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(Securities Code: 4118)

June 5, 2025

Notice of Convocation of the 101st Annual General Meeting of Shareholders

Dear Shareholders:

Notice is hereby given that the 101st Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company will be held as set forth below.

If you will not be attending the meeting in person, you may exercise your voting rights either via return mail or via the Internet.¹

Please review the accompanying "Reference Document Concerning the General Meeting of Shareholders" and cast your votes so as to reach the Company prior to 6:00 p.m. (JST) on June 26, 2025 (Thursday).

Yours very truly,

Kazuhiko Fujii President (Representative Director)

KANEKA CORPORATION 3-18, Nakanoshima 2-chome, Kita-ku, Osaka, Japan

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¹ Note: Please note that shareholders outside Japan shall not use these voting procedures via return mail or the internet. Institutional investors should refer to the attached document entitled "Information about Exercise of Voting Rights" described on page 4.

Particulars

1. Date and Time of the Meeting:

Friday, June 27, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. (JST) Reception will start at 9:00 a.m. (JST)

2. Place of the Meeting:

Osaka Headquarters of the Company, Nakanoshima Festival Tower (36th floor), 3-18, Nakanoshima 2-chome, Kita-ku, Osaka, Japan

3. Agenda of the Meeting:

Matters to be reported:

- 1. Report on the Business Report, Consolidated Financial Statements and Non-Consolidated Financial Statements for the 101st fiscal year (from April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025).
- 2. Report on the Results of Audit by Accounting Auditor and Audit & Supervisory Board for Consolidated Financial Statements for the 101st fiscal year (from April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025).

Matters for resolution:

Proposal No. 1: Election of Twelve (12) Members of the Board

Proposal No. 2: Election of One (1) Substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Member

Proposal No. 3: Provision of Bonus to Members of the Board

4. Information about Exercise of Voting Rights:

Please ensure that you read carefully the attached document entitled "Information about Exercise of Voting Rights" described on page 4.

5. Matters Related to Measures for Electronic Provision:

In convening this General Meeting of Shareholders, the Company has taken measures for electronic provision of the information contained in Reference Document Concerning the General Meeting of Shareholders, etc. (the Electronic Provision Measures Matters). Please access the Company's website set forth below for the Electronic Provision Measures Matters.

[Website of the Company] https://www.kaneka.co.jp/ir/stocks/meeting/

The Electronic Provision Measures Matters are also available on the website of Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. Please find the relevant information by entering either "KANEKA" in the "Issue name (company name)" box or the security code "4118" in the "Code" box and then clicking "Basic information" and "Documents for public inspection/PR information."

[Website of Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. (Listed Company Search)] https://www2.jpx.co.jp/tseHpFront/JJK010010Action.do?Show=Show

- In the event of any amendment to the Electronic Provision Measures Matters, the Company will post the amended items on the websites set forth above.
- The Reference Document Concerning the General Meeting of Shareholders, etc. have been sent to shareholders in the same manner as before, regardless of whether or not a shareholder requested the delivery of paper copy. However, the following materials in the Electronic Provision Measures Matters are only available on the websites of the Company and Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. and will not be included in the document sent to shareholders pursuant to the relevant laws and regulations as well as the provisions of Article 14 of the Articles of Incorporation of the Company:
 - (1) "Consolidated statements of changes in net assets" and "Notes to consolidated financial statements" in the Consolidated Financial Statements
 - (2) "Non-consolidated statements of changes in net assets" and "Notes to non-consolidated financial statements" in the Non-consolidated Financial Statements
 - The Consolidated Financial Statements and the Non-consolidated Financial Statements that were audited by the Audit & Supervisory Board Members and Accounting Auditor consist of the matters in the document sent to shareholders and (1) and (2) set forth above.

Information about Exercise of Voting Rights:

- 1. If you do not express the approval or disapproval on the Voting Rights Exercise Form delivered, the Company will consider it indicative approval for all matters for resolution.
- 2. In the event that one and the same shareholder exercises voting rights both via return mail and via the Internet, the Company will consider the exercise of voting rights via the Internet to be valid. Moreover, in the event one and the same shareholder exercises voting rights several times via the same method, the Company will consider the last exercise of voting rights to be valid.

To the Institutional Investors:

The Company participates in the ICJ platform for institutional investors to vote from ProxyEdge® system of Broadridge. For further details, please consult with your custodian(s), nominee(s) and/or broker(s). Voting via the Internet other than the ICJ platform is only available for registered shareholders in Japan with Japanese language only.

