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(Stock Exchange Code 3048) November 2, 2020

## To Shareholders with Voting Rights:

Kazuyoshi Kimura Representative Director and President BIC CAMERA INC. 3-23-23, Takada, Toshima-ku, Tokyo

## NOTICE OF THE 40TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

#### Dear Shareholders:

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

We are pleased to announce the 40th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of BIC CAMERA INC. (the "Company"). The meeting will be held for the purposes as described below.

Considering the current impact of the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19), we kindly ask you to refrain from attending the meeting in person this year, regardless of your health condition. Please review the attached "Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders" and exercise your voting rights via the Internet or in writing (via postage) by 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 (JST).

1. Date and Time: Thursday, November 19, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. (JST)

2. Venue: Large Hall, Itabashi Culture Hall

51-1, Oyama-higashicho, Itabashi-ku, Tokyo

3. Meeting Agenda:

Matters to be reported:

- (1) The Business Report, Consolidated Financial Statements for the Company's 40th Fiscal Year (September 1, 2019 August 31, 2020) and results of audits by the Accounting Auditor and the Board of Corporate Auditors regarding the Consolidated Financial Statements
- (2) Non-consolidated Financial Statements for the Company's 40th Fiscal Year (September 1, 2019 August 31, 2020)

#### Matters to be resolved:

**Proposal 1:** Appropriation of Surplus

**Proposal 2:** Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation

Proposal 3: Election of 10 Directors (Excluding Directors Who Are Audit and

**Supervisory Committee Members)** 

**Proposal 4:** Election of 3 Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee

Members

Proposal 5: Election of 1 Substitute Director Who Is an Audit and Supervisory

Committee Member

Proposal 6: Determination of Remuneration Amount for Directors (Excluding

Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members)

**Proposal 7:** Determination of Remuneration Amount for Directors Who Are Audit

and Supervisory Committee Members

## **Proposal 8:**

Determination of Amount of Remuneration, Etc. in the Form of Share Remuneration-type Stock Options for Directors (Excluding Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members and Outside Directors) and Specific Details Thereof

## 4. Guidance on the Exercise of Voting Rights

Please refer to Guidance on the Exercise of Voting Rights on pages 3 to 6.

## 5. Other Matters regarding This Notice of Convocation

Among the documents to be provided with this notice of convocation, "Major Business Offices" and "Systems for Ensuring Appropriate Business Operations and Operational Status Thereof" of the Business Report, "Consolidated Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity" and "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements" of the Consolidated Financial Statements, and "Non-consolidated Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity" and "Notes to Non-consolidated Financial Statements" of the Non-consolidated Financial Statements are not enclosed herewith but provided separately at the Company's website (https://www.biccamera.co.jp/ir/english/download.html) in accordance with laws and regulations and Article 14 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation. Consequently, the Attached Documents to this notice of convocation are part of the documents that were audited by the Corporate Auditors and the Accounting Auditor in preparing the Audit Reports.

- Any changes in Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, Business Report, Consolidated Financial Statements and Non-consolidated Financial Statements will be posted on the Company's website (https://www.biccamera.co.jp/ir/english/download.html) on the Internet.
- Upon attending the meeting, please present the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form to the receptionist at the venue of the meeting.
- If the venue becomes unavailable due to the future status of the COVID-19 infection or other reasons, we will hold the General Meeting of Shareholders at our Training Center (5-12-13, Nishi-ikebukuro, Toshima-ku, Tokyo) from 11:00 a.m. (JST). Any changes to the operation of the General Meeting of Shareholders, including the change of venue or start time, will be notified on the Company's website (https://www.biccamera.co.jp/ir/). Please make sure to check the information in advance.

## **Guidance on the Exercise of Voting Rights**

You may exercise your voting rights using one of the following three methods.

## **Exercising Your Voting Rights via the Internet**

Please follow the instructions on pages 4 to 5 to log into the Website for Exercise of Voting Rights from your smartphone or computer and input approval or disapproval for proposals.

Deadline:

Must be completed by Wednesday, November 18, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. (JST)

## **Exercising Voting Rights in Writing (via Postage)**

Please indicate your votes of approval or disapproval for proposals on the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form and return the form to the Company. You do not need to affix a stamp.

Deadline:

Must be received by Wednesday, November 18, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. (JST)

## Attending the General Meeting of Shareholders

Please present the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form to the receptionist at the venue of the meeting.

Date and Time:

Thursday, November 19, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. (JST) (Reception opens at 9:00 a.m.)

<sup>\*</sup> If you exercise your voting right in duplicate both via the Internet and in writing (via postage), the Company will only deem your exercise via the Internet valid.

<sup>\*</sup> If you exercise your voting rights via the Internet, etc. more than once, the latest vote shall be accepted as the valid exercise of your voting rights.

## **Exercising Your Voting Rights via the Internet**

Deadline: Must be completed by Wednesday, November 18, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. (JST)

## "Smart Vote" method Scanning the login QR Code

You can simply log in to the website for exercising voting rights without entering your voting code and password.

1. Please scan QR Code provided at the bottom right of the Voting Rights Exercise Form.



- \* "QR Code" is a registered trademark of DENSO WAVE INCORPORATED.
- \* The actual Voting Rights Exercise Form may differ from the image.

## 2. Please enter your approval or disapproval according to the guidance given on the screen.

Note that your voting rights can be exercised only once by using the "Smart Vote" method.

If you need to make a correction to the content of your vote after you have exercised your voting rights, please access the website for personal computer and log in by entering the "voting right exercise code" and "password" printed on the Voting Rights Exercise Form, and exercise your voting rights again.

\* You can access the website for personal computer by scanning the QR Code again.



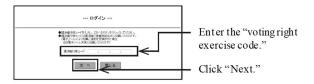
## **Entering the Code and Password for Exercising Voting Rights**

Website for Exercise of Voting Rights: https://soukai.mizuho-tb.co.jp/

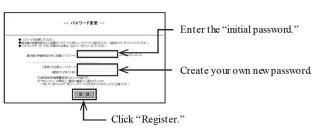
1. Please access the Website for Exercise of Voting Rights.



2. Please enter the "voting right exercise code" printed on the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form.



- 3. Please enter the "initial password" printed on the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form.
- 4. Please enter your approval or disapproval according to the guidance given on the screen.



\* The actual screen displayed to you may differ from the image.

## (Please note)

- The password (including the password changed by the shareholder) is valid only for this General Meeting of Shareholders. New passwords will be issued for the next General Meeting of Shareholders.
- The password is a tool to identify the person who is voting as the shareholder himself/herself. Please note that the Company will not contact shareholders regarding their passwords.
- If you enter an incorrect password more than a certain number of times, the password will be locked and become invalid. If it is locked, please follow the guidance on the screen.
- The cost for the Internet connection is to be borne by the shareholders.
- Depending on the Internet usage environment, etc. of your computer or smartphone, etc. you might not be able to use the Website for Exercise of Voting Rights.

