally, in this case, the total dividend amount will be 950,852,950 yen.
- (3) Effective date for distribution of surplus June 30, 2022

<Reference> Dividend policy for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023 (75th fiscal year), or thereafter The Company presents return on equity (ROE) as a key performance indicator (KPI) to achieve the enhancement of corporate value and aims to maintain or raise its level in the medium to long term. Regarding the distribution of profits, the Company will pay dividends to its shareholders upon comprehensive consideration of its financial standing and level of ROE, while promoting investments that contribute to raising corporate value.

In addition, the Company will conduct various measures as required to improve its capital efficiency, including acquisition/cancellation of treasury shares, to meet the expectations of its shareholders.

In the remaining two fiscal years (the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023 and the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024) of the 2023 mid-term management plan, the Company will conduct the distribution of dividends aimed at achieving the consolidated payout ratio of 100% to curtail further any increase of equity capital and raise its ROE.

Proposal 2: Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation

1. Reasons for the proposal

The amended provisions stipulated in the proviso of Article 1 of the supplementary provisions of the "Act Partially Amending the Companies Act" (Act No. 70 of 2019) will be enforced on September 1, 2022. Accordingly, to prepare for the introduction of the system for electronic provision of materials for the general meetings of shareholders, the Articles of Incorporation of the Company shall be amended as follows.

- (1) The proposed Article 16, Paragraph 1 provides that information contained in the Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, etc., shall be provided electronically.
- (2) The purpose of the proposed Article 16, Paragraph 2 is to establish a provision to limit the scope of matters to be included in the paper copy to be sent to shareholders who have requested it.
- (3) The provisions related to the Internet disclosure and deemed provision of the Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, etc. (Article 16 of the current Articles of Incorporation), will become unnecessary and will therefore be deleted.
- (4) In line with the above establishment and deletion of the provisions, supplementary provisions related to the effective date, etc., shall be established.

In addition, years will be presented according to the Western calendar instead of the Japanese calendar to make the Articles of Incorporation more easily understandable.

2. Details of amendments

The details of the amendments are as follows.

(Amended parts are underlined.) Current Articles of Incorporation **Proposed Amendments** (Internet Disclosure and Deemed Provision of Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, etc.) Article 16 The Company may, when convening a <Deleted> general meeting of shareholders, deem that it has provided information to shareholders pertaining to matters to be described or indicated in the reference documents for the general meeting of shareholders, business report, non-consolidated financial statements, and consolidated financial statements, by disclosing such information through the Internet in accordance with the provisions provided in the Ordinance of the Ministry of Justice.

Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments
	(Measures for Electronic Provision, etc.)
<newly established=""></newly>	 <u>Article 16</u> <u>1.</u> The Company shall, when convening a general meeting of shareholders, provide information contained in the reference documents for the general meeting of shareholders, etc., electronically. <u>2.</u> Among the matters to be provided electronically, the Company may choose not to include all or part of the matters stipulated in the Ordinance of the Ministry of Justice in the paper copy to be sent to shareholders who have requested it by the record date for voting rights.
Supplementary provisions	Supplementary provisions
Article 2 The preceding Article and this Article shall be deleted as of June 29, 2026.	(Change in Japanese only; English unchanged)
<newly established=""></newly>	 <u>Article 3</u> <u>1.</u> The deletion of Article 16 (Internet Disclosure and Deemed Provision of Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, etc.) from the pre-amendment Articles of Incorporation and the new establishment of Article 16 (Measures for Electronic Provision, etc.) in the revised Articles of Incorporation shall come into effect on September 1, 2022. <u>2.</u> Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding paragraph, Article 16 (Internet Disclosure and Deemed Provision of Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, etc.) from the pre-amendment Articles of Incorporation shall remain in force with respect to a general meeting of shareholders to be held on or before the end of February 2023. <u>3.</u> This Article shall be deleted on March 1. 2023, or the date after the lapse of three months from the date of the general meeting of shareholders set forth in the preceding paragraph, whichever is later.

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June 27, 2013	June 27, 2013
June 27, 2014	June 27, 2014
June 29, 2016	June 29, 2016
	June 29, 2022

Proposal 3: Election of 7 Directors (excluding Audit & Supervisory Committee Members)

The terms of office of all 6 Directors (excluding Audit & Supervisory Committee Members; the same applies within this Proposal) will expire at the conclusion of this year's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. Accordingly, in order to further strengthen the management structure of the Group, it is proposed that the number of Directors be increased by 1 and 7 Directors be elected.

