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(Stock Exchange Code 2264)

June 5, 2024

Commencement of measures for electronic provision: May 28, 2024

To Shareholders with Voting Rights:

Yohichi Ohnuki President Morinaga Milk Industry Co., Ltd. 1-5-2, Higashishimbashi, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan

NOTICE OF THE 101ST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

Dear Shareholders.

We would like to express our appreciation for your continued support and patronage.

Please be informed that the 101st Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of Morinaga Milk Industry Co., Ltd. (the "Company") will be held for the purposes as described below.

When convening this General Meeting of Shareholders, the Company takes measures for providing information that constitutes the content of the Reference Documents for the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, etc. (matters subject to measures for electronic provision) in electronic format, and posts this information as "Notice of the 101st Annual General Meeting of Shareholders" and "The 101st Annual General Meeting of Shareholders Other Matters Subject to Measures for Electronic Provision (Matters Excluded From Delivered Paper-based Documents)" on the Company's website. Please access the website below to review the information.

The Company's website: https://www.morinagamilk.co.jp/english/ir/stock/info.php

In addition to the website above, the matters subject to measures for electronic provision are also posted on the website of the Tokyo Stock Exchange (TSE). Please access the TSE website below, enter "Morinaga Milk Industry" in "Issue name (company name)" or the stock exchange code "2264" in "Code," and click "Search." Then, select "Basic information" and "Documents for public inspection/PR information" in this order to check the information.

TSE website: https://www2.jpx.co.jp/tseHpFront/JJK020010Action.do?Show=Show

If you are not attending the meeting, you can exercise your voting rights by electronic means (Internet) or in writing using the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form. Please review the Reference Documents for the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders and exercise your voting rights by 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 26, 2024, Japan time, by referring to "Guide to the Exercise of Voting Rights" (Pages 4 and 5).

The General Meeting of Shareholders will be broadcast live via the Internet so that shareholders can watch the meeting at home, etc. For details, please refer to "Guide to Live Streaming via the Internet" (Pages 6 and 7).

1. Date and Time:

Thursday, June 27, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. Japan time (reception starts at 9:00 a.m.)

2. Place:

Toranomon Hills Forum

Toranomon Hills Mori Tower 5th Floor, 1-23-3 Toranomon, Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan

3. Meeting Agenda:

Matters to be reported: 1.

- 1. The Business Report, Consolidated Financial Statements for the Company's 101st Fiscal Year (April 1, 2023 March 31, 2024) and results of audits of the Consolidated Financial Statements by the Accounting Auditors and the Audit & Supervisory Board
- 2. Non-consolidated Financial Statements for the Company's 101st Fiscal Year (April 1, 2023 March 31, 2024)

Proposals to be resolved:

Proposal 1: Appropriation of Surplus

Proposal 2: Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation

Proposal 3: Election of Eleven (11) Directors

Proposal 4: Election of Two (2) Audit & Supervisory Board Members

Proposal 5: Election of One (1) Substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Member

4. Other Matters
Determined upon
Convocation

- 1. Of the matters subject to measures for electronic provision, the following matters are not described in this notice but are posted only on the Company's website and the TSE website shown on Page 1 of this notice, in accordance with laws and regulations and Article 16 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation.
 - (1) "Matters Regarding Share Acquisition Rights, etc. of the Company," "Status of Accounting Auditors," "Systems to Ensure Appropriateness of Business Operations and the Status of Operation of the Systems," "Basic Policies Regarding the Way a Person Is To Control the Determination of Financial and Business Policies of the Company," and "Policy on Determination of Dividends from Surplus" in the Business Report
 - (2) "Consolidated statement of changes in shareholders' equity" and "Notes to consolidated financial statements" in the Consolidated Financial Statements
 - (3) "Non-consolidated statement of changes in shareholders' equity" and "Notes to non-consolidated financial statements" in the Non-consolidated Financial Statements

The Business Report audited by the Audit & Supervisory Board Members and the Consolidated Financial Statements and the Non-consolidated Financial Statements audited by the accounting auditors and the Audit & Supervisory Board Members are the matters stated in this notice as well as the items (1) - (3) described above.

- 2. If you are unable to attend the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, you can have another shareholder, who also has a voting right, act as proxy. In such case, submission of a document in writing certifying the authority as proxy will be required.
- 3. If neither approval nor disapproval of a proposal is indicated on a returned Voting Rights Exercise Form, it shall be deemed an indication of approval for the Company's proposal.
- 4. If you exercise your voting rights in duplicate in both writing and via the Internet, the vote exercised via the Internet will be deemed valid. Also, if you exercise your voting rights in duplicate via the Internet, your last vote exercised will be deemed valid.

• If circumstances have arisen that necessitate revisions to measures for electronic provision, a notice and details of the revisions will be posted on the Company's website and the TSE website shown on Page 1 of this notice.

- The system for electronic provision of reference documents for the General Meetings of Shareholders has been implemented. For this fiscal year, however, the Company is sending paper copies of the reference documents to shareholders as before, regardless of whether or not they have requested delivery of such copies. The Company has yet to decide what it will do in this regard in the next fiscal year and thereafter. Shareholders who wish to continue to receive paper copies of the reference documents for the General Meetings of Shareholders are kindly requested to reach out to the designated contact below or their securities companies and complete the procedures for requesting such copies no later than the record date for exercising voting rights (March 31).
- Part of the video recording of this General Meeting of Shareholders will be made available at a later date on the Company's website shown on Page 1 of this notice.

For inquiries about the system for electronic provision, contact:

Securities Agency Division, Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation

Phone: (0120) 696-505 (toll free in Japan)

Business hours: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on weekdays except weekends and public holidays

Guide to the Exercise of Voting Rights

For Those Attending the General Meeting of Shareholders

Date and time of the meeting: Thursday, June 27, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. Japan time (reception starts at 9:00 a.m.)

Please bring and present the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form at the reception desk of the meeting place. Additionally, please bring this document with you as reference for the proceedings.

For Those Not Attending the General Meeting of Shareholders

Via mail

Exercise deadline: Arrival by Wednesday, June 26, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. Japan time

Please indicate your vote for or against the proposals on the Voting Rights Exercise Form enclosed herewith and return it to us by the deadline.

Via the Internet

Exercise deadline: Wednesday, June 26, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. Japan time

Please indicate whether you approve or disapprove each proposal on the Exercise of Voting Rights Website that is designated by the Company:

https://evote.tr.mufg.jp/

Please see the following page for details.

Guide to the Exercise of Voting Rights via the Internet

Exercise of your voting rights via the Internet is possible only by scanning the log-in QR Code indicated on the Voting Rights Exercise Form or accessing the Exercise of Voting Rights Website that is designated by the Company (https://evote.tr.mufg.jp/).