In case you need instructions for how to operate your computer, smartphone or mobile telephone in order to exercise your voting rights via the Internet, please contact:

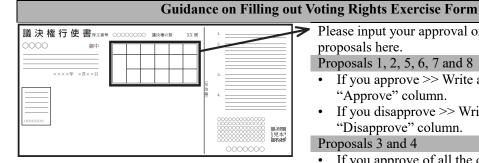
Mizuho Trust & Banking Co., Ltd., Stock
Transfer Agency Department
Internet Help Dial
0120-768-524
(Operating Hours: 9:00 a.m. through 9:00 p.m.
(JST) on business days, only in Japan)

Institutional investors may use the Electronic Voting Platform for institutional investors operated by ICJ, Inc.

## **Exercising Voting Rights in Writing (via Postage)**

Please indicate your votes of approval or disapproval for proposals on the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form and return the form to the Company. You do not need to affix a stamp.

Deadline: Must be received by Wednesday, November 18, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. (JST)



Please input your approval or disapproval of the proposals here.

## Proposals 1, 2, 5, 6, 7 and 8

- If you approve >> Write a circle in the "Approve" column.
- If you disapprove >> Write circle in the "Disapprove" column.

## Proposals 3 and 4

- If you approve of all the candidates >> Write a circle in the "Approve" column.
- If you disapprove of all the candidates >> Write a circle in the "Disapprove" column.
- If you disapprove of some of the candidates >> Write a circle in the "Approve" column, and fill the candidate number of the candidate(s) you disapprove of.

## **Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders**

## **Proposals and References**

## **Proposal 1:** Appropriation of Surplus

The Company considers the distribution of profits to shareholders as one of the most important management issues, and has its basic policy to pay appropriate dividends according to its performance.

For the year-end dividend for the current fiscal year, it is our deep regret that, under the harsh business environment, we have to propose a payment of \(\frac{4}{3}\) per share given the current business performance, future business development, and other factors.

As the Company has already paid an interim dividend of \(\pm\)10 per share in May 2020, the annual dividend for the current fiscal year will be \(\pm\)13 per share, a decrease of \(\pm\)7 from the previous fiscal year. We sincerely apologize to our shareholders for this decision. Your understanding and patience will be greatly appreciated.

- (1) Type of dividend property

  Cash
- (2) Matters concerning allocation of dividend property to shareholders and its total amount The Company proposes to pay a dividend of ¥3 per common share of the Company. In this event, the total dividends will be ¥527,803,512.
- (3) Effective date of the distribution of surplus November 20, 2020

## **Proposal 2:** Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation

- 1. Reasons for proposal
  - (1) The Company has decided to make a transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee in order to strengthen the supervision function of the Board of Directors, further enhance corporate governance and expedite decision-making. Accordingly, the Company proposes to add new provisions relating to the Audit and Supervisory Committee and Audit and Supervisory Committee Members and delete the provisions relating to the Board of Corporate Auditors and Corporate Auditors, along with other required changes.
  - (2) In making the transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee, we propose to change the provisions that allow the Company to enter into limitation of liability agreements with its Outside Directors and Corporate Auditors to those that allow it to enter into such agreements with its Directors (excluding executive Directors). The Company has obtained the consent of all Corporate Auditors for the proposed amendment to Article 31 (Limitation of Liability Agreements with Directors).

#### 2. Details of amendments

The details of the amendments are as follows.

Partial amendments to the Articles of Incorporation in this proposal will take effect at the conclusion of this meeting.

this meeting.	
	(Amendments are indicated by underlining.)
Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendment
Chapter I	Chapter I
General Provisions	General Provisions
Article 1. to 4. (Omitted)	Article 1. to 4. (Unchanged)
Chapter II	Chapter II
Shares	Shares
Article 5. to 11. (Omitted)	Article 5. to 11. (Unchanged)
Chantan III	Chanton III
Chapter III	Chapter III General Meeting of Shareholders
General Meeting of Shareholders	
Article 12. to 17. (Omitted)	Article 12. to 17. (Unchanged)
Chapter IV	Chapter IV
Directors and Board of Directors	Directors and Board of Directors
Article 18. (Omitted)	Article 18. (Unchanged)
(Number of Directors)	(Number of Directors)
Article 19.	Article 19.
The Company shall have not more than 20 Directors.	1. The Company shall have not more than 20 Directors
	(excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory
	Committee Members).
(Newly established)	2. The Company shall have not more than six Directors
	who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members.
(Method of Election)	(Method of Election)
Article 20.	Article 20.
1. Directors shall be elected by resolution of a general	1. Directors (excluding Directors who are Audit and
meeting of shareholders.	Supervisory Committee Members) and Directors who
	are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members shall
	be elected separately by resolution at a general meeting
	of shareholders.
2. Resolutions on the election of a Director shall be made	2. Resolutions on the election of a Director shall be made
by a majority of the votes of the shareholders present at	by a majority of the votes of the shareholders present at
the meeting where the shareholders holding at least	the meeting where the shareholders holding at least
one-third of the voting rights of the shareholders	one-third of the voting rights of the shareholders
entitled to exercise their votes at such meetings are	entitled to exercise their votes at such meetings are
present.	present.
3. Resolutions for the election of Directors shall not be	3. Resolutions for the election of Directors shall not be
conducted by cumulative voting.	conducted by cumulative voting.

(Newly established)

(Term of Office)

Article 21.

The term of office of a Director shall expire at the conclusion of the annual general meeting of shareholders for the last business year out of the business years terminating within one year after the election of the Director.

(Newly established)

(Newly established)

(Representative Directors and Directors With Special Titles)

Article 22.

- 1. Representative Director(s) shall be appointed by resolution of the Board of Directors.
- 2. The Board of Directors may appoint, by its resolution, one Director and President, one Director and Chairman, one or a small number of Director and Vice Chairmen, one or a small number of Director and Vice Presidents, one or a small number of Senior Executive Directors, and one or a small number of Managing Directors.

(Convener and Chairmanship of Meeting of the Board of Directors)

Article 23.

- 1. Unless otherwise provided for by laws and regulations, the Director and President shall convene meetings of the Board of Directors and chair the meetings.
- 2. In cases where the Director and President is prevented from so acting, another Director who is designated in accordance with an order of priority determined in advance by the Board of Directors shall convene a meeting of the Board of Directors and chair the meeting.

