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Securities Code: 2918

May 8, 2019

To our shareholders:

Hiroyuki Otomo, Representative Director, President Warabeya Nichiyo Holdings Co., Ltd. 13-19, Tomihisa-cho, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo, Japan

# Notice of the 55th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders

You are cordially invited to attend the 55th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of Warabeya Nichiyo Holdings Co., Ltd. (the "Company"), which will be held as indicated below.

If you are unable to attend the Meeting in person, you may exercise your voting rights in writing or via the internet, etc. Please review the attached Reference Documents for General Meeting of Shareholders, and then exercise your voting rights by 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 22, 2019 (JST).

**1. Date and Time:** Thursday, May 23, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. (JST)

(Reception starts at 9:00 a.m.)

**2. Venue:** Royal Hall I, 3F, RIHGA Royal Hotel Tokyo

1-104-19 Totsuka-machi, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo, Japan

### 3. Purpose of the Meeting

## Matters to be reported:

- 1. The Business Report and the Consolidated Financial Statements for the 55th fiscal year (from March 1, 2018 to February 28, 2019), and the results of audits of the Consolidated Financial Statements by the Financial Auditor and the Audit & Supervisory Board
- 2. The Non-consolidated Financial Statements for the 55th fiscal year (From March 1, 2018 to February 28, 2019)

## Matters to be resolved:

**Proposal No. 1** Appropriation of Surplus

**Proposal No. 2** Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation

**Proposal No. 3** Election of Four Directors (Excluding Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory

Committee Members)

**Proposal No. 4** Election of Four Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members

Proposal No. 5 Setting of Remuneration for Directors (Excluding Directors Who Are Audit and

Supervisory Committee Members)

**Proposal No. 6** Setting of Remuneration for Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee

Members

## 4. Other Decisions on the Convocation

(1) Voting by proxy

If you are unable to attend the Meeting in person, you can have another shareholder with voting rights attend the Meeting as a proxy. However, please note that it is necessary to submit a document certifying proxy authority.

- (2) Please note if you exercise your voting rights both in writing and via the internet, your voting via the internet shall prevail.
- (3) If you exercise your voting rights more than once via the internet, only the last vote shall be deemed effective.
- If you attend the Meeting in person, please submit the enclosed voting form at the reception desk.
- Of the documents attached to this Notice, "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statement" and "Notes to Non-consolidated Financial Statements" are posted on the Company's website (http://www.warabeya.co.jp/, in Japanese only) in accordance with laws and regulations, and the provision in Article 15 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation. Therefore, they are not included in this

Notice of the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. The Consolidated Financial Statements and the Non-consolidated Financial Statements audited by Audit & Supervisory Board Members and Financial Auditor consist of the documents included in this Notice and "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statement" and "Note to Non-consolidated Financial Statements" posted on the Company's website.

- If any revisions are made to the Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, the Business Report, the Non-consolidated Financial Statements and the Consolidated Financial Statements, they will be posted on the Company's website (http://www.warabeya.co.jp/, in Japanese only).
- Note that gifts will not be provided to shareholders who attend the general meeting of shareholders. We appreciate your understanding in advance.

## Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders

# **Proposals and References**

# **Proposal No. 1** Appropriation of Surplus

The Warabeya Nichiyo Group (the "Group") regards the appropriate return of profit to its shareholders as an important management policy and it has made its basic policy to implement dividends with a targeted consolidated dividend payout ratio of 25%. After considering its business performance for the fiscal year as well as giving regard to stable dividends payment etc. from the perspective of placing importance on the return of profit to shareholders, the Company proposes to pay year-end dividends for the fiscal year as follows:

## Year-end dividends

- 1. Type of dividend property To be paid in cash.
- 2. Allotment of dividend property to shareholders and their aggregate amount \$40 per common share of the Company Total payment: \$704,558,720
- 3. Effective date of dividends of surplus May 24, 2019

# Proposal No. 2 Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation

## 1. Reason for the amendments

The Company will make the transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee in an aim to strengthen the supervisory functions of the Board of Directors, and further enhance the level of corporate governance. Accordingly, necessary amendments will be made to the Articles of Incorporation to reflect these changes, such as the addition of provisions concerning the Audit and Supervisory Committee and Audit and Supervisory Committee Members, and the removal of provisions concerning the Audit & Supervisory Board and Audit & Supervisory Board Members.

Further, the proposed amendments will require additional changes, such as amendments to Article numbers.

## 2. Details of the amendments

Details of the amendments are as follows. The terms of office of all currently serving Directors will expire at the conclusion of this annual general meeting of shareholders.