(Please note that operation of the Website stops from 2:30 a.m. to 4:30 a.m. Japan time each day)

Log in by scanning the QR Code:

Entry of the log-in ID and temporary password is no longer necessary.

You may log in by scanning the log-in QR Code, indicated on the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form Supplement (along the right side).

Log in by the individual log-in ID and password:

- 1. Access the Exercise of Voting Rights Website.
- 2. Enter the log-in ID and temporary password that are indicated on the lower right of the Voting Rights Exercise Form.
- * If unable to log in by QR Code, please exercise your voting rights by accessing the Exercise of Voting Rights Website designated by the Company (https://evote.tr.mufg.jp/).
- * QR Code is a registered trademark of DENSO WAVE INCORPORATED.

[Note]

Cost Incurred in Accessing the Exercise of Voting Rights Website

The costs incurred when accessing the voting website, such as Internet access fees and transmission fees, will be borne by shareholders.

For inquiries about the system and other matters, contact: Securities Business Division, Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation Phone: (0120) 173-027 (toll free in Japan) (available from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.)

[Guide]

Electronic Platform for Exercising Voting Rights

Nominee shareholders such as custodian banks (including standing proxies) can use the Electronic Voting Platform for Institutional Investors, which is operated by ICJ, as a means of exercising voting rights for the meeting only if they submit an application to do so in advance.

[Only available in Japanese]

Guide to Live Streaming via the Internet

The General Meeting of Shareholders will be broadcast live via the Internet as follows so that shareholders can watch the meeting at home, etc.

In consideration of the privacy of shareholders who attend the meeting, the livestream will only show the Chairman and Directors' seating area. However, the shareholders in attendance may unavoidably be shown on the screen. We appreciate your understanding in advance.

Date and time of the live streaming

Thursday, June 27, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. Japan time to the end of the General Meeting of Shareholders

*You can access the live streaming page from around 9:30 a.m., 30 minutes before the start time on the day of the meeting.

How to watch the General Meeting of Shareholders

You can watch the meeting through "Engagement Portal," which is a website exclusively for shareholders.

1. Please visit the following URL or access it via the QR code on the back side of the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form.

Shareholder-only website URL: https://engagement-portal.tr.mufg.jp/

2. Please enter your ID and password on the back side of the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form after accessing the shareholder-only website.

The login ID and password are printed on the back side of the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form.

When logging in by scanning the QR code << Back side of the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form (sample) >>



When logging in with an individual login ID and password << Shareholder authentication screen (login screen) >>



Access "Engagement Portal," the shareholder-only website

- (1) Enter the login ID and password printed on the back side of the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form
- (2) Confirm the terms of use and check "I agree to the terms of use"
- (3) Click the login button

(The screen image is an example. It may differ from the actual screen due to editing, etc.)

3. Portal site

(1) Click the "Watch the live streaming" button displayed on the screen after logging in.



- (2) Confirm the terms of use for watching the live streaming, check "I agree to the terms of use" and click "Watch."
- (3) The live streaming page will be displayed.

Notes

- (1) Watching the live streaming is not regarded as attendance at the General Meeting of Shareholders under the Companies Act. Therefore, you will not be able to ask questions, exercise your voting rights or propose motions that are permitted for shareholders at the General Meeting of Shareholders. Please exercise your voting rights in advance by mailing the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form or via the Internet.
- (2) Only shareholders can watch the live streaming.
- (3) Filming, recording or saving the live streaming, or publishing the video or audio data on social media, etc. are strictly prohibited.
- (4) Video and audio problems may occur depending on your device or network environment. We appreciate your understanding in advance.
- (5) If we are unable to provide live streaming on the day of the meeting due to unavoidable circumstances, we will notify you on our website (https://www.morinagamilk.co.jp/english/ir/stock/info.php).
- (6) Shareholders shall bear any costs, such as communication fees, incurred in watching the live streaming.

< Recommended Communication Environment>

The recommended environment for the shareholder-only website is as follows.

You cannot access the live streaming from Internet Explorer, so please use the following browsers.

	P	C	Mobile			
	Windows Macintosh		iPad	iPhone	Android	
OS	Windows 10 or later version	MacOS X 10.13 (High Sierra) or later versions	iPadOS 14.0 or later versions	iOS 14.0 or later versions	Android 9.0 or later versions	
Browsers *Latest versions	Google Chrome Microsoft Edge (Chromium)	Safari Google Chrome	Safari	Safari	Google Chrome	

^{*} There may be cases in which the system does not operate properly depending on your communication environment and device even in the environment stated above.

For inquiries about the live streaming, contact:

Securities Agency Division, Mitsubishi UFJ Trust and Banking Corporation

Phone: (0120) 676-808 (toll free in Japan)

Business hours: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on weekdays except weekends and public holidays

from 9:00 a.m. to the end of the meeting on the day of the General Meeting of Shareholders

Reference Documents for the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders

Proposals and References

Proposal 1: Appropriation of Surplus

In the light of performance for the current fiscal year, future management environment and the dividend policy, we propose to appropriate the surplus as follows by increasing fifteen (15) yen per share from the end of the previous fiscal year.

1. Year-end cash dividend

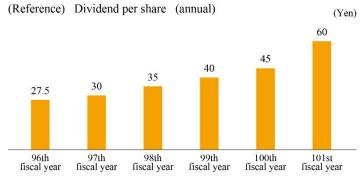
- (1) Type of dividend property: Cash
- (2) Allotment of dividend property to shareholders and total amount Allotment of dividend property to shareholders: ¥60 per share of the Company's common stock Total amount: ¥5,207,484,960
- (3) Effective date of the dividends of surplus: June 28, 2024

2. Other Appropriations of Surplus

(1) Item and the amount of surplus to be increased:

(2) Item and the amount of surplus to be decreased: Retained earnings brought forward:

¥30,500,000,000



(Note) Effective December 1, 2023 in the 101st fiscal year, the Company executed a 2-for-1 split of its common stock. The dividend amounts for the 100th and prior fiscal year have been adjusted to reflect the per-share value after the stock split.

Proposal 2: Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation

1. Reasons for the proposal

To expand opportunities to return profits to shareholders, the Company shall include in its Articles of Incorporation the provision that an interim dividend may be distributed by a resolution of the Board of Directors pursuant to Article 454, Paragraph 5 of the Companies Act. Accordingly, the Company shall also specify the provisions concerning the exclusion period for the payment of interim dividends.

2. Details of the amendments

Details of the amendments are as follows.

(Amended parts are underlined.)

Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments		
(Newly established)	(Interim Dividends) Article 50 The Company may, by a resolution of its Board of Directors, pay cash dividends of surplus provided for in Article 454, Paragraph 5 of the Companies Act to the shareholders or registered pledgees stated or recorded on the final shareholder registry as of September 30 of each year (hereinafter referred to as "Interim Dividends").		
 (Period of Exclusion concerning Payment of <u>Year-End</u> Dividends) Article <u>50</u> 1. In cases where Year-End Dividends remain unclaimed after the lapse of three (3) years from the day on which payment thereof was commenced, the Company shall be released from the responsibility for the payment thereof. 2. Unpaid Year-End Dividends shall not bear any interest. 	 (Period of Exclusion concerning Payment of Dividends) Article 51 1. In cases where Year-End Dividends and Interim Dividends remain unclaimed after the lapse of three (3) years from the day on which payment thereof was commenced, the Company shall be released from the responsibility for the payment thereof. 2. Unpaid Year-End Dividends and Interim Dividends shall not bear any interest. 		

Proposal 3: Election of Eleven (11) Directors

The terms of office of all the twelve (12) Directors will expire at the conclusion of the meeting. Accordingly, the Company proposes the election of eleven (11) Directors, reducing the number of Internal Directors by one (1). If this proposal is approved, more than one-third of the Company's Directors will be independent External Directors.

The candidates for Director are as follows.

No.	Name		Current positions and responsibilities at the Company	Term of office as Director	Number of shares of the Company held	Attendance at Board of Directors meetings
1	Reappointment	Yohichi Ohnuki	Representative Director and President (General Management and Sustainability)	9 years	33,500 shares	100% (12 / 12)
2	Reappointment	Teiichiro Okawa	Representative Director and Executive Vice President (General Management, Assistant to President and R&D)	9 years	39,300 shares	100% (12 / 12)
3	Reappointment	Tsuyoshi Minato	Director (Special Affairs, Dairy Farms Services and Procurement) Executive Managing Officer	9 years	29,200 shares	100% (12 / 12)
4	Reappointment	Yasuhiko Yanagida	Director (Quality Assurance, Manufacturing and Distribution) Executive Managing Officer, General Manager of Manufacturing Division	3 years	15,800 shares	100% (12 / 12)
5	Reappointment	Hitoshi Hyodo	Director (Sales and Marketing) Executive Managing Officer, General Manager of Sales & Marketing Division	3 years	10,700 Shares	100% (12 / 12)
6	Reappointment	Akihiro Nozaki	Director (Strategic Planning, Finances, IT, Human Resources and General Affairs) Executive Managing Officer, General Manager of Corporate Strategic Planning Division	2 years	8,900 shares	100% (12 / 12)
7	Reappointment	Takahiro Yanagida	Director (Overseas Business) Executive Managing Officer, General Manager of International Division and General Manager of International Planning Management Department, International Division	1 year	4,600 shares	100% (9 / 9)
8	Reappointment External Director Independent Director	Yasuyuki Yoshinaga	Director	1 year	300 shares	100% (9 / 9)
9	Reappointment External Director Independent Director	Yukari Tominaga	Director	4 years	1,600 shares	100% (12 / 12)
10	Reappointment External Director Independent Director	Hiroshi Nakamura	Director	2 years	100 shares	100% (12 / 12)
11	Reappointment External Director Independent Director	Takayuki Ikeda	Director	2 years	300 shares	100% (12 / 12)

⁽Notes) 1. Current positions and responsibilities at the Company display information as of the day when the Reference Documents for the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders were prepared.

^{2.} Mr. Yasuyuki Yoshinaga is Lead Independent External Director.

Name (Date of birth)	Past experience, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
Yohichi Ohnuki	April 1983 May 2008 February 2010 June 2011 November 2014 June 2015 April 2016 June 2017	Joined the Company General Manager of Sales & Marketing Administration Office, Sales & Marketing Division General Manager of Sales & Marketing Administration Office Managing Officer, General Manager of Corporate Strategic Planning Department and General Manager of Public Relations Department Managing Officer, General Manager of Corporate Strategic Planning Department Director, Executive Managing Officer and General Manager of Corporate Strategic Planning Department Director Managing Director	33,500
	June 2018	Managing Director, Executive Managing Officer and	
	June 2019	Senior Managing Director, Senior Executive Managing	
Attendance at Board of Directors meetings 100 % (12 / 12)	June 2021	Officer and General Manager of Strategic Planning Division Representative Director and President (present) to present	
Term of office as Director: 9 years	General Manager [Significant conc		
	Yohichi Ohnuki (December 4, 1959) Reappointment Attendance at Board of Directors meetings 100 % (12 / 12) Term of office as Director: 9 years	(Date of birth) April 1983 May 2008 February 2010 June 2011 November 2014 June 2015 April 2016 June 2017 June 2017 June 2018 Reappointment Attendance at Board of Directors meetings 100 % (12 / 12) June 2021 Term of office as Director: 9 years April 2016 June 2017 June 2019 Image: Property of the prop	(Date of birth) April 1983 Joined the Company General Manager of Sales & Marketing Administration Office, Sales & Marketing Division February 2010 General Manager of Sales & Marketing Administration Office June 2011 Managing Officer, General Manager of Corporate Strategic Planning Department and General Manager of Public Relations Department November 2014 Managing Officer, General Manager of Corporate Strategic Planning Department June 2015 Director, Executive Managing Officer and General Manager of Corporate Strategic Planning Department Director June 2017 Managing Director June 2018 Managing Director Managing Director, Executive Managing Officer and General Manager of Strategic Planning Division June 2019 Senior Managing Director, Senior Executive Managing Officer and General Manager of Strategic Planning Division June 2021 Representative Director and President (present) to present [Responsibilities at the Company] General Management and Sustainability [Significant concurrent positions] Chairperson, Japan Dairy Association (J-milk)

Aside from holding posts in the sales and administration of the Company, Mr. Yohichi Ohnuki has served as an executive in related organizations and possesses specialized knowledge regarding the dairy industry. Additionally, from 2015 onward, he has been serving as Director, and from 2021, he has engaged in Group management as Representative Director and President. By utilizing this knowledge and experience, the Company expects that he can contribute to further growth and improvement in corporate value of the Group. His reappointment as Director is requested.

No.	Name (Date of birth)		Past experience, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held
2	Teiichiro Okawa (June 21, 1956) Reappointment Attendance at Board of Directors meetings 100% (12 / 12) Term of office as Director: 9 years	April 1982 June 2012 June 2013 June 2015 November 2015 June 2016 June 2017 June 2020 [Responsibilities General Manager	Joined the Company General Manager of Food Research & Development Institute Managing Officer and General Manager of Food Research & Development Institute Managing Director, Executive Managing Officer and General Manager of Food Research & Development Institute Managing Director Managing Director Managing Director, Executive Managing Officer and General Manager of R&D Division Senior Managing Director, Senior Executive Managing Officer and General Manager of R&D Division Representative Director and Executive Vice President (present) to present at the Company] ment, Assistant to President and R&D	39,300

Aside from holding posts in the research division of the Company and being involved in business overseas for many years, Mr. Teiichiro Okawa has served as an executive in both domestic and overseas related organizations and possesses specialized knowledge regarding the dairy industry and a wealth of both domestic and overseas experience. Additionally, from 2015 onward, he has experienced important duties as Director, and from 2020, he has managed the Group as Representative Director and Executive Vice President. By utilizing this knowledge and experience, the Company expects that he can contribute to further growth and improvement in corporate value of the Group. His reappointment as Director is requested.

