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#### Corporate Governance Report

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The corporate governance of Nippon Sheet Glass Company, Limited (the "Company") is described below.

# I. Basic Views on Corporate Governance, Capital Structure, Corporate Profile and Other Basic Information

#### 1. Basic Views

Nippon Sheet Glass Group (the "NSG Group"and the "Group") has established the "NSG Group Corporate Governance Guidelines" below as constituting our basic views on the matter of corporate governance.

The Group considers achievement of the advanced level of corporate governance is a high priority for the Group management and will implement the followings.

## (1) Structure

- a) The Group's ultimate parent company, Nippon Sheet Glass Company Limited (the "Company" and the "NSG") adopts the committee-based governance structure and the Company hence establishes the Board of Directors (the "Board"), Nomination Committee, Audit Committee, Compensation Committee (individually referred to as the "Committee") and Executive Officers.
- b) It is the intention of the Board that the Executive Officers should be authorized to determine the businesses and affairs of the Company within the scope as permitted by law, thereby

facilitating separation of execution from oversight, enhancing the transparency of the management processes and further strengthening oversight function over the executive management.

c) The Company will establish and maintain an internal control system operating on a Groupwide basis including the system in relation to financial reporting (J-SOX).

#### (2) Stakeholders Communication

- a) The Group aims to be judged as best in class by our many stakeholder groups in a variety of settings across the whole group (including shareholders, customers, suppliers and local communities) from their own perspectives and also will develop, maintain and enhance good relationship with any of such groups.
- b) In relation to the matter of disclosure of corporate information whether or not it is to be made according to legal requirements, the Group always aims to act in a timely and appropriate manner both in terms of the substance and form, with a view to maintaining and invariably enhancing transparency of management of the Group.

# (3) Code of Conduct

The Group will, in order to materialize those values, create the NSG Group Code of Ethics which all entities and employees etc of the Group must comply with and will be regularly reviewed in light of the status of implementation/embedding within the Group and the contents.

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[Reasons for Non-compliance with the Principles of the Corporate Governance Code] **[updated]**The Company implements all of the principles of the Corporate Governance Code (after revision dated June 11, 2021 including the principles for the Prime Market), except for the following.

#### [Principle 4.11 Preconditions for Board and Kansayaku Board Effectiveness]

In line with the Core Value in our management principle "Our Vision," "Respect others and unleash their potential" as well as Inclusion & Diversity Basic Statement, the Group respects the diversity of its people and is committed to promoting diversity in its various bodies including the Board of Directors.

In terms of internationality of the Board, two of the eight Directors is a non-Japanese Director. In terms of professional experience, five of eight members of the Board are External Directors

with abundant international experience in several companies and institutions, including the President, the Chairperson and an academic. This diversity of Directors ensures that the Board has a good balance of experience and expertise which we consider to be critical in light of the circumstances surrounding the Company and the issues to be resolved. In terms of age, the Board is made up of Directors in their 50s and early 70s, and in terms of gender, it is currently all male. The Nomination Committee recognizes that the appointment of female Directors is a critical management issue and continues to work on the selection of female candidates who are considered suitable for the position.

Regarding Executive Officers, also a function under the Company Law, seven out of the 15 Officers (including three who also serves as a Director) are non-Japanese, three are female, and one is in their 40s.

The Group has a well-balanced composition of Directors and Executive Officers in terms of gender, internationality, professional career and age based on their respective role of oversight and execution, and will continue to strongly promote the diversification of its Board of Directors and Executive Officers.

# [Disclosure Based on the Principles of the Corporate Governance Code] [updated]

#### [Supplementary Principle 1.1.1 Ensuring Shareholder Rights]

The Company put forward a Proposal No.2 "Appointment of eight Directors for the Board" at the 156th General meeting of Shareholders on 29th June 2022. While the proposal was approved, only 69.8%, 80.6%, 64.1% of votes were cast in favour of the election of three Directors, Shigeki Mori, Jörg Raupach Sumiya and Yoshihiro Kuroi, respectively. Taking this result seriously, the company has analyzed the reasons for opposing votes and studied countermeasures to be taken in the future in line with the Supplementary Principle 1.1.1, and hereby reports as follows.

#### (i) Main reasons Against

We suppose that there were two main reasons why some shareholders and investors did not support our proposal, insufficient return on equity (ROE) due to the slump in business performance and perspective of the Independent Board.

#### (ii) Future measures

In line with Medium Term Management Plan "Revival Plan 24 (RP24)", we will work to seek to recover our business performance, and we will continue to engage in dialogue and further

improvement of Corporate Governance so that shareholders and investors can understand the effective independence of, and role and responsibilities performed adequately by, the Board of Directors.

[Supplementary Principle 1.2.4 Exercise of Shareholder Rights at General Shareholder Meetings]

The Company will create an environment in which all the shareholders, regardless of whether they are able to attend General Meeting of Shareholders in person, are provided with opportunities adequately to exercise their voting rights, including by way of securing earlier posting of convocation notice of the General Meeting, our participation in the Electronic Voting Platform and publishing convocation notice in English (full text-including business reports, financial statements, excluding audit reports).

# [Principle 1.4 Cross-Shareholdings]

The Company and its main material subsidiaries do not own politically-held listed shares as a matter of principle, unless such ownership becomes necessary for the purpose of enhancing our sustainable enterprise value and serving the important corporate purposes such as significant business alliance, the intent of which is adopted for as "Policy on nil ownership of politically held listed shares" disclosed in our website.

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#### [Principle 1.7 Related Party Transactions]

The Group has established strict procedure concerning the Related Party Transactions in order not to harm the common interest of the Company's shareholders according to the relevant laws and regulations such as Companies Act and its internal policies.

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[Supplementary Principle 2.3.1 Sustainability Issues, Including Social and Environmental Matters]

The Group positions Sustainability initiatives are important activities that balance both environmental & social issues of society and the sustainable development of our business, and the Group aims to grow together with society through sustainability activities.

The Board of Directors adopted "Basic Policy on Sustainability" as the part of fundamental

management policy addressing these perspectives. In the process of discussion in trying to formulate a new mid-term management plan, the Group reconfirmed and identified five items as Materiality to attain sustainable growth of the Group and contribute to a sustainable society in the medium- to long-term. These items are also positioned as identified under such Basic Policy.

These sustainability initiatives are promoted mainly by the Sustainability Committee chaired by CEO, and the committee regularly reports to the Board of Directors and reflects views of the Board of Directors presented on further roll-out of such initiatives.

#### Materiality

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[Supplementary Principle 2.4.1 Ensuring Diversity, Including Active Participation of Women] (i)Ensuring diversity in the promotion to core human resources

The Group respects the diversity of people based on the core value of the Management Principle, "Our Vision" which states "Respect others and unleash their potential". Working on Inclusion and Diversity (I&D) globally is an important issue for companies. In the item of "Human Capital" of the Materiality reconfirmed and defined in the process of formulating a new mid-term management plan, the Group aims to ensure sustainable growth of the Group and contribute employees' welfare through a variety of initiatives to enhance development of Change Leaders at global level, Inclusion and Diversity, safety and health. The Group is firmly committed to further improving its own I&D, embracing the internally and externally declared Statement of Intent in 2017.

Inclusion and Diversity Statement of Intent

Having an Inclusive Culture and Environment:

we give everyone an equal opportunity to contribute to their full potential and harness the richness of ideas.

Having a Diverse Workforce:

any differences in individuals' backgrounds, experiences, preferences and beliefs are recognized, respected and valued for their variety of perspectives.

The Group established a Global I&D Steering Committee with the aim of enhancing I&D across the entire group. The Committee comprises 20 members, covering all business units, functions, and regions. It works with individual businesses to identify and implement local, regional, and global initiatives, identifying areas for improvements and measuring progress.

The Group operates as an integrated international group with a multinational management team. In addition, the Group believes in and respects the value of diversity. Our management style is to put the best person in each job, regardless of nationality or region, and there is a diverse mix of nationalities, skills, qualifications and experience at management level. In view of the diversity of the Group's core employees, the Group has set a target for diversity in the appointment of core employees in terms of the promotion of women. As we expand our business globally, we will continue to ensure the diversity of our core employees with regard to nationality, skills, qualifications.

#### (ii) Active Participation of Women

The Group supports female career development through I&D programs. The Group conducted Unconscious Bias Training for all managers across the Group, and also promote awareness of International Women's Day as a day for recognizing diversity. In Japan, following activities are being undertaken to promote gender diversity: greater visibility for females in succession planning discussions, identifying and confirming the positions to which female managers will be appointed, career workshops regularly held for female managers, and joint career seminars with female employees of other companies.

#### Female managers in the Group

- 14.2% as of 30 June 2022
- FY24 target: To increase female managers at least 1% in each business units, functions from the result as of June 30, 2022.

# (iii) Active Participation of foreign nationals and midcareer hires

The Group operates as an integrated international Group, with a multinational management team. Subsidiaries located globally are basically managed by the local Leadership teams.

# Foreign Senior Managers in the Group

- · 78.2% as of 31 March 2022
- 82.5% as of 31 March 2021

The Group has diverse workforce with its range of skills, qualifications, and experience in the world. In Japan, the Group is promoting the mid-career employment to satisfy the skills and careers required by our businesses and functions. New Employment in the Company

- FY22: 11 new graduates and 26 mid-careers
- FY21 : 26 new graduates and 8 mid-careers

(iv) Human resource development and internal environment development to ensure diversity The Group continuously cultivate our employees through learning and development opportunities, aiming to provide a working environment that allows our people to reach their full potential and meet our customers' expectations.

In 2018, the Group introduced Talent Management as part of our wider Talent Strategy supporting the Group's Vision and Values. With this introduction, we migrated key global talent records and data to a new talent management system. This global approach to talent management is more inclusive and reduces 'organizational silos', as we can share the talent data such as Performance Reviews and Succession Plans across Regisons, SBUs and Functions via the system, allowing us to take a transparent and dynamic approach to Talent Management continuouly.

The Company aims to provide learning opportunities for employess at all levels on a contious basis even under the "with Corona" environment by shifting the group's HR education and training programs from a conventional fully face-to-face education style to an appropriate combination of online virtual classrooms, action learning, coaching and other training activities.

In Japan, the company was awarded Platinum Kurumin Certification by Japanese Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare in 2019 as we achieved high standards of the targets for our employees to satisfy both their career aspirations and childcare needs. The company is encouraging more paternity leave. In addition, the company is striving to achieve the work environment where diverse individuals can maximize their full potential, realizing diverse working styles not bound by place and time through expansion of remote work and introduction of flexible time without core time, for example.

The detail is disclosed on our website as an integrated report.

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#### [Principle 2.6 Roles of Corporate Pension Funds as Asset Owners]

The Company has organized the asset management committee consisting of Finance and HR departments to formulate and review the basic policy for the management of pension assets and the asset portfolio mix and evaluate investment management organizations. We also have placed the staff in charge of the matter in Finance and HR and in particular, those with appropriate qualifications and business experience are assigned to be in charge of investment management and operations. Stewardship activities are monitored through

quarterly reports from the investment management organizations.

No conflict of interest will arise between the corporate pension beneficiaries and the company since the exercise of voting rights in relation to the managed assets is left in the sole discretion of the investment management organisation.

We continue to seek, with the aid of external support as well as expertise accumulated internally within the Group, enhancing the expert quality of the asset managing process and thus strengthening the function of the pension funds as asset owners.

### [Principle 3.1 Full Disclosure]

(i) Business principles, business strategies and business plans

The Group has formulated the management principles "Our Vision", Medium Term Vision and Medium Term Plan respectively and made them publicly available in our website and various publications etc.

Management Principles "Our Vision"

#### Mission

Changing our surroundings, improving our world

#### Aspiration

Through innovation, becoming the most trusted partner in all industries we work in Core Values

- Respect others and unleash their potential.
- Exemplify trust and integrity.
- Ensure efforts to serve society.
- Take the initiative.
- ◆ Embrace challenges and learn from failure.
- Follow through to get results.

https://www.nsq.com/en/about-nsq/our-vision

#### NSG Group's Medium Term Vision:

A global glass supplier contributing to the world with high value-added glass products and services.

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Medium Term Plan "Revival plan 24"(RP24)

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(ii) Basic views and guidelines on corporate governance (NSG Group Corporate Governance Guidelines)

The Group has crystallized its basic views and guidelines on corporate governance in the form of NSG Group Corporate Governance Guidelines and uploaded it in our website. https://www.nsq.com/-/media/nsg/site-content/sustainability/downloads-attached-to-pages-in-

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(iii) Policies and procedures in determining the compensation for the senior management and Directors

The Compensation Committee, chaired by Independent External Director and composed of five (5) Directors including the Chairperson, four (4) of whom are Independent External Directors, determines the policy of, and individual contents of, compensation payable to Executive Officers and Directors.

Please see below "Compensation for Directors and Executive Officers (Shikkoyaku), Disclosure of Policy on Determining Compensation Amounts and Calculation Methods" in "II. Business Management Organization and Other Corporate Governance Systems regarding Decision-making, Execution of Business, and Oversight in Management".

(Principles of Compensation for Directors and Executive officers)

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(iv) (v) Policies and procedures in the appointment and the dismissal of the senior management and the nomination of Director candidates

The Company will decide a candidate for Director at the Nomination Committee, chaired by Independent External Director and composed of five (5) Directors including the Chairperson, four (4) of whom are Independent External Directors and submit the details to the ordinary general meeting of shareholders as a proposal. In addition, the Board of Directors will, on the basis of recommendation rendered by the Nomination Committee in advance, appoint or dismiss senior executive managers including Executive Officers. These decisions will be carried in accordance with "General Criteria to Select Candidates for Directors" or "Policy and Procedure on Appointment and Dismissal of Executive Management", which details are accessible in our website.