(Newly established)

Proposed Amendment

4. The Company may elect a Substitute Director who is an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member at a general meeting of shareholders, to be ready to fill a vacant position should the number of Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members fall below the number required by laws and regulations.

(Term of Office)

Article 21.

- 1. The term of office of a Director (excluding a Director who is an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member) shall expire at the conclusion of the annual general meeting of shareholders for the last business year out of the business years terminating within one year after the election of the Director.
- 2. The term of office of a Director who is an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member shall expire at the conclusion of the annual general meeting of shareholders for the last business year out of the business years terminating within two years after the election of the Director.
- 3. The term of office of a Director who is an Audit and
  Supervisory Committee Member who is elected as the
  substitute for a Director who is an Audit and
  Supervisory Committee Member who retired from
  office before the expiration of the term of office shall
  continue until the time the term of office of the
  Director who is an Audit and Supervisory Committee
  Member who retired from office is to expire.

(Representative Directors and Directors With Special Titles)

Article 22.

- Representative Director(s) shall be appointed <u>from</u>
   <u>Directors (excluding Directors who are Audit and</u>
   <u>Supervisory Committee Members)</u> by resolution of the Board of Directors.
- 2. The Board of Directors may appoint, by its resolution, one Director and President, one Director and Chairman, one or a small number of Director and Vice Chairmen, one or a small number of Director and Vice Presidents, one or a small number of Senior Executive Directors, and one or a small number of Managing Directors.

(Convener and Chairmanship of Meeting of the Board of Directors)

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- 1. Unless otherwise provided for by laws and regulations, the Director and President shall convene meetings of the Board of Directors and chair the meetings.
- 2. In cases where the Director and President is prevented from so acting, another Director who is designated in accordance with an order of priority determined in advance by the Board of Directors shall convene a meeting of the Board of Directors and chair the meeting.
- 3. Notwithstanding the preceding two paragraphs, Audit and Supervisory Committee Members designated by the Audit and Supervisory Committee may convene meetings of the Board of Directors.

(Notice of Meeting of the Board of Directors)
Article 24

- When convening a meeting of the Board of Directors, a notice shall be dispatched to each Director <u>and each</u> <u>Corporate Auditor</u> at least three days before the day of the meeting. However, this period may be reduced in case of urgent needs.
- With the consent of all Directors and Corporate
   Auditors, a meeting of the Board of Directors may be held without following the convening procedures.
   (Newly established)

(Method for Making Resolutions in the Board of Directors, Etc.)

#### Article 25.

- Any resolution of the Board of Directors shall be adopted by a majority of Directors present at a meeting of the Board of Directors with the majority of all Directors entitled to vote for the resolution.
- If a Director makes a proposal on any agenda concerning resolution of the Board of Directors and all Directors (limited to those who are entitled to participate in the resolution) unanimously agree to his/her proposal in writing or by electronic records, the Company shall deem that such proposal is adopted by the resolution of the Board of Directors, unless an objection to said agenda is expressed by a Corporate Auditor.

(Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Directors) Article 26.

The minutes of the Board of Directors shall be created in writing document or by electronic record as provided for under laws and regulations, and the Directors and the Corporate Auditors present shall either sign, or affix their respective seals or electronic signatures to, those minutes.

Article 27. (Omitted)

(Remuneration, Etc.)

#### Article 28.

Remuneration, bonuses and other economic benefits given by the Company in consideration for the execution of duties (hereinafter referred to as the "Remuneration, Etc.") to Directors shall be determined by resolution of a general meeting of shareholders.

## Article 29. (Omitted)

(Limitation of Liability Agreements with <u>Outside</u> Directors)

#### Article 30.

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 427, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, the Company may conclude an agreement with its <u>Outside</u> Director to limit his/her liability for damages under Article 423, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act. However, the maximum liability for damages under this agreement shall be the amount prescribed by laws and regulations.

#### Proposed Amendment

(Notice of Meeting of the Board of Directors)
Article 24.

- 1. When convening a meeting of the Board of Directors, a notice shall be dispatched to each Director at least three days before the day of the meeting. However, this period may be reduced in case of urgent needs.
- With the consent of all Directors, a meeting of the Board of Directors may be held without following the convening procedures.

(Delegation of Execution of Important Operations) Article 25.

In accordance with Article 399-13, paragraph 6 of the Companies Act, the Company may delegate all or part of decisions regarding execution of important operations to Directors by resolution of the Board of Directors, except for matters set forth in each item of paragraph 5 of the same Article.

(Method for Making Resolutions in the Board of Directors, Etc.)

#### Article 26.

- Any resolution of the Board of Directors shall be adopted by a majority of Directors present at a meeting of the Board of Directors with the majority of all Directors entitled to vote for the resolution.
- 2. If a Director makes a proposal on any agenda concerning resolution of the Board of Directors and all Directors (limited to those who are entitled to participate in the resolution) unanimously agree to his/her proposal in writing or by electronic records, the Company shall deem that such proposal is adopted by the resolution of the Board of Directors.

## (Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Directors) Article 27.

The minutes of the Board of Directors shall be created in writing document or by electronic record as provided for under laws and regulations, and the Directors present shall either sign, or affix their respective seals or electronic signatures to, those minutes.

## Article 28. (Unchanged)

(Remuneration, Etc.)

#### Article 29.

Remuneration, bonuses and other economic benefits given by the Company in consideration for the execution of duties (hereinafter referred to as the "Remuneration, Etc.") to Directors (excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members) and Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members shall be determined separately by resolution of a general meeting of shareholders.

Article 30. (Unchanged)

(Limitation of Liability Agreements with Directors)

#### Article 31.

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 427, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, the Company may conclude an agreement with its Director (excluding executive Directors, etc.) to limit his/her liability for damages under Article 423, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act. However, the maximum liability for damages under this agreement shall be the amount prescribed by laws and regulations.

#### Chapter V

<u>Corporate Auditors and Board of Corporate Auditors</u>
(Establishment of <u>Corporate Auditors and Board of Corporate Auditors</u>)

#### Article 31.

The Company shall establish <u>Corporate Auditors and Board of Corporate Auditors.</u>

(Number of Corporate Auditors)

#### Article 32.

The Company shall have not more than four Corporate Auditors.

(Method of Election)

## Article 33.

- 1. Corporate Auditors shall be elected by resolution of a general meeting of shareholders.
- 2. Resolutions on the election of a Corporate Auditors shall be made by a majority of the votes of the shareholders present at such meeting where the shareholders holding at least one-third of the voting rights of the shareholders entitled to exercise their votes at such meetings are present.