Reference Document Concerning the General Meeting of Shareholders

Proposals and Matters for Reference

Proposal No. 1: Election of Twelve (12) Members of the Board

The terms of office of all twelve (12) Members of the Board will expire at the conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders. Accordingly, we propose to elect twelve (12) Members of the Board.

The candidates for Members of the Board are as follows:

Candidate Number	Nai	ne	Current Position and Responsibility in the Company	Attendance at Meetings of the Board of Directors
1.	Reappointment	Kimikazu Sugawara (Male)	Chairman of the Board (Representative Director)	14/14 (100%)
2.	Reappointment	Kazuhiko Fujii (Male)	President (Representative Director) In charge of overall business	14/14 (100%)
3.	Reappointment	Shinichiro Kametaka (Male)	Member of the Board, Executive Vice President In charge of human resources and General Manager of the Engine of Sustainability Management, also in charge of Vinyls and Chlor-Alkali Solutions Vehicle, Foam & Residential Techs Solutions Vehicle, CEMEDINE CO., LTD., chemicals purchasing, OLED Business Development Project and Global Open Innovation Planning	14/14 (100%)
4.	Reappointment	Mamoru Kadokura (Male)	Member of the Board, Executive Vice President General Manager of Green Planet Project In charge of Performance Polymers (MOD) Solutions Vehicle, Performance Polymers (MS) Solutions Vehicle, research and security	14/14 (100%)
5.	Reappointment	Katsunobu Doro (Male)	Member of the Board, Managing Executive Officer In charge of Corporate Global Center, E&I Technology Solutions Vehicle and Performance Fibers Solutions Vehicle	14/14 (100%)
6.	Reappointment	Jun Enoki (Male)	Member of the Board, Managing Executive Officer In charge of Foods & Agris Solutions Vehicle, Supplement, Healthy Foods Strategic Unit, internal controls and Group companies support	14/14 (100%)
7.	Reappointment	Toshio Komori (Male)	Member of the Board, Managing Executive Officer In charge of corporate planning, accounting, finance, Digital Solutions Center, Logistics Strategic Unit, IR and public relations	14/14 (100%)
8.	Reappointment	Masaaki Kimura (Male)	Member of the Board, Managing Executive Officer In charge of Medical Solutions Vehicle and Pharma, and Medical SV President and Head of Kaneka US Innovation Center	11/11 (100%)

Candidate Number	Na	ame	Current Position and Responsibility in the Company	Attendance at Meetings of the Board of Directors
9.	Reappointment Outside Independent	Mamoru Mohri (Male)	Outside Member of the Board	14/14 (100%)
10.	Reappointment Outside Independent	Jun Yokota (Male)	Outside Member of the Board	14/14 (100%)
11	Reappointment Outside Independent	Yuko Sasakawa (Female)	Outside Member of the Board	14/14 (100%)
12	Reappointment Outside Independent	Hiromi Miyake (Female)	Outside Member of the Board	14/14 (100%)

Note: The Company held meetings of the Board of Directors 14 times this fiscal year. With regard to the attendance of Member of the Board Masaaki Kimura, only such meetings after he assumed office on June 27, 2024 are counted.

Candidates for Members of the Board

Candidate Number	Name (Date of birth)	(Positio	Brief History on and responsibility and important position of other organizations concurrently assumed)	Number of Shares of the Company Held by Candidate
1.	Reappointment Kimikazu Sugawara (March 31, 1947) (Male)	Apr. 1970 Jun. 2000 Jun. 2003 Jun. 2006 Apr. 2008 Apr. 2014	Joined the Company Member of the Board of the Company Managing Member of the Board of the Company Member of the Board, Managing Executive Officer of the Company President (Representative Director) of the Company Chairman of the Board (Representative Director) of the Company	8,600 shares
			Presently in the post	

[Reasons for nomination as a Member of the Board candidate]

Mr. Kimikazu Sugawara, since becoming Member of the Board of the Company, has served many years as President (Representative Director), Chairman of the Board (Representative Director), and Board Chairperson, and has abundant experience in, and excellent insight into, corporate management. Therefore, the Company nominates him as a Member of the Board candidate as he is expected to contribute to increasing its medium- to long-term corporate value and to strengthen the oversight function over the entire Group.

2.	Reappointment	Apr. 1985 Jun. 2016	Joined the Company Member of the Board, Managing Executive Officer of the	6,000 shares
	Kazuhiko Fujii (June 17, 1961) (Male)	Apr. 2020 Apr. 2024	Company Member of the Board, Executive Vice President of the Company President (Representative Director) of the Company In charge of overall business of the Company Presently in the post	

[Reasons for nomination as a Member of the Board candidate]

Mr. Kazuhiko Fujii, since becoming Member of the Board of the Company, has served as Managing Executive Officer, Executive Vice President, and President (Representative Director) and has abundant experience in, and excellent insight into, corporate management. Therefore, the Company nominates him as a Member of the Board candidate as he is expected to contribute to increasing its medium- to long-term corporate value and to strengthen the oversight function over the entire Group.