Additionally, the Audit & Supervisory Committee believes that each of the candidates, who were nominated by the Board of Directors upon receiving the reports by the Nomination and Compensation Committee, is adequate to serve as a Director of the Company after examination based on the nomination policies, etc.

The candidates for Director are as follows:

No.	Name		Current positions at the Company	
		Reappointment	Chairman & CEO	
1	Tokio Kato	Male	(Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief	
			Executive Officer) (Representative Director)	
2	Toru Kurono	Reappointment	President and COO	
2	Toru Kurono	Male	(Chief Operating Officer) (Representative Director)	
3	Motoo Ochiai	Reappointment	Senior Managing Director	
5		Male		
4	Koichiro Sato	Reappointment	Director	
•		Male		
5	Akitaka Tejima	Reappointment	Director	
	- Infunda Fojinha	Male		
6	Hiroshi Minoura	Reappointment	Director	
		Male		
7	Koichi Takenaka	New appointment	Executive Officer	
/		Male		

	(Underlines indicate current positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions)					
No.	Name (Date of birth)		Past experience, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions			
1	Tokio Kato (June 10, 1953) Reappointment	July 1987GendAugust 1987DireMarch 1992DepuJuly 1998DepuJune 2003ManDepuComJune 2005PressJune 2008ChaiApril 2019ChaiApril 2020Chai	ed the Company eral Manager, Accounting Department of the Company ctor of the Company uty General Manager, Production Division of the Company aging Director of the Company uty General Manager, Business Management Division of the apany ident of the Company irman & CEO of the Company irman of the Company (Chairman of the Board of Directors) irman & CEO (Chairman of the Board of Directors and <u>if Executive Officer) of the Company</u>	15,434		
		Based on his operational divisions and a wealth	s a candidate for Director] al experience in areas such as sales, production, and corpor of experience as a manager, Mr. Tokio Kato is appropria pervision of the Company's management, and the Company irector.	tely performing		

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Past experience, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
2	Toru Kurono (March 2, 1959) Reappointment	April 1981 March 2002 March 2005 June 2008 March 2009 June 2009 June 2011 June 2014 June 2016 April 2019	Joined the Company General Manager, Development Department I of the Company General Manager, Device Production Department of the Company General Manager responsible for Corporate Planning Office of the Company Deputy General Manager, MA Development Division and General Manager, Technical Center of the Company Executive Officer of the Company General Manager, MA Development Division of the Company Director of the Company Managing Director of the Company Responsible for Overseas Division of the Company Responsible for Development Division of the Company Responsible for Technical Center Vice President and COO of the Company Responsible for Business Management Division of the Company Responsible for Sales Division of the Company Responsible for Business Management Division of the Company Responsible for Business Planning Office Responsible for EV Infrastructure Business Office <u>President and COO (Chief Operating Officer) of the Company</u> Responsible for EV Infrastructure Business Office <u>President and COO (Chief Operating Officer) of the Company</u> Responsible for EV Infrastructure Business Office <u>President and COO (Chief Operating Officer) of the Company</u> Responsible for Public Relations Office	16,930
		Based on his we	ection as a candidate for Director] alth of operational experience in areas such as production, developm	
			Foru Kurono is appropriately performing decision-making and su agement, and the Company thus requests his continued election as D	

No.	Name (Date of birth)		Past experience, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held
3	Motoo Ochiai (January 1, 1959) Reappointment	April 1981 March 2006 March 2010 June 2011 June 2012 June 2013 June 2014 June 2016 April 2017 April 2018 April 2020	Joined the Company General Manager, Development Department II of the Company General Manager, Machinery & Materials Division of the Company Executive Officer of the Company Plant Manager, Kikugawa Plant of the Company General Manager, Development Division of the Company Director of the Company Responsible for Development Division of the Company Responsible for Technical Center <u>Responsible for Production Division of the Company</u> Responsible for Quality Assurance Office Responsible for Equipment Department of the Company General Manager, Production Division of the Company Responsible for Equipment Department of the Company General Manager, Production Division of the Company Responsible for Equipment Environment Office of the Company Managing Director of the Company Responsible for Development Division the Company Responsible for Development Division Responsible for Development Division Responsible for Development Division Responsible for EV Infrastructure Business Office Senior Managing Director of the Company General Manager, Business Planning Administration Division of the Company	9,363
		Based on his we Mr. Motoo Och	lection as a candidate for Director] ealth of operational experience in areas such as production and develo niai is appropriately performing decision-making and supervision of d the Company thus requests his continued election as Director.	