#### (Term of Office)

## Article 34.

- 1. The term of office of a Corporate Auditor shall expire at the conclusion of the annual general meeting of shareholders for the last business year out of the business years terminating within four years after the election of the Corporate Auditor.
- 2. The term of office of a Corporate Auditor who is elected as the substitute for a Corporate Auditor who retired from office before the expiration of the term of office shall continue until the time the term of office of the Corporate Auditor who retired from office is to expire.

## (Full-Time Corporate Auditors)

#### Article 35.

The <u>Board of Corporate Auditors</u> shall appoint full-time <u>Corporate Auditors</u> from among <u>Corporate Auditors</u> by its resolution.

(Notice of Meeting of the Board of Corporate Auditors)

## Article 36.

- When convening a meeting of the <u>Board of Corporate Auditors</u>, a notice shall be dispatched to each <u>Corporate Auditor</u> at least three days before the day of the meeting. However, this period may be reduced in case of urgent needs.
- 2. With the consent of all <u>Corporate Auditors</u>, a meeting of the <u>Board of Corporate Auditors</u> may be held without following the convening procedures.

(Method for Making Resolutions in the <u>Board of Corporate Auditors</u>)

## Article 37.

Unless otherwise provided for by laws and regulations, resolutions of the <u>Board of Corporate Auditors</u> shall be made by a majority of the <u>Corporate Auditors</u>.

#### Proposed Amendment

#### Chapter V

<u>Audit and Supervisory Committee</u> (Establishment of Audit and Supervisory Committee)

#### <u>Article 32</u>

The Company shall establish <u>Audit and Supervisory</u> Committee.

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(Full-Time <u>Audit and Supervisory Committee Members</u>) <u>Article 33.</u>

The <u>Audit and Supervisory Committee</u> shall appoint full-time <u>Audit and Supervisory Committee Members</u> from among <u>Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members</u> by its resolution.

(Notice of Meeting of the <u>Audit and Supervisory</u> Committee)

## Article 34.

- When convening a meeting of the <u>Audit and Supervisory Committee</u>, a notice shall be dispatched to each <u>Audit and Supervisory Committee Member</u> at least three days before the day of the meeting.

  However, this period may be reduced in case of urgent needs.
- 2. With the consent of all <u>Audit and Supervisory</u>
  <u>Committee Members</u>, a meeting of the <u>Audit and</u>
  <u>Supervisory Committee</u> may be held without following the convening procedures.

(Method for Making Resolutions in the <u>Audit and Supervisory Committee</u>)

## Article 35.

Unless otherwise provided for by laws and regulations, resolutions of the <u>Audit and Supervisory Committee</u> shall be made by a majority of the <u>Audit and Supervisory Committee Members</u> who are able to be present where the majority of the Audit and Supervisory <u>Committee Members entitled to participate in the vote are present.</u>

(Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Corporate Auditors)

#### Article 38

The minutes of the <u>Board of Corporate Auditors</u> shall be created in writing document or by electronic record as provided for under laws and regulations, and the <u>Corporate Auditors</u> present shall either sign, or affix their respective seals or electronic signatures to, those minutes.

(Regulations of the <u>Board of Corporate Auditors</u>) <u>Article 39.</u>

Matters concerning the <u>Board of Corporate Auditors</u> shall be governed by the Regulations of the <u>Board of Corporate Auditors</u> established by the <u>Board of Corporate Auditors</u>, in addition to applicable laws and regulations and these Articles of Incorporation.

### (Remuneration, Etc.)

Article 40.

The Remuneration, Etc. to Corporate Auditors shall be determined by resolution of a general meeting of shareholders.

(Exemption of Corporate Auditors From Liability) Article 41.

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 426, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, the Company may, by resolution of the Board of Directors, exempt an Corporate Auditor (including a person who was formerly an Corporate Auditor) from his/her liability under Article 423, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act for damages arising from neglecting his/her duties to the extent permitted by laws and regulations.

(<u>Limitation of Liability Agreements with Outside</u> Corporate Auditors)

Article 42.

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 427, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, the Company may conclude an agreement with its Outside Corporate Auditor to limit his/her liability for damages under Article 423, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act. However, the maximum liability for damages under this agreement shall be the amount prescribed by laws and regulations.

Chapter VI Accounting Auditor

Article 43. to 45. (Omitted)

(Remuneration, Etc.)

Article 46.

The Remuneration, Etc. to Accounting Auditor shall be determined by the Representative Director(s) with the consent of the <u>Board of Corporate Auditors</u>.

Proposed Amendment

(Minutes of Meeting of the <u>Audit and Supervisory Committee</u>)

Article 36.

The minutes of the <u>Audit and Supervisory Committee</u> shall be created in writing document or by electronic record as provided for under laws and regulations, and the <u>Audit and Supervisory Committee Members</u> present shall either sign, or affix their respective seals or electronic signatures to, those minutes.

(Regulations of the <u>Audit and Supervisory Committee</u>) Article 37.

Matters concerning the <u>Audit and Supervisory</u>
<u>Committee</u> shall be governed by the Regulations of the <u>Audit and Supervisory Committee</u> established by the <u>Audit and Supervisory Committee</u>, in addition to applicable laws and regulations and these Articles of Incorporation.

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Chapter VI Accounting Auditor

Article 38. to 40. (Unchanged)

(Remuneration, Etc.)

Article 41.

The Remuneration, Etc. to Accounting Auditor shall be determined by the Representative Director(s) with the consent of the Audit and Supervisory Committee.

Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendment
Chapter VII	Chapter VII
Accounts	Accounts
Article 47. to 49. (Omitted)	Article 42. to 44. (Unchanged)
Article 47. to 49. (Omitted)  (Newly established)	Supplementary Provision (Transitional measures regarding the exemption of liability of Corporate Auditors prior to the transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee)  Exemption of liability of Corporate Auditors (including a person who was formerly an Corporate Auditor) for acts under Article 423, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, as well as limitation of liability agreements concluded with Corporate Auditors, which occurred prior to the conclusion of the 40th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders to be held in November 2020, shall be governed by the Articles of Incorporation as of before changes come into effect upon the conclusion of said general meeting of shareholders.

Note: Some underlining does not coincide with the Japanese version because of translation adjustments.

# **Proposal 3:** Election of 10 Directors (Excluding Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members)

Subject to the approval of Proposal 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" as originally proposed, the Company will make the transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee, and all 11 Directors will retire upon expiration of their terms of office at the conclusion of this Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. Therefore, the Company proposes the election of 10 Directors (excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members) after the transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee.

This proposal, however, can only take effect after Proposal 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" takes effect.

The candidates for Director (excluding Director who is an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member) are as follows:

New candidates for Director are indicated by an asterisk (\*).