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Candidate Number	Name (Date of birth)	(Position	Brief History 1 and responsibility and important position of other organizations concurrently assumed)	Number of Shares of the Company Held by Candidate
3.	Reappointment Shinichiro Kametaka (November 13, 1957) (Male)	Apr. 1981 Jun. 2011 Jun. 2014 Jun. 2017 Apr. 2022 Apr. 2024	Joined the Company Executive Officer of the Company Member of the Board, Managing Executive Officer of the Company Member of the Board, Senior Managing Executive Officer of the Company Member of the Board, Executive Vice President In charge of human resources and General Manager of the Engine of Sustainability Management, also in charge of Vinyls and Chlor-Alkali Solutions Vehicle, Foam & Residential Techs Solutions Vehicle, Performance Fibers Solutions Vehicle, CEMEDINE CO., LTD., chemicals purchasing, OLED Business Development Project and Global Open Innovation Planning of the Company In charge of human resources and General Manager of the Engine of Sustainability Management, also in charge of	6,000 shares
			Vinyls and Chlor-Alkali Solutions Vehicle, Foam & Residential Techs Solutions Vehicle, CEMEDINE CO., LTD., chemicals purchasing, OLED Business Development Project and Global Open Innovation Planning of the Company Presently in the post	

[Reasons for nomination as a Member of the Board candidate]

Mr. Shinichiro Kametaka has long worked in the Company's Chemicals segment and chemicals purchasing. Since becoming Member of the Board of the Company, he has served as Managing Executive Officer, Senior Managing Executive Officer and Executive Vice President, and has abundant experience in, and excellent insight into, corporate management, including being in charge of a broad range of business divisions. Therefore, the Company nominates him as a Member of the Board candidate as he is expected to contribute to increasing its medium- to long-term corporate value and to strengthen the oversight function over the entire Group and the businesses he is in charge of.

4.	Reappointment	Apr. 1987	Joined the Company	8,000
		Jun. 2010	Executive Officer of the Company	shares
	Mamoru Kadokura	Jun. 2012	Member of the Board, Managing Executive Officer of the	
	(June 1, 1959)		Company	
	(Male)	Apr. 2014	President (Representative Director) of the Company	
		Mar. 2020	Retired from the post of President (Representative Director)	
			of the Company	
		Apr. 2020	Member of the Board, Senior Managing Corporate Executive	
		_	Officer of the Company	
		Apr. 2024	Member of the Board, Executive Vice President of the	
			Company	
			General Manager of Green Planet Project of the Company	
			In charge of Performance Polymers (MOD) Solutions	
			Vehicle, Performance Polymers (MS) Solutions Vehicle,	
			research and security of the Company	
			Presently in the post	

[Reasons for nomination as a Member of the Board candidate]

Mr. Mamoru Kadokura, since becoming Member of the Board of the Company, has served as General Manager of Corporate R&D Planning and Administration Division, officer in charge of business divisions, and President (Representative Director) of the Company, and has abundant experience in, and excellent insight into, corporate management. Therefore, the Company nominates him as a Member of the Board candidate as he is expected to accelerate transformation in the R2B (Research to Business) of the Company as an "R&D-type company", and to contribute to increasing its medium- to long-term corporate value and to strengthen the oversight function over the entire Group.

Candidate Number	Name (Date of birth)	(Positic	Brief History on and responsibility and important position of other organizations concurrently assumed)	Number of Shares of the Company Held by Candidate
5.	Reappointment Katsunobu Doro (January 13, 1960) (Male)	Apr. 1982 Jun. 2014 Apr. 2017 Mar. 2019 Jun. 2019 Apr. 2025	Joined the Company Executive Officer of the Company Managing Executive Officer of the Company Member of the Board, President of Kaneka Americas Holding, Inc. Member of the Board, Managing Executive Officer of the Company In charge of Corporate Global Center, E&I Technology Solutions Vehicle and Performance Fibers Solutions Vehicle of the Company	2,700 shares
			Presently in the post	

[Reasons for nomination as a Member of the Board candidate]

Mr. Katsunobu Doro has long worked in the Functional Plastics, and Electrical and Electronic Materials segments of the Company. Since becoming Member of the Board of the Company, he has served as Managing Executive Officer and has many years of experience working overseas, and has abundant experience in, and insights into, the business divisions. Therefore, the Company, which is pursuing diversified and global businesses development, nominates him as a Member of the Board candidate as he is expected to contribute to increasing its medium- to long-term corporate value and to strengthen the oversight function over the geographic areas and businesses he is in charge of.