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# [Supplementary Principle 3.1.2 Full Disclosure]

The Company discloses and provides various disclosure materials (Financial Reports, IR Presentations, Notices of Convening of General Meetings of Shareholders, Shareholder Communications, Integrated Reports, etc.) in English on the Company's website.

# [Supplementary Principle 3.1.3 Full Disclosure]

#### (i) Initiatives on Sustainability

Based on "Our Vision", in line with "Basic Policy on Sustainability", the Group identified five items as Materiality to attain sustainable growth of the Group and contribute to a sustainable society in the medium- to long-term, "Environment", "Society Shift and Innovation", "Safe and High-Quality Products and Services", "Ethics and Compliance" and "Human Capital".

Of these, with regard to the "Environment", tackling climate change has become a global issue, and the Group recognizes that the "Environment" is a high-priority management issue. While it is expected that products that are indispensable for promoting energy creation and energy saving will become more important in the future, the Group has the strength in providing such products that can contribute to advancement of Eco Society as solar energy glass and energy saving glass for ZEB / ZEH (Net Zero Energy Building / Net Zero Energy House), and will focus on further expansion of their sales.

In addition, the Group aims to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the manufacturing process by 21% compared to 2018 by 2030, and this goal is certified as an SBT initiative. In order to achieve this, the Group has been working to achieve a 2% annual reduction in carbon emissions during the three-year period of the Company's Revival Plan 24 to 2024 by optimizing glass manufacturing process, developing energy-saving technologies, and expanding the use of renewable energy.

Moreover, in May 2022, the Group decided to commit to achieving carbon neutrality by 2050 and at the same time, increasing the 2030 reduction target for GHG emissions from manufacturing processes (Scope 1 and Scope 2) from 21% to 30%, which is more impending and thus should be more important for achieving such carbon neutrality, and developed more specific and feasible additional measures. In addition, GHG emission from supply chains (Scope 3) was also incorporated into this new reduction target. Thisnew target was certified as SBTi in June 2022. In order to attain this target, the Group will continue to work on disruptive innovations as well as development of existing technologies, including optimization of glass manufacturing processes, development of energy saving technologies, introduction of alternative fuels and renewable energies, and development of supply chains.

Regarding sustainability initiatives, the Group has determined appropriate KPIs in areas such as environment, safety, energy / CO2 reduction, sustainable high value-added product development, procurement / transportation responsibility, and human resources, and progress toward each goal. The detailed information is disclosed on our website as an integrated report.

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# (ii) Investments in human capital and intellectual properties

In investing in human capital, the Group aims to develop leaders at all management levels, who have the ability to realize the medium-term management plan (RP24), and the human capital investments that aim to transform the behavior of leaders includes; Leadership assessment, selection, and training by emphasizing specific areas which align with the RP24 Corporate Culture reform - "Customer focus", "Swift decision making and action", and "Overcoming difficulties". At the same time, the Group will also provide employees with reskilling and training necessary for the reform in areas such as digitalization, marketing, and new business development. In addition, by nurturing and embedding an environment throughout the group where employees can interact with their supervisors through their daily work and have a constructive feedback, the Group will encourage each employee to transform behaviors to realize RP24.

In investing in intellectual properties, the Group focuses on the areas of "Safety & Comfort", "Eco Society", "Information and Telecommunication" as set forth in the Group Medium Term Vision, and aims to accelerate shifting towards value-added products and services and promote R&D to establish new pillars of growth. In the investment in R&D and intellectual property, a well-balanced, cost-effective resource allocation is intended focusing on core technologies that the Group has strengths in.

And the Group is targeting to maintain and advance the Group's competitive trading position by proactively capitalizing on intellectual property. It is important to align our own patent strategy with our business and R&D strategies, and the Group is pursuing patent prosecution both in "product development" and "key technology development" areas, which are closely connected with our core and strategic businesses. As a part of such effort, we seek to acquire patents ahead of competitors, and ensure that patenting activities are performed in a way that meets the needs of businesses by maintaining close contacts with the development and manufacturing frontlines.

(iii) Impact of climate change-related risks and earning opportunities on the Copmany's business activities and profits

The Group has been aligning its climate related disclosures with the Taskforce on Climate related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) utilizing the Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP) framework. In November 2021, the Group announced the support for the recommendations issued by the TCFD (Task force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures) and joined the TCFD Consortium.

Following the TCFD four recommendations, "Governance", "Strategy", "Risk Management", "Metrics and Targets", the Group plans to enrich the content of disclosure with a more quantitative assessment of potential impacts associated with climate-related risks and opportunities by means of climate scenario analysis.

# [Supplementary Principles 4.1.1 Roles and Responsibilities of the Board (1)]

It is the purview of the Board to decide on the basic management policies, including business and financial strategies and annual, medium- and long-term business plans, certain important matters such as an election of Executive Officers, and other matters required to be determined by laws or the Articles of Incorporation. The Board authorizes the Executive Officer(s) to decide on all other matters as matter of principle in order to enable nimble and flexible decision-making by the executive management as well as enhance effectiveness of supervision by the Board.

An overview of the scope of such delegation is described on Article 10.1(2) of the NSG Group Corporate Governance Guidelines.

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#### [Supplementary Principles 4.1.3 Roles and Responsibilities of the Board (1)]

The Nomination Committee clarifies the qualifications for a top managing officer and required personality or character as a part of the Chief Executive Officer's succession plan. Further, the Company formulates and operates training programs and leadership development plans for management development needs. In addition to such plan for CEO, the Company also creates and maintains succession plans for certain specified senior managers of the Group AND regularly reviews them to ensure their validity. In case the incumbent CEO is also a member of Nomination Committee, he/she will not be involved in any decision or discussion as to his/ her own succession plan, except only where he/she expresses his/her opinion in response to specific request if any from the Nomination Committee to do so. As relevant, the Terms of Reference of Nomination Committee is uploaded in our website.

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[Supplementary Principle 4.2.1 Roles and Responsibilities of the Board (2)]

The Compensation Committee designs and operates the executive remuneration system and determines the remuneration amounts for Directors and Executive Officers based on "Compensation Policy for Directors, and Executive Officers". This objective is also set out in Article 16 of the CG Guidelines.

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# [Supplementary Principle 4.2.2 Roles and Responsibilities of the Board (2)]

(i) Basic policy for the company's sustainability initiatives

The Group upholds a mission "to change our surroundings and improve our world through the high quality products and services", and to that end, aims "to become the most trusted partner in all industries we work in through innovation" as our enduring goal.

Contributing to the realization of a sustainable society and world is an essential part of the management policy of the Group, which operates in many countries and regions around the world, and also is the cornerstone of its business strategy.

To this end, the Group has recently adopted the "NSG Group Basic Policy on Sustainability" at the Board of Directors to establish the attitude and policy of basic sustainability initiatives. The Group is committed to contributing to the sustainable enhancement of corporate value and the realization of a sustainable society over the medium to long term by identifying materiality issues together with appropriate KPIs, and by addressing and resolving these issues through our business in line with the following basic policy on sustainability. Through such a framework, NSG Group is working on five materiality issues: "Environment", "Society Shift and Innovation", "Safe and High-Quality Products and Services", "Ethics and Compliance" and "Human Capital".

NSG Group Basic Policy on Sustainability

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These sustainability initiatives are promoted mainly by the Sustainability Committee chaired by CEO, and the committee regularly reports to the Board of Directors and reflects views of the Board of Directors presented on further roll-out of such initiatives.

(ii) Supervision of the allocation of management resources and the implementation of

#### business portfolio strategies

The Group has advocated "Business structure reform" centered on expansion of value-added business, development of new growth businesses, and emphasis on investment and asset efficiency as one of the three reforms, and "Transformation into more profitable business portfolio" as one of the two key initiatives in the Medium Term Plan "Revival Plan 24 (RP24)", covering a period of three years from the fiscal year ended March 2022 to the fiscal year ended March 2024. The Board of Directors regularly receives reports from the executive team on the allocation of management resources to human capital or IP assets and the strategic execution of the business portfolio, and monitors the progress and the prompt execution of RP24.

#### [Supplementary Principle 4.3.2 Roles and Responsibilities of the Board (3)]

The Nomination Committee determines in advance, pursuant to the Policy and Procedure on Appointment and Dismissal of Executive Management, the necessary qualifications for CEO and sets the procedure for selecting the CEO, and recommends candidates to the Board of Directors, on the basis of which the Board of Directors makes the final selection of the CEO.

In case the incumbent CEO is also a member of Nomination Committee, he/she will not be involved in any decision or discussion as to such recommendation on appointment of CEO, except only where he/she expresses his/her opinion in response to specific request if any from the Nomination Committee asking for the same.

As relevant, both of the Terms of Reference of Nomination Committee and the Policy and Procedure on Appointment and Dismissal of Executive Mnagement are uploaded it in our website.

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#### [Supplementary Principle 4.3.3 Roles and Responsibilities of the Board (3)]

The Nomination Committee, pursuant to the Policy and Procedure on the Appointment and Dismissal of Executive Management, shall deliberate in advance on the appropriateness of CEO dismissal (including the case where the CEO's term of office is not renewed contrary to an initial assumption; hereinafter the same applies in this regard), and recommend the implementation of such decision to the Board of Directors, which then makes a final decision. In case the incumbent CEO is also a member of Nomination Committee, he/she will not be involved in any decision or discussion as to such recommendation in relation to his/her dismissal, except only where he or she expresses his/her opinion in response to specific

request if any from the Nomination Committee asking for the same.

As relevant, both of the Terms of Reference of Nomination Committee and the Policy and Procedure on Appointment and Dismissal of Executive Management are uploaded it in our website.

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# [Supplementary Principle 4.3.4 Roles and Responsibilities of the Board (3)]

- (i) The Group has established Strategic Risk Committee composed of Executive Officers including CEO and appointed Chief Risk Officer ("CRO") from among the Executive Officers. The responsibilities of Strategic Risk Committee (SRC) include the provision of an overall framework for the enterprise risk management of the Group, and the identification and evaluation of the high-level risks which could have a material adverse effect. The CRO chairs the SRC meetings and, as the representative of the Committee, regularly reports to the Management Committee and Audit Committee in relation to effectiveness of the fundamental system of the internal control and risk management structure of the Group.
- (ii) Internal Audit Function performs the role of giving independent assurance to efficacy of such overall enterprise risk management of the Group.
- (iii) The Group has also formulated the NSG Group Entities Management Policy in order to comprehensively identify and manage material risks inherent in each legal entity constituting the Group. The Executive Officer in charge is responsible for regularly reporting to Management Committee and the Board of Directors regarding the outcome.

#### [Principle 4.8 Independent Directors]

Currently, the Company has four Independent External Directors on the board, and the half of the Directors are Independent External Directors. In addition to the Chairman of the Board of Directors, Nomination, Audit and Compensation Committees of the Company are chaired by Independent External Directors.

Details of the significance and roles of Independent External Directors are described in the CG Guidelines and disclosed in the website.

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[Principle 4.9 Independence Criteria and Qualification of Independent Directors]

The Company, when considering qualification for independence with regard to external

Directors, has established and applies its own independence criteria duly taking account of their relationships with the Group, the Executive Officers as well as major shareholders, further to the requirements set by TSE in relation to such independence standards.

Its detail is as described in, "Matters relating to Independent Directors" in "II. Business Management Organization and Other Corporate Governance Systems regarding Decision-making, Execution of Business, and Oversight in Management" and disclosed in the website.

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#### [Supplementary Principle 4.10-1 Use of Optional Approach]

The Company has established Nomination Committee and Compensation Committee as the committee-based governance structure.

Both the Nomination Committee and the Compensation Committee are chaired by Independent External Directors, and both committees are composed of four Independent External Directors out of five, including the chairman.

The Nominating Committee decides the content of the agenda for the appointment and dismissal of Directors to be submitted to the general meeting of shareholders. In addition, the Nominating Committee recommend or advise the Board of Directors regarding the appointment and dismissal of other executive officers of the Group, whose appointment and dismissal are decided by Executive Officers and the Board of Directors.

The Compensation Committee determines the policy of remuneration for Directors and executive officers. In addition, the content of individual remuneration for Directors and executive officers will be determined.

There are "Terms of Reference of Nomination Committee" and "Terms of Reference of Compensation Committee" as related regulations, which are disclosed in the website.

- Terms of Reference of Nomination Committee
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- Terms of Reference of Compensation Committee
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[Principle 4.11 Preconditions for Board and Kansayaku Board Effectiveness]

At least one member of the Audit Committee, which consists of four Independent External

Directors, will be elected from among those who have specializes knowledge on finance and accounting to a respectable degree and the purpose of that is prescribed in Article 9 of the CG Guidelines. Currently, Mr. Kunihito Minakawa, Director, is elected as such a member of the Audit Committee.