No.	Name (Date of birth)		Past experience, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions	
4	Koichiro Sato (July 8, 1963) Reappointment	July 1992 March 2009 March 2011 October 2014 June 2016 April 2019 June 2020	Joined the Company General Manager, Chu-Shikoku Sales Division of the Company General Manager, Chubu Sales Division of the Company Director of Taiyo Electric Mfg. Co., Ltd. Representative Director and President of Taiyo Electric Mfg. Co., Ltd. Executive Officer of the Company <u>General Manager, Sales Division of the Company</u> <u>Director of the Company</u> Responsible for Sales Division of the Company	5,943
		Based on his weasubsidiary of the	ction as a candidate for Director] alth of operational experience in the sales area and experience as Company, Mr. Koichiro Sato is appropriately performing decise company's management, and the Company thus requests his cont	sion-making and

No.	Name (Date of birth)		Number of shares of the Company held	
5	Akitaka Tejima (October 20, 1964) Reappointment	April 1988 March 2010 June 2011 March 2015 June 2017 April 2019 June 2020 April 2022	Joined the Company General Manager, Human Resources Department of the Company General Manager, Accounting Department of the Company Managing Director of SunTelephone Co., Ltd. Senior Managing Director of SunTelephone Co., Ltd. Executive Officer of the Company <u>General Manager, Business Management Division of the</u> <u>Company</u> <u>Director of the Company</u> <u>Responsible for Quality Management Department of the</u> <u>Company</u> <u>Responsible for Business Management Division</u> <u>Responsible for Internal Control Office</u> <u>Responsible for DX Management Department of the Company</u> <u>General Manager, DX Management Department of the Company</u>	5,221
		-	ction as a candidate for Director] Ith of operational experience in the business management division a	ind experience as
		a director at a sub	bsidiary of the Company, Mr. Akitaka Tejima is appropriately performing the company's management, and the Company thus reque	orming decision-
		election as Direct		ists ins continued

No.	Name (Date of birth)		Past experience, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions	
6	Hiroshi Minoura (July 16, 1961) Reappointment	April 1984 March 2009 March 2012 March 2015 March 2016 April 2018 June 2021	Joined the Company General Manager, IT Development Department of the Company General Manager, Machinery & Materials Development Department of the Company General Manager, IT Machinery & Materials Development Department of the Company Plant Manager, Tochigi Nogi Plant of the Company Executive Officer of the Company General Manager, Development Division of the Company Director of the Company Responsible for Development Division of the Company	3,314
		Based on his wea Mr. Hiroshi Min	ection as a candidate for Director] alth of operational experience in areas such as production and develo oura is appropriately performing decision-making and supervision o d the Company thus requests his continued election as Director.	

No.	Name (Date of birth)		Past experience, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held
7	Koichi Takenaka (August 28, 1962) New appointment	April 1985 April 2014 April 2017 April 2018	Joined The Industrial Bank of Japan, Limited General Manager, International Exchange Division of Mizuho Bank, Ltd. Joined the Company <u>Executive Officer of the Company</u> General Manager, Overseas Division and General Manager, International Department of the Company General Manager, Overseas Division of the Company	2,483
		Based on his long overseas division	ection as a candidate for Director] g operational experience in the financial industry and his experience i a, the Company judges that Mr. Koichi Takenaka is qualified to appro and supervision of the Company's management, and the Company tor.	opriately perform

(Notes)

- 1. There are no special interests between each candidate and the Company.
- 2. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance contract with an insurance company as stipulated in Article 430-3, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act. The contract covers damages that the insured may incur as a result of being held liable for the execution of their duties or receiving a claim related to the pursuit of such liability. In the case that the election of each candidate is originally approved as proposed at this year's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, each candidate will be included as an insured under the said contract. The contract will be renewed with the same contents during the term of office.

Proposal 4: Election of 3 Directors Concurrently Serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Members

The terms of office of 3 Directors concurrently serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Members Norine Ninomiya, Hidefumi Iwasa and Mikio Asano will expire at the conclusion of this year's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. Accordingly, the election of 3 Directors concurrently serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Members is proposed.

Submission of this proposal has received the approval of the Audit & Supervisory Committee.