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			elected at a general meeting of shareholders.	
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Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments	
	(Regulations of the Audit and Supervisory Committee)	
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	Matters concerning the Audit and Supervisory Committee shall	
	be governed by the Regulations of the Audit and Supervisory	
	Committee established by the Audit and Supervisory	
	Committee, in addition to applicable laws and regulations and	
	these Articles of Incorporation.	
(Remuneration, Etc.)	(Remuneration, Etc.)	
Article <u>27</u>	Article <u>30</u>	
Remuneration, bonuses and other economic benefits given by	Remuneration, bonuses and other economic benefits given by	
the Company in consideration for the execution of duties	the Company in consideration for the execution of duties to	
(hereinafter referred to as the "Remuneration, Etc.") to	Directors shall be determined by resolution of a general	
Directors shall be determined by resolution of a general	meeting of shareholders according to the classification of	
meeting of shareholders.	Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members	
	and other Directors.	
Article <u>28</u> – Article <u>29</u> (Omitted)	Article 31 –Article 32 (Unchanged)	
Chapter V	<deleted></deleted>	
Audit & Supervisory Board Members and Audit & Supervisory		
<u>Board</u>		
(Number of Audit & Supervisory Board Members)		
Article 30	<deleted></deleted>	
The Company shall have not more than five Audit &		
Supervisory Board Members.		
(Method of Election)		
Article 31	<deleted></deleted>	
1 Audit & Supervisory Board Members shall be elected at a		
general meeting of shareholders.		
2 Resolutions on the election of an Audit & Supervisory	<deleted></deleted>	
Board Member shall be made by a majority of the votes of		
the shareholders present at the meeting where the		
shareholders holding at least one-third of the voting rights		
of the shareholders entitled to exercise their votes at such		
meetings are present.		
3 In preparation for cases where the number of Audit &	<deleted></deleted>	
Supervisory Board Members falls short of the number		
stipulated by laws and regulations, substitute Audit &		
Supervisory Board Members may be elected at a general		
meeting of shareholders.		
4 The effective term of the resolution for election of a	<deleted></deleted>	
substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Member under the		
preceding paragraph shall expire at the start of the annual		
general meeting of shareholders for the last business year		
out of the business years terminating within four years after		
the election.		

Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments
(Term of Office)	1
Article 32	<deleted></deleted>
1 The term of office of an Audit & Supervisory Board	
Member shall expire at the conclusion of the annual	
general meeting of shareholders for the last business year	
out of the business years terminating within four years after	
the election of the Audit & Supervisory Board Member.	
2 The term of office of an Audit & Supervisory Board	<deleted></deleted>
Member who is elected as the substitute for an Audit &	Dolotto
Supervisory Board Member who retired from office before	
the expiration of the term of office shall continue until the	
time the term of office of the predecessor is to expire.	
Provided, however, that if the substitute Audit &	
Supervisory Board Member who is elected pursuant to	
paragraph 3 of the preceding article assumes office of	
Audit & Supervisory Board Member, it cannot exceed the	
conclusion of the annual general meeting of shareholders	
for the last business year out of the business years	
terminating within four years after the election of the substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Member.	
(Full-Time Audit & Supervisory Board Members)	D 1 ( 1)
Article 33	<deleted></deleted>
The Audit & Supervisory Board shall appoint full-time Audit &	
Supervisory Board Member(s) by its resolution.	
(Notice of Meeting of the Audit & Supervisory Board)	
Article 34	<deleted></deleted>
1 When convening a meeting of the Audit & Supervisory	
Board, a notice shall be dispatched to each Audit &	
Supervisory Board Member at least three days before the	
day of the meeting. However, this period may be reduced	
in case of urgent needs.	
2 With the consent of all Audit & Supervisory Board	<deleted></deleted>
Members, a meeting of the Audit & Supervisory Board	
may be held without following the convening procedures.	
(Regulations of the Audit & Supervisory Board)	
Article 35	<deleted></deleted>
Matters concerning the Audit & Supervisory Board shall be	
governed by the Regulations of the Audit & Supervisory Board	
established by the Audit & Supervisory Board, in addition to	
applicable laws and regulations and these Articles of	
Incorporation.	
(Remuneration, Etc.)	
Article 36	<deleted></deleted>
The Remuneration, Etc. to Audit & Supervisory Board	
Members shall be determined by resolution of a general	
meeting of shareholders.	
(Exemption of Audit & Supervisory Board Members From	
<u>Liability</u> )	
Article 37	<deleted></deleted>
The Company may enter into limited liability agreement with	
Audit & Supervisory Board Members should the legal	
requirements concerning the liability for damages be met as	
prescribed in Article 423, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act.	
However, the maximum amount of liability for damages under	
this agreements shall be the amount prescribed by laws and	
regulations.	
Chapter VI	Chapter <u>V</u>
Accounts	Accounts
Article 38 – Article 40 (Omitted)	Article 33 – Article 35 (Unchanged)
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Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments
	Supplementary Provisions
<newly established=""></newly>	(Transitional Measures Concerning the Exemption of Audit &
	Supervisory Board Members From Liability)
	Agreements to limit the liability for damages according to
	Article 423, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act in relation to
	actions taken by Audit & Supervisory Board Members
	(including persons who were previously Audit & Supervisory
	Board Members) prior to the conclusion of the 55th Annual
	General Meeting of Shareholders shall be set based on Article
	37 of the Articles of Incorporation prior to the amendments
	proposed through the resolution introduced at the same annual
	general meeting of shareholders.