In addition, the Group analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the Board of Directors on a fiscal year basis, disclose the results, action plans, etc. The purpose of this is also prescribed in Article 23 of the CG Guidelines. The CG guidelines are also disclosed on our website

# [ Supplementary Principle 4.11.1 Preconditions for Board and Kansayaku Board Effectiveness]

The Board of Directors shall consist of Directors with different backgrounds in terms of professional skills, expertise and experience, considering the global footprints of the Group operation as a background. The Group has created a skills matrix by defining the important experience and expertise required of Directors to deal with the important issues to be addressed in the Group's management strategy and medium-term plan and discloses them in the notice of convening the ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders. In addition, the Group will maintain an appropriate number of members so that the Board of Directors can perform its function effectively and efficiently, and when selecting candidates for Directors, they are examined in light of the "General Criteria for the Selection of Candidates for Directors" set forth by the Group, the skills matrix, and also diversity to ensure a well-balanced composition of the Board of Directors on the whole.

https://www.nsg.com/-/media/nsg/site-content/sustainability/downloads-attached-to-pages-in-sustainability-section/corporategovernanceguideline2022 07 e.pdf

#### skill matrix

https://www.nsg.com/-/media/nsg/site-content/ir/ir-library/shareholdersmeeting/156th/156thshareholdersmeeting\_e01.pdf

# [ Supplementary Principle 4.11.2 Preconditions for Board and Kansayaku Board Effectiveness]

The Company's "General Criteria for the Selection of Candidates for Directors" stipulates that Directors must be able to secure sufficient time for participation in the Board of Directors and committees meetings. And concurrent positions held by Directors are disclosed in our Website and described in the notice of convening the ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders and Financial Results Reports.

https://www.nsg.com/-/media/nsg/site-content/sustainability/downloads-attached-to-pages-in-sustainability-section/principleofreplenishment 4 11 2 2207 e.pdf

The notice of convening the ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders:

https://www.nsq.com/en/investors/ir-library/shareholders-meeting

Financial Results Reports (YUHO):

https://www.nsq.com/en/investors/ir-library/financial-reports

[ Supplementary principle 4.11.3 Preconditions for Board and Kansayaku Board Effectiveness]

The NSG Group has made it an internal practice to implement an annual effectiveness review of the Board and three Committees (individually the "Committee" and collectively the "Committees") to continuously enhance the level of function and effectiveness of its Board of Directors and three Committees. The purpose of this is prescribed in Article 23 of the CG Guidelines. The CG Guidelines are also disclosed on our website.

https://www.nsg.com/-/media/nsg/site-content/sustainability/downloads-attached-to-pages-in-sustainability-section/corporategovernancequideline2022 07 e.pdf

In this process the Board confirms the progress of the ongoing priority implementation items as it relates to the issues previously identified, creates an additional improvement plan addressing the newly found issues and then combines and integrates the issues into priority implementation items for regular monitoring to continuously aim for enhancement of the effectiveness of the Board as a whole.

The overall summary of the results from the review made in relation to FY ended March 2022 is as follows:

#### [Our Effectiveness Review Process]

As part of the annual evaluation process for the fiscal year ended March 2022, the Board conducted an analysis and evaluation of the effectiveness of the Board and Committees based on the feedback and views provided by each Director with regard to composition, status of meeting management, agenda setting, status of deliberations, the role performed by the Board, communication with the Executive team and material agendas requiring further in depth deliberation by the Board on a going forward basis. The entire process was led and supervised by the Independent External Directors under the leadership of the Chairman of the Board to ensure sufficient adequacy and independence.

#### [Evaluation Summary]

The effectiveness review endorsed that the Board and the Committees were all properly and soundly operated to ensure their effectiveness during the fiscal year under review. At the same time, the following points were confirmed as issues to be addressed by the Board individually.

#### ·NSG Group's Medium Term Management Plan (MTP)

To deepen discussions on the medium- to long-term management strategy and important management issues with a view to enhancing the corporate value of the Group in a sustainable way. In addition, the Executives' initiatives to address the challenges incorporated in MTP (RP24) need to be specified further and their implementation needs to be accelerated in response to various changes occurring in the external environment.

#### •The Composition of Directors

In order to properly deal with medium- to long-term important management issues, promote in-depth discussions on the skills and experiences required for the Board and enhance the effectiveness of the process of selecting Director candidates. At the same time, promote the appointment of a female Director who is currently absent.

## [Priority Implementation Items (what to do next)]

By reference to and on the basis of the evaluation results and views, the Board adopted the following priority implementation items through the exchange of views at sessions consisting exclusively of Independent External Directors and discussions at the Board meetings, with a view to ensuring the execution of the Revival Plan (RP24) and improving the Group's corporate value over a medium to long term in a sustainable manner through the Board and the Committees.

- In addition to in-depth discussions of the medium- to long-term management strategy and important management issues, regarding key measures set forth in MTP (RP24), request the Executive Team to further specify implementation items to achieve the plan and monitor the progress to ensure their swift implementation in view of the ongoing changes in the business environment.
- Pursue the significance of diversity in the Board, work on realizing an appointment of a female Director, which is an ongoing issue.

 In order to properly deal with medium- to long-term important management issues, promote in-depth discussions on the skills and experiences required for the Board and the current composition of the Board, and select Director candidates.

In order to drive forward the management structure facilitating sustainable growth and enhancement of enterprise value of the Group in a medium to long term in light of establishing an appropriate corporate governance structure, these priority implementation items should be validated on a regular basis in terms of their implementation status and effects while their contents should be reviewed as appropriately. The plans are therefore anticipated to constitute a material part of the Board effectiveness evaluation process for the following year.

#### [Supplementary principle 4.13.3 Information Gathering and Support Structure]

The Group will, on the basis of "Fundamental Policies of the Company on creation of effective internal control system of the Group" approved by the Board of Directors, create, maintain and operate the internal control structure, and will further assess its effectiveness, and continuously seek to improve such control structure.

The Board of Directors and Audit Committee may, on an as-required basis, receive reports directly from those Group functions regarding internal controls such as sustainability, legal and ethics and compliance and regarding internal audit.

In addition, the Audit Committee Office is established as the secretariat of the Audit Committee. The Board Secretariat Team and the Audit Committee Office provide continuous information to Directors, especially Independent External Directors. Regarding the support of the secretariat, we conduct a questionnaire every year in the effectiveness evaluation of the Board of Directors to confirm it, and we also set and implement improvement actions.

#### [Supplementary principle 4.14.2 Director and Kansayaku Training]

The Company, upon their election and afterwards on as-needed basis, provides each Director of the Company with such information and explanation about related laws like Companies Act, corporate governance and material management issues, by having reference to familiarity and experience of each.

In addition to these, especially for External Directors, the Company provides them with explanation about the basic information on the Group and its business (business, history, financial, organization, and main regulations, etc.), and opportunities to visit the site, do interviews with business executives occasionally.

Its details are described on Article 12.5 of the NSG Group Corporate Governance Guidelines

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#### [Principle 5.1 Policy for constructive dialogue with shareholders]

The Group considers open, constructive, and effective dialogue with shareholders is quite crucial. The Group aims to engage effectively with shareholders and investors by making the most of a number of avenues and opportunities available to us including through regular communications, investor relation activities and the General Meeting of Shareholders, whilst simultaneously ensuring adherence to any applicable laws. Its details are described on Article 2 of the NSG Group Corporate Governance Guidelines.

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# [Supplementary principle 5.1.1 Policy for Constructive Dialogue with Shareholders]

Overall, the Group CEO takes a leadership role in maintaining and enhancing investor/shareholder relations, with the active involvement of other executive management of the Group as required from time to time.

Also, IR activities are as described in "2 Investor Relations activities" in "III. Implementation of Measures for Shareholders and Other Stakeholders".

#### [Principle 5.2 Establishing and Disclosing Business Strategies and Business Plan]

In order to increase the shareholder value over the medium to long term, the Group will take into consideration the costs of capital fully and produce the basic policies for earnings plan and capital policy, whilst based on the situations the Group is then facing we intend to present the targets for earnings power and capital efficiency etc. adequately linked to its then important management agenda, along with making of appropriate and logical explanation about business portfolio review as necessary or useful or allocation of management recourses etc. for delivery of those targets.

In order to fulfill its mission of "changing our surroundings, improving our world", NSG Group recently formulated a Medium Term Vision to become "A global glass supplier contributing to the world with high value-added glass products and services" as a direction the Group should be heading for.

On 13th May 2021, the Group publicly announced "Revival Plan 24 (RP24)" as its Medium Term Plan covering a three-year period from FY2022 to FY2024 aiming at building robust business for sustained growth and preparing the Group for the next disruption in the business environment.

In order to achieve Medium Term Vision, we will take actions in two steps, namely, Step I (RP24: FY2022 to FY2024) for business transformation and Step II (FY2025 and beyond) for sustained cycle of growth. RP24 is deemed as the period for business transformation during which time the Group will focus on drastic reform of profit structure, restoration of financial stability, and transformation of business portfolio so as to accomplish drastic and fundamental initiatives as a basic principle.

#### ·Main Initiatives of RP24

In RP24, we will execute the following "Three Reforms" and "Two Key Initiatives" decisively and build business strength to sustain the cycle of growth.

#### Three Reforms:

- Cost structure reform: cost reduction and productivity improvement
- Business structure reform: expansion of value-added business; development of new growth businesses; emphasis on investment and asset efficiency
- Corporate culture reform: never failing to take up challenges and following through to deliver results

#### Two Key Initiatives:

- Restoration of financial stability
- Transformation into more profitable business portfolio

#### · Financial Targets

NSG Group's most urgent task is to recover a sustainable financial base. To this end, the Group aims to restore equity ratio to more than 10 percent quickly by steadily generating net profit and free cash flow every term. Meanwhile the Group will also proactively review further enhancement of equity from a longer term viewpoint.

- · Improvement of OP margin via: Cost structure reform, business structure reform, business portfolio transformation
- · Selective and focused investment: Control of the total capital expenditure, prioritization according to asset efficiency, growth potential and added value

Financial targets for the final year of RP24 (FY2024) are as follows:

Operating profit Margin\*1 8%

Net profit/loss\*2 > JPY 30 bn cumulatively for 3 years

Equity ratio > 10%

Free cash flow > JPY 10 bn

\*1: Operating profit after amortization

#### \*2: Profit attributable to owners of the parent

[ Supplementary principle 5.2.1 Establishing and Disclosing Business Strategies and Business Plans]

The Group has advocated "Business structure reform" centered on expansion of value-added business, development of new growth businesses, and emphasis on investment and asset efficiency as one of the three reforms, and "Transformation into more profitable business portfolio" as one of the two key initiatives in the Medium Term Plan "Revival Plan 24 (RP24)", which has a period of three years from the fiscal year ended March 2022 to the fiscal year ended March 2024, and they are disclosed in our Website. And the progress of business portfolio transformation in RP24 is disclosed in the quarterly financial result presentation materials.

https://www.nsg.com/-/media/nsg/site-content/ir/ir-presentations/mtprp24presentation2021\_e02.pdf

#### 2. Capital Structure

Percentage of Foreign Shareholders	20% or greater but less than 30%
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## [Status of Major Shareholders]

Name / Company Name	Number of Shares Owned (shares)	Percentage (%)
The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd.	13,153,500	14.46
(trust account)	-,,	
Custody Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust	2,984,300	3.28
Account)	2,301,300	5.20
MSIP CLIENT SECURITIES	2,589,400	2.85
MLI FOR CLIENT GENERAL OMNI NON		
COLLATERAL NON	1,779,300	1.96
TREATY-PB		
Client stock ownership of Nippon Sheet	1,369,478	1.51
Glass	1,509,470	1.31
JUNIPER	1,360,000	1.49

STATE STREET BANK WEST CLIENT-	1,314,000	1.44
TREATY 505234	=77	
JP MORGAN CHASE BANK 385781	1,197,175	1.32
JP JPMSE LUX RE NOMURA INT PLC 1 EQ CO	927,200	1.02
SUMITOMO LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	914,800	1.01

Controlling Shareholder (except for Parent Company)	
Parent Company	None

#### **Supplementary Explanation**

- ① The status of major shareholders is as of March 31, 2022
- ② In the Large Shareholding Report (Change Report) that was used for public inspection on March 23, 2022, although it is stated that Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Asset Management Co., Ltd. and its joint holder, as of March 16, 2022 owned a total of 8,945,900 shares, we have not reflected such ownership in the above status of major shareholders because we can not confirm the actual number of such ownership as of March 31, 2022.
- ③ In the Large Shareholding Report (Change Report) that was used for public inspection on April 7, 2022, although it stated that Nomura Asset Management Co., Ltd.and its joint holder, as of March 31, 2022 owned a total of 5,884,780 shares, we have not reflected such ownership in the above status of major shareholders because we can not confirm the actual number of such ownership as of March 31, 2022.