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, positions, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
		April 1967	Joined Nikko Securities Co., Ltd. (currently SMBC Nikko Securities Inc.)	
		March 2000	Director and Vice President, Nikko Securities Co., Ltd.	
		June 2001	Director and President, Nikko Asset Management Co., Ltd.	
		June 2005	Director and Chairman, Nikko Cordial Securities Inc. (currently SMBC Nikko Securities Inc.)	
		April 2012	Joined the Company, Advisor	
		June 2012	Outside Director, DAIWA HOUSE INDUSTRY CO., LTD. (to present)	
		June 2012	Outside Corporate Auditor, SPARX Group Co., Ltd.	
		November 2012	Director of the Company	
		February 2013	Representative Director and Chairman, Kojima Co., Ltd.	
1	Kazuyoshi Kimura (November 12, 1943)	September 2013	Representative Director, Chairman, President; Representative Executive Officer, Kojima Co., Ltd.	9,900
		June 2020	Outside Director (Audit and Supervisory Committee Member), SPARX Group Co., Ltd. (to present)	
		August 2020	Director, Kojima Co., Ltd. (to present)	
		September 2020	Representative Director and President; President Executive Officer of the Company (to present)	
		business manager February 2013, he Director and Chair contributed to imp strong leadership. Director, with exp	nation] ained abundant experience and great insight acting as a of major securities firms. Since joining the Group in the has also served in such positions as Representative man of a Group company, Kojima Co., Ltd. and greatly proving the company's business performance with his As such, we have nominated him as a candidate for ectations that he would demonstrate such management because the corporate value of the Group.	

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Ca	reer summary, positions, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held
		April 1976 February 1989	Joined Bic Color Inc.  Representative Director and President, Bic Camera (Takasaki) Inc.	
		November 2008	(Takasaki) Inc.  Director of the Company (in charge of General Affairs)	
		January 2013	Director and Vice President	
		November 2015	Director, Nippon BS Broadcasting Corporation	
		December 2015	Director and Vice President; Vice President Executive Officer; Director General, General Affairs, and General Manager, General Affairs Department and Legal Affairs Department of the Company	
2	Hitoshi Kawamura	November 2016	Representative Director and Vice President; Vice President Executive Officer	183,000
	(September 3, 1955)	November 2018	Corporate Auditor, Nippon BS Broadcasting Corporation (to present)	,
		September 2020	Representative Director and Vice President; Vice President Executive Officer, Supervising Internal Audit & Internal Control of the Company (to present)	
		realms of general amassed abundant across different inc to contribute to the continuing to draw	nation] as long acted as a manager with responsibilities in the affairs and store development, and accordingly has a connections, experience, achievements, and insight dustries. As such, we have judged that he is well-qualified are improvement of the Company's corporate value by w upon his insight, etc. in the management, and have a candidate for Director.	
		July 2005	Joined the Company	
		November 2009	Director; General Manager, Corporate Planning Department	
		November 2010	Director; Director General, Corporate Planning, and General Manager, Corporate Planning Department	
		November 2010	Representative Director, Tokyo Camera Distribution Cooperative (to present)	
		September 2012	Director and Managing Director; Director General, Corporate Planning, and General Manager, Corporate Planning Department of the Company	
		January 2013	Representative Director and President, Tokyo Keikaku Co., Ltd. (to present)	
	Toru Abe	November 2013	Director, Kojima Co., Ltd. (to present)	10.500
3	(June 16, 1961)	February 2017	Director and Senior Executive Officer; Director General, Corporate Planning Department	12,500
		September 2020	Director and Senior Executive Officer; Supervising Business Management, Director General, Finance & Accounting, and General Manager, Public Relations & IR Department (to present)	
		corporate planning Director and Pres experience, achiev judged that he is Company's corpor	nation] served the Group as a manager with responsibility in the grealm. While holding positions such as Representative ident of a Group company, he has amassed abundant rements, and insight over the time. As such, we have well-qualified to contribute to the improvement of the ate value by continuing to draw upon his insight, etc. in and have nominated him as a candidate for Director.	

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Ca	areer summary, positions, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held
		June 2010	Joined the Company	
		October 2010	Deputy General Manager, Corporate Planning Department	
		April 2011	General Manager, Corporate Planning Department	
		September 2011	Executive Officer; General Manager, Human Resources Department	
		November 2016	Director and Executive Officer; Director General, General Affairs, and General Manager, Human Resources Department	
		February 2017	Director and Managing Director; Director General, General Affairs, and General Manager, Human Resources Department	
4	Eiji Tamura (January 19, 1960)	September 2018	Director and Senior Executive Officer; Director General, General Affairs, and General Manager, Human Resources Department	37,200
		September 2020	Director and Senior Executive Officer; Supervising Management Strategy, Director General, Corporate Planning, and General Manager, Corporate Planning Department (to present)	
		the human reson accordingly has a over the time. As s to the improvement	ong acted as a manager with responsibilities in realms of curces, corporate planning and general affairs, and massed abundant experience, achievements, and insight uch, we have judged that he is well-qualified to contribute at of the Company's corporate value by continuing to draw etc. in the management, and have nominated him as a	
		March 1997	Joined the Company	
		September 2012	Executive Officer; General Manager, Second Merchandise Department	
		October 2013	Executive Officer; General Manager, Merchandise Department	
		October 2015	Executive Officer; General Manager, EC Business Department	
		February 2017	Managing Director; Director General, EC Business	
		April 2018	Representative Director and President, Bic Camera Rakuten Inc. (to present)	
5	Toru Akiho	September 2018	Managing Director; Director General, EC Headquarters of the Company	1,000
3	(December 11, 1974)	August 2019	Director and Managing Director; Director General, Merchandise and EC Headquarters	1,000
		September 2020	Director and Senior Executive Officer; Supervising Business Promotion, Director General, Merchandise (to present)	
		merchandise proce experience, achieved judged that he is Company's corporation	nation] g acted as a manager with responsibilities in the realms of arement and EC, and accordingly has amassed abundant vements, and insight over the time. As such, we have well-qualified to contribute to the improvement of the rate value by continuing to draw upon his insight, etc. in and have nominated him as a candidate for Director.	