6.	Reappointment Jun Enoki (September 8, 1960) (Male)	Apr. 1983 Jun. 2013 Apr. 2017 Jun. 2019 Apr. 2023	Joined the Company Executive Officer of the Company Managing Executive Officer of the Company Member of the Board, Managing Executive Officer of the Company In charge of Foods & Agris Solutions Vehicle, Supplement, Healthy Foods Strategic Unit, internal controls and Group companies support of the Company	1,300 shares
			Presently in the post	

[Reasons for nomination as a Member of the Board candidate]

Mr. Jun Enoki has long worked in the Food Business segment of the Company. Since becoming Member of the Board of the Company, he has served as Managing Executive Officer, and has abundant experience in, and insights into, the business division. Therefore, the Company nominates him as a Member of the Board candidate as he is expected to contribute to increasing its medium- to long-term corporate value and to strengthen the oversight function over the entire Group and the divisions he is in charge of.

Candidate Number	Name (Date of birth)	(Positic	Brief History on and responsibility and important position of other organizations concurrently assumed)	Number of Shares of the Company Held by Candidate
7.	Reappointment	Apr. 1985	Joined the Company	1,200
/.	Ксарропшиси	Jun. 2015	Executive Officer of the Company	shares
	Toshio Komori	Apr. 2020	Managing Executive Officer of the Company	
	(March 9, 1963)	Apr. 2022	Senior Managing Corporate Executive Officer of the	
	(Male)		Company	
		Jun. 2023	Member of the Board, Managing Executive Officer of the Company	
		Apr. 2024	In charge of corporate planning, accounting, finance, IoT	
		•	Solutions Center, Logistics Strategic Unit and IR of the	
			Company	
		Apr. 2025	In charge of corporate planning, accounting, finance, Digital	
		1	Solutions Center, Logistics Strategic Unit, IR and public	
			relations of the Company	
			Presently in the post	

[Reasons for nomination as a Member of the Board candidate]

Mr. Toshio Komori has long worked in corporate support and administrative functions such as Corporate Planning, Accounting and Finance, and Business Management Department of the Company. Since becoming Member of the Board of the Company, he has served as Managing Executive Officer, and has abundant experience as a manager, including being in charge of a wide range of divisions. Therefore, the Company nominates him as a Member of the Board candidate as he is expected to contribute to increasing its medium- to long-term corporate value and to strengthen the oversight function over the entire Group and the divisions he is in charge of.

0	Reappointment	Apr. 1986	Joined the Company	1,000
٥.	8. Reappointment	Jun. 2014	Executive Officer of the Company	shares
	Masaaki Kimura	Oct. 2015	President of Kaneka Europe Holding Company N.V.	
	(February 25, 1963)	Jun. 2016	Managing Executive Officer of the Company	
	(Male)	Apr. 2022	Senior Managing Corporate Executive Officer of the	
	(11111)		Company	
		Jun. 2024	Member of the Board, Managing Executive Officer of the	
			Company	
			In charge of Medical Solutions Vehicle and Pharma, and	
			Medical SV President of the Company and Head of Kaneka	
			US Innovation Center	
			Presently in the post	

[Reasons for nomination as a Member of the Board candidate]

Mr. Masaaki Kimura has long worked in the Functional Plastics and Life Science Products segments of the Company. Since becoming Member of the Board of the Company, he has served as Managing Executive Officer, has many years of experience working overseas, and has abundant experience in, and insights into, the business divisions. Therefore, the Company, which is pursuing diversified and global business development, nominates him as a Member of the Board candidate as he is expected to contribute to increasing its medium- and long-term corporate value and to strengthen the oversight function over businesses.