No.	Name (Date of birth)		Past experience, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held
No.	Tsuyoshi Minato (June 23, 1964) Reappointment Attendance at Board of Directors meetings 100% (12 / 12)	April 1988 November 2007 June 2010 June 2015 November 2015 June 2016 June 2018 June 2020 April 2022 June 2023 [Responsibilities	and significant concurrent positions Joined the Company General Manager of Special Affairs Department Managing Officer and General Manager of Special Affairs Department Director, Executive Managing Officer, Deputy General Manager of Special Affairs Division and General Manager of Special Affairs Department Director, Executive Managing Officer and Deputy General Manager of Special Affairs Division Managing Director, Executive Managing Officer and General Manager of Special Affairs Division Managing Director, Executive Managing Officer, General Manager of Corporate Division and General Manager of Special Affairs Division Managing Director, Executive Managing Officer and General Manager of Special Affairs Division Managing Director, Executive Managing Officer and General Manager of Special Affairs Division Managing Director Director and Executive Managing Officer (present) to present	shares of the
	Term of office as Director: 9 years	[Significant conc Director, Hikari I	urrent positions] Kyokai (Hikari Association)	

Aside from holding posts in the administration division of the Company, Mr. Tsuyoshi Minato has served as an executive in related organizations and possesses specialized knowledge regarding the dairy industry. Additionally, from 2010 onward, he has experienced important duties as Managing Officer, and from 2015, he has been involved in the Group management as Director. By utilizing this knowledge and experience, the Company expects that he can contribute to further growth and improvement in corporate value of the Group. His reappointment as candidate for Director is requested.

No.	Name (Date of birth)		Past experience, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions	
4	Yasuhiko Yanagida (June 29, 1961) Reappointment Attendance at Board of Directors meetings 100% (12 / 12) Term of office as Director: 3 years	[Significant conc Chairman, Comn	e, Manufacturing and Distribution	15,800
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Aside from holding posts in the manufacturing division of the Company, Mr. Yasuhiko Yanagida has served as an executive in related organizations and possesses specialized knowledge regarding the dairy industry. Additionally, from 2015 onward, he has experienced important duties as Managing Officer, and from 2021, he has been involved in the Group management as Director. By utilizing this knowledge and experience, the Company expects that he can contribute to further growth and improvement in corporate value of the Group. His reappointment as candidate for Director is requested.

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Past experience, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held
5	Hitoshi Hyodo (June 22, 1965) Reappointment Attendance at Board of Directors meetings 100% (12 / 12) Term of office as Director: 3 years	April 1989 Joined the Company May 2009 General Manager of Tohoku Branch April 2013 General Manager of Tokai Branch June 2014 General Manager of Central Japan Regional Office June 2016 General Manager of Ice Cream Department, Sales &	10,700

Mr. Hitoshi Hyodo has held posts in the sales division of the Company and possesses specialized knowledge regarding the dairy industry. Additionally, from 2018 onward, he has experienced important duties as Managing Officer, and from 2021, he has been involved in the Group management as Director. By utilizing this knowledge and experience, the Company expects that he can contribute to further growth and improvement in corporate value of the Group. His reappointment as candidate for Director is requested.

No.	Name (Date of birth)		Past experience, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held
6	Akihiro Nozaki (October 6, 1965) Reappointment Attendance at Board of Directors meetings 100% (12 / 12) Term of office as Director: 2 years	-	Joined the Company General Manager of Finance & Accounting Department General Manager of Finance & Accounting Department, Strategic Planning Division Managing Officer, Deputy General Manager of Manufacturing Division Managing Officer, Deputy General Manager of Strategic Planning Division Executive Managing Officer, General Manager of Strategic Planning Division Executive Managing Officer, General Manager of Corporate Strategic Planning Division Managing Director, Executive Managing Officer, General Manager of Corporate Strategic Planning Division Director, Executive Managing Officer, General Manager of Corporate Strategic Planning Division Director, Executive Managing Officer, General Manager of Corporate Strategic Planning Division (present) to present es at the Company] ing, Finances, IT, Human Resources and General Affairs	8,900

Mr. Akihiro Nozaki has held posts in the administration and manufacturing divisions of the Company and possesses specialized knowledge regarding the dairy industry. Additionally, from 2019 onward, he has experienced important duties as Managing Officer, and from 2022, he has been involved in the Group management as Director. By utilizing this knowledge and experience, the Company expects that he can contribute to further growth and improvement in corporate value of the Group. His reappointment as candidate for Director is requested.

No.	Name (Date of birth)		Past experience, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held
7	Takahiro Yanagida (August 8, 1961) Reappointment Attendance at Board of Directors meetings 100% (9 / 9) Term of office as Director: 1 year	April 1985 June 2017 January 2020 June 2020 November 2020 June 2021 June 2023 April 2024 [Responsibilities Overseas Busines		4,600
1	Reasons for selection as ca	ndidate		

Mr. Takahiro Yanagida has held posts in the International Division of the Company and possesses specialized knowledge regarding the dairy industry. Additionally, from 2020 onward, he has experienced important duties as Managing Officer, and from 2023, he has been involved in the Group management as Director. By utilizing this knowledge and experience, the Company expects that he can contribute to further growth and improvement in corporate value of the Group. His reappointment as candidate for Director is requested.

No.	Name (Date of birth)	and cignificant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
8	Yasuyuki Yoshinaga (March 5, 1954) Reappointment External Director Independent Director Attendance at Board of Directors meetings 100% (9 / 9) Term of office as Director: 1 year	April 1977 October 1999 April 2005 June 2006 April 2007 June 2009 June 2011 June 2018 June 2021 June 2023 June 2023	• •	
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< Reasons for selection as candidate and overview of expected roles>

Mr. Yasuyuki Yoshinaga possesses extensive insight into corporate management and a wealth of experience, having served in key positions in various business fields at SUBARU CORPORATION, where he served as Representative Director of the Board and President for many years. He has contributed to the management of the Group as an External Director from 2023 and as Lead External Director since 2024. In order for management to receive advice and recommendations based on his extensive insight as well as effective supervision from an objective position that is independent from business execution, his reappointment as candidate for External Director is requested.