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Ca	reer summary, positions, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held
		April 1998	Joined The Fuji Bank, Limited (currently Mizuho Bank Ltd.)	
		August 2002	Joined the Company	
		August 2002	Director, RANET Co., Ltd.	
		January 2008	Director and Vice President, RANET Co., Ltd.	
		February 2009	Representative Director and President, RANET Co., Ltd. (to present)	
		September 2018	Executive Officer of the Company	
		November 2018	Director and Executive Officer	
6	Keiju Nakagawa (July 17, 1975)	December 2018	Director and Executive Officer; Director General, Digital Communication	500
		September 2020	Director and Executive Officer; Director General, DX/DC (to present)	
		Group company communications, achievements, and that he is well-qua corporate value by	nation] s served as Representative Director and President of a which develops sales distributor business for mobile and accordingly has amassed abundant experience, insight in a Group company. As such, we have judged lifted to contribute to the improvement of the Company's by continuing to draw upon his insight, etc. in the have nominated him as a candidate for Director.	
		June 1995	Joined Kojima Co., Ltd.	
		July 2000	Store Manager, NEW Aobadai Store, Kojima Co., Ltd.	
		April 2010	Manager, Marketing Planning Office, Kojima Co., Ltd.	
		February 2012	Manager, Merchandising Department, Kojima Co., Ltd.	
		September 2014	Executive Officer; General Manager, Sales Planning Management Support Office, Sales Department, Sales Division, Kojima Co., Ltd.	
		September 2016	Executive Officer; General Manager, Sales Planning and Management Department, Sales Division, Kojima Co., Ltd.	
7	*Yuji Nakazawa (December 28, 1973)	September 2018	Managing Executive; General Manager, Sales Planning and Management Department, Sales Division, Kojima Co., Ltd.	-
		September 2020	President and Executive Officer, Kojima Co., Ltd. (to present)	
		in the merchandise and was appointed September 2020. achievements, and as a new candida	long served the Group as a manager with responsibilities and sales realms of a Group company, Kojima Co., Ltd. I as the company's President and Executive Officer in Accordingly, he has amassed abundant experience, insight over the time. As such, we have nominated him ate for Director, with expectations that he will draw h expertise in taking on the task of management.	

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Ca	areer summary, positions, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held
8	Masaaki Sato (July 27, 1942)	Mr. Sato maintai business manager. sound advice and p his abundant expe Company, he prov management of th strengthening of candidate for Out	Director and Vice President, Mizuho Bank, Ltd. Advisor, Nihonbashi Kogyo Co., Ltd. Director, Shoei Co., Ltd. Company Auditor, NICHIREI CORPORATION Director and Chairman, Shoei Co., Ltd. Senior Advisor, Shoei Co., Ltd. Director of the Company (to present) Advisor, TOKAI Holdings Corporation (to present) anation as a candidate for Outside Director] as a wealth of experience and extensive insight as a Drawing on that wide-ranging point of view, he furnishes proposals to management of the Company. We believe that rience and insight are reflected in the management of the ides opinions as an Outside Director which are useful for the Company, and he contributes to the maintenance and governance, so we have nominated him again as a side Director. He will have served 10 years as Outside Company as of the conclusion of this Annual General holders.	39,300
9	*Takeshi Uemura (January 19, 1947)	Mr. Uemura main business manager. reflected in the m Outside Director v contributes to the i	Joined The Yomiuri Shimbun  General Manager, Politics Department, Tokyo Head Office, The Yomiuri Shimbun  Deputy General Manager, Editorial Bureau, Tokyo Head Office, The Yomiuri Shimbun  Deputy Chief, Editorial Board, The Yomiuri Shimbun Chairman, Yomiuri Institute of Technology Chairman, Bunka Gakuin  Representative Director and President, YOMIURI LAND CO., LTD.  Director and Senior Advisor, YOMIURI LAND CO., LTD.  Senior Advisor, YOMIURI LAND CO., LTD. (to present)  Ination as a candidate for Outside Director] Itains a wealth of experience and extensive insight are anagement of the Company, he provides opinions as an which are useful for management of the Company, and he maintenance and strengthening of governance, so we have a new candidate for Outside Director.	

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, positions, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
		April 1977	Joined Nihon Keizai Shimbunsha	
		September 1994	Seconded to Nikkei Business Publications, Inc. Deputy Editor of Nikkei Business	
		January 2005	Editor-in-Chief, The Nikkei MJ (Marketing Journal)	
		March 2008	Secretary General, General Affairs of Editorial Bureau; Electronic Newspaper Development Division, Nihon Keizai Shimbunsha	
		April 2009	General Manager, Digital Strategy and Planning Bureau, Nihon Keizai Shimbunsha	
		March 2013	Senior Managing Director, Nikkei Digital Media, Inc.	
10	*Kiyoshi Tokuda (June 7, 1954)	July 2015	Senior Managing Executive Officer, Nihon Keizai Shimbunsha	_
		June 2016	Senior Executive Officer, TV TOKYO Corporation	
		June 2019	Advisor, TV TOKYO Communications Corporation	
		July 2020	Commissioned to TV TOKYO Holdings Corporation (to present)	
		Mr. Tokuda main business manager reflected in the m Outside Director v contributes to the	ination as a candidate for Outside Director] tains a wealth of experience and extensive insight as a . We believe that his abundant experience and insight are lanagement of the Company, he provides opinions as an which are useful for management of the Company, and he maintenance and strengthening of governance, so we have a new candidate for Outside Director.	

#### (Notes)

- 1. Candidate for Director, Mr. Toru Akiho, is the Representative Director of Bic Camera Rakuten Inc. with which the Company has a franchise agreement. Furthermore, Bic Camera Rakuten Inc. and the Company are competitors in the business regarding sales of home appliances.
- 2. There are no special interests between each candidate for Director and the Company other than the above.
- 3. Mr. Masaaki Sato, Mr. Takeshi Uemura and Mr. Kiyoshi Tokuda are candidates for Outside Director.
- 4. Limitation of Liability Agreements with Directors (excluding executive Directors, etc.)

  Based on Article 427, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act and Article 30 of the Company's current Articles of Incorporation, the Company has entered into an agreement with Mr. Masaaki Sato to limit the liability for damages under Article 423, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, to the minimum liability amount provided by laws and regulations. If he is reelected at the meeting and assumes the office of Outside Director, subject to the approval of Proposal 2, the Company plans to enter into the above Limitation of Liability Agreement with him, based on Article 427, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act and amended Article 31 of the Articles of Incorporation.
  - Also, if Mr. Takeshi Uemura and Mr. Kiyoshi Tokuda, who are new candidates for Outside Director, are elected as Directors and assume the office of Outside Directors, the Company plans to enter into the above Limitation of Liability Agreements with them.
- 5. Independent Officers
  - The Company has designated Mr. Masaaki Sato as an independent officer pursuant to the provisions of the Tokyo Stock Exchange and has registered him to the Tokyo Stock Exchange. If he is reelected as Director and assumes the office of Outside Director, the Company will continue his registration as an independent officer.
  - Also, if Mr. Takeshi Uemura and Kiyoshi Tokuda, who are new candidates for Outside Director, are elected as Directors and assume the office of Outside Directors, the Company plans to designate them as independent officers.

## **Proposal 4:** Election of 3 Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members

Subject to the approval of Proposal 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" as originally proposed, the Company will make the transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee. Therefore, the Company proposes the election of 3 Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members after the transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee.