Candidate Number	Name (Date of birth)	(Position	Brief History n and responsibility and important position of other organizations concurrently assumed)	Number of Shares of the Company Held by Candidate
9.	Reappointment Outside Independent	Jun. 1976 Apr. 1982 Aug. 1985	Received a doctorate in Chemistry from Flinders University of South Australia Associate Professor at Hokkaido University, School of Engineering Astronaut at the National Space Development Agency of	0
	Mamoru Mohri (January 29, 1948) (Male)	Sep. 1992 Feb. 2000	Japan Conducted experiments as a prime payload specialist on STS- 47, Spacelab-J on the NASA Space Shuttle "Endeavour" Worked as a mission specialist for the Shuttle Radar Topography Mission on the NASA Space Shuttle	
		Oct. 2000	"Endeavour" Chief Executive Director of National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation (Miraikan), Japan Science and Technology Corporation (currently the Japan Science and Technology Agency)	
		Jun. 2015 Apr. 2021	Member of the Board of the Company Honorary Chief Executive Director of National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation (Miraikan), Japan Science and Technology Agency	
		Apr. 2022	Visiting member of National Research and Development Agency Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency Presently in the post	
		Honorary Ch Science and	ositions of other organizations concurrently assumed) hief Executive Director of National Museum of Emerging Innovation (Miraikan), Japan Science and Technology Agency of Japan Water Prize Committee	

Mr. Mamoru Mohri has diverse and abundant experience and achievements in leading-edge science and technology of the world. The Company holds "Moving toward an R&D-type company" as one of its management policies in its long-term management vision, and has made focused investment of its management resources in R2B (Research to Business). Therefore, the Company nominates him as an Outside Member of the Board candidate as he is expected to conduct appropriate oversight and provide objective and strategic advice regarding management in general at meetings of the Board of Directors of the Company, utilizing his advanced insight and global perspective.

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Candidate Number	Name (Date of birth)	(Positio	Brief History n and responsibility and important position of other organizations concurrently assumed)	Number of Shares of the Company Held by Candidate
10.	Reappointment Outside Independent Jun Yokota (June 26, 1947) (Male)	Apr. 1971 Jan. 1998 Jun. 2002 Apr. 2004 May 2009 Oct. 2012 Jan. 2014 Jun. 2014 Jun. 2014 Jun. 2020	Joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Deputy Director-General of Economic Affairs Bureau Consul-General of Japan in Hong Kong Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the State of Israel Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Kingdom of Belgium Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary in charge of Economic Diplomacy and of Reconstruction Assistance to Iraq (until January 2014) Retired from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Special Advisor to the Chairman of KEIDANREN (Japan Business Federation) (until May 2018) Outside Director of Fujitsu Limited (until June 2021) Member of the Board of the Company	0
			Presently in the post	

Mr. Jun Yokota has experience in, and insight into, international politics and economics, from having served as a diplomat, namely, the Ambassador to Israel and to Belgium, and a government representative in the EPA (Economic Partnership Agreement) negotiations with Europe. Therefore, the Company nominates him as an Outside Member of the Board candidate as he is expected to provide appropriate oversight as well as objective and strategic advice regarding management in general at meetings of the Company's Board of Directors, utilizing his global and diverse insight.

Candidate Number	Name (Date of birth)	(Position	Brief History and responsibility and important position of other organizations concurrently assumed)	Number of Shares of the Company Held by Candidate
11.	Reappointment	Apr. 1997	Director and General Manager of Business Division of	0
	Outside	Jan. 2002	Kabushiki Kaisha RIGHT STUFF (worker dispatch business) Director and Executive Vice President of Kabushiki Kaisha	
	Outside	Jan. 2002	RIGHT STUFF	
	Independent	Jun. 2003	Representative Director and President of Kabushiki Kaisha RIGHT STUFF	
	Yuko Sasakawa	Oct. 2003	Established IMAGINEPLUS INC (worker dispatch business)	
	(July 22, 1962) (Female)	,	by acquiring the shares in <i>Kabushiki Kaisha</i> RIGHT STUFF from its owner	
	(=)		Representative Director and President of IMAGINEPLUS INC	
		Apr. 2012	Established IMAGINENEXT INC (educational training, educational content production, seminars, global training, translation and interpreting)	
			Representative Director and President of IMAGINENEXT INC	
		Jan. 2021	Transferred shares in IMAGINEPLUS INC to a listed company	
			Retired from Representative Director and President of IMAGINEPLUS INC (assumed office of Advisor)	
		Dec. 2021	Retired from Advisor of IMAGINEPLUS INC	
		Jan. 2022	Outside Director of Gakujo Co., Ltd.	
		Jun. 2022	Member of the Board of the Company	
			Presently in the post	
		Representative	itions of other organizations concurrently assumed) Director and President of IMAGINENEXT INC or of Gakujo Co., Ltd.	

Ms. Yuko Sasakawa is a corporate manager with abundant experience and achievements in the development of human resources, including in educational training. The Company nominates her as an Outside Member of the Board candidate as she is expected to provide appropriate oversight as well as objective and strategic advice regarding management in general at meetings of the Company's Board of Directors, based on her professional insights and from the perspective of diversity.