#### 3. Corporate Attributes

Listed Stock Market and Market Section	Tokyo Stock Exchange, Prime Market	
Fiscal Year-End	March	
Type of Business	Glass and Ceramics Products	
Number of Employees (consolidated) as	1 000 or more	
of the End of the Previous Fiscal Year	1,000 or more	
Sales (consolidated) as of the End of the	V100 billion or greater but less than V1 trillion	
Previous Fiscal Year	¥100 billion or greater but less than ¥1 trillion	
Number of Consolidated Subsidiaries as	100 or greater but forcer than 200	
of the End of the Previous Fiscal Year	100 or greater but fewer than 300	

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wi	ith C	ontrollin	g Shareholder							
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5. Ot	her	Special	Circumstances	which	may	have	Material	Impact	on	Corporate
Go	veri	nance								
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# II. Business Management Organization and Other Corporate Governance Systems regarding Decision-making, Execution of Business, and Oversight in Management

# 1. Organizational Composition and Operation

ganization Form	Company with Three Committees
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# [Directors]

Maximum Number of Directors Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	No limit is defined.
Term of Office Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	One year
Chairperson of the Board	Outside Director
Number of Directors	8

# [Outside Directors]

Number of Outside Directors	5
Number of Independent Directors	4

Outside Directors' Relationship with the company (1)

Nama	Atteilerste	Relationship with the company*										
Name	Attribute	а	В	С	d	е	f	g	h	i	j	K
Jörg Raupach Sumiya	Scholar											
Hiroshi Ishino	External								Δ	Δ		
Kunihito Minakawa	External											
Yoshihiro Kuroi	External											
Shinji Asatsuma	External								Δ	Δ		

- Categories for "Relationship with the Company"
- \* "o" when the Director presently falls or has recently fallen under the category;
  - "△" when the Director fell under the category in the past
- \* "•" when a close relative of the Director presently falls or has recently fallen under the category;
  - "\Lambda" when a close relative of the Director fell under the category in the past
- a. Executive of the Company or its subsidiaries
- b. Non-executive Director or executive of a parent company of the Company
- c. Executive of a fellow subsidiary company of the Company
- d. A party whose major client or supplier is the Company or an executive thereof
- e. Major client or supplier of the listed company or an executive thereof
- f. Consultant, accountant or legal professional who receives a large amount of monetary consideration or other property from the Company besides compensation as a Director/kansayaku
- g. Major shareholder of the Company (or an executive of the said major shareholder if the shareholder is a legal entity)
- h. Executive of a client or supplier company of the Company (which does not correspond to any of d, e, or f) (the Director himself/herself only)
- i. Executive of a company, between which and the Company outside Directors/kansayaku are mutually appointed (the Director himself/herself only)
- j. Executive of a company or organization that receives a donation from the Company (the Director himself/herself only)
- k. Others

# Outside Directors' Relationship with the Company (2)

has international experience in the field of both business and academia, and is currently a professor at the college of business	Name	Membership of Committees	Designation as Independent Director	Supplementary Explanation of the Relationship	Reasons of Appointment
University, one of the Japanese private universities. He is conducting research activities mainly on renewable energy and regional economy. It is expected that he should continue to contribute to the supervisory function of the Board and furthermore to enhancement of the enterprise value of the Company including in overseeing performance of Executive Officers from an independent and objective standpoint as well as based upon his abundan management experiences in global companies and broad knowledge on ESG and portfolio-management and	Raupach	Compensation /			currently a professor at the college of business administration, Ritsumeikan University, one of the Japanese private universities. He is conducting research activities mainly on renewable energy and regional economy. It is expected that he should continue to contribute to the supervisory function of the Board and furthermore to enhancement of the enterprise value of the Company including in overseeing performance of Executive Officers from an independent and objective standpoint as well as based upon his abundant management experiences in global companies and broad knowledge on ESG and

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				an academic expert and
				business management.
				Dr. Jörg Raupach Sumiya
				has also been designated as
				Independent Director since
				he meets the independence
				standards of External
				Directors as defined by TSE
				and the Company's own
				independence standards as
				established in its
				"Independent Directors",
				hence no threatening to give
				or cause material conflict of
				interest between his
				capacity as external Director
				and general shareholders of
				the Company.
			Mr.Hiroshi Ishino	Mr. Hiroshi Ishino was in
			served as President	charge of overseas
			and Representative	operations at a major
			Director of Kansai	trading company, and since
			Paint Co., Ltd.He is	then has been promoting
			currently acting as a	the Group's global strategy
			senior corporate	as president and CEO of a
			advisor for Kansai	major international
Hiroshi	Nomination /		Paint Co., Ltd., and	manufacturer.It is expected
Ishino	Compensation / Audit	0	although there is a	that he will contribute to the
			business transaction	supervisory function of the
			relationship between	Board and furthermore to
			the Company and	enhancement of the
			Kansai Paint, the	enterprise value of the
			transaction amount is	Company including in
			less than one percent	overseeing performance of
			of the consolidated	Executive Officers from an
			sales of both	independent and objective

companies. In Mr. Keiji addition, Yoshikawa, a former Director of the Company, was appointed as an external Director of Kansai Paint Co., Ltd. in June 2018. It has been seven years since he retired as a of Director the and five Company years have passed since he retired as a senior corporate advisor. It has passed, there and are currently no positions the Company, in including honorary positions. Kansai Paint Co., Ltd. was appointed by Mr. Keiji Yoshikawa as an external Director based on his background as а manager in the manufacturing industry and his knowledge of corporate governance. He has been appointed as an external Director after

standpoint as well as based his upon abundant management experiences in global companies and broad knowledge and perspectives with regard to business transformation and business management from manufacturing to sales. Mr. Ishino has also been designated as Independent Director since he meets the independence standards of External Directors as defined by TSE and the Company's own independence standards as established in its "Independent Directors", hence no threatening to give or cause material conflict of interest between capacity as external Director and general shareholders of the Company.

evaluating his abundant experience insight with and regard to business management. These independent judgments and do not affect the independence of Mr. Hiroshi Ishino, not the mutual appointment. Also, Mr. Shinji Asatsuma, a former Director of Kansai Paint, has been appointed as Director of NSG. Both Mr. Asatsuma and Mr. Ishino meet the criteria of independency for external Director of the company have been notified to the TSE as independent Directors. Both of them have been elected by the Nominating Committee as candidates based on the diversity of the Board of Directors in of terms their experience and

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			specialized	
			knowledge. They are	
			expected to	
			contribute to	
			enhancing the	
			company's corporate	
			value by supervising	
			the performance of	
			the Executive Officers	
			and others from an	
			independent and	
			objective standpoint.	
				Mr. Kunihito Minakawa was a
	Nomination / Compensation / Audit			Managing Executive Officer
				and an Audit & Supervisory
				Board Member at a major
				international manufacturer,
				and he is currently serving
				as Financial Services Agency
				Certified Public Accountants
				and Auditing Oversight
				Board Commissioner. He has
				global experience, a wide
Kunihito				
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Minakawa				'
				finance and auditing.It is
				expected that he will
				contribute to the
				supervisory function of the
				Board furthermore to
				enhancement of the
				enterprise value of the
				Company including in
				overseeing performance of
				Executive Officers from an
				independent and objective

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		standpoint as well as based
		upon his abundant
		management experiences in
		global companies and broad
		knowledge and perspectives
		with regard to business
		management and
		professional expertise on
		finance and accounting.
		Mr. Minakawa has also
		been designated as
		Independent Director since
		he meets the independence
		standards of External
		Directors as defined by TSE
		and the Company's own
		independence standards as
		established in its
		"Independent Directors",
		hence no threatening to give
		or cause material conflict of
		interest between his
		capacity as external Director
		and general shareholders of
		the Company.
	Mr. Yoshihiro Kuroi	Mr. Yoshihiro Kuroi was a
	concurrently serves as	president of an overseas
	Advisor of Japan	subsidiary at a major trading
	Industrial Solutions	company, and has a wealth
	Co., Ltd. ("JIS") the	of practical experience in
Yoshihiro Kuroi	Company has	overseas business, IR
	concluded an	departments and risk
	agreement on share	management, etc. as an
	subscription of Class A	executive officer at a major
	shares with JIS Fund	automobile manufacturer
	II, of which JIS is an	and major automobile parts
	11, Or Willer 313 is all	and major automobile parts

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	unlimited liability	manufacturer.It is expected
	partner. 15,000	that he will contribute to the
	Class A shares have	supervisory function of the
	been allocated and	Board and furthermore to
	issued to JIS Fund II.	enhancement of the
	(As of June 30, 2021)	enterprise value of the
		Company including in
		overseeing performance of
		Executive Officers based
		upon his abundant
		management experiences in
		global companies and broad
		knowledge and perspectives
		with regard to risk
		management and business
		development.
	Mr.Shinji Asatsuma	Mr. Shinji Asatsuma was in
	served as Director,	charge of accounting,
	Senior Executive	finance, business strategy
	Officer of Kansai Paint	and overseas operations in a
	Co., Ltd. and although	major international
	there is a business	manufacturer and as a
	transaction	Director and Senior
	relationship between	Executive Officer, he has
	the Company and	been responsible for the
Shinji	Kansai Paint, the	overall business
Asatsuma	transaction amount is	management, facilitating
	less than one percent	the formulation of business
	of the consolidated	strategies and expanding
	sales of both	overseas businesses. It is
	companies. In	expected that he will
	addition, while Mr.	contribute to the
	Keiji Yoshikawa, a	enhancement of NSG's
	former Director of the	corporate value by providing
	Company, was	advice and supervising the
	appointed as an	performance of the

external Director of Kansai Paint Co., Ltd. in June 2018, it has been seven years since he retired as a Director of the Company and five years have passed since he retired as a senior corporate advisor and currently he holds no positions in the Company, including honorary positions. Kansai Paint Co., Ltd. appointed Mr. Keiji Yoshikawa as an external Director based on his background as а manager in the manufacturing industry and his knowledge of corporate governance. Meanwhile, the Company appointed Mr. Shinji Asatsuma external as an Director after evaluating his abundant experiences and insight with regard to business

Executive Officers and others from an independent and objective standpoint based upon his abundant management experiences in global companies and broad knowledge and perspectives with regard to finance, accounting and risk management. This is the reason why Mr. Asatsuma is appointed as a candidate for the new external Director. Mr. Asatuma has also been designated as Independent Director since he meets the independence standards of External Directors as defined by TSE and the company's own independence standards indicated its Directors", "Independent hence not threatening to give or cause material conflict of interest between his capacity as External Director and general shareholders of the Company.

management. These are independent judgments and not the mutual appointment and thus, do not affect the independence of Mr. Shinji Asatsuma,. Also, Mr. Hiroshi Ishino, former а Director and a current senior corporate advisor of Kansai Paint, has been appointed as а Director of the Company. Both Mr. Mr. Ishino and Asatsuma meet the criteria of independency for external Director of the company have been notified to the TSE as independent Directors. Both of them have been elected by the Nominating Committee as candidates based on the diversity of the Board of Directors in of terms their experiences and

	specialized knoeledge.	
	They are expected to	
	contribute to the	
	enhancement of the	
	Company's corporate	
	value by supervising	
	the performance of	
	the Executive Officers	
	and others from an	
	independent and	
	objective standpoint.	

# [Committees]

Committee's Composition and Attributes of Chairperson

	All Committee Members	Full-time Members	Inside Directors	Outside Directors	Chairperson
Nomination Committee	5	0	1	4	External Director
Compensation Committee	5	0	1	4	External Director
Audit Committee	4	0	0	4	External Director

# [Executive Officers (Shikkoyaku)] [updated]

Number	of	Executive	Officers	15
(Shikkoyak	u)			15

### Status of Additional Duties

		Addit	Additional		
Name	Representativ e Authority		Nomination Committee Member	Compensation Committee Member	Duties as Employee
Munehiro Hosonuma	Yes	Yes	0	0	No
Shigeki Mori	Yes	Yes	×	×	No
Tony Fradgley	No	Yes	×	×	No
Leopoldo	No	No	×	×	No
Garces Castiella	INO	INO	X	×	INO
Koichi Hiyoshi	No	No	×	×	No
Reiko Kusunose	No	No	×	×	No

Hisashi Okamoto	No	No	×	×	No
Rob Purcell	No	No	×	×	No
Phil Wilkinson	No	No	×	×	No
Mike Greenall	No	No	×	×	No
Shiro Kobayashi	No	No	×	×	No
Kumi Nakamura	No	No	×	×	No
Yohei Nakatsuji	No	No	×	×	No
Iain Smith	No	No	×	×	No
Milena Stanisci	No	No	×	×	No

#### [Auditing Structure]

Appointment of Directors and/or Staff to	Annaistad
Support the Audit Committee	Appointed

Matters Related to the Independence of Such Directors and/or Staff from Executive Officers (Shikkoyaku)

The Audit Committee Office is set up to assist the Audit Committee and as many staff members as necessary are assigned to the Office. Assignment of such staffs is reported to the Audit Committee in advance for its members' consent. The head of the Audit Committee Office stays outside the executive management and follows only the Audit Committee's chain of command.

Cooperation among Audit Committee, Accounting Auditors and Internal Audit Departments

The Audit Committee holds a meeting with the Accounting Auditor and the Group Internal Audit regularly and as necessary to receive reports on audits, exchange opinions and gather information.

#### [Independent Directors]

Number of Independent Directors	4
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#### Matters relating to Independent Directors

In determining the independence of the independent outside Directors, the Company has taken into consideration the independence criteria for outside Directors established by the Tokyo Stock Exchange and has its own independency standards for external Directors as follows, in consideration of the relationship with the Group, its officers, and major shareholders.

<Criteria of Independency for External Director in the Company>
External Directors of the Company falling into any of the following categories are

considered to lack independency as an external Director.

