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To Whom It May Concern:

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**Notice of Change of Trade Name
and
Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation**

At the meeting held on May 16, 2018, the Board of Directors of NS Solutions Corporation (“NS Solutions”) adopted the resolution to change its trade name as described below, on the conditions that (i) the proposed amendment to its Articles of Incorporation be approved at the 38th Annual Meeting of the Shareholders scheduled to be held on June 22, 2018 and that (ii) the proposed amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of Nippon Steel and Sumitomo Metal Corporation (“NSSMC”) in connection with the change of NSSMC’s trade name be approved at the Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of NSSMC, scheduled to be held on June 26, 2018.

1. Reason for the Name Change

NS Solutions will change its trade name in Japanese to 日鉄ソリューションズ株式会社 (*Nittetsu Solutions Kabushiki Kaisha*) from its current name, 新日鉄住金ソリューションズ株式会社 (*Shinnittetsu Sumikin Solutions Kabushiki Kaisha*), in connection with the change of trade name of its parent company, NSSMC, to Nippon Steel Corporation (“Nippon Steel”) on April 1, 2019.

NS Solutions will continue to grow its business as the core system solutions company within the Nippon Steel group. The company will achieve such growth by supporting the Nippon Steel group companies through its information technology services, and also by utilizing its steelworks IT and consulting knowledge to provide a wide range of IT solutions to customers in various other industries.

2. New Trade Name

日鉄ソリューションズ株式会社 (in Japanese)

The trade name in English will remain as NS Solutions Corporation.

3. Planned Effective Date

April 1, 2019

4. Amendment to Articles of Incorporation

The proposal to amend the Articles of Incorporation in connection with the proposed name change will be submitted to the 38th Annual Meeting of Shareholders scheduled to be held on June 22, 2018. The chart below shows the English translation of the relevant part of the current Articles of Incorporation, as well as the proposed amendments thereto.

(the underlined portions are to be amended)

Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments
<p>Trade Name</p> <p>Article 1. The name of the company shall be 新日鉄住金ソリューションズ株式会社.</p> <p>In English, the name shall be “NS Solutions Corporation”.</p>	<p>Trade Name</p> <p>Article 1. The name of the company shall be <u>日鉄ソリューションズ株式会社</u>.</p> <p>In English, the name shall be “NS Solutions Corporation”.</p>
<p>New</p>	<p><u>Supplementary Provisions:</u></p> <p><u>The amendment to Article1 (Trade Name) shall become effective on April 1, 2019 on the condition precedent that the change of the trade name of Nippon Steel and Sumitomo Metal Corporation to Nippon Steel Corporation shall also have become effective. The foregoing provision shall be deleted when the above amendment to Article 1 becomes effective.</u></p>