**Proposal No. 3** Election of Four Directors (Excluding Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members)

Subject to the approval and adoption of Proposal No. 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation," the Company will make the transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee. Accordingly, the terms of office of all currently serving Directors (six Directors) will expire at the conclusion of this annual general meeting of shareholders. Therefore, the Company proposes the election of four Directors (excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members).

This proposal, however, can only take effect after Proposal No. 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" takes effect.

The candidates for Director (excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members) are as follows:

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		Career summary, position and responsibility in the Company and significant concurrent positions outside the Company	
1	Hiroyuki Otomo (January 30, 1962)	, -	Joined Nichiyo Co., Ltd. Director and Assistant General Manager of Gourmet Business Dept. of the Company Director and General Manager in charge of Delicatessen, Sales Dept. Managing Director Managing Director and Head of Administrative Management Headquarters Director Representative Director, President of Nichiyo Co., Ltd. Managing Director and Head of General Business Headquarters of the Company Executive Director and Head of General Business Headquarters Executive Director and Head of Production Headquarters Representative Director, Vice President and Head of Production Headquarters Representative Director, President (current position) Representative Director, President of Warabeya Nichiyo Co., Ltd. (current position) concurrent positions outside the Company) The Director, President of Warabeya Nichiyo Co.,	owned 520,800 shares

[Reasons for nomination]

Hiroyuki Otomo has accumulated experience and achievements in various fields including sales, production and management in the Group, and has been involved in business management. He has served as Representative Director and President of the Company since 2015 and has abundant experience in business and corporate management of the Company. The Company proposes his election because it is expected that he will utilize his experience to contribute to the further growth of the Group and the improvement of corporate value.

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	mary, position and responsibility in the Company icant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares owned
			Company's shares
		 oncurrent positions outside the Company) ior Managing Executive Officer of Warabeya	

Hideo Tsuji has been involved in sales, production, quality assurance, international business in the Group, and has accumulated experience and achievements in various fields. He has served as Director and Managing Executive Officer of the Company since 2018, and as Director and Senior Managing Executive Officer since 2019, and has knowledge and experience necessary for the sound and appropriate management of the Group. The Company proposes his election because it is expected that he will utilize his experience to contribute to the further growth of the Group and the improvement of corporate value.

