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> (Securities Code 4521) June 7, 2016

To Our Shareholders:

Tetsuo Onuma President and Representative Director KAKEN PHARMACEUTICAL CO., LTD. 28-8, Honkomagome 2-chome, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo, Japan

NOTICE OF CONVOCATION

THE 96th ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

Dear Shareholders:

You are cordially invited to attend the 96th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of KAKEN PHARMACEUTICAL CO., LTD. (the "Company") (the "Meeting"). The Meeting will be held for the purposes as described below.

If you are unable to attend the Meeting, you can exercise your voting rights in writing by submitting the Voting Right Exercise Form by mail. Please review the Reference Documents for the Meeting (described hereinafter), and cast your vote by 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 28, 2016 Japan time.

1. Date and Time:	Wednesday, June 29, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. Japan time
2. Place:	Conference room, 19th Floor, Bunkyo Green Court, Center Office, 28-8, Honkomagome 2-chome, Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo, Japan

 3. Meeting Agenda: Matters to be reported: 1. The Business Report, Consolidated Financial Statements for the Company's 96th Fiscal Year (April 1, 2015 - March 31, 2016) and Reports by the Accounting Auditor and the Board of Corporate Auditors on the Consolidated Financial Statements

2. Non-Consolidated Financial Statements for the Company's 96th Fiscal Year (April 1, 2015 - March 31, 2016)

Proposals to be resolved:

Proposal No. 1:Appropriation of SurplusProposal No. 2:Election of Eight Directors

Proposal No. 3: Payment of Bonuses to Directors

4. Other matters with regard to convocation of the Meeting:

(1) Of the documents to be provided in connection with this Notice, "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements" and "Notes to Non-Consolidated Financial Statements" have been provided to shareholders on the Company's website (<u>http://www.kaken.co.jp/</u>) over the Internet, based on the provisions of the relevant laws and Article 20 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation, hence no disclosure in this Notice.

- (2) If you cannot attend the Meeting, you can delegate the exercise of your voting rights to one other shareholder of the Company, as a proxy, who also owns voting rights. In this case, you are requested to submit a written power of attorney to the Company.
- Notes: 1. If you will attend the Meeting, please present your Voting Rights Exercise Form at the front desk when you arrive at the venue.
 - 2. Subsequent amendments to the Reference Documents for the Meeting and the attached documents (if any) will be listed on the Company's website. (http://www.kaken.co.jp/).

Reference Documents for the Meeting

Proposals and References

Proposal No. 1: Appropriation of Surplus

Considering the financial results and future business development and others, the Company proposes to pay the following as the year-end dividend for the fiscal year 2015:

(1) Type of dividend assets

Cash

(2) Appropriation of dividend property to shareholders and total amount

¥78 per share of common stock (of which, an ordinary dividend of ¥68 and a commemorative dividend of ¥10 to celebrate the launch of Clenafin), for a total of 3,229,656,144 yen

(3) Effective date of distribution of surplus

June 30, 2016

Proposal No. 2: Election of Eight Directors

All six Directors of the Company will complete their term of office at the closing of the Meeting.

Accordingly, with the aim of ensuring transparency of management and further enhancing corporate governance, and with the intent of strengthening the Marketing & Sales structure, the Company proposes increasing the number of Directors by two persons, including one Outside Director, hence the election of eight Directors (including two Outside Directors).

The candidates for Director are as follows.

No.	Name	Career summary, position, assignment and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the		
140.	(Date of birth)			Company held		
	Tetsuo Onuma (November 30, 1950)	April 1974 April 2002	Joined the Company General Manager of Marketing Planning & Coordination Department of the Company			
		July 2004	Corporate Officer, General Manager of Marketing Planning & Coordination Department of the Company			
		June 2005	Director, General Manager of Marketing Planning & Coordination Department of the Company	11,800 shares		
1		April 2007	Director, Chief Officer of Marketing & Sales Division of the Company	snares		
1		June 2007	Managing Director, Chief Officer of Marketing & Sales Division of the Company			
		June 2011	President and Representative Director of the Company (to present)			
	[Reasons for select	ion as candidate f	or Director]			
	As Mr. Tetsuo Onuma has a wealth of operational experience from marketing sections since joining the					
	Company, and subsequent to appointment as President and Representative Director of the Compan					
	achievements as an executive, the Company has judged him to be suitable to continue serving as					
	Company, and selected him as a candidate for Director.					
	Hirokazu Konishi (October 7, 1953)	April 1977	Joined the Company			
		April 2003	General Manager of Sapporo Branch of the Company			
		April 2005	General Manager of Tokyo Branch II of the Company			
		April 2007	General Manager of Marketing Planning & Coordination	6,400		
			Department of the Company	Shares		
		June 2009	Director, General Manager of Marketing Planning &	Shares		
2			Coordination Department of the Company			
2		June 2011	Managing Director, Chief Officer of Marketing & Sales			
			Division of the Company (to present)			
	[Reasons for selection as candidate for Director]					
	As Mr. Hirokazu Konishi has a wealth of operational experience from marketing sections since joining the					
	Company, and subsequent to appointment as Chief Officer of Marketing & Sales Division of the Company in					
	2011, has achievements as the person responsible for the marketing & sales section, the Company has judged him					
	to be suitable to continue serving as Director of the Company, and selected him as a candidate for Director.					