- (1) As to the External Director him/herself, where:-
  - a) He/she is, has become or once served as an executive Director, executive officer, corporate officer or employee of the NSG Group (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Executive/Employee");
  - b) i) He/she has a business relationship with the Company and received from the Company the following sum during any single financial year for him/her/(it) of those past three years most recently ended or (in case where the one having such business relationship is an organization such as legal entity, then he/she serves or served as Executive/Employee of the organization), or NSG Group is a Major Business Partner for him/her/it
    - Aggregate payments equivalent to more than 1% of their consolidated sales during the subject year

; OR,

- ii) he/she has a business relationship with the Company and paid the Company the following sum during the Company's any single financial year of those past three years most recently ended, or he/she is a Major Business partner of the NSG Group (or in case where the one having such business relationship is an organization such as legal entity, then he/she serves or served as Executive/Employee of the organization);
  - ➤ Aggregate payments equivalent to more than 1% of the Company's consolidated sales during the subject year
- Note: For the purpose of this criteria protocols, the expression "Major Business Partner(s)" means, as between the NSG Group and the group having business relationship with us, those persons which could be, in terms of magnitude of its business relationship, expected to exert the same degree of influence on the decision-making process of the other as would exist among parent-subsidiary relationship or affiliated group.
- c) He/she is an Certified Public Accountant retained as Accounting Auditor for the Company (or in case the accounting firm is retained as Accounting Auditor then he/she serves as partner or employee of the firm) or he/she has engaged in any audit activities of the NSG Group businesses at any time during the past three years;
- d) He/she is one of those consultants, accountants or lawyers who have received substantial amount of cash or other financial gains (equivalent to JPY 10 million or more per financial year of the Company) from the NSG Group (or in case where an organization such as consulting, accounting or law firm is the one having received

- such cash or gains, then he/she belongs to any such organization);
- e) He/she has material business relationship with or material interest in the NSG Group (or in case where an organization such as legal entity has such relationship or interest, he/she is an Executive/Employee of the organization) (For this purpose, the fact of receipt of the sum in the form of donation or loans from the NSG Group equivalent to JPY 10 million or more on an average per annum for the immediate past three financial years of the Company is deemed to constitute such material interest in the NSG Group);
- f) He/she holds cross-Directorships or has significant links with other Directors/Executive Officers of the Company through involvement in other companies/bodies;
- g) He/she is a major beneficial shareholder who is entitled to 10% or more of the total voting rights of the Company (or in case where the organization such as legal entity falls into such a shareholder, then he/she currently is or was employed as an Executive/Employee of the organization at any time during the past five years); or
- h) any individual who has fallen under d), e) or f) above during the Company's any single financial year of those past three financial years most recently ended.
- (2) As to the close relative(s) of the External Director (his or her spouse, or relative (s) within the second degree of kinship or who lives in the same residence ), where:-
  - a) He/she is or was in the past five years an executive Director/officer or senior employee of the NSG Group (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Senior Manager");
  - b) i) He/she has a business relationship with the Company and received from the Company the following sum during any single financial year for him/her/(it) of those past three years most recently ended (in case where the organization such as legal entity has such business relationship, then he/she serves or served as a Senior Manager thereof), OR the NSG Group is a Major Business Partner for him/her/it
    - Aggregate payments equivalent to more than 1% of their consolidated sales during the subject year

; OR

ii) He/she has a business relationship with the Company and paid the Company the following sum in any single financial year of the Company during its past three years most recently ended, or is a Major Business Partner of the NSG Group (in case where an organization such as legal entity has such business relationship, then he/she serves or served as a Senior Manager of the organization);

- Aggregate payments equivalent to more than 1% of the Company's consolidated sales during the subject year
- c) He/she is a Certified Public Accountant retained as an Accounting Auditor (or in case the accounting firm is retained as Accounting Auditor then he/she is a partner or Senior Manager thereof) or has engaged in any audit activities of the NSG Group businesses at any time during the past three years;
- d) He/she is one of those consultants, accountants or lawyers who have received substantial amount of cash or other financial gains (equivalent to JPY 10 million or more per financial year of the Company) from the NSG Group (in case where an organization such as consulting, accounting or law firm is the one having received such cash or gains, then he/she serves as partner, associate or Senior Manager of the organization);
- e) He/she has material business relationship with or is materially interested in the NSG Group (in case where an organization such as legal entity has such relationship or interest, then he/she is a Senior Manager of the organization) (For this purpose, the fact of receipt of the sum in the form of donation or loans from the NSG Group equivalent to JPY 10 million or more on an average per annum for the past three financial years of the Company most recently ended is deemed to constitute such material interest in the NSG Group.);
- f) He/she is a major beneficial shareholder who is entitled to 10% or more of the total voting rights of the Company (in case where the organization such as legal entity falls into such a shareholder, then he/she currently serves as Senior Manager of the organization); or
- g) He/she has fallen into either or both of d) and/or e) at any time during the past three financial years of the Company most recently ended.

The Company designates all external Directors who meet the qualification as Independent Director as such.

#### [Incentives]

Incentive Policies for Directors and/or	Implementation of a performance-linked incentive scheme and Restricted Shares compensation plan
Executive Officers (Shikkoyaku)	and others

Supplementary Explanation

For details of performance-linked compensation, please refer to the "The system of annual Performance-linked compensation (bonus) plan" and the "Long-term incentive plan" in the "Disclosure of Policy on Determining Compensation Amounts and Calculation Methods" below. In addition, in May 2020, we introduced Restricted Shares compensation plan for executive officers who have been assigned to Japan.

Recipients of Stock Options	Executive Officers
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#### Supplementary Explanation

Executive Officers , who are retained or employed pursuant to the terms of appointment in place in Japan. No new issuance has been made due to the introduction of Restricted Shares compensation plan since 2020.

#### [Compensation for Directors and Executive Officers (Shikkoyaku)]

Disclosure Compensation	of on	Individual	Directors'	Partial disclosed
Disclosure of	f Indiv	vidual Executi	ve Officers'	Dartial disclosed
(Shikkoyaku)	) Com	pensation		Partial disclosed

#### Supplementary Explanation

#### [Disclosure status]

#### **Amount of Compensation for Directors and Executive Officers**

- 1) Targets and results of performance measures for the performance-linked compensation related to this financial year.
- <A>> FY22 Management Incentive Plan (annual bonus)
- In line with the Policy of Directors and Executive Officers Compensation, the Company operates an annual incentive plan.
- (a) Group Performance measures and targets & results

Element	Ratio	Target	Results	Payment rate agains
				measure
Management Operating Profit	50%	26,580	Entry point not met	0%
		Million JPY		
Free Cash Flow	50%	5,000	14,150	100%
		Million JPY	Million JPY	

Note: Group Free Cash Flow used in the above table represents the net debt movement arising as a consequence of the operating and investing activities in the period. It includes transactions that have impacted the Group's net debt even where there has been no cash movement through an NSG Group bank account, and is therefore different to the Free Cash Flow as derived from the sum of operating and investing activities included within the Group's consolidated statement of

cash flows. Group Operating Profit shown in the above table is defined as being operating profit stated post-amortization before exceptional items on a consolidated basis plus share of income from the Cebrace JV. The actuals for these KPIs are the subject-matter of review and confirmation by the Compensation Committee.

#### (b) Structure

- A 'Gate' mechanism operates for the plan, which is based on a minimum level of Net Income
  that must be reached before any payment is considered. The Gate is set as an affordability
  threshold to allow access to payment based on achievement against the different performance
  measures.
- For each performance measure the "Target" level of performance is set in line with the annual budget for the financial year. Appropriate stretch to the minimum performance level ("Entry") is identified, as is the stretch to the performance level that would equate to the maximum payment level ("Max"). Target performance equates to a payment at 50% of the maximum bonus potential.
- The payment rate for a performance measure is zero % if the entry point of the measure is not achieved. Accordingly, when the Gate has been achieved but entry points of all measures have not been achieved, no payment of the annual bonus is made.
  - (c) Payment level in the FY2022
- The Compensation Committee confirmed that the gate for the plan has been met. Consequently, the management incentive Plan (annual bonus) will be paid to all Executive Officers based on the outcome of each performance measure in the FY2022.
- MOP, which is one of the performance measures for FY2022, has not reached the "Entry" and therefore there is no payment for the performance measure. Free Cash Flow, the other performance measure, has reached the maximum set and the payment rate against this performance measure was 100%. However, due to fatalities in the group during the fiscal year in question, the payment level based on the achievement rates will be reduced by 10%. Consequently, the FY2022 total payment levels will be 45% of maximum bonus potential levels based on the achievement against each of the relevant performance measures, the aggregate sum of the annual bonuses payable to all Executive Officers in accordance with the trading results for the FY2022 will amount to 120 million JPY.
  - <B> The long-term incentive plan for the three-year evaluation period ("LTIP") with the financial year ended in March 2022 (the FY2022)
  - (a) Group Performance measures and targets & results

Measures	Ratio	Entry	Result	Achievement against
				maximum
EPS during the evaluation	50%	345JPY	Entry point not	0%
period (April 2019 to March			met	
2022)				
ROS as at the end of FY2022	50%	6.1%	Entry point not	0%
			met	

Note: The net income used for EPS calculation is the adjusted one such that the deduction of the amount equivalent to the preferred share dividends etc. are excluded.

#### (b)Structure

• An "Entry" level to ensure that the business is meeting the minimum performance required and a "Maximum" setting the upper limit of the payment level with appropriate stretch were set for each performance measure. The achievement rate for each performance measure is zero % if the entry level of the each measure is not achieved. Entry performance equates to a payment at 20% of the maximum payment level potential.

#### (c)Payment level for FY2022

- The entry points in the long-term incentive Plan for the three-year evaluation period ("LTIP") with the financial year ended in March 2022 (the FY in question) have not been met. Consequently, there is no payment of the long-term incentive Plan to all Executive Officers in the FY in question.
- 2) Amount of Compensation for Directors and Executive Officers Paid by the Company The amounts shown in the table below are payments earned in respect of the Groups Financial Year from 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022, and those paid, or clearly expected to be paid during the said period, by the Company.

Category	Headcour		Compensation (million Yen)						
		Basic	Basic Performance -linked			Non-monetary		Total	
		Salary	compensation			compensation			
			Annua Long- Subtot		Stock	Other	Subto		
			1	l term al		compensa	benefit	tal	
			bonus	incenti		tion	S		
				ve pay					
Directors									
who do not									
concurrently									
serve as	6	72	_	_	_	_	_	_	72
Executive		12							12
Officers									
(External									
Directors)									
Executive	9	250	57	0	57	48	18	66	373
Officers	9	250	3/	J	5/	70	10	00	3/3

#### Notes:

- (1) The amounts shown for Directors who do not concurrently serve as Executive Officers relate to all compensation paid to Messrs. Yasuyuki Kimoto, Toshikuni Yamazaki, Jörg Raupach Sumiya, Kunihito Minakawa, Hiroshi Ishino and Yoshihiro Kuroi.
- (2) The amounts shown for Executive Officers relate to all compensation paid or to be paid to Shigeki Mori, Kenichi Morooka, Koichi Hiyoshi, Munehiro Hosonuma, Reiko Kusunose ,Hiroshi Nishikawa, Shiro Kobayashi, Yutaka Nakashima and Satoshi Ishino .

- (3) In addition to the amounts shown in this table which are amounts paid by the Company, additional amounts were paid to other Executive Officers by subsidiaries of the Company, and these are shown in table 3) below.
- (4) Amounts shown relate to the periods for which the office of Director and Executive Officer was held.
- (5) The data for Directors and Executive Officers includes those who retired during the Group's Financial Year from 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022.
- (6) The Performance-linked compensation in the table are the Annual Bonus for the year from April 2021 to March 2022(FY2022) and the Long-Term Incentive Plan covering the three financial years from April 2019 to March 2022.
- (7) Stock Compensation for Executive Officers are an amount for a total of 72,900 Restricted Shares allotted to seven Executive Officers.
- (8) Other Benefits include pension fund contributions, healthcare provision and accommodation costs and so forth.

#### 3) Amount of compensation for executive officers paid by subsidiaries

Catego	Headcou	Compensation (million Yen)							
r	nt	Basic	Performance -linked			Non-monetary compensation			Tot
У		Salar	compensation						
		у,	Annu Long- Subtot		Stock	Other	Subtot		
		etc.	al term		compensat	benefi			
			bonu incenti		ion	ts			
			S	ve pay					
Executi									
ve	8	269	63	0	63	_	21	21	353
Officer		209	03		03	_			333
S									

#### Notes:

- (1) The amounts shown relate to all compensation paid or to be paid to Tony Fradgley, Rob Purcell, Phil Wilkinson, Mike Greenall, Iain Smith, Milena Stanisci, Tim Bolas and John Mercer as Executive Officers, by the subsidiaries of the Company which has direct privity of contract of services with themt. The Company has not directly paid for such compensations, but all of which have been reviewed and approved by the Compensation Committee of the Company.
- (2) Amounts shown relate to the periods for which the office of Director and Executive Officer was held.
- (3) The data for Executive Officers includes those who retired during the Group's Financial Year from 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022.
- (4) Basic salary, etc. includes basic salary for Executive Officers and allowances for certain Executive Officers.
- (5) The Performance-linked compensation in the table are the Annual Bonus for the year from April 2021 to March 2022 (FY2022) and the Long-Term Incentive Plan covering the three financial years from April 2019 to March 2022.
- (6) Other Benefits include pension fund contributions, healthcare provision, transport accommodation costs and so forth.

(7) Where amounts in UK sterling and EURO have been converted to Japanese Yen this has been done at an average exchange rate for the year of GBP1:153.0JPY and EUR1: 129.66JPY respectively.

Policy	on	Determining	Compensation	Established
Amoun	ts and	d Calculation M	ethods	LStabilistica

Disclosure of Policy on Determining Compensation Amounts and Calculation Methods

1) Organization & Responsibilities for determining Compensation

The company has in place the statutory Compensation Committee (the "Committee") as adopting a "Company with Committees" structure. No member of the Committee is allowed to be present when matters relating to their specific compensation are being discussed.

	Compensation Committee is responsible for making decisions on a
	compensation policy for Directors and Executive officers as well as
	individual elements of compensation for Directors and Executive Officers.
Dele	The Committee may also give recommendation or advice to the
Role	Representative Executive Officer, President and CEO on the policies and
	details with respect to compensation for the Group's senior management
	other than Directors and Executive Officers, keeping a consistency with the
	policy of 3. Below.
	• 4 Independent External Directors and 1 Director who concurrently serves
Composition	as Representative Executive Officer
	Chaired by Dr. Jörg Raupach Sumiya, Independent External Director
Secretariat	Company Secretary Department
Remuneration	Human Descurses Department
Expert	Human Resources Department

- 2) Activities of the Committee in Compensation related Decision-Making Process
- During FY2022, the Committee met on five occasions, and Attendance rate was 100%, all members attended all Compensation Committee meetings. The Committee resolved the individual amount of basic salary, the performance indicators and method for determining the payment amount of incentives (performance-linked compensation), and the actual payment amount based on the achievement against the previous year's indicators. And also the Committee resolved a plan to allot restricted shares to certain qualified Executive Officers under Japanese employment terms and the number of restricted shares to be allotted as a retirement benefit. Accordingly, the number of restricted shares to be issued to the

relevant, individual Executive Officers is determined.

- The Compensation Committee gave its final approval to the individual compensation for Directors and Executive Officers for the year ended in March 2022 after confirming that it is consistent with the basic policy on compensation as detailed in 3) and 4).
- 3) Compensation Policy for Executive Officers
- <A>Compensation System and Compensation Composition Ratio

Compensation packages for the Executive Officers principally consist of basic salary, Management Incentive Plan (annual bonus) and Long- term Incentive plan.