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		nmary, position and responsibility in the Company ficant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares owned		
		Dec. 1987 Oct. 2004 May 2006	Joined the Company General Manager of Products Dept., Capital Region Business Headquarters Director and Deputy Head of Capital Region Business Headquarters			
		May 2007 Mar. 2010	Director and Head of Capital Region Business Headquarters, General Business Headquarters Director and Deputy Head of General Business			
	Tsunehisa Shirai	Mar. 2012	Headquarters  Managing Director and Head of Products  Headquarters			
	(March 16, 1964)	Dec. 2015	Managing Director and Head of Capital Region Business Headquarters	5,000 shares		
3		Sept. 2016	Director, Managing Executive Officer Director, Managing Executive Officer of Warabeya Nichiyo Co., Ltd. (current position)			
		May 2018	Director, Managing Executive Officer in charge of Domestic Food Products Business (current position)			
			concurrent positions outside the Company) naging Executive Officer of Warabeya Nichiyo Co.,			
	[Reasons for nomination]					
		_	duction and product development in the Group, and			
	experience and achievements in various fields. He has served as Managing Director of the Company since 2012, and					
	Director and Managing Executive Officer since 2016, and has knowledge and experience necessary for the sound and appropriate management of the Group. The Company proposes his election because it is expected that he will utilize his					
			f the Group and the improvement of corporate value.			
	experience to contribute to the I	Jan. 2004	Joined the Company			
		May 2007	General Manager of Accounting and Finance			
		11149 2007	Dept., Administrative Management			
			Headquarters			
	Naoshi Asano	May 2009	Director and General Manager of Accounting and Finance Dept., Administrative Management			
		C+ 2016	Headquarters			
		Sept. 2016	Director, Managing Executive Officer, supervising Group Administration Dept. and			
			Financial Planning Dept.	3,600 shares		
	(August 7, 1962)		Director, Managing Executive Officer of			
			Warabeya Nichiyo Co., Ltd. (current position)			
4		Mar. 2019	Director, Managing Executive Officer,			
			supervising General Affairs Dept., Human			
			Resources Dept. and Financial Planning Dept.			
		(S::6:4	(current position)			
			concurrent positions outside the Company) naging Executive Officer of Warabeya Nichiyo Co.,			
	[Reasons for nomination]					
	Naoshi Asano has been involved		finance, and general affairs in the Group, and has ac			
	_		He has served as Director and Managing Executive C			
			perience necessary for the sound and appropriate ma			
	Group. The Company proposes his election because it is expected that he will utilize his experience to contribute to the					
	further growth of the Group and the improvement of corporate value.					

(Note) There is no special interest between any of the candidates and the Company.

# **Proposal No. 4** Election of Four Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members

Subject to the approval and adoption of Proposal No. 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation," the Company will make the transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee. Therefore, the Company proposes the election of four Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members.

This proposal, however, can only take effect after Proposal No. 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" takes effect.

The candidates for Director who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members are as follows:

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		Career summary, position and responsibility in the Company and significant concurrent positions outside the Company		
1	Mikio Imura (December 20, 1956)	` •	Joined the Company General Manager of Corporate Strategy Dept. Full-Time Audit & Supervisory Board Member of the Company (current position) Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Warabeya Kansai Co., Ltd. (currently Warabeya Nichiyo Co., Ltd.) (current position) concurrent positions outside the Company) ervisory Board Member of Warabeya Nichiyo Co.,	1,300 shares	
	[Reasons for nomination] Mikio Imura has experience in the corporate planning department of the Company as well as experience in financial institutions, and has conducted audits for the overall management of the Group as an Audit & Supervisory Board Member. Based on this abundant knowledge and experience, the Company believes that he is capable of appropriately fulfilling his duties as a Director who is Audit and Supervisory Committee Member, and proposes his election.				
2	Koichi Furukawa (September 16, 1942)  [Reasons for nomination] Following his tenure serving as	Apr. 1965 June 1997 June 2003 June 2012 May 2015  President of Mo	Joined Morinaga Milk Industry Co., Ltd. Director President Senior Advisor Outside Director of the Company (current position) rinaga Milk Industry Co., Ltd., etc., Koichi Furukaw	1,000 shares	
	and provided advice for the management of the Group as outside Director. Based on this abundant knowledge and experience, the Company believes that he is capable of appropriately fulfilling his duties as a Director who is Audit and Supervisory Committee Member, and proposes his election.				

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, position and responsibility in the Company and significant concurrent positions outside the Company		Number of the Company's shares owned
3	Takashi Himeda (June 15, 1955)		Joined Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (Livestock Industry Bureau) Councillor (Deputy Director-General, Food Safety and Consumer Affairs Bureau), Minister's Secretariat Director General of the Food Safety Commission Secretariat, Cabinet Office Advisor of Japan Livestock Industry Association General Advisor Outside Director of the Company (current position) Vice Chairman of Japan Livestock Industry Association (current position) oncurrent positions outside the Company)	300 shares
	in the fields of administration of Cabinet Office, and has since su Based on this abundant knowled	directly involve livestock and for pervised and pro- ge and experien	d in the management of a company. However, he play bod safety at the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and ovided advice for the management of the Group as of ce, the Company believes that he is capable of approximately committee Member, and proposes his election	d Fisheries and the utside Director. opriately fulfilling
4	Masato Tanimura (June 26, 1967)	Apr. 1994 Apr. 1994 May 2005 Aug. 2012	Registered as an attorney at law (Daini Tokyo Bar Association) Joined MINAMI AOYAMA LAW OFFICES Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of the Company (current position) Established SHIKI-NO-KAZE LAW GROUP (current present)	4,800 shares
	expertise and experience in legal audits for the management of the	l affairs accumu e Group as an ou Company believ	ed in the management of a company. However, he halated over many years as an attorney at law. Further, atside Audit & Supervisory Board Member. Based on the state he is capable of appropriately fulfilling his du	he has conducted n this abundant