No.	Name	Company	menorities and size for the second size of the second size of the second size of the second	Number of	
190.	(Date of birth)	Career summa	ry, position, assignment and significant concurrent positions	shares of the	
		April 1000	Joined Toho Mutual Life Insurance Company	Company held	
		April 1980 August 2001	Corporate Officer, GE Edison Life Insurance Company		
		January 2004	Corporate Officer, Sun Microsystems Co., Ltd.		
		October 2007	Senior Corporate Officer, GE Commercial Finance, Ltd.		
	Kazuki Sekitani (May 20, 1956)	January 2009	President and Representative Director, MetLife Direct		
		Junuary 2009	Co., Ltd.	800	
		October 2011	Corporate Officer, General Manager of Corporate Strategy		
3			Division, EPS Corporation	shares	
	· · · ·	October 2012	Director, Managing Officer, EPS Corporation		
		June 2013	Director of the Company		
3		June 2014	Director of the Company (in charge of Research and		
			Development Division)		
		June 2015	Managing Director of the Company (in charge of		
			Research and Development Division) (to present)		
	[Reasons for select				
			alth of experience and achievements serving at numerous of		
			irector of the Company in charge of Research and Developm		
			on responsible for the research and development section, the		
	Director.		he serving as Director of the Company, and selected him as	a candidate for	
	Director.	April 1978	Joined The Norinchukin Bank		
		June 2003	General Manager, Securities Operation Division of The		
		June 2005	Norinchukin Bank		
	Atsushi Takaoka (June 28, 1955)	July 2004	Deputy General Manager, Osaka Branch of The		
		<i>curj</i> <u>200</u> .	Norinchukin Bank	0	
		June 2005	General Manager of JA Bank System Management	0	
	New Candidate		Division, The Norinchukin Bank	shares	
4	New Candidate	June 2007	Managing Director, The Norinchukin Bank		
4		June 2010	Full-Time Audit & Supervisory Board Member, Nihon		
			Unisys, Ltd.		
		June 2014	Advisor of Okasan Securities Co., Ltd. (to present)		
	[Reasons for selection as candidate for Director]				
			ealth of experience and achievements serving at financial i		
			his wide insights fostered in these duties in the business en		
	as a candidate for I		ged him to be suitable to serve as Director of the Company, and	nd selected mm	
		April 1984	Joined Toho Mutual Life Insurance Company		
		April 2000	Joined the Company		
		April 2000	General Manager of Accounting & Finance Department		
	Fumihiro	r	of the Company		
	Watanabe	April 2013	General Manager of General Affairs Department of the	1 700	
	(May 14, 1960)	L -	Company	1,700	
	· • ·	July 2013	Corporate Officer, General Manager of General Affairs	shares	
	New Candidate		Department of the Company		
5		April 2016	Corporate Officer (in charge of Corporate Planning &		
			Coordination Department and Legal Affairs &		
		• • • • •	Intellectual Property) (to present)		
	[Reasons for select				
			wealth of operational experience from accounting and finance		
	joining the Company, and serving as General Manager of Accounting & Finance Department and General Manager of General Affairs Department from 2007 onward, he has achievements in finance and IR, etc., the				
			ble to serve as Director of the Company, and selected him as		
	Director.		to to serve as Director of the Company, and selected lillings	a candidate 101	