The Group operates a global grading structure across the Group, and management grade is determined based on job evaluation by the Group common scale using the HAY management grade methodology, a globally recognised job evaluation methodology. Management grade determines the maximum quantum levels for participants in both the annual and long-term incentive structures.

#### (a) Compensation System

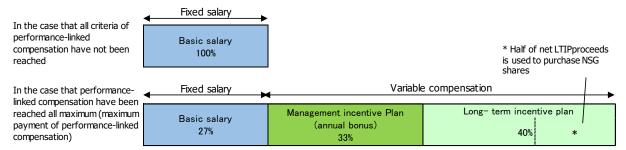
Objectives	To ensure that packages of employment terms and conditions are market competitive and							
	designed in such a way as to attract, retain and motivate Executive Officers of the highest calibre							
	on a worldwide							
	basis in an international business.							
			duals basic salary and incentives are aligned with the performance of					
			of shareholders, as well as reflecting the commitment and					
	•		of state folders, as well as reflecting the confinitionent and					
	achievement							
	the individua	ls concerned.						
			Salaries are reviewed annually and are broadly aligned with					
	Fixed salary	Basic salary	market medians for a global business.					
			• In determining what are the appropriate market rates, account is					
			taken of turnover, market capitalization and the complexity and					
			breadth of internationalization.					
			· In reviewing salaries, account is also taken of the scope and					
			responsibilities of the role, the performance of the individual, the					
Composition			progress the Company is making against its targets and plans and					
and Details			of salary increases planned for other managers.					
	5.6		Assessed against the achievement of annual performance					
	Performanc	Management	indicators which are mainly financial.					
	e-linked	Incentive	· Aligned to NSG Group's Medium Term Plan					
	compensati	Plan (annual	Payment Maximum levels: Ranging between 40% and 125%					
	on	bonus)	against each individual's basic salary dependent upon the					
		,	management grade					

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			Assessed against the achievement of long-term performance			
			indicators over a three-year period			
			· Issued annually			
			Payment Maximum levels: Ranging between 50% and 150%			
			against each individual's basic salary dependent upon the			
			management grade			
			• Require the purchase of NSG Shares by using part of the cash			
			award from the plan to lead to further alignment of the Executive			
			Officers with shareholders, allowing Executive Officers to continue			
		Long town	to			
		Long- term	be motivated to help build shareholder value			
		Incentive plan	Shareholding targets set for Executives :Ranging between 25%			
			and 100% against each individual's basic salary dependent upon			
			the management grade			
			• Plans contain Malus (ability for the value of award to be reduced			
			after it has been granted but before it has vested) and Clawback			
			clauses (ability for the Group to require the participants to repay			
			the value they received after the award has vested). The Group			
			can exercise these provisions if one of a list of trigger events			
			occurs.			
			Trigger events include the Misstatement of results, an error that			
			causes an award to be paid at too high a level, a serious illegal act,			
		_	or a material breach of the Group Code of Ethics.			
			Restricted shares are issued annually to some Executive Officers			
Stock Compensation		ensation	under Japanese employment terms as a retirement saving plan.			

#### (b) Compensation ratio

The ratio of basic salary and incentives is, rather than specifically and equally applied, set according to individuals' management grades.

#### <CEO's compensation ratio>



Note: For clarification, the above diagram includes only base salary plus annual and Long-term incentive plan compensation, no additional benefits are included. In addition, the impact of the share price

movement element of the Long-term incentive plan is not taken into account.

<B>FY2022 Management Incentive Plan (annual bonus)

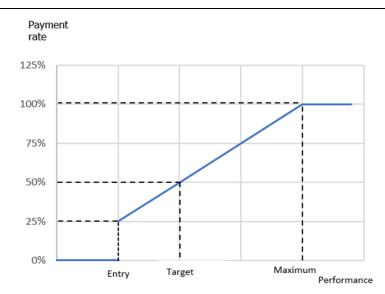
(a) Group Performance measures and weight

Element	Ratio
Management Operating Profit	50%
Free Cash Flow	50%

(b) Reasons for selected the measures

Measures	Reasons				
Management Operating	Ensure alignment with delivery of the target numbers assigned to				
Profit	Group operating profit and cash flow which are the financial				
Free Cash Flow	performance indicators specifically important to the annual budget				

- (c) Determination of Management Incentive Plan (annual bonus) Payment Level
- Payment Level = Maximum payment amount × Payment rate of Performance measures
- A Gate mechanism operates for the plan, which is based on a minimum level of Net Income that must be reached, as an affordability threshold before considering payment based on achievement against the different performance measures.
  - If the Gate is not met, no payment is made
  - If the Gate is met, payment is made based on payment rate against the performance measures
- For each performance measure the minimum performance level ("Entry") of performance is set in line with the annual budget for the financial year. Appropriate stretch to "Target" level is identified, as is the stretch to the performance level that would equate to the maximum payment level ("Max").



Paymentrate of performance measures = Payment rate of Management Operating Profit measure x 50% + Payment rate of Free Cash Flow measure x 50%

- <C>Long-term incentive
- (a) Group Performance measures and weight of plans currently in operation
- ①Plan commencing in FY2021 (Target period: FY2022 and FY2023)
- ②Plan commencing in FY2022 (Target period: FY2022, FY2023 and FY2024)
- \* For the plan commencing in FY2021 only, due to the uncertainty in numbers resulting from the impact of Covid-19 on the business, the aggregate EPS scale is based on the 2 years FY2022 and FY2023.

Performance Measures of Plans commencing in FY2021 and FY2022

Performance Measures	Ratio
EPS (Earning per Share)	50%
ROS (Return on Sales)	50%

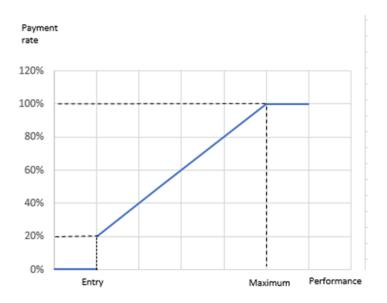
#### (b) Reasons for selected the measures

Performance Measures	Reasons				
EPS	Two performance measures ensure clear link with the Medium				
ROS	Term Plan, incentivising executives to further strengthen earning power and enhance shareholder value.				

#### (c) Determination of LTIP Payment Level

LTIP Payment |= Maximum payment amount | Payment rate of Performance measures | Share |
price movement rate

• For each measure, "Entry" is set in such a way to ensure that the business is meeting the minimum required performance level and the "Maximum" point on the scale has appropriate stretch.



Payment rate of performance measures= Payment rate of "EPS measure"  $\times$  50% + Payment rate of "ROS" measure  $\times$  50%

• The share price movement rate is a coefficient that is linked to the price movements of the Company's share price for the three-year period covered by each plan, and is adjusted based on the price movement of the monthly average share price in the month before the start of the plan and the monthly average share price of the last month of the plan.

#### 4) Compensation Policy for Independent External Directors

Objectives	· To ensure that independent external Directors can adequately and effectively						
	fulfill their supervisory roles						
	• To ensure that they have the capability and experience required to fulfill this						
	role						
Compensatio	· Set at the appropriate level based on comparisons with other companies						
n level	using benchmark data provided by specialist external advisers.*						
Compensatio	Only Basic salary						
n Structure	Not eligible for Management incentive plans (annual bonuses) and Long-term						
	incentive plans						
	Independent External Directors receive additional payment if they act as Chair						
	at either the Board or any of the Committees.						

<sup>\*</sup> In the case that a Non-Independent External Director is elected, compensation will be set at an adequate level for his/her duties in a way commensurate with the duties discharged by

Independent External Directors including in terms of whether or not they are appointed as member of any of three Committees and so forth.

#### **(Supporting System for Outside Directors)**

Secretariats are in place for the Board of Directors and the three Committees of Nomination, Audit and Compensation respectively to support External Directors. Each of such secretarial staff is tasked to deliver papers or give a brief on the matters in advance and also assist in other activities of the Directors, with a view towards facilitating the External Directors to participate in discussion of the Board and each of three Committees in an effective and active manner.

#### [Status of those who retired from the President and Representative Director]

Name of the senior adviser/executive adviser etc who are former representative Director and president etc

Name	Position	Business	Work style /	Date of	Term of office
		content	condition	retirement	
Yozo	Honorary	External	Work style :	29 June,2010	1 year ,
Izuhara	advisor	activities such	Part time		judge
		as business			necessity of
		activities	Presence of		renewal every
		including	compensation :		year
		participation in	No		
		industry groups			
		(not involved in			
		management)			
Katsuji	Honorary	External	Work style :	27 June,2013	1 year ,
Fujimoto	advisor	activities such	Part time		judge
		as business			necessity of
		activities	Presence of		renewal every
		including	compensation :		year
		participation in	No		
		industry groups			
		(not involved in			
		management)			

Total number of the senior adviser/executive adviser etc who are former	
representative Director and president etc	2

#### Other matters

1. Senior Adviser / Executive Adviser etc.

The NSG Group does not have a system of Executive Advisor.

Based on the request of the CEO, Honorary advisor engages in external activities such as business activities including participation in industry groups. They do not attend conference bodies related to business execution, they are not granted access authority to information related to management, nor do they participate in any management decisions.

In 2018, the NSG Group abolished the senior advisory system and revised the honor advisory system. In the future, We may make the president / chairman experienced as honorary advisor only when CEO judges it is nessesary. In addition, Outside Directors are involved in the election and compensation of honorary advisor, the overall scheme.

There is no payment for the above honorary advisers.

# 2. Matters on Functions of Business Execution, Auditing, Oversight, Nomination and Compensation Decisions (Overview of Current Corporate Governance System) [updated]

1. The Company's governance structure

[Outline of the governance structure]

On 27 June 2008, the NSG Group changed its governance structure from a Company with Statutory Auditors to a Company with Committees (currently a Company with three Committees) consisting of the Board of Directors; the Nomination Committee, the Audit Committee and the Compensation Committee with a majority of each Committee comprising four Independent External Directors; Executive Officers; the Management Committee mainly consisting of Executive Officers; and the Sustainability Committee and the Strategic Risk Committee.

#### [The Board of Directors]

The Board of Directors is composed of eight(8) Directors of whom five(5) are External Directors). The Board is responsible for deciding the basic policies for business management and internal control, segregation of duties among Executive Officers and other important management decisions, and supervising execution of duties by Executive Officers. The Chairperson of the Board is Mr. Hiroshi Ishino, Independent External Director. The Company Secretary Function serves as a secretariat to support the Board

of Directors. The Board meeting was held twelve (12) times in the fiscal year ended March 2023. The attendance rate of directors at Board meetings was 99%.

As the main points of consideration, The Board of Directors received reports from time to time on the status of efforts by the Group as a whole, each business unit, and major Group functional departments to achieve the goals of the RP24 Medium-term Management Plan that began in the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022, in an appropriate and timely manner. Also, the Board of Directors deepened discussions on important management issues for the Group (financial strategy, business portfolio transformation, etc.), which were addressed in the Board of Directors Action Plan formulated based on the evaluation of the effectiveness of the Board of Directors. In addition, the Board discussed and approved the construction of a new on-line coating facility for solar panel glass at an existing float line in Malaysia and the integration of the Automotive glass business in China with a major Chinese automotive glass manufacturer, as key measures for business restructuring and portfolio transformation.

#### [Business executive structure]

Fifteen(15) Executive Officers are responsible for the business execution. Two (2) of them are Representative Executive Officer performing the duties of CEO and Chairperson of the Company. The Management Committee is composed of Executive Officers with Senior Executive Officers and above, other Executive Officers who supervise major businesses and functions as permanent members. The Management Committee lead the Company's business operation and oversees the execution of businesses in order to realize the policies and targets set forth by the Board of Directors efficiently and appropriately. The Corporate Planning serves as a secretariat for the Management Committee.

Sustainability Committee builds the sustainability strategies, presides over all of the Group's sustainability related activities, and ensures effective communication with various Stakeholders. Sustainability Committee is chaired by CEO or a person who is nominated by CEO and composed of CEO, CFO, Chief Legal Officer (CLO) and Chief Risk Officer (CRO), Chief Human Resources Officer (CHRO), Group Sustainability Director, the Heads of relevant Group Functions and the Heads of each Strategic Business Unit.

Strategic Risk Committee periodically reviews policies, strategies and frameworks concerning risk management throughout the Group, and appropriately take into account the results of such review in forming the organization strategy and goals, in order to promote efficiency of the Group's business management and to enhance the medium and long-term corporate value. Strategic Risk Committee is chaired by CRO

and composed of CEO, CFO, CLO and CRO, CHRO, the Heads of relevant Group Functions and the Heads of each Strategic Business Unit.

#### [Nomination Committee]

The Nomination Committee is in charge of deciding the details of proposals concerning appointment or removal of Directors to be submitted to the General Meeting of Shareholders, and also provide recommendation or advice with regard to candidates for Executive Officers. The Nomination Committee is chaired by Mr. Hiroshi Ishino, Independent External Director, and composed of five (5) Directors including the Chairperson, four (4) of whom are Independent External Directors. The Company Secretary Department serves as its secretariat providing support as necessary. In addition, members of the Human Resources Department assist the Committee as internal experts on matters of personnel affairs. The Committee gathered six (6) times in the fiscal year ended March 2023.

All Committee members attended all Committee meetings, with 100% attendance.

As the main points of consideration, the Committee deepened discussions on appointment of a new president from April 2023, and also appointment of Executive Officers to enhance the management system, enhancement of succession plans and training plans for major Senior Executives including Directors and Executive Officers, and further enhancement of disclosure content by reviewing the contents of the Directors' skills matrix, etc..