(Note) In regard to the issues relating to nonconforming final vehicle inspections which were revealed in October 2017, SUBARU CORPORATION (SUBARU) received a business improvement order from Japan's Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT) concerning issues involving final vehicle inspectors and alteration of measured data. In response, SUBARU conducted an investigation of the facts and submitted a report on it by April 2018. Concerning incidents of improper conduct identified in the course of the investigation into the nonconforming final vehicle inspections, MLIT instructed SUBARU to further investigate the incidents, develop, review and thoroughly implement recurrence prevention measures, and by November 2018, SUBARU conducted an investigation, submitted a report on it and issued a notification to recall affected vehicles (In March 2019, the Tokyo District Court imposed an administrative fine on SUBARU).

Mr. Yasuyuki Yoshinaga served as Director of the Board at SUBARU until June 2021. Mr. Yoshinaga had not been aware of these issues until they were identified, but he had drawn attention from the perspective of compliance with laws and regulations at meetings of the Board of Directors of SUBARU on a regular basis. After these issues were identified, he properly fulfilled his duties including investigating the facts of these issues, uncovering the causes, and providing suggestions on prevention of recurrence.

	Name		Post avnariance positions responsibilities	Number of
No.	(Date of birth)		Past experience, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions	shares of the
	(Bute of ontil)		1	Company held
		April 1981	Joined Hitachi Computer, Consultant Ltd. (current Hitachi	
			Solutions, Ltd.)	
		April 2007	General Manager, Application Systems Department,	
		October 2010	Business Group No. 2. of Hitachi Solutions, Ltd. Operating Officer; General Manager, Application Systems	
	195P	Octobel 2010	Department, Industrial and Retail Solutions Systems	
			Business Department No. 1, Industrial and Retail Solutions	
			Systems Business Group of Hitachi Solutions, Ltd.	
		April 2011	Executive Officer; Deputy General Manager, Retail	
		•	Solutions Business Division, Industrial and Retail Solutions	
	• 1		Systems Business Group of Hitachi Solutions, Ltd.	
		April 2012	Executive Officer; General Manager, Retail Solutions	
	Yukari Tominaga		Business Division, Industrial and Retail Solutions Systems	
	(April 19, 1958)		Business Group of Hitachi Solutions, Ltd.	
	Reappointment	April 2013	Executive Officer; General Manager, Financial Systems	
	External Director		Business Division, Financial Systems Business Group of Hitachi Solutions, Ltd.	
	Independent Director	April 2014	Vice President and Executive Officer; Chief Officer,	
	Attendance at Board of	11pm 2014	Financial Systems Business Group; Fellow, Group	
	Directors meetings		Management Foundation Reinforcement Group of Hitachi	
	100% (12 / 12)		Solutions, Ltd.	
		April 2015	Vice President and Executive Officer; Chief Officer, Social	
	Term of office as Director		Innovation Promotion Group; Deputy Chief Officer, Sales	
	4 years		Operations; Fellow, Technical Reform and Management	
		0 1 2015	Group of Hitachi Solutions, Ltd.	4 400
		October 2015	Vice President and Executive Officer; Fellow, Technical Reform and Management Group of Hitachi Solutions, Ltd.	1,600
		October 2016	Vice President and Executive Officer; Chief Officer,	
9			Quality Assurance Group of Hitachi Solutions, Ltd.	
		December 2016	Vice President and Executive Officer; Chief Officer,	
			Quality Assurance Group; Chief Officer, Procurement	
			Management Group of Hitachi Solutions, Ltd.	
		October 2018	Vice President and Executive Officer; Chief Officer,	
		4 32010	Quality Assurance Group of Hitachi Solutions, Ltd.	
		April 2019	Chief Diversity Officer of Hitachi Solutions, Ltd.	
		April 2020 April 2020	Fellow of Hitachi Solutions, Ltd. (until March 2021) Advisor of TODA CORPORATION (until March 2022)	
		June 2020	External Director of the Company (present)	
		July 2020	Advisor of ROHM Co., Ltd. (until June 2021)	
		October 2020	Advisor of COMTURE CORPORATION (until September	
			2021)	
		June 2021	External Director of Yashima & Co., Ltd. (until August	
			2023)	
		July 2021	Senior Adviser of SB Technology Corp. (until May 2022)	
		June 2022	External Member of the Board of SB Technology Corp.	
		June 2022	(present) Outside Director of Fuji Flootric Co. Ltd. (present)	
		Juile 2022	Outside Director of Fuji Electric Co., Ltd. (present) to present	
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			of the Board of SB Technology Corp.	
			of Fuji Electric Co., Ltd.	
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<Reasons for selection as candidate and overview of expected roles>

Ms. Yukari Tominaga possesses extensive insight into corporate management and a wealth of experience, having served in key positions in various business fields at Hitachi Solutions, Ltd., where she served as Chief Diversity Officer, and has contributed to the management of the Group as an External Director from 2020. In order for management to receive advice and recommendations from these wide insights as well as effective supervision from an objective position that is independent from business execution, her reappointment as candidate for External Director is requested.

No.	Name (Date of birth)		Past experience, positions, responsibilities,	Number of shares of the
	(Date of birtin)		and significant concurrent positions	Company held
		April 1981 June 1993	Joined TOMEN Corporation (until March 2000) President and Representative Director of Casio Germany	
		April 2000	Joined CASIO COMPUTER CO., LTD.	
		October 2000	Senior General Manager, European Sales Division of CASIO COMPUTER CO., LTD.	
	W. Company	April 2002	President and Representative Director of CASIO Europe GmbH	
		June 2007	Executive Officer of CASIO COMPUTER CO., LTD.; President and Representative Director of CASIO Europe	
	() ·	April 2009	Executive Officer; Senior General Manager, Global Marketing Headquarters; Senior General Manager,	
	Hiroshi Nakamura		Overseas Sales Division, Global Marketing Headquarters of CASIO COMPUTER CO., LTD.; President and	
	(March 3, 1957)		Representative Director of CASIO Europe	
	D	June 2009	Managing Director; Senior General Manager, Global	
	Reappointment External Director		Marketing Headquarters; Senior General Manager,	
	Independent Director		Overseas Sales Division, Global Marketing Headquarters of	
	independent Director		CASIO COMPUTER CO., LTD.	
	Attendance at Board of Directors meetings 100% (12 / 12) Term of office as Director 2 years	April 2013	Managing Director; Senior General Manager, Global	
			Marketing Headquarters; Senior General Manager, Strategy	100
			Division; Senior General Manager, Overseas Sales Division of CASIO COMPUTER CO., LTD.	
10		May 2014	Director; Senior Executive Managing Officer; Senior General Manager, Global Marketing Headquarters of CASIO COMPUTER CO., LTD.	
		January 2016	Director; Vice President; Executive Managing Officer of CASIO COMPUTER CO., LTD.	
		January 2018	Director; Vice President; Executive Managing Officer;	
			Senior General Manager, Business Administration	
			Division of CASIO COMPUTER CO., LTD.	
		April 2018	Director; Vice President; Executive Managing Officer;	
			Senior General Manager, Global Marketing Headquarters of CASIO COMPUTER CO., LTD. (until June 2019)	
		June 2021	Outside Director of Cool Japan Fund Inc. (present)	
		July 2021	Advisor of Ushio Inc. (until June 2022)	
		June 2022	External Director of the Company (present)	
			to present	
		-	current positions]	
	December colonies on co	•	r of Cool Japan Fund Inc.	