The candidates for Director concurrently serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Member are as follows:

No.	Na	me	Current positions at the Company	Attendance at Board of Directors' meetings	Attendance at Audit & Supervisory Committee meetings
1	Hidefumi Iwasa	Reappointment Outside Independent Male	Director (concurrently serving as Audit & Supervising Committee Member)	100% (16 out of 16)	100% (16 out of 16)
2	Mikio Asano	Reappointment Outside Independent Male	Director (concurrently serving as Audit & Supervising Committee Member)	100% (16 out of 16)	100% (16 out of 16)
3	Masako Kubo	New appointment Outside Independent Female	-	-	-

		(Underlines ind	licate current positions, responsibilities, and significant concu	urrent positions)
No.	Name (Date of birth)		Number of shares of the Company held	
1	Hidefumi Iwasa (December 19, 1951) Reappointment Outside Independent	April 1975 September 2004 March 2008 March 2010 March 2011 April 2013 July 2015 June 2016	Joined Kirin Brewery Company, Limited General Manager, Marketing Department of Kirin Brewery Company, Limited Executive Officer of Kirin Brewery Company, Limited General Manager, Central Japan Supervisory Division Managing Director of Kirin Brewery Company, Limited General Manager, Supply Chain Management (SCM) Division Representative Director and Vice President of Kirin Brewery Company, Limited General Manager, Sales Division, and General Manager, SCM Division Lecturer, Graduate School of Global Business of Meiji University Advisor of the Company <u>Outside Director of the Company (concurrently serving as Audit</u> & Supervisory Committee Member)	0
		& Supervisory Committee Member)[Reasons for selection as a candidate for Outside Director concurrently serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Member and outline of expected roles]From his specialized knowledge and wealth of experience from many years in marketing and advertising, the Company plans to receive appropriate advice and recommendations regarding management of the Company from Mr. Hidefumi Iwasa from a viewpoint as an experienced corporate manager, and as this is expected to provide for securing further soundness and appropriateness of management decision-making at the Company alongside improved transparency, the Company requests his continuous election as Outside Director concurrently serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Member.Furthermore, the term of office of Mr. Hidefumi Iwasa as Outside Director concurrently serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Member of the Company will be 6 years as of the conclusion of this year's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders.		

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Past experience, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held		
2	Mikio Asano (July 29, 1952) Reappointment Outside Independent	April 1975Joined Toyota Tsusho CorporationApril 1998General Manager, Non-Ferrous Metals Department of Toyota Tsusho CorporationOctober 2001General Manager, Risk Management Department of Toyota Tsusho CorporationJune 2003Member of the Board of Toyota Tsusho CorporationJune 2007Managing Director of Toyota Tsusho CorporationJune 2009Senior Managing Director of Toyota Tsusho CorporationJune 2011Representative Member of the Board and Executive Vice President of Toyota Tsusho CorporationJune 2017Advisor of Toyota Tsusho CorporationJune 2019Outside Director of GECOSS CORPORATIONJune 2020Outside Director of the Company (concurrently serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Member)(Significant concurrent position)Outside Director of GECOSS CORPORATION	610		
		[Reasons for selection as a candidate for Outside Director concurrently serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Member and outline of expected roles] From his many years of operational experience at a general trading company and his knowledge on financial and accounting matters, the Company plans to receive appropriate advice and recommendations regarding management of the Company from Mr. Mikio Asano from a viewpoint as an experienced corporate manager, and as this is expected to provide for securing further soundness and appropriateness of management decision-making at the Company alongside improved transparency, the Company requests his continuous election as Outside Director concurrently serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Member. Furthermore, the term of office of Mr. Mikio Asano as Outside Director concurrently serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Member.			

No.	Name (Date of birth)		Number of shares of the Company held		
3	Masako Kubo (October 12, 1959) New appointment Outside Independent	April 1992 September 2005 June 2011 April 2015 April 2018 April 2022 (Significant concu <u>Program-Specific</u> Kyoto Women's U	0		
		[Reasons for selection as a candidate for Outside Director concurrently serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Member and outline of expected roles] From her specialized knowledge and wealth of experience from many years in the business of human resources and personnel service, the Company plans to receive appropriate advice and recommendations regarding management of the Company from Ms. Asako Kubo from a viewpoint as an experienced corporate manager, and as this is expected to provide for securing further soundness and appropriateness of management decision-making at the Company alongside improved transparency, the Company requests her election as Outside Director concurrently serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Member.			