Furthermore, the Board of Corporate Auditors has previously given its approval to this proposal.

This proposal, however, can only take effect after Proposal 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" takes effect.

The candidates for Director who is an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member are as follows:

New candidates for Director are indicated by an asterisk (\*).

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, positions, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
No.		August 1991 September 1998 September 2001 March 2007 September 2011 September 2013 November 2016 September 2018 November 2018		shares of the
		Supervisory Comm Ms. Otsuka has responsibility in the Representative Dirabundant experien expect that she wi strengthening the	long served the Group, not only as a manager with the internal audit and internal control realms but also as rector of a Group company, and accordingly has amassed ce, achievements, and insight over this time. As such, we fill draw on such expertise to appropriately contribute to Company's audit framework, and have accordingly a new candidate for Director who is an Audit and	

No.	Name (Date of birth)	C	areer summary, positions, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held
2	*Yukiko Kishimoto (November 15, 1953)		Joined SHUEISHA Inc. Retired from SHUEISHA Inc. Started being active as a writer. (to present) Part-time Lecturer, Institute of Journalism and Media Studies, Nihon University College of Law (to present) Corporate Auditor (to present) ination as a candidate for Outside Director who is an	
		candidate capable Ms. Kishimoto ha author and as a po will draw on such Company's audit management of th accordingly nominan Audit and Sup been directly invo auditor. However	Audit and Supervisory Committee Member and reasons for judging the candidate capable of appropriately fulfilling duties as Outside Director] Ms. Kishimoto has abundant experience and broad-ranging insight as an author and as a person of academic standing. As such, we believe that she will draw on such expertise to sufficiently contribute to strengthening the Company's audit framework with accurate advice with regards to the management of the Company from an independent position, and we have accordingly nominated her as a new candidate for Outside Director who is an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member. She has never in the past been directly involved in the management of a company except as an outside auditor. However, the Company judges she will appropriately fulfill her duties as an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member of the Company	
3	*Koichi Sunayama (September 5, 1957)	and Supervisory C capable of approp Mr. Sunayama cultivated throug organizations. As sufficiently contri with accurate advi an independent po- candidate for Outs Member. He has n of a company execute	Joined The Fuji Bank, Limited (currently Mizuho Bank Ltd.)  General Manager, Niigata Bandaibashi Branch, Mizuho Bank Ltd.  General Manager, Kamiyacho Branch, Mizuho Bank Ltd.  General Manager, Legal Affairs Division, Mizuho Bank Ltd.  Executive Officer; General Manager, Legal Affairs Division, Mizuho Bank Ltd.  Executive Officer; General Manager, Legal Affairs Division, Mizuho Bank Ltd.  Standing Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member, MARUYAMA MFG. CO., INC.  Outside Director (Audit and Supervisory Committee Member), MARUYAMA MFG. CO., INC. (to present)  Outside Director (Audit and Supervisory Committee Member), KYOWA ELECTRONIC INSTRUMENTS CO., LTD. (to present)  ination as a candidate for Outside Director who is an Audit Committee Member and reasons for judging the candidate riately fulfilling duties as Outside Director]  has abundant experience, achievements, and insight gh his career at financial institutions and other such, we believe that he will draw on such expertise to ibute to strengthening the Company's audit framework ice with regards to the management of the Company from sition, and we have accordingly nominated him as a new side Director who is an Audit and Supervisory Committee ever in the past been directly involved in the management ept as an outside auditor and an outside director. However, ges he will appropriately fulfill his duties as an Audit and unittee Member of the Company based on the above	

## (Notes)

- There are no special interests between each candidate for Director and the Company.
   Ms. Yukiko Kishimoto and Mr. Koichi Sunayama are candidates for Outside Director.
   Limitation of Liability Agreements with Directors (excluding executive Directors, etc.)

Based on Article 427, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act and Article 42 of the Company's current Articles of Incorporation, the Company has entered into an agreement with Ms. Yukiko Kishimoto, who currently serves as an Outside Corporate Auditor, to limit the liability for damages under Article 423, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, to the minimum liability amount provided by laws and regulations. If Ms. Yukiko Kishimoto and Mr. Koichi Sunayama are elected as Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members and assume the office of Outside Directors, the Company plans to enter into the above Limitation of Liability Agreements with them based on Article 427, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act and amended Article 31 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation. If Ms. Noriko Otsuka is elected and assumes the office of Director who is an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member, subject to the approval of Proposal 2, the Company plans to enter into the above Limitation of Liability Agreement with her, based on Article 427, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act and amended Article 31 of the Articles of Incorporation.

#### 4. Independent Officers

The Company has designated Ms. Yukiko Kishimoto as an independent officer pursuant to the provisions of the Tokyo Stock Exchange and has registered her to the Tokyo Stock Exchange. If she is elected as Director who is an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member and assumes the office of Outside Director, the Company will continue her registration as an independent officer. Also, if Mr. Koichi Sunayama, who is a new candidate for Outside Director, is elected as Director who is an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member and assumes the office of Outside Director, the Company plans to designate him as an independent officer.

**Proposal 5:** Election of 1 Substitute Director Who Is an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member

Subject to the approval of Proposal 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" as originally proposed, the Company will become a company with audit and supervisory committee. Therefore, to prepare for a case in which the number of Audit and Supervisory Committee Members falls short of the number provided by laws and regulations, the Company proposes the election of Mr. Takeshi Toshimitsu as Substitute Director who is an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member after the transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee.

The effectiveness of the election under this proposal may be cancelled on the basis of resolution of the Board of Directors with approval of the Audit and Supervisory Committee; provided, however, that it is only in a time before assuming office.

Furthermore, the Board of Corporate Auditors has previously given its approval to this proposal.

This proposal, however, can only take effect after Proposal 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" takes effect.

The candidate for Substitute Director who is an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member is as follows:

Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, positions, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
	March 2000	Completed Doctoral Program of Ph.D. (Physics), Graduate School of Science and Technology, Keio University	
	March 2000	Established Asagao System Co., Ltd, Director	
	October 2002	Joined MTB Investment Technology Institute Co., Ltd. (currently Mitsubishi UFJ Trust Investment Technology Institute Co., Ltd.)	
	December 2011	Registered as an attorney at law, Joined Matsuda & Partners	
Takeshi Toshimitsu (May 30, 1972)	July 2014	Established Seven Lights Law Firm, Co- Representative Partner (to present)	_
,	April 2017	Auditor, Social Welfare Corporation Keishoukai (to present)	
	November 2017	Director, Intense Project Co, Ltd. (to present)	
	is an Audit and Su Mr. Toshimitsu ha business manager candidate for Subs	ination as a candidate for Substitute Outside Director who inpervisory Committee Member] is abundant experience and broad-ranging insight as a and an attorney at law. We have nominated him as a stitute Outside Director so that he may apply such sect to the Company's audit framework.	

