



(TRANSLATION FOR REFERENCE ONLY)

May 14, 2019

To Our Shareholders:

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## Notice Regarding Share Split and Partial Amendment to Articles of Incorporation Associated with the Share Split

At the Board of Directors meeting held on May 14, 2019, PROTO CORPORATION (“the Company”) resolved as follows, regarding the share split and partial amendment of the Articles of Incorporation in connection with the share split.

### 1. Purposes of the share split and partial revision of the Articles of Incorporation

The purposes of the share split are to create an environment for investors to easily invest and expand the investor base by reducing the amount of investment per unit of the Company’s shares and improving the liquidity of the shares.

### 2. Outline of the share split

#### 1) Method of share split

With June 30, 2019 (Sunday) as the record date, the Company’s common shares owned by the shareholders listed or recorded in the final shareholder list and real shareholder list on the record day will be split at a ratio of 2 shares per share.

#### 2) Number of shares to increase by the split

Total number of issued shares before the split	20,940,000 shares
Number of shares to increase due to the split	20,940,000 shares
Total number of shares issued by the Company after the split	41,880,000 shares
Total number of authorized shares after the split	123,600,000 shares

#### 3) Schedule of the split

Record date setting announcement date	June 5, 2019 (Wednesday)
Record date	June 30, 2019 (Sunday)
Effective day	July 1, 2019 (Monday)

※ The actual record date is June 28, 2019 (Friday).

### 3. Partial amendment to the Articles of Incorporation

#### 1) Reasons for the amendment

In accordance with the above “2. Outline of the share split”, based on the resolution at the Board of Directors, the Company will revise Article 5 of the Company’s Articles of Incorporation as of July 1, 2019 in line with the provisions in Article 184, paragraph 2 of the Companies Act, and will change the total number of authorized shares according to the split ratio.

2) The content of the amendment

The content of the amendment is as follows (the underlined part is the amended part).

Current Articles of Incorporation	After the amendment
(Total number of authorized shares) Article 5 The total number of shares that can be issued by the Company will be <u>61.8 million</u> shares.	(Total number of authorized shares) Article 5 The total number of shares that can be issued by the Company will be <u>123.6 million</u> shares.

3) Schedule of the amendment

Board of Directors resolution day

May 14, 2019 (Tuesday)

Effective day

July 1, 2019 (Monday)

4. Others

There was no increase in the amount of capital of the Company because of the share split this time.