Candidate Number	Name (Date of birth)	(Position	Brief History n and responsibility and important position of other organizations concurrently assumed)	Number of Shares of the Company Held by Candidate
12.	Reappointment	Nov. 2021	Member of the Athletes' Committee, Japanese Olympic Committee (JOC)	0
	Outside	Apr. 2022	Japan Weightlifting Association National Coach (until Mar. 2024)	
	Independent		Committee Member for Deliberation of the Anti-Doping System	
	Hiromi Miyake (November 18, 1985) (Female)	Jun. 2022	Executive Board Member of International Weightlifting Federation	
		Apr. 2023	Board Member of Nonprofit Organization Olympians Association of Japan	
		June 2023	Member of the Board of the Company Executive Board Member, Japan Weightlifting Association	
		Apr. 2025	Honorary Associate Professor, Specially Appointed Associate Professor, School of Human and Social Sciences, Tokyo International University Presently in the post	

Ms. Hiromi Miyake has abundant experience and achievements as a successful top athlete and coach both in Japan and abroad. The Company nominates her as an Outside Member of the Board candidate as she is expected to provide appropriate oversight as well as objective and strategic advice regarding management in general at meetings of the Company's Board of Directors, based on her versatile insights into diversity, human resources development and wellness.

Notes:

- 1. The Company has no special interest with each of the Member of the Board candidates.
- 2. The Company has concluded a directors and officers liability insurance agreement with an insurance company. In the event of a claim, legal damages (payment of damages ordered by the court, settlements, etc.) and legal expenses (payment of retainers and legal fees to lawyers, etc.) to be borne by the insureds shall be compensated under the said insurance agreement. Each Member of the Board candidate is an insured in the said insurance agreement. The agreement will be renewed with the same coverage and conditions at the next renewal date.
- 3. Mr. Mamoru Mohri, Mr. Jun Yokota, Ms. Yuko Sasakawa, and Ms. Hiromi Miyake are Outside Member of the Board candidates. The following items are specifically noted in regard to the Outside Member of the Board candidates.
 - (1) The tenure of each Outside Member of the Board candidate as of the close of this Annual General Meeting of Shareholders is as follows: Mr. Mamoru Mohri (ten (10) years), Mr. Jun Yokota (five (5) years), Ms. Yuko Sasakawa (three (3) years), and Ms. Hiromi Miyake (two (2) years).
 - (2) The Company has entered into a contract with Mr. Mamoru Mohri, Mr. Jun Yokota, Ms. Yuko Sasakawa, and Ms. Hiromi Miyake to limit their liability for damages with respect to the liability set forth in Article 423(1) of the Companies Act. When the re-appointment of the four Members of the Board is approved, the Company plans to continue the contract with each of them. The amount of their liability for damages under such contract is limited to the minimum liability amount provided for in the relevant laws and ordinances.
 - (3) The Company has designated Mr. Mamoru Mohri, Mr. Jun Yokota, Ms. Yuko Sasakawa, and Ms. Hiromi Miyake as Independent Directors/Auditors and submitted the statement to that effect to Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. Upon their re-appointment as originally proposed, it is planned that they will continue to serve as Independent Directors/Auditors.

For reference: Skills Matrix of the Candidates for Members of the Board

The Company operates a diverse business on a global basis. In order for the Board of Directors to accurately and quickly conduct decision-making for, and provide oversight of, such corporate activities, the Company considers that it is important to elect Members of the Board with diverse backgrounds, in areas such as their knowledge, experience and expertise. The Company holds high expectations of their knowledge, experience, expertise and the like concerning business, global, technology, diversity, and corporate and governance affairs.

	Position in the	Knowledge, Experience and Expertise Expected by the Company				
Name	Company	Business	Global	Technology	Diversity	Corporate & Governance
Kimikazu Sugawara	Chairman of the Board (Representative Director)	0	0		0	0
Kazuhiko Fujii	President (Representative Director)	0	0		0	0
Shinichiro Kametaka	Member of the Board, Executive Vice President	0	0		0	0
Mamoru Kadokura	Member of the Board, Executive Vice President	0	0	0	0	
Katsunobu Doro	Member of the Board, Managing Executive Officer	0	0		0	
Jun Enoki	Member of the Board, Managing Executive Officer	0	0		0	0
Toshio Komori	Member of the Board, Managing Executive Officer	0	0		0	0
Masaaki Kimura	Member of the Board, Managing Executive Officer	0	0	0	0	
Mamoru Mohri	Outside Member of the Board		0	0	0	0
Jun Yokota	Outside Member of the Board		0		0	0
Yuko Sasakawa	Outside Member of the Board	0			0	0
Hiromi Miyake	Outside Member of the Board		0		0	0

Note: The table above does not show all the skills of each candidate for Member of the Board.