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- 1. There is no special interest between any of the candidates and the Company.
  - Koichi Furukawa, Takashi Himeda and Masato Tanimura are candidates for outside Director who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members.
  - 3. At the conclusion of this annual general meeting of shareholders, Koichi Furukawa's tenure as outside Director of the Company will have been four years. At the conclusion of this annual general meeting of shareholders, Takashi Himeda's tenure as outside Director of the Company will have been two years.
  - 4. The Company has entered into a limited liability agreement with Koichi Furukawa and Takashi Himeda, pursuant to the provisions of Article 427, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act and Article 29 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation. The maximum amount of liability for damages under this agreement is the minimum liability amount provided for under laws and regulations, and if they are elected, the Company plans to renew the aforementioned agreement with them.
  - 5. The Company has entered into a limited liability agreement with Mikio Imura and Masato Tanimura, pursuant to the provisions of Article 427, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act and Article 37 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation. The maximum amount of liability for damages under this agreement is the minimum liability amount provided for under laws and regulations, and if they are elected, the Company plans to conclude limited liability agreement with them based on the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation (Exemption from Liability for Directors).
  - 6. The Company has submitted notification to the Tokyo Stock Exchange that Koichi Furukawa, Takashi Himeda and Masato Tanimura have been appointed as independent officers as provided for by the aforementioned exchange. If they are elected, the Company plans for their appointment as independent officers to continue.

# **Proposal No. 5** Setting of Remuneration for Directors (Excluding Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members)

While resolutions were passed on the remuneration for Directors of the Company as a fixed remuneration amount of \(\frac{\pman}{4}00\) million or less per year at the 43rd Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on May 24, 2007, and for the introduction of a performance-based remuneration system at the 51st Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on May 28, 2015, subject to the approval and adoption of Proposal No. 2: "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation," the Company shall transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee.

Accordingly, the Company proposes the abolishment of provisions concerning Director remuneration currently in effect, and for the introduction of Director (excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members) remuneration as follows. Please note that, said Director (excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members) remuneration does not include employee wages for Directors who concurrently serve as employees of the Company.

This proposal, however, can only take effect after Proposal No. 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" takes effect.

#### 1. Fixed remuneration

In consideration of various economic conditions and other circumstances, the Company proposes that fixed remuneration be set at \(\frac{4}{3}00\) million per year or less. Upon approval of Proposal No. 2: "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" and Proposal No. 3: "Election of Four Directors (Excluding Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members)" as proposed, four Directors (excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members) will be subject to this proposal.

## 2. Performance-based remuneration

In addition to the above mentioned fixed remuneration, the Company proposes that the Directors of the Company (excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members and outside Directors) shall be paid a performance-based remuneration as outlined in the table below based on the profit attributable to owners of parent. This proposal is made based on a concept that the setting of remuneration tied to business performance is appropriate as a form of Director remuneration, while linking performance to remuneration also enhances Director (excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members and outside Directors) motivation and drive to improve business performance.

Upon approval of Proposal No. 2: "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" and Proposal No. 3: "Election of Four Directors (Excluding Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members)" as proposed, four Directors (excluding Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members and outside Directors) will be subject to this proposal.

The Company also asks that the distribution of such be entrusted to the Board of Directors.

Standard for profit attributable to owners of parent	Remuneration amount
¥1,000 million or less	¥0
More than ¥1,000 million – ¥2,000 million or less	¥60 million
More than ¥2,000 million – ¥3,500 million or less	¥90 million
More than ¥3,500 million – ¥5,000 million or less	¥120 million
More than ¥5,000 million	¥150 million

With regard to the calculation method used for performance-based remuneration, the use of consolidated performance as a measure of business performance is due to this metric being considered an appropriate means of evaluating the role Directors of the Company fulfill in improving the performance of the entire Group, included consolidated subsidiaries of the Company.

# **Proposal No. 6** Setting of Remuneration for Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members

Subject to the approval and adoption of Proposal No. 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation," the Company will make the transition to a company with audit and supervisory committee.

Accordingly, the Company proposes the setting of remuneration for Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members to ¥80 million or less in consideration for the duties and responsibilities of Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members.

Upon approval of Proposal No. 2: "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" and Proposal No. 4: "Election of Four Directors Who Are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members)" as proposed, there will be four Directors who are Audit and Supervisory Committee Members.

This proposal, however, can only take effect after Proposal No. 2 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation" takes effect.