

## **NEWS RELEASE**

## SHOWA DENKO K.K.

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## Announcement of Record Date for Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting

Showa Denko (SDK) (Tokyo: 4004) decided at its Board of Directors' meeting today to prescribe a record date for an extraordinary general shareholders' meeting scheduled for September 29, 2022 in accordance with Article 124 of the Companies Act (hereinafter "Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting"), as follows:

- 1. Record Date to be prescribed for convocation of Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting
  - 1) Record Date June 30, 2022 (Thursday)
  - 2) Date of public notice concerning prescription of Record Date June 15, 2022 (Wednesday)
  - Method of public notice
     An electronic public notice will be given on SDK's website at: https://www.sdk.co.jp/
  - 4) Persons entitled to exercise rights as of Record Date and content of the rights
    The shareholders that have been entered or recorded in the final shareholder register
    as of the Record Date will be entitled to exercise their voting rights at Extraordinary
    Shareholders' Meeting to be held in September 2022.
- 2. Convocation of Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting and matters to be referred Date and hour of Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting, matters to be referred, etc. will be decided at a Board of Directors' meeting in August 2022. Announcement will be made as soon as the decisions are made.
- 3. Background of Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting
  As announced in our news release of March 9, 2022 entitled "Showa Denko Group Starts
  to Consider Transformation into Holding Company Structure," SDK is considering ways to
  transform itself into a holding company structure. Specifically, we are considering a
  company split in which Showa Denko Materials Co., Ltd. (hereinafter "SDMC") will
  succeed to entire businesses of SDK. SDMC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of HC
  Holdings K.K. (hereinafter "HCHD"), in which SDK holds 100% of voting rights.
  Furthermore, we are considering a merger between HCHD and SDMC, as well as a
  company split in which SDK succeeds to part of SDMC's assets and liabilities.
  Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting will be convened to discuss relevant amendments to
  Articles of Incorporation. Details will be announced later as soon as they are finalized.

## 4. Schedules

June 30 2022 Record Date for Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting

concerning transformation into a holding company structure

August 2022 (planned) Board of Directors' meeting concerning the transformation

September 2022 (planned) Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting concerning the

transformation

January 2023 (planned) Implementation of the transformation

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