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summar	y, position, assignment and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held	
6	Hiroyuki Horiuchi (March 21, 1962) New Candidate	April 1984 October 2010 April 2014 July 2015 April 2016	Joined the Company General Manager of Hiroshima Branch (currently General Manager of Chugoku and Shikoku Branch) of the Company General Manager of Osaka Branch of the Company Corporate Officer, General Manager of Osaka Branch of the Company Corporate Officer, General Manager of Marketing & Sales Department of the Company (to present)	2,000 shares	
	[Reasons for selection as candidate for Director] As Mr. Hiroyuki Horiuchi has a wealth of operational experience from sales sections since joining the Company, and serving as General Manager of Hiroshima Branch (currently General Manager of Chugoku and Shikoku Branch) and General Manager of Osaka Branch from 2010 onward, he has achievements as a General Manager of branches, the Company has judged him to be suitable to serve as Director of the Company, and selected him as a candidate for Director.				
7	Eiki Enomoto (May 22, 1969) Outside Director Independent Director/Corporate Auditor	April 1999 June 2005 August 2009 April 2014 June 2014	Registered as attorney at law (Dai-ichi Tokyo Bar Association) Outside Auditor, ZENRIN CO., LTD. Established Ishii and Enomoto Law Office Partner, Ishii and Enomoto Law Office (current position) Auditor, Dai-ichi Tokyo Bar Association Director of the Company (to present)	100 shares	
	[Reasons for selection as candidate for Outside Director] The Company has judged that Mr. Eiki Enomoto can utilize his experience and professional expertise through engaging in corporate legal work as an attorney at law in the management of the Company, and has continued to select him as a candidate for Outside Director.				
8	Yoshio Tanabe (March 24, 1955) New Candidate Outside Director Independent Director/Corporate Auditor	April 1978 October 1989 October 1993 June 2001 March 2008 June 2008 April 2009 June 2013 June 2014 September 2014 [Significant conc Partner, KIZASH ion as candidate for	Joined Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan Joined McKinsey Japan Joined Otsuka Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (Board director status) Operating Officer, Otsuka Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. Senior Managing Executive Officer, TOKUHON Corporation Senior Managing Director, TOKUHON Corporation President and Representative Director, TOKUHON Corporation Advisor, TOKUHON Corporation Retired TOKUHON Corporation Partner, KIZASHI Corporation (current position) (to present) urrent positions] II Corporation	0 shares	

As Mr. Yoshio Tanabe has experience, achievements, and insights from being involved in management at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and numerous companies, the Company has judged that he can utilize these in the management of the Company, and has selected him as a candidate for Outside Director.

Notes: 1. No material conflict of interest exists between the Company and the above candidates for Director.

2. Candidates for Director, Mr. Eiki Enomoto and Mr. Yoshio Tanabe, are candidates for Outside Director.

- 3. The Company has designated Mr. Eiki Enomoto as an Independent Director/Corporate Auditor under the provisions of Tokyo Stock Exchange and submitted him to Tokyo Stock Exchange. Additionally, if his reelection is approved, the Company will continue to have him serve as Independent Director/Corporate Auditor. Additionally, Mr. Yoshio Tanabe is also scheduled to be designated an Independent Director/Corporate Auditor and will be submitted to Tokyo Stock Exchange.
- 4. Although Mr. Eiki Enomoto does not have any experience in getting involved in corporate management other than by means of serving as an outside officer, the Company considers that he

can properly carry out his duties as Outside Director due his experience and professional expertise through engaging in corporate legal work as an attorney at law. Mr. Eiki Enomoto's term of office as Outside Director will reach two years at the closing of the Meeting.

5. The Company has entered into an agreement with Mr. Eiki Enomoto to limit his liability for damages under Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act in accordance with the provisions of Article 427, Paragraph 1 of the said Act, to the minimum amount provided by laws and regulations. If Mr. Eiki Enomoto is reappointed at the Meeting, the Company will continue the agreement with him. Additionally, if the election of Mr. Yoshio Tanabe is approved, the Company plans to enter into an agreement to limit his liability for damages identical to the agreement mentioned above.

Proposal No. 3: Payment of Bonuses to Directors

The Company proposes that bonuses amounting to \$124,200,000 be paid to the five Directors who were in office as Directors as of the end of the fiscal year under review, excluding the Outside Director, based on the Company's past payment records and results of earnings during the fiscal year under review and other factors. It is also proposed that amount of the bonus to each Director be decided at a meeting of the Board of Directors.