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Proposal No. 2: Election of One (1) Substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Member

We propose to elect one (1) substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Member as a substitute of Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member in anticipation of a case in which the number of Audit & Supervisory Board Members might become less than the number provided for in the laws and ordinances.

We have already obtained the consent of the Audit & Supervisory Board for the submission of this proposal.

The candidate for substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Member is as follows:

Candidate for substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Member

Name (Date of birth)		Brief History (Important position of other organizations concurrently assumed)	Number of Shares of the Company Held by Candidate
Reappointment Outside Independent	Apr. 1996 Apr. 1999 Apr. 2005	Associate Professor of School of Law of Nagoya University Associate Professor of Graduate School of Law of Nagoya University Professor of Graduate School of Law of Nagoya University (Currently, Nagoya University, National University Corporation, Tokai National Higher Education and Research System)	0
macpenaent	Apr. 2010	Secretary of Legislative Council of the Ministry of Justice, Section for the Companies Act (until Sep. 2012)	
	Jun. 2011	Secretary of Advisory Committee on Civil Rules of Supreme Court of Japan (until Nov. 2012)	
	Jun. 2016	Substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Member of the Company	
	Apr. 2017	Secretary of Legislative Council of the Ministry of Justice, Section for the Companies Act related to Corporate Governance (until Apr. 2019)	
Masafumi Nakahigashi (September 19,	Apr. 2019	Vice President of Nagoya University (Currently, Nagoya University, National University Corporation, Tokai National Higher Education and Research System) (until Mar. 2024)	
1965) (Male)	Mar. 2022	Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of AMITA HOLDINGS CO., LTD.	
	Apr. 2024	Dean of Graduate School of Law of Nagoya University, National University Corporation, Tokai National Higher Education and Research System Presently in the post (Important positions of other organizations concurrently assumed) Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of AMITA HOLDINGS CO., LTD.	

[Reasons for nomination as a substitute Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member candidate]

Mr. Masafumi Nakahigashi has served in such positions as Secretary of Legislative Council of the Ministry of Justice, Section for the Companies Act, and as a university vice president, and has a high level of knowledge and abundant experience as a dean of a graduate school of law and university professor. Therefore, the Company nominates him as a substitute Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member as he is expected to provide valuable advice and opinions at meetings of the Board of Directors and the Audit & Supervisory Board of the Company, utilizing his high level of knowledge.

Notes:

- 1. The Company has no special interest with Mr. Masafumi Nakahigashi.
- 2. The Company has concluded a directors and officers liability insurance agreement with an insurance company. In the event of a claim, legal damages (payment of damages ordered by the court, settlements, etc.) and legal expenses (payment of retainers and legal fees to lawyers, etc.) to be borne by the insureds shall be compensated under the said insurance agreement. In the event that Mr. Masafumi Nakahigashi assumes the office of Audit & Supervisory Board Member, he will be an insured in the said insurance agreement.
- 3. Mr. Masafumi Nakahigashi is a candidate for substitute Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member. The following matters are specifically noted with respect to the candidate for Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member.
 - (1) In the event that Mr. Masafumi Nakahigashi assumes the office of Audit & Supervisory Board Member, the Company plans to enter into a contract with him to limit his liability with respect to the liability for damages set forth in Article 423(1) of the Companies Act, whereby the amount of his liability for damages under such contract will be limited to the minimum liability amount provided for in the relevant laws and ordinances.
 - (2) In the event that Mr. Masafumi Nakahigashi assumes the office of Audit & Supervisory Board Member, the Company plans to designate him as an Independent Director/Auditor and submit the statement to that effect to Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc.

[For reference] Standards for Independence of Outside Members of the Board/Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members

The independence of Outside Members of the Board or Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members (collectively the "Outside Members of the Board/Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members") of the Company refers to such a person being independent from the Company's management without falling under any of the following:

- (1) A person executing the business, etc. ("Executing Person") of the Company and its affiliates (hereinafter, "the Group") and their close relatives, etc.;
- (2) A party for which the Group is a principal business partner or an Executing Person thereof;
- (3) A principal business partner of the Group or an Executing Person thereof;
- (4) A major shareholder of the Company (a party that directly or indirectly holds a voting interest of ten (10) % or more) or an Executing Person thereof;
- (5) A Member of the Board and other Executing Person of an organization that has received a certain amount or more of donations or subsidies from the Group;
- (6) An Executing Person of a company with which the Group has an arrangement for mutual secondment of Members of the Board and Audit & Supervisory Board Members;
- (7) A person belonging or who has belonged in the past to an auditing firm conducting a statutory audit of the Company; or
- (8) A consultant, certified public accountant or other accounting professional, or lawyer or other legal professional who has received a substantial amount of monetary compensation or other consideration other than Member of the Board/Audit & Supervisory Board Member compensation from the Group (if the party receiving such consideration is a corporation, association or other entity, a person belonging to the said entity or a person who has belonged to the said entity in the past).
 - (Note 1) An Executing Person refers to those who conduct business operations or conducted business operations in the past, including Members of the Board (excluding Outside Members of the Board), Executive Officers and employees.
 - (Note 2) Close relatives refer to relatives within the second (2nd) degree of kinship of or relatives living in the same place with those who conduct important business operations, including Members of the Board (excluding Outside Members of the Board), Executive Officers and division managers.
 - (Note 3) A party for which the Group is a principal business partner refers to a business partner group (which means entities that belong to the consolidated group to which the direct business partner belongs; the same shall apply hereinafter) that supplies products and services to the Group, where the business partner group's trading amount with the Group exceeds two (2) % of the consolidated sales of the business partner group in the most recent fiscal year.
 - (Note 4) A principal business partner of the Group refers to those who fall under either of the following:
 - (1) A business partner group to whom the Group supplies products and services, where the Group's trading amount with such group exceeds two (2) % of the Group's consolidated sales in the most recent fiscal year.
 - (2) A financial institution group (which means entities that belong to the consolidated group to which the direct lender belongs) from which the Group has borrowed funds, where the total amount of the Group's borrowings from the financial institution group exceeds two (2) % of the Group's consolidated total assets at the end of the most recent fiscal year.
 - (Note 5) An organization that has received a certain amount or more of donations or subsidies from the Group refers to public interest incorporated foundations, public interest incorporated associations, non-profit organizations, etc. which receive donations or subsidies of over ten (10) million yen per year from the Group.
 - (Note 6) A consultant, certified public accountant or other accounting professional, or lawyer or other legal professional who has received a substantial amount of monetary compensation or other consideration other than Member of the Board/Audit & Supervisory Board Member compensation from the Group refers to those who received such consideration other than Member of the Board/Audit & Supervisory Board Member compensation of over ten (10) million yen from the Group in the most recent fiscal year or those who belong to an entity which receives such consideration from the Group in amount exceeding two (2) % of the said entity's consolidated sales or gross income.

[For reference] Procedures for Nomination of Members of the Board and Audit & Supervisory Board Members

Candidates for Members of the Board are proposed by the Representative Directors and decided by the Board of Directors based on the report of the Nomination and Compensation Advisory Committee, pursuant to the "Standards on Nomination of Members of the Board." Candidates for Members of the Board are elected as Members of the Board by a resolution of the General Meeting of Shareholders every year.

Candidates for Audit & Supervisory Board Members (including substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Members) are proposed by the Representative Directors and decided by the Board of Directors with the consent of the Nomination and Compensation Advisory Committee and the Audit & Supervisory Board, pursuant to the "Standards on Nomination of Audit & Supervisory Board Members are elected as Audit & Supervisory Board Members (including substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Members) by a resolution of the General Meeting of Shareholders.

[For reference] Balance of Knowledge, Experience and Competency and Diversity among the Members of the Board as well as Size of the Board of Directors as a Whole

The Company elects Members of the Board on the condition that they have high integrity, insight, competency, experience and strong ethical standards.

Proposal No. 3: Provision of Bonus to Members of the Board

We propose to grant a total amount of one hundred twenty million (120,000,000) yen to eight (8) Members of the Board excluding Outside Members of the Board as of the end of the fiscal year under review. Furthermore, it is proposed that the determination of the amounts to be given to each Member of the Board be entrusted to the decision of the Board of Directors.

The total amount of the bonus to Members of the Board was decided in consideration of the short-term business performance, business environment, share price, dividend trends, etc. of the Company, not looking at one indicator only, but making an overall evaluation of the above. It has been deliberated by the Nomination and Compensation Advisory Committee, and as such the Board of Directors believes this proposal to be appropriate.

The above represents an excerpted translation, for reference and convenience only, of the original notice issued in Japanese. We did our utmost to ensure accuracy in our translation and believe it to be of the highest standard. However, due to differences of accounting, legal, and other systems as well as of language, this English version might contain inaccuracies, and therefore, might be inconsistent with the original intended in Japanese. In the event of any discrepancies between the Japanese and English versions, the former shall prevail as the official version.