<Reasons for selection as candidate and overview of expected roles>

At TOMEN Corporation, Mr. Hiroshi Nakamura served as President and Representative Director of Casio Germany, which was a joint venture with CASIO COMPUTER CO., LTD. After he transferred to CASIO COMPUTER CO., LTD., he served as President and Representative Director of CASIO Europe GmbH, and has been involved in overseas business as a manager of CASIO COMPUTER CO., LTD. for many years. Therefore, he possesses extensive insight into corporate management and a wealth of experience. He has contributed to the management of the Group as an External Director from 2022. In order for management to receive advice and recommendations from these wide insights as well as effective supervision from an objective position that is independent from business execution, his reappointment as candidate for External Director is requested.

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Past experience, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held
11	Takayuki Ikeda (September 15, 1957) Reappointment External Director Independent Director Attendance at Board of Directors meetings 100% (12 / 12) Term of office as Director 2 years	April 1981 Joined TOSHIBA CORPORATION April 2003 Vice President of Toshiba America Information Systems, Inc. April 2007 General Manager, Electronic Storage Device Division of TOSHIBA CORPORATION April 2010 General Manager, Corporate Innovation Promotion Department of TOSHIBA CORPORATION June 2011 Senior Vice President and Director of Toshiba Tec Corporation June 2014 President and Chief Executive Officer; Chief Risk Compliance Management Officer (CRO) of Toshiba Tec Corporation June 2020 Advisor of Toshiba Tec Corporation (until September 2022) June 2021 Outside Director of JSP Corporation (present) June 2022 External Director of the Company (present) to present [Significant concurrent positions] Outside Director of JSP Corporation	300

< Reasons for selection as candidate and overview of expected roles>

Mr. Takayuki Ikeda possesses extensive insight into corporate management and a wealth of experience, having served in key positions in various business fields including overseas business in Toshiba Group, and served as President and Chief Executive Officer for many years at Toshiba Tec Corporation. He has contributed to the management of the Group as an External Director from 2022. In order for management to receive advice and recommendations from these wide insights as well as effective supervision from an objective position that is independent from business execution, his reappointment as candidate for External Director is requested.

(Note 1) "Past experience, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions" of each candidate:

Information on each candidate is as of the day when the Reference Documents for the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders were prepared.

(Note 2) Special interests between each candidate and the Company

No special interest exists between each candidate and the Company.

(Note 3) Independent director

The Company has registered Mr. Yasuyuki Yoshinaga, Ms. Yukari Tominaga, Mr. Hiroshi Nakamura, and Mr. Takayuki Ikeda, who are candidates for External Directors, with the Tokyo Stock Exchange as independent directors. If their reelection is approved and they assume office, the Company intends to maintain their registration as independent directors.

(Note 4) Liability limitation agreement

The Company has entered into an agreement to limit liability stipulated in Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act to the minimum liability amount stipulated by laws and regulations with Mr. Yasuyuki Yoshinaga, Ms. Yukari Tominaga, Mr. Hiroshi Nakamura, and Mr. Takayuki Ikeda, who are candidates for External Directors. If their reelection is approved and they assume office, the Company intends to extend the agreement with them.

(Note 5) Outline of directors and officers liability insurance contract

The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance contract with an insurance company to insure Directors, Audit & Supervisory Board Members, Managing Officers, etc. of the Company and some subsidiaries of the Company. The insurance contract covers damage including compensation for damages and legal expenses to be borne by the insured. If the election of candidates is approved and they assume office, they will be insured under the insurance contract. The Company plans to renew the contract with the same contents at the next renewal.

Proposal 4: Election of Two (2) Audit & Supervisory Board Members

The term of office of Audit & Supervisory Board Members Mr. Mitsumasa Saito and Mr. Masahiko Ikaga will expire at the conclusion of this Annual General Meeting of Shareholders and we propose the election of two (2) Audit & Supervisory Board Members.

The Audit & Supervisory Board has given its consent to this proposal.

The candidates for Audit & Supervisory Board Member are as follows.

April 1984 May 2010 April 2016 April 2016 April 2016 April 2016 April 2018 June 2018 June 2020 April 2022 April 2024 April 2024 April 2025 April 2026 April 2026 April 2026 April 2027 April 2027 April 2027 April 2028 April 2028 April 2029 April 2029 April 2020 April 2020 April 2020 April 2020 April 2020 April 2022 April 2020 April 2022 April 2022 April 2020 April 2022 April 2020 April 2022 April 2020 April 2020	Name (Date of birth)		Past experience, positions, and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held
	(December 14, 1961)	May 2010 April 2016 June 2018 June 2020	General Manager of Health Food Department of Sales and Marketing Division 2 General Manager of Food Ingredients Strategic Planning Department General Manager of Intellectual Property Department of Strategic Planning Division General Manager of Human Resources Department of Corporate Division Managing Officer, Deputy General Manager of Corporate Strategic Planning Division (present)	4,000

<Reasons for selection as candidate>

Mr. Akira Suenaga has held posts in the sales and administration divisions of the Company and possesses specialized knowledge regarding the dairy industry. Additionally, from 2022 and onward, he has experienced important duties as Managing Officer. In order for the Company to benefit from his effective audits that utilize this knowledge and experience, his appointment as candidate for Audit & Supervisory Board Member is requested.

- (Note 1) Past experience, positions, and significant concurrent positions for Mr. Akira Suenaga are as of the day when the Reference Documents for the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders were prepared.
- (Note 2) No special interest exists between Mr. Akira Suenaga and the Company.
- (Note 3) The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance contract with an insurance company to insure Directors, Audit & Supervisory Board Members, Managing Officers, etc. of the Company and some subsidiaries of the Company. The insurance contract covers damage including compensation for damages and legal expenses to be borne by the insured. If the election of Mr. Akira Suenaga is approved and he assumes office as Audit & Supervisory Board Member, he will be insured under the insurance contract. The Company plans to renew the contract with the same contents at the next renewal.