#### [Audit Committee]

The Audit Committee is responsible for auditing the execution of duties by Directors and Executive Officers, preparing audit reports, and deciding details of proposals concerning appointment, removal or not reappointing the Accounting Auditor. The Audit Committee is chaired by Mr. Kunihito Minakawa, Independent External Director and comprises four (4) Independent External Directors including the Chairperson. Mr. Kunihito Minakawa has the career and experiences of serving as Corporate Senior Vice President (in charge of accounting) and Corporate Auditor at a major international manufacturing company, and currently, he is serving as Financial Services Agency Certified Public Accountant and Auditing Oversight Board Commissioner. He is equipped with abundant experiences and broad knowledge in the fields of finance and accounting. The Audit Committee Office is in place for the purpose of providing support to the Committee. The Audit Committee met on eleven (11) occasions in the fiscal year ended March 2022. The attendance rate of directors at Board meetings was 98%. The Audit Committee conducted its

activities with focus on the following points in the fiscal year ended March 31, 2023;

- The status of recognition and initiatives by Executive Officers and others with respect to important management issues, including the ones from executing the medium-term management plan (RP24), and risks and opportunities related to business management.
- The status of the development and operation of internal control systems, including ethics and compliance, risk management, and internal control over financial reporting.

The Audit Committee asked Executive Officers and other Executive functions to further strengthen their efforts with regard to the governance over subsidiaries and the Group-level internal controls, and also started some actions towards improving the comprehensiveness of audits through further collaboration with the Internal Audit function and the Accounting Auditor.

In addition, the Audit Committee confirmed and verified whether the Finance function and the Accounting Auditor have appropriately considered and addressed each of the important issues in the settlement of accounts and the accounting audit, and whether they have implemented the necessary audit procedures.

#### [Compensation Committee]

The Compensation Committee is in charge of deciding the compensation policy for Directors and the Executive Officers as well as compensation details of individual Directors and Executive Officers. The Committee is chaired by Mr. Jörg Raupach Sumiya, Independent External Director and is composed of five(5) Directors including the Chairperson, four (4) of whom are Independent External Directors. The Company Secretary Department serves as the Committee's secretariat providing support as necessary. In addition, members of the Human Resources Department assist the Committee as internal experts on matters of remuneration. The Committee held a meeting six(6) times in the fiscal year ended 2022. All Committee members attended all Committee meetings, with 100% attendance.

As the main points of consideration, the Committee resolved the individual basic salary, the indicators related to incentive compensation (performance-linked compensation), the method for determining the amount to be paid, and the amount to be paid based on the achievement of the indicators in the previous fiscal year. In addition, for Executive Officers who are appointed pursuant to the terms and conditions of services in Japan, restricted shares are to be granted as retirement benefits, and based on this, the number

of restricted shares to be allocated to each of the relevant Executive Officers was determined.

#### 2. Audit system

#### [Internal Control, Internal Audit]

The NSG Group Internal Audit (GIA) performs internal audit on a group basis with eighteen(18) full-time staff members. GIA conducts a group-wide internal audit through site visits in coordination with the Audit Committee and the Accounting Auditor by having meetings with them regularly according to an annual audit plan based on the resolution of the Company's Board of Directors on matters listed in the Article 416, Paragraph 1, Item 1, Subsection (b) and (e) of the Companies Act and under the internal control system established by the resolution. In addition, although GIA is one of the executive functions, a prior consent by the Audit Committee isrequried for an appointment of the Head of GIA requires as a mechanism to ensure his/her independence. The Departments responsible for internal control on top of GIA also hold meetings with the Audit Committee regularly and as necessary to exchange opinions and cooperate with each other and improve the effectiveness of audits.

#### [Audit by the Audit Committee]

All four members of the Audit Committee are Independent External Directors, and Kunihito Minakawa who has considerable knowledge of finance and accounting chairs the Committee. The Audit Committee supervises and validates the status of the internal control system and its operation, and in accordance with the audit policy and the audit plan established by the Committee, holds interviews with the Executive Officers; attends important internal meetings including the Management Committee and investigates the business activities as well as assets of the Company and its major subsidiaries, etc. The Audit Committee holds meetings with the Accounting Auditor and GIA regularly and as necessary to receive update on the audit implementation, exchange opinions and gather information.

#### [Accounting Audit]

The Company has signed an audit contract with Ernst& Young ShinNihon LLC and is subject to its accounting audit. Certified public accountants who have carried out the Company's accounting audit work during the current consolidated fiscal year 2021 are Mr. Tomohiro Miyagawa, Mr. Ryuichiro Umano and Mr. Tomohiro Hazama. The aforementioned audit firm takes measures so that the same person does not take charge

of the Company's accounting audit beyond a certain period of time. The said three auditors satisfy the legal requirement pertaining to the number of years of continuous audit for the Company. There are 6 Certified Public Accountants and 27 other staff members helping the said three auditors perform the work.

#### 3. Risk Management

The Group's risk management systems are established as "three lines of defence". The first line of defence is established within each Strategic Business Unit (SBU) and Group Functions who manage risks across all the activities of its operations. The second line of defence is made up of the Group Functions and management forums who set risk management policies and standards and also monitor the effective operation of the controls. The third line of defence is provided by the Group Internal Audit (GIA) who makes an independent evaluation of the effectiveness of the controls and the risk management processes.

At the heart of its enterprise risk management system, the Group employs a twotiered risk management framework comprising the Strategic Risk Committee (SRC) and the Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) Team.

The SRC is responsible for establishing a company wide risk management framework and promoting and coordinating the Group's risk management process. Specifically, the Committee prepares policies and procedures related to risk management, and decides the policy of identifying, evaluating and responding to risks including strategically critical risks that hinder the Group's goals.

The ERM Team is composed of Heads of each SBU and Functions, and endeavors to improve the effectiveness of risk management by formulating necessary measures to mitigate the key risks pertaining to business execution, and reports on its activities to the SRC.

GIA audits the risk management policies, frameworks and processes formulated by the SRC from the independent standpoint and points out any deficiencies and carries out other activities to ensure its effectiveness. In addition, the Audit Committee cooperates with GIA to monitor the effectiveness of Group-wide risk management, including the activities of the SRC, from the perspective of sustainable growth of the Group over the medium to long term.

#### 4. Ethics and Compliance

The Group E&C Department is in place for the purpose of ensuring compliance throughout the Group. Under the above system, the Group E&C Department will formulate, implement, and manage the comprehensive ethics and compliance policy

in the Group, and be obliged to report directly to the Audit Committee about important matters.

#### 5. Matters pertaining to External Directors

[Independence from the Company]

Four (4) External Directors are designated as Independent Directors as stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange (TSE) and reported to that effect to TSE. In addition to the independence standards of External Directors as defined by TSE, the Company has established its own independence standards also factoring in the relationships with the Group, the Group's Executive Officers as well as major shareholders, as described in [Independent Directors]. All of the four External Directors meet the relevant standards of independence.

#### (Supervision by External Directors and collaboration with other audits)

In addition to attending various important internal meetings, External Directors, as mentioned above, collect information and exchange opinions through collaboration with the Accounting Auditor, the Group Internal Control and the Group Internal Audit. Based on the information gathered this way, the External Directors supervise the execution of duties by the Executive Officers and Directors through the Board of Directors.

#### (Outline of an Agreement on Liability Limitation)

In accordance with the provisions of Article 427, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act and the Articles of Incorporation, an agreement is concluded between the Company and each of the External Directors pertaining to the liability for damages under Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the same Act to the effect that the liability of each of the External Directors in performing their duties in good faith and without gross negligence be limited to the amount as stipulated in each item of Article 425, Paragraph 1 of the same Act.

#### 3. Reasons for Adoption of Current Corporate Governance System

[Reasons for adopting the Company with Three-Committee structure]

We adopt the Company with Three-Committee structure to promote separation of the executive and the supervisory functions, enhance management transparency, improve the level of corporate governance and thereby to become a company trusted by our shareholders.

#### [Roles and Functions of External Directors in the Company]

We expect that an Independent External Director, MR. Hiroshi Ishino, who is the Chairperson of the Board of Directors and the Nomination Committee, and a member of the Committees of Audit and Compensation, will contribute to the maintenance and reinforcement of governance and ultimately to the enhancement of corporate value by overseeing performance of Executive Officers from an independent and objective standpoint as well as based upon his abundant experiences and broad knowledge with regard to business management through the Board of Directors and each Committee. While the Company has succession plans for the Chairpersons of the Board as well as each Committee to be appointed from among Independent External Directors, Mr. Hiroshi Ishino was chosen to be the Chairpersons of both the Board and the Nomination Committee as a special exception from among Independent External Directors reappointed in response to the retirement of the incumbent Chairperson of the Board following the General Meeting of Shareholders this year in view of the balance in terms of the appointments of the Chairpersons of three Committees as well as his experiences and skills.

We expect that an Independent External Director, DR. Jörg Raupach Sumiya , who is the Chairperson of the Compensation Committee and a member of the Audit and Nomination Committee, will contribute to the maintenance and reinforcement of governance and ultimately to the enhancement of corporate value by overseeing performance of Executive Officers from an independent and objective standpoint as well as based upon his abundant experiences and broad knowledge with regard to an academic expert and business management through the Board and each Committee.

We expect that an Independent External Director, MR. Kunihito Minakawa, who is the Chairperson of the Audit Committee and a member of the Committees of Nomination and Compensation, will contribute to the maintenance and reinforcement of governance and ultimately to the enhancement of corporate value by overseeing performance of Executive Officers from an independent and objective standpoint as well as based upon

his abundant experiences and broad knowledge with regard to business management through the Board of Directors and each Committee.

We expect that an Independent External Director, MR. Shinji Asatsuma, who is a member of the Committees of Nomination, Audit and Compensation will contribute to the maintenance and reinforcement of governance and ultimately to the enhancement of corporate value by overseeing performance of Executive Officers from an independent and objective standpoint as well as based upon his abundant experiences and broad knowledge with regard to business management through the Board of Directors and each Committee.

We believe that the presence of these External Directors, who are independent of the Group, and their roles as the Chairperson of each Committee will contribute to further enhancement of management transparency and therefore corporate governance.

External Director, MR.Yoshihiro Kuroi is not an Independent Director since he does not fully satisfy the independence standards established by the Company, and is not in charge of each Committee, and yet taking into account his career and experiences in engaging in corporate management as an External Director of multiple companies, we expect that he will contribute to the maintenance and reinforcement of governance and ultimately to the enhancement of corporate value by overseeing performance of Executive Officers based upon his abundant experiences and broad knowledge through the Board of Directors.

# III. Implementation of Measures for Shareholders and Other Stakeholders

# 1. Measures to Vitalize the General Shareholder Meetings and Smooth Exercise of Voting Rights

	Supplementary Explanations	
	The Group sends the notice 3 weeks prior to the day of the	
	Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders. The Group publicizes	
Early Notification of General	the notice 4 weeks prior to the day of the Ordinary General	
Shareholder Meeting	Meeting of Shareholders by filing it onto the Tokyo Stock	
	Exchange and the electronic platform operated by ICJ as well as	
	in our website.	
All . El E .	To allow shareholders to submit their votes via the Internet, the	
Allowing Electronic Exercise of Voting Rights	Group takes part in electronic voting platform that permits the use	
	of voting websites.	
Participation in Electronic	The Group takes part in electronic platform operated by ICJ for	
Voting Platform	institutional investors.	
	The Group publicizes the English notice (with Business Report and	
	Consolidated Financial Statements in full sentence excluding Audit	
Providing Convocation	Report) by filing it onto the Tokyo Stock Exchange and the afore-	
Notice in English	mentioned platform as well as on our website Shareholders'	
	Meeting 4 weeks prior to the day of the Ordinary Shareholders'	
	Meeting.	
	The Shareholders' Meeting resolutions and voting rights result	
Other	(Japanese and English) are posted in our website in addition to extraordinary reports (Japanese only) submitted via EDINET.	

# 2. Investor relations (IR) Activities [updated]

	Supplementary Explanations	Presentation by President
Preparation and Publication of Disclosure Policy	The Group's disclosure policy can be found in our website.  (FYI) <a href="https://www.nsg.com/en/investors/contact/ir-policy">https://www.nsg.com/en/investors/contact/ir-policy</a>	
Regular Investor Briefings for Individual Investors	The Group does not hold any regular briefing. Instead, have set up a section	No

	called "For Individual Investors" on our website to show information for individual investors.	
Regular Investor Briefings for Analysts and Institutional Investors	The Group, in principle, holds a regular briefing for analysts and institutional investors online after every quarterly results in August, November, February and an annual closing (May) attracting dozens of participants every time. Progresses of midterm management plan are explained in the briefings. The Group also planning to host briefings for institutional investors and analysts on business strategies and individual businesses separately from those above.	Yes
Regular Investor Briefings for Overseas Investors	The Group, in principle, has regular briefings for overseas investors in Europe, North America and Asia (Hong Kong, Singapore) etc., two to three times a year. As of Aptil 2023, visiting briefings are suspended to prevent COVID-19.	Yes
Posting of IR Materials on Website	The Group website posts financial results information, timely disclosure matters' materials (other than financial information), Securities Report, Quarterly Report, Quarterly Results materials, Business Report ("To our shareholders"), Notice of Convening Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders/ voting results, corporate governance update, Integrated Report (including Finance Date and Sustainability Date Book), Corporate Profile for Investors("Introduction to NSG") English-language materials are also posted on our website at the same time as the Japanese-language materials.	

	(However, for the English version of the	
	Annual Securities Report, only the financial	
	statements and the sections 'Issues to be	
	addressed', 'Management's Discussion and	
	Analysis of Financial Condition and Results	
	of Operations' and 'Business and Other	
	Risks' are available. Also, the English	
	versions of the Quarterly Report are not	
	provided.)	
	https://www.nsg.com/en/investors/ir-library	
Establishment of Department	Our IR Department (Hiroyuki Genkai,	
and/or Manager in Charge of	General Manager, Investor Relations) is	
IR	responsible for IR.	
	The Group shows our profile, IR schedule,	
	stock price and other information for	
Other	individual investors in our website. "IR news	
	mail alert service" is also available on	
	demand basis.	

# 3. Measures to Ensure Due Respect for Stakeholders[updated]

	Supplementary Explanations
	NSG Group's Corporate Governance Guidelines define how to
Stipulation of Internal Rules for Respecting the Position of Stakeholders	build good relationship with diverse stakeholders such as
	employees, customers, suppliers, business partners and local
	communities. Furthermore, other internal rules including
	Sustainability Policy under these guidelines refer to more specific
	relationship.
	The Company has adopted, among others, NSG Group's Code of
	Ethics and Sustainability Policy and proactively performed the
	actions for environment preservation and other sustainability
	agenda under such framework. The Sustainability Committee
	chaired by CEO or a person who is nominated by CEO, adjusts
	and monitors those activities for promotion of sustainability. The
Implementation of Environmental Activities,	Board has defined clear and unambiguous goals of the Group to
CSR Activities etc.	be reached by 2018 in the areas such as environment, safety,
	health, energy, reduction of CO2, sustainable highly value adding
	product development, procurement and transportation
	responsibility and employees. The status of the progress vis-à-vis
	such goals from time to time is disclosed in our Integrated Report
	(invluding Finance Date and Sustainability Date Book) and our
	website.
	NSG Group has established Corporate Governance Guidelines,
Development of Policies on Information Provision to	Policy on Constructive Dialogue with Shareholders, Sustainability
Stakeholders	Policy, Investor Relations Communication Policies which are
	disclosed in our website.
	【Health Management】
	NSG Group think "People are our most important asset",
	and health promotion is indispensable for employees to
	maximize their individual abilities, and it leads to the
Other	sustainable improvement of the company's value. In January
	2020, we made a "Health Management Declaration" in Japan.
	The details of the declaration, promotion system, and major i
	nitiatives are disclosed on our website.
	https://www.nsg.com/en/sustainability/social/wellbeing

#### IV. Matters Related to the Internal Control System

#### 1. Basic Views on Internal Control System and the Progress of System Development

#### (1) Basic Views on Internal Control System

The basic views of the Group's internal control system are described in the "Basic Views on Construction of Internal Control System" and disclosed on the Company's website.

http://www.nsg.com/~/media/NSG/Site-Content/sustainability/Downloads-attached-to-pages-in-sustainability-section/Annex/Annex10 3 2202 E.pdf

#### (2) Maintenance and operation status of Internal Control System

①Actions with regard to the Group's Ethics and Compliance

- The NSG Group Code of Ethics broadly covers the ethical behavior expected of our employees in the work place, including compliance with the law and all major Group policies, procedures, and guidelines. The Code is available in all 19 Group languages on its intranet. In FY 2022, the Group revised the Code to cover important risk areas according to the current business environment. In addition, the Group provided an online training to its employees to enhance their understanding of the revised Code of Ethics.
- The Group has in place the Reporting of Concerns system including the Ethics and Compliance (E&C) Hotline. The confidential hotline, available in multiple languages, is operated by a qualified third party allowing anyone to report E&C related concerns anytime, even anonymously except as prohibited legally. Group E&C Function periodically reviews and properly controls the Group policies and procedures related to the Reporting of Concerns system, communicating them to the employees. Hotline reports are handled consistently in accordance with the relevant Group policies and procedures, being appropriately investigated where warranted.

Any form of retaliation against an individual who has reported in good faith is expressly prohibited. In FY2022,

124 allegations were reported via the Reporting of Concerns system.

- Under the Group E&C Director's leadership, E&C regional managers are responsible for embedding E&C culture into the whole organization within the major regions of the Group as well as covering risks in each region.
- The Group requires its employees to report or obtain prior permission from the relevant SBU/Function heads as well as Group E&C regarding certain high risk areas such as competition law compliance (CC) and Anti-Bribery and Anti-Corruption (ABAC) via the designated online system. In addition, Group employees are required to report conflict of interests to the company.

- The Group is monitoring third parties such as agents, consultants and joint venture partners that meet certain risk criteria of the ABAC policy.
- · Globally, Group E&C screens business partners against all necessary sanctions lists on a daily basis.
- · Group E&C facilitates participation in trade-related programs such as C-TPAT (Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism), and,AEO (Authorized Economic Operator) at multiple locations around the Group. These programs demonstrate the Group's commitment to supply chain and facility security as well as strong adherence to Customs regulations.
- The Group annually provides relevant online trainings to CC and/or ABAC key roles. Further, additional areas such as Code of Ethics, General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), IS Security, Fraud and Inclusion & Diversity are covered accordingly in annual training campaign and/or onboarding.
- Group E&C periodically issues E&C briefings, which are translated in 14 languages and available on the Group's intranet. In addition, each E&C regional manager publishes regional E&C newsletters for E&C communication and education for local employees. In FY2022, the group-wide Ethics & Compliance Week also took place for further embedding ethical culture into the organizations throughout the Group. During the Week, Group E&C provided some programs such as relevant survey, communications and educations regarding basics and requirements of ethics and compliance.
- Group E&C regularly shares material E&C issues with the relevant SBU/Function heads as well as reports to Audit Committee on its performance and action plans.
- The Group measures the effectiveness of Group E&C program against specific metrics and KPIs with statistical data in several areas regarding E&C activities.

#### ②Actions with regard to the Group's Risk Management

- We annually identify and assess material risks which should be controlled on a group basis in accordance with the NSG Group Risk Management Policy.
- We have in place Strategic Risk Committee (SRC) whose member consists of CEO, other Executive Officers and relevant senior managers; Chief Risk Officer ("CRO") is appointed from among the Executive Officers. SRC defines overall framework for the enterprise risk management of the Group and identifies and assesses the high-level risks which potentially could have a material adverse effect on the Group businesses. SRC reviews, endorses and monitors any action for mitigation of these high risks taken by the relevant Strategic Business Units (SBUs) and Functions. CRO chairs SRC meetings and, as the representative of the Committee, regularly made reports to the Management Committee and Audit Committee on the effectiveness of the Group's internal control system, risk management structure and so forth.
- SRC was held three times in FY2023 where the material risks were confirmed, the above framework discussed for ongoing review and any action to address the risks including global insurance program monitored for optimization and improvement, as well as the

- "bottom up" SBU risk management process.
- Each SBU and Function manages and controls risks associated with its own responsibilities, regularly and or as needed, to SRC.
- Internal Audit Function is tasked with providing independent assurance to efficacy of such overall enterprise risk management of the Group.
- In addition to the risk management and control implemented by SBUs and Functions, we have also the NSG Group Entities Management Policy enabling us to comprehensively identify and manage and control material risks particularly in light of each legal entity constituting the Group. The Executive Officer in charge is responsible for regularly reporting such entity related risks to Management Committee and the Board of Directors.
- We have "NSG Group Insurance Policy," measuring risks such as potential losses due to natural disasters, under the supervision of the Strategic Risk Committee, reviewing and implementing comprehensive insurance coverage at the group level every fiscal period within the global insurance program.
- Preparing for potential major incidents and calamities, we place a major incident management team at each operating site where major incident management plan is prepared and in operation, based on NSG Group Business Continuity Policy and Major Incident Guidelines.
- Executive Officers of the Company preserve, maintain and control such information or data as may be relevant to their performance of the duties in their capacity in accordance with the NSG Group Record Retention Policy and IS Security Policy.
- 3 Actions to Ensure the Group's Efficient and Effective Management
  - The Group has established the Management Committee (MC) as advisory board for the President/Chief Executive Officer (CEO) in order for the policies and goals established by the Board of Directors to be efficiently and adequately carried out. 15 MC meetings were held during FY2023.
  - Based on the NSG Group Sustainability Policy formulated by the Board of Directors, the Group has established the Sustainability Committee to set the Group's sustainability strategy, oversee its activities, and ensure effective communication with stakeholders. The Sustainability Committee was held twice during FY2023 to review the status of activities on a global basis.
  - We have promoted the initiative of separation of oversight and executive role whereby we strengthen the supervisory role and duties of the Board over the executives whilst making necessary delegation of powers and authorities to the executives, thus seeking to enhance transparency and agility of whole management process.
  - The Company Secretary will be appointed by the resolution of the Board of Directors. The Company Secretary is responsible for all governance duties, providing support to the Board of Directors and the Committees in an integrated manner by one office for the proper functioning of the Board of Directors and Committees. Therefore, the Company Secretary who occupies a unique position between the Board of Directors and the Executive Division, is responsible for ensuring effective communication between them.
  - · We set in place the internal rule clarifying the roles and decision-making authorities of each layer of management from Representative Executive Officers to each regional SBU

- heads. As such the Group operates the organization in which we can make business decisions appropriately and timely addressing changes of market and business environment etc.
- We have introduced and effected IT-operated authorization flow process for efficient and effective business management, including in relation to performance management against progress or results of management plans such as long and medium-term plan or annual plan and approval process for capital expenditures requisition.
- · We operate the organization with its reporting lines clarified by having the specific organization charts by each SBU and Function which supports SBUs.
- · Various meetings were reorganized with the aim of establishing a more agile and resilient management structure, minimizing costs for meeting and maximizing its effectiveness.
- ④ Actions to Ensure the Effectiveness of the Group's Audit
  - Group Internal Audit implements audits on a group basis in accordance with annual audit plan agreed by Audit Committee, and reports such audit results to Audit Committee, Executive Officers and external Accounting Auditor. Group Internal Audit is responsible for ensuring the effectiveness and efficiency of the Group's risk management system by conducting audits independently of each executive department.
  - · Any appointment and dismissal of the Head of the Internal Audit Function, shall require the prior consent of the Audit Committee.
  - Two dedicated Support Staff memberes of the Audit Committee are appointed for assistance of Audit Committee, and report to and provide necessary information to Audit Committee.
  - A member of Audit Committee and Support Staff of Audit Committee attends internal material meetings such as MC in order to ensure the effectiveness of their audit. They have rights to access necessary important documents and so on for their audit.
  - Audit Committee periodically meets with Group Internal Audit and other internal control functions and hear reports from them regarding the execution of duties by Executive Officers and others, the status of internal audits, and the status of the establishment and operation of internal control systems and exchange views with them.
  - Audit Committee meets with the Accounting Auditor on a periodical and as-necessary basis, keeping close communication with them on important audit issues and challenges..
  - Audit Committee conducts on-site or online audits at the major business establishments of the Group that it deems particularly necessary.

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#### 2. Basic Views on Eliminating Anti-Social Forces

The NSG Group articulates in its Code of Ethics that the Group shall consistently act ethically and comply with laws applicable in nations wherever the Group has its business footprint.

We deal with the anti-social forces in accordance with Japanese regulations based on our Code of Ethics. Our compliance manuals describe our philosophy of uncompromised resolve against the anti-social forces which do harm to a social order and safety and our firm attitude to the anti-social forces. We get such a spirit across to our employees through our in-house compliance training. Also, Group Internal Audit, Group E&C and Legal Function carry out monitoring on our effort in compliance including exclusion of anti-social forces and maintaining collaborative liaison with lawyers and law enforcement authorities, we collect and manage information on anti-social forces.

#### V. Other

#### 1. Adoption of Anti-Takeover Measures

Adoption of Anti-Takeover Measures	Not Adopted
Supplementary Explanation	

#### 2. Other Matters Concerning to Corporate Governance System[updated]

- (1) Internal mechanism pertinent to timely corporate information disclosure
- ① Disclosure of information on important decision

  Any important decision subject to the timely disclosure is firstly initiated and escalated by a Division involved under our internal policy, then is assigned particular decision making unit by a Representative Executive Officer or in the Board followed by an immediate disclosure by IR under the direction of representative in charge of information disclosure. Any decision on critical issues is disclosed in a timely manner under the structure where IR and relevant divisions such as the Secretariat of the Board or Management Committee work together in order to avoid any incomplete disclosure by checking interactively.

Initiated by Division  $\to$ Decision making unit assigned $\to$  IR or relevant division  $\to$  timely disclosure

2 Disclosure of information on results information

Information on business results drafted firstly by the Finance is resolved or finalized by the Board. It is disclosed by IR under the direction of representative in charge of information disclosure immediately after the decision.

Finance →Decision making unit assigned→ IR → timely disclosure

#### 3 Disclosure of information on material facts

Any material fact subject to timely disclosure is reported promptly by Divisions upon its occurrence to IR, who, under the direction of representative in charge of information disclosure, carries out timely disclosure.

Initiated by division incurred  $\rightarrow$  IR  $\rightarrow$  timely disclosure

#### (2) Exemptions of the liabilities of Directors and Executive Officers

The Company's Articles of Incorporation stipulate that the Company may, pursuant to the provisions of the Article 426, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act of Japan, and by resolution of the Board of Directors, exempt its Directors (including former Directors) and Executive Officers (including former Executive Officers) from their liabilities for compensation of damage with respect to the acts mentioned in Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act of Japan to the extent permitted by laws and regulations in order to enable Directors and Executive Officer to fully play their expected roles.

#### (3) Directors and Officers liability insurance

The Company contracts the Directors and Officers liability insurance based on the Article 430-3, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act of Japan with insurance companies, and the policy will compensate any reasonable and necessary legal or other defense costs incurred in defending an action brought against them during the policy period. It also pays any ensuing damages, judgements and settlements that are awarded to the plaintiff or third party against the Director or officer.

Insured Persons include Directors and Executive Officers of the Company as well as any and all of past, present and future Directors and officers and employees of the Company and its subsidiaries. The premium of the insurance for the insured is paid by the Company. The policy does not cover claims in relation to any unlawful profit or advantage gained or provided by insureds for the benefit of their own or any third party or those against them based upon any willful conduct or fraud committed.

#### Corprorate Governance Mechanism (as of 1 April 2023)