(Notes)

- 1. There are no special interests between each candidate and the Company.
- 2. Matters concerning candidates for Outside Director are as follows.
 - Although the Company has previously paid remuneration as advisory fees on public relations activity to Mr. Hidefumi Iwasa, the remuneration was less than 10.00 million yen per annum, and the contract has ended on June 2016.
 - (2) The Company has entered into an agreement with each of Mr. Hidefumi Iwasa and Mr. Mikio Asano to limit their liability pursuant to Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, based on Article 427, Paragraph 1 of said Act. The limit of liability for damages under said agreement is the amount stipulated by laws and regulations. In the case that the election of the two persons is approved as originally proposed at this year's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, the Company intends to continue the above-mentioned agreement with each of them. In addition, in the case that the election of Ms. Masako Kubo is approved as originally proposed, the Company intends to enter into the above-mentioned agreement with her.
 - (3) The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance contract with an insurance company as stipulated in Article 430-3, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act. The contract covers damages that the insured may incur as a result of being held liable for the execution of their duties or receiving a claim related to the pursuit of such liability. In the case that the election of Mr. Hidefumi Iwasa, Mr. Mikio Asano, and Ms. Masako Kubo is approved as originally proposed at this year's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, each of them will be included as an insured under the said contract. The contract will be renewed with the same contents during the term of office.
 - (4) The Company has submitted Mr. Hidefumi Iwasa, Mr. Mikio Asano, and Ms. Masako Kubo as Independent Directors/Auditors to the Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. and the Nagoya Stock Exchange, Inc. (hereinafter collectively the "Exchanges"). In addition, in the case that the election of Mr. Hidefumi Iwasa and Mr. Mikio Asano is approved as originally proposed, they are scheduled to continue to be Independent Directors/Auditors. In addition, in the case that the election of Ms. Masako Kubo is approved as originally proposed, she is scheduled to be Independent Director.

Furthermore, they also satisfy the conditions of the "Standards for Determining Independence of Independent Outside Directors and Nature" (details are contained below) as defined by the Company.

Standards for Determining Independence of Independent Outside Directors and Nature

In addition to criteria for Outside Directors stipulated by the Companies Act and independence standards stipulated by the Exchanges, the Company appoints candidates for Independent Outside Director based on the Company's unique standards for determining independence shown below.

The content is as follows.

- ① The person is not an executor of business (*) at a major transaction partner at which the annual amount of transactions between it and the Company composes more than 2% of the consolidated net sales of that company (primarily sales contacts).
- ② The person is not an executor of business at a major transaction partner at which the annual amount of transactions between it and the Company composes more than 2% of the consolidated net sales of the Company (primarily suppliers).
- ③ The person does not receive cash in excess of 10.00 million yen per annum, excluding executive remuneration, from the Company (for organizations, an amount greater than or equal to 2% of the total revenue of said organization), and is not a person providing specialist services that receive other property, including consultants, accounting specialists, or legal specialists. (For organizations, the person is not an executor of business at said organization.)
- (1) The person is not a major shareholder that holds over 10% of the total voting rights of the Company, or if said shareholder is a corporation, not an executor of business at said corporation.
- (5) None of the items in (1) to (4) above applied to the person within the past 5 years.
- (6) The term of office as Outside Director and Outside Auditor has not exceeded 8 years in total.

Furthermore, even in a case where any of ① to ⑥ above apply, if it is judged that said person possesses independence due to other reasons, such reasons will be explained at the time the person is selected as a candidate for Outside Director.

* Business executors are Directors involved in the execution of business, Executives, Executive Officers, and employees that are General Managers or in higher levels of management.

[Reference]

Directors' Skill Matrix (subject to approval of the election of all the candidates for Director)

Name	Gender	Position at the Company	Attribute	Corporate Management	Marketing and Sales	Development	Production Technology/ Manufactur- ing	Finance and Accounting	Human Resource Development	Global	Legal Affairs/Risk Management	Former Career/ Qualifications
Tokio Kato	Male	Chairman & CEO (Representative Director)		•			_	•			•	-
Toru Kurono	Male	President and COO (Representative Director)		•		٠				٠		-
Motoo Ochiai	Male	Senior Managing Director				•	•			•		-
Koichiro Sato	Male	Director		•	٠							-
Akitaka Tejima	Male	Director						٠	٠		•	-
Hiroshi Minoura	Male	Director				•	•					-
Koichi Takenaka	Male	Director						•		•		_
Kazufumi Suehiro	Male	Director (concurrently serving as Audit & Supervising Committee Member)		•		•		•				-
Hidefumi Iwasa	Male	Director (concurrently serving as Audit & Supervising Committee Member)	Outside Independent	•	•	•						Manufactu ring
Miyuki Nakagawa	Female	Director (concurrently serving as Audit & Supervising Committee Member)	Outside Independent								•	Professor Lawyer
Mikio Asano	Male	Director (concurrently serving as Audit & Supervising Committee Member)	Outside Independent	•				•			•	Wholesale
Masako Kubo	Female	Director (concurrently serving as Audit & Supervising Committee Member)	Outside Independent	•					•			Human Resources

Note: Up to three fields of expertise are listed for each Director. The matrix does not represent all the areas of expertise and experience for each Director.