Name (Date of birth)		Past experience, positions, and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held
Tatsuo Morii (April 17, 1964) New Candidate External Audit & Supervisory Board Member Independent Audit & Supervisory Board Member	Outsider Corpora Holdings, Ltd. Outsider Corpora HOLDINGS INC	te Audit & Supervisory Board Member of LOOK	0

Mr. Tatsuo Morii, a certified public accountant, possesses both insight and a wealth of experience in finance and accounting. In order for the Company to benefit from his effective audits of the Company from an objective and expert viewpoint, his appointment as candidate for External Audit & Supervisory Board Member is requested.

- (Note 1) Past experience, positions, and significant concurrent positions for Mr. Tatsuo Morii are as of the day when the Reference Documents for the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders were prepared.
- (Note 2) No special interest exists between Mr. Tatsuo Morii and the Company.
- (Note 3) Mr. Tatsuo Morii is a candidate for External Audit & Supervisory Board Member.
- (Note 4) If the election of Mr. Tatsuo Morii is approved and he assumes office as External Audit & Supervisory Board Member, the Company intends to register him with the Tokyo Stock Exchange as an independent director.
- (Note 5) If the election of Mr. Tatsuo Morii is approved and he assumes office of External Audit & Supervisory Board Member, the Company intends to enter into an agreement to limit liability stipulated in Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act to the minimum liability amount stipulated by laws and regulations with him.
- (Note 6) The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance contract with an insurance company to insure Directors, Audit & Supervisory Board Members, Managing Officers, etc. of the Company and some subsidiaries of the Company. The insurance contract covers damage including compensation for damages and legal expenses to be borne by the insured. If the reelection of Mr. Tatsuo Morii is approved and he assumes office as External Audit & Supervisory Board Member, he will be insured under the insurance contract. The Company plans to renew the contract with the same contents at the next renewal.

Proposal 5: Election of One (1) Substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Member

To prepare for a contingency in which the number of Audit & Supervisory Board Members falls below the minimum stipulated by laws and regulations, we propose the election of one (1) Substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Member as a Substitute External Audit & Supervisory Board Member for External Audit & Supervisory Board Members, Ms. Mayumi Yamamoto and Mr. Tatsuo Morii, who will assume the office of External Audit & Supervisory Board Member subject to the approval of Proposal 4 "Election of Two (2) Audit & Supervisory Board Members."

The validity of the election under this proposal may only be cancelled prior to the assumption of office based on resolution by the Board of Directors upon consent of the Audit & Supervisory Board.

The Audit & Supervisory Board has given its consent to this proposal.

The candidate for the Substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Member is as follows.

Name (Date of birth)	Past experience, positions, and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held
	April 1991 Registered as an Attorney at law (Tokyo Bar Association) Joined Hashimoto Sogo law firm (present) April 2004 Chairperson of Steering Council of Appropriate Industrial Waste Disposal Promotion Center (present) July 2008 Outside Auditor of JTB Corp. (present) April 2012 Practicing-attorney-professor for civil advocacy of Legal Training and Research Institute of Japan, Supreme Court of Japan (until March 2015) April 2019 Chairperson of Legal Training Committee of Tokyo Bar Association (until July 2020) to present [Significant concurrent positions]	0
Michio Suzuki (February 13, 1964) External Audit & Supervisory Board Member Independent Audit & Supervisory Board Member	Attorney at law (Hashimoto Sogo law firm) Outside Auditor of JTB Corp.	

<Reasons for selection as candidate>

Although Mr. Michio Suzuki has no experience of direct involvement in corporate management, he is expected to be capable of objectively and expertly auditing the Company's management in view of his professional knowledge of legal matters as an attorney at law and abundant experience of commercial issues. His appointment as candidate for Substitute External Audit & Supervisory Board Member is requested.

- (Note 1) Past experience, positions, and significant concurrent positions for Mr. Michio Suzuki are as of the day when the Reference Documents for the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders were prepared.
- (Note 2) No special interest exists between Mr. Michio Suzuki and the Company.
- (Note 3) Mr. Michio Suzuki is a candidate for Substitute External Audit & Supervisory Board Member.
- (Note 4) If Mr. Michio Suzuki is appointed as External Audit & Supervisory Board Member, the Company intends to register him with the Tokyo Stock Exchange as an independent Audit & Supervisory Board Member.
- (Note 5) If Mr. Michio Suzuki assumes office of External Audit & Supervisory Board Member, the Company intends to enter into an agreement to limit a liability stipulated in Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act to the minimum liability amount stipulated by laws and regulations with him.
- (Note 6) The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance contract with an insurance company to insure Directors, Audit & Supervisory Board Members, Managing Officers, etc. of the Company and some subsidiaries of the Company. The insurance contract covers damage including compensation for damages and legal expenses to be borne by the insured. If Mr. Michio Suzuki assumes office as External Audit & Supervisory Board Member, he will be insured under the insurance contract. The Company plans to renew the contract with the same contents at the next renewal.

(Reference)

Basic Approach to Corporate Governance

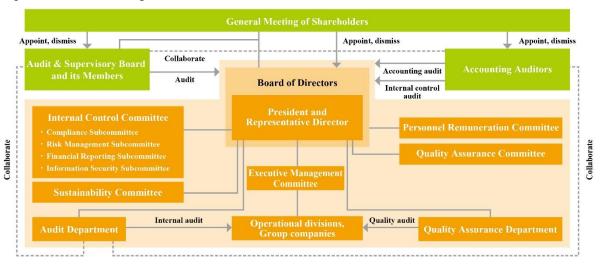
The Group shall contribute to society through its business activities, based on its Corporate Mission, and shall continually work to develop and enhance a highly effective corporate governance system to achieve sustainable growth and increase corporate value, with the following basic policies.

The Company selected the framework of a company with an Audit & Supervisory Board to set up a double-checking structure with the Board of Directors providing supervision and the Audit & Supervisory Board members performing audits of legality and appropriateness. The Board of Directors functions as the highest decision-making body for management and, through organic collaboration with all components of the corporate governance framework, strives to maintain and improve management transparency, fairness and speed, to ensure its effectiveness.

Basic Policy

- 1) Respect shareholders' rights and ensure equal treatment.
- 2) Respect the perspectives and rights of various stakeholders including our shareholders, customers, business partners, local communities, employees, and build proper relationships with them.
- 3) Disclose corporate information appropriately and ensure transparency.
- 4) Build a structure in which each of the bodies comprising the corporate governance system organically collaborates and ensure the effectiveness of functions supervising the execution of operations by the Board of Directors.
- 5) Aim to achieve sustainable growth, improve corporate value and to have constructive dialogue with shareholders who expect these aims and medium- to long-term profits to be realized.