## (Notes)

- 1. There are no special interests between Mr. Takeshi Toshimitsu and the Company.
- 2. Mr. Takeshi Toshimitsu is a candidate for Substitute Outside Director.
- 3. Limitation of Liability Agreements with Directors (excluding executive Directors, etc.)

  If Mr. Takeshi Toshimitsu is elected as a Director who is an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member and assumes the office of Outside Director, based on Article 427, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act and Article 31 of the Company's amended Articles of Incorporation, the Company will enter into an agreement with him to limit the liability for damages under Article 423, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, to the minimum liability amount provided by laws and regulations.

## **Proposal 6:** Determination of Remuneration Amount for Directors (Excluding Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members)

The amount of remuneration for Directors of the Company was approved at the 25th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on November 30, 2005 to be an annual amount of ¥450 million or less, and remains in effect at present. However, subject to the approval of Proposal 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation," the Company will make the transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee. As such, the Company proposes to remove the above-mentioned limit for the remuneration for Directors, and instead, in accordance with the provisions of Article 361, paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Companies Act, set the amount of remuneration for Directors (excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members) to be an annual amount of ¥450 million or less (of which, an annual amount of ¥50 million or less for Outside Directors), taking the economic climate and other circumstances into consideration.

With regard to the amount of remuneration for Directors (excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members), the amount does not include salaries for employees in the case where the Director also serves as an employee.

Currently, the number of Directors is 11, and if Proposal 2 and Proposal 3 are approved as originally proposed, there will be 10 Directors (excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members), of whom 3 are Outside Directors.

This proposal can only take effect after Proposal 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" takes effect.

# **Proposal 7:** Determination of Remuneration Amount for Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members

Subject to the approval of Proposal 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation," the Company will make the transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee. As such, in accordance with the provisions of Article 361, paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Companies Act, the Company proposes to set the amount of remuneration for Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members to be an annual amount of \mathbb{\pmathbb{8}0} million or less, taking the economic climate and other circumstances into consideration.

If Proposal 2 and Proposal 4 are approved as originally proposed, there will be 3 Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members.

This proposal can only take effect after Proposal 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" takes effect.

Proposal 8: Determination of Amount of Remuneration, Etc. in the Form of Share Remunerationtype Stock Options for Directors (Excluding Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members and Outside Directors) and Specific Details Thereof

At the 35th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on November 26, 2015, remuneration, etc. for Directors (excluding Outside Directors) of the Company in the form of share acquisition rights issued as stock options was approved to be an annual amount of \$100 million or less, separately from the amount of remuneration for Directors. However, if Proposal 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" is approved as originally proposed, the Company will make the transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee.

As such, the Company again would like to propose to continue to allot share acquisition rights to Directors (excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members and Outside Directors) after the transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee in the form of share remuneration-type stock options within the maximum annual amount of ¥100 million, separately from the amount of remuneration, etc. to be approved in Proposal 6 "Determination of Remuneration Amount for Directors (Excluding Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members)." The purpose is to further enhance motivation and morale of Directors to contribute to improving business performance and increasing corporate value over medium to long term even after the transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee.

The amount of remuneration, etc. in the form of stock options will be obtained by multiplying the fair value of each share acquisition right calculated on the date of allotment of the right, by the number of share acquisition rights to be allotted.

If Proposal 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" and Proposal 3 "Election of 10 Directors (Excluding Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members)" are approved as originally proposed, the number of Directors (excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members and Outside Directors) subject to this proposal will be 7.

This proposal shall become effective when Proposal 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" takes effect.

The details of share acquisition rights to be allotted to Directors (excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members and Outside Directors) are as follows:

## (1) Class and number of shares to be issued for share acquisition rights

The class of shares subject to share acquisition rights shall be common shares of the Company, and the number of such shares (hereinafter the "Number of Granted Shares") shall be 100 per 1 share acquisition right.

Provided that, if the Company splits its common shares (including an allotment of common shares of the Company without contribution; hereinafter the same shall apply to the following description of the share split) or consolidates its common shares after the date on which the share acquisition rights are allotted (hereinafter, the "Allotment Date"), the Number of Granted Shares shall be adjusted in regard to the share acquisition rights that have not yet been exercised at the time of such share split or consolidation according to the following calculation.

Number of Granted Shares after adjustment = Number of Granted Shares before adjustment × Ratio of split or consolidation

In the event of unavoidable circumstances that require an adjustment of the Number of Granted Shares in addition to the above, the Company may make an adjustment to the Number of Granted Shares that the Board of Directors of the Company deems necessary.

Any fraction less than 1 share arising as a result of the above adjustment shall be rounded off.

#### (2) Total number of share acquisition rights

The number of share acquisition rights to be allotted within 1 year from the date of the annual general meeting of shareholders for each fiscal year shall be up to 800.

## (3) Amount to be paid for share acquisition rights

The amount to be paid for each share acquisition right shall be determined by the Board of Directors on the basis of the fair value of the share acquisition right at the time of its allotment as calculated by a fair calculation method, such as the Black-Scholes model.

An individual who has received share acquisition rights (hereinafter, the "Holder of Share Acquisition Rights") shall offset the payment of the amount to be paid with the remuneration claims against the Company and accordingly shall not be required to make any monetary payment.

## (4) Amount of assets to be paid upon exercise of share acquisition rights

The amount of the assets to be paid upon the exercise of the share acquisition rights shall be calculated by multiplying the price of \(\xi\)1 per share to be delivered through the exercise of the share acquisition rights by the Number of Granted Shares.

### (5) Exercise period

The exercise period shall be determined by the Board of Directors of the Company up to a maximum of 50 years starting on the day immediately following the Allotment Date.

## (6) Conditions for exercise of share acquisition rights

The Holder of Share Acquisition Rights may only exercise his/her share acquisition rights in a lump, during a period until the day on which 10 days have elapsed from the day immediately following the day on which a Director, Executive Officer, or Corporate Auditor of the Company or its subsidiary ceases to hold any such positions (if the 10th day falls on a holiday, the following business day). Other conditions for the exercise of the share acquisition rights shall be determined by the Board of Directors, which determines terms for offering share acquisition rights.

## (7) Restrictions on acquisition of share acquisition rights by transfer

Acquisition of the share acquisition rights by means of transfer shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of the Company.

## (8) Other details of share acquisition rights

Other details concerning the share acquisition rights shall be determined by the Board of Directors, which determines terms for offering share acquisition rights.