

May 11, 2016

For Immediate Release

(English translation of the original Japanese document)

Company name: Kakaku.com, Inc.

Representative: Minoru Tanaka, President and Representative Director

(Stock code: 2371; First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange)

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## Notice of Change of Representative Directors and Officers

Kakaku.com, Inc. (the "Company") hereby announces the following changes of representative directors and executive officers resolved at a meeting of the Board of Directors held on May 11, 2016. The change of directors is scheduled to be formally decided at the Company's 19th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders, to be held on June 23, 2016. The representative directors and new executive officer structure will be formally decided at a meeting of the Board of Directors to be held after the close of the General Meeting of Shareholders.

# 1. Change of representative directors (scheduled to take effect following the General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on June 23, 2016)

### (1) Details of the change

Name	New position	Current position	
Shonosuke Hata	President and Representative Director	Director	
	Vice-Chairman and Director	President and	
Minoru Tanaka	(In charge of global strategy, investor relations,	Representative	
	and risk management)	Director	

### (2) Reason for the change

Since assuming office as president in June 2006, Minoru Tanaka has worked vigorously to establish the business foundation and expand the business. As June 2016 will mark Mr. Tanaka's tenth year in office, the Company has decided to renew the management structure to undertake further business development and enhancement of corporate value by invigorating the management organization.

Minoru Tanaka will continue to serve the Company in the capacity of Vice-Chairman and Director in charge of global strategy, investor relations, and risk management.

#### (3) Career summary of the new representative director

Name Shonosuke Hata
Date of birth January 10, 1974

Career summary	April 1999	Joined Japan Tobacco Inc.
	December 2001	Joined Kakaku.com, Inc.
	April 2003	Manager of Sales Department, Kakaku.com
	July 2005	Executive Officer, Manager of Third Business
		Department, Kakaku.com, Inc.
	June 2006	Director, General Manager of Products Division,
		Kakaku.com
	April 2007	Director, eiga.com, Inc. (current post)
	April 2009	Director, General Manager of Sales Division,
		Kakaku.com, Inc.
	April 2010	Director, General Manager of Business Promotion
		Division, Kakaku.com, Inc.
	April 2014	Director, Manager of Business Development
		Department, Kakaku.com, Inc.
	April 2015	Director, Kakaku.com, Inc. (current post)
No. of shares owned	12,100 shares	(As of March 31, 2016)

2. Change of officers (scheduled to take effect following the General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on June 23, 2016)

# Change of directors

# (1) Director candidates

Director	Kaoru Hayashi
Director	Minoru Tanaka
Director	Shonosuke Hata
Director	Kenji Fujiwara
Director	Hajime Uemura
Director	Shingo Yuki

Director Atsuhiro Murakami

Director Oki Matsumoto (outside, independent)

Director Yoshiharu Hayakawa (outside, independent)

Director Nobuyuki Toya (outside)

Director\* Shiho Konno (outside, independent)

An asterisk (\*) indicates a non-incumbent candidate.

# (2) Career summary of newly appointed director

Name	Shiho Konno	
Date of birth	June 28, 1963	
Career summary	April 1991	Registered as an attorney-at-law (Dai-Ichi Tokyo Bar Association)
	June 2005	Statutory Auditor, Yahoo Japan Corporation
	March 2008	Auditor, Advanced Softmaterials, Inc.
	April 2009	Professor, Waseda Law School, Waseda University
	April 2014	Member, Committee on Realization of a Gender-Equal
		Society, Japan Federation of Bar Associations (current
		post)
	August 2014	Auditor, Japan Corporate Governance Network (current

June 2015 Director, Watami Co., Ltd. (current post)

No. of shares owned 0 shares (As of March 31, 2016)

# (3) Director planning to retire

Taizo Ieuji (currently Director, Kakaku.com and President and Representative Director, Kakaku.com Insurance, Inc.)

#### 3. New Executive Officer Structure

#### **Directors**

Chairman and Director

Vice-Chairman and Director

President and Representative Director

Director

Director

Director

Director

Director

Director

Director

Shonosuke Hata

Kenji Fujiwara

Hajime Uemura

Shingo Yuki

Director Atsuhiro Murakami

Outside Director Oki Matsumoto (independent officer)
Outside Director Yoshiharu Hayakawa (independent officer)

Outside Director Nobuyuki Toya

Outside Director Shiho Konno (independent officer)

#### **Auditors**

Full-Time Auditor Hiroshi Maeno

Outside Auditor Toshio Takano (independent officer)
Outside Auditor Erica Okada (independent officer)

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# Career summary of the new representative director

(Scheduled to be formally appointed on June 23, 2016)



Name Shonosuke Hata

Date of birth January 10, 1974

Academic Graduated from The University of Background Tokyo, Faculty of Economics

Place of Birth Tokyo

#### Career summary

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July 2005 Executive Officer, Manager of Third Business Department, Kakaku.com, Inc.

June 2006 Director, General Manager of Products Division, Kakaku.com

April 2007 Director, eiga.com, Inc. (current post)

April 2009 Director, General Manager of Sales Division, Kakaku.com, Inc.

April 2010 Director, General Manager of Business Promotion Division, Kakaku.com, Inc.

April 2014 Director, Manager of Business Development Department, Kakaku.com, Inc.

April 2015 Director, Kakaku.com, Inc. (current post)

No. of shares owned 12,100 shares (As of March 31, 2016)