Corporate Governance Organization



Concepts on the Composition Creating the Board of Directors

In accordance with the Articles of Incorporation, the Board of Directors comprises a maximum of 12 Directors and four Audit & Supervisory Board members. The Company selects persons of excellent character and insight who have the professional expertise, extensive business and management experience necessary to maintain the Company's sustainable growth as officer candidates, with gender and nationality diversity taken into consideration. In addition, in regard to independent outside directors and independent outside corporate auditors, the Company invites the number necessary for the sustainable growth of the Company, with a minimum of two independent outside directors and a number of independent outside corporate auditors that is greater than or equal to half of the total number of corporate auditors. Furthermore, all outside officers shall meet the judgement standards for independence.

In addition, the Company takes into consideration the continuity and growth of the business, as well as the development of successors, and determines the balance between the current and newly appointed officers, operating executives, and non-operating executives.

Effectiveness Evaluation of the Board of Directors

The Company conducts effectiveness analyses and evaluations of the Board of Directors in order to improve the function of the Board of Directors. Specifically, using a survey filled out by the Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members, in regard to general matters relating to the Board of Directors, such as its composition and operating method, deliberations, and collaborations with external officers, an evaluation is conducted by the Board of Directors on the results of this analysis. It should be noted that, in order to obtain unbiased opinions from those taking the survey, the survey is performed through the use of an anonymous questionnaire, and the collection, summary, and analysis of the survey results is contracted out to an external body.

From the self-evaluation scores of Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members for the fiscal 2023 survey, it was judged that the effectiveness of the Board of Directors remained largely maintained, as in the previous fiscal year.

With respect to the issue identified in the fiscal 2022 evaluation relating to the enhancement of deliberations on management strategies throughout the group, there have been an increasing number of opportunities to deliberate as we make minor changes to the way the agenda for the Board of Directors meetings are set or otherwise. In order to further enhance deliberations, we will make continued efforts by, for example, reviewing the roles of the Board of Directors and the Executive Management Committee.

The Company will continue its efforts to address the issues identified in the evaluation in order to enhance corporate governance and further promote management that seeks to raise corporate value on a sustainable basis.

Reference

Skills Matrix of the Company's Board of Directors (in the case where Proposals 3 and 4 are approved)

To realize the Morinaga Milk Group's 10-year Vision, we have identified the skill set required of the Board of Directors based on the medium- to long-term management direction and business strategies.

(Directors)

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Name	Gender	Position	Responsibilities	Management Experience	Sales & Marketing	Quality, Production, Procurement, and R&D	Finance & Accounting	General Affairs, Human Resources, and Legal Affairs	IT	Global & M&A
Yohichi Ohnuki	Male	Representative Director and President	General Management and Sustainability	•	•		•		•	•
Teiichiro Okawa	Male	Representative Director and Executive Vice President	General Management, Assistant to President and R&D	•		•				•
Tsuyoshi Minato	Male	Director, Executive Managing Officer	Special Affairs, Dairy Farms Services and Procurement	•		•		•		
Yasuhiko Yanagida	Male	Director, Executive Managing Officer and General Manager of Manufacturing Division	Quality Assurance, Manufacturing and Distribution	•		•			•	
Hitoshi Hyodo	Male	Director, Executive Managing Officer and General Manager of Sales & Marketing Division	Sales and Marketing	•	•					
Akihiro Nozaki	Male	Director, Executive Managing Officer and General Manager of Corporate Strategic Planning Division	Strategic Planning, Finances, IT, Human Resources and General Affairs	•		•	•	•	•	
Takahiro Yanagida	Male	Director, Executive Managing Officer and General Manager of International Division and General Manager of International Planning Management Department, International Division	Overseas Business	•						•
Yasuyuki Yoshinaga	Male	Lead External Director		•	•		•	•		
Yukari Tominaga	Female	External Director		•		•			•	
Hiroshi Nakamura	Male	External Director		•	•					•
Takayuki Ikeda	Male	External Director		•					•	•

(Audit & Supervisory Board Members)

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Name	Gender	Position	Responsibilities	Management Experience	Sales & Marketing	Quality, Production, Procurement, and R&D	Finance & Accounting	General Affairs, Human Resources, and Legal Affairs	IT	Global & M&A
Keiki Hirota	Male	Full-time Audit & Supervisory Board Member		•	•					
Akira Suenaga	Male	Managing Officer, Deputy General Manager of Corporate Strategic Planning Division			•		•	٠	•	
Mayumi Yamamoto	Female	External Audit & Supervisory Board Member						•		
Tatsuo Morii	Male			•			•	•		

(Note) The position and responsibilities of each board member are as of the day when the Reference Documents for the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders were prepared.

Reference

[Standards for Determining Independence of External Executives]

If External Directors, External Audit & Supervisory Board Members, and candidates thereof fulfill the following conditions, the Company will determine that they possess adequate independence from the Company.

- (1) The person is not currently an Executive Director, etc., (Note 2) of the Group (Note 1), and was not an Executive Director, etc., of the Group in the past. For External Audit & Supervisory Board Members, in addition to the above, the person was not a Non-executive Director of the Group.
- (2) Within the present fiscal year and within the past three fiscal years, none of the following applied.
 - 1) The person holds the Group as a major transaction partner (Note 3) or is an Executive Director, etc., of said transaction partner.
 - 2) The person is a major transaction partner of the Group (Note 4) or is an Executive Director, etc., of said transaction partner.
 - 3) The person is a consultant, accounting specialist, or legal specialist that receives a significant amount of cash (Note 5) or other property other than executive remuneration. Additionally, if the party receiving said property is an organization such as a corporation or association, then a person affiliated with said organization.
 - 4) The person is a major shareholder of the Company (Note 6) or is an Executive Director, etc., of said major shareholder.
 - 5) The person is from an organization such as a corporation or association that receives donations or support exceeding a certain amount (Note 7) from the Group.
- (3) The person is not currently a spouse or relative to within the second degree of a person to which any of the following apply.
 - 1) An Executive Director, etc., or a Non-executive Director of the Group. However, for persons who are employees also serving as Executive Directors, etc., this is limited to significant employees (Note 8).
 - 2) Significant persons (Note 9) to which any of (2) 1) to 5) apply.
- (4) The person is not a Director, Audit & Supervisory Board Member, Executive, Managing Officer, or employee of a company with which the Group has a mutual seconding of Directors, Audit & Supervisory Board Members, Executives, or Managing Officers.
- (5) None of the following apply to the person.
 - 1) Persons with which there may be a conflict of interest with general shareholders.
 - 2) Persons with a total term of office exceeding eight (8) years.
- (Note 1) The Group refers to the Company and subsidiaries of the Company.
- (Note 2) Executive Directors, etc., refer to Executive Directors, Executives, Managing Officers, Managers, and other employees.
- (Note 3) Persons who hold the Group as a major transaction partner are persons that receive payment from the Group of 2% or more of total annual consolidated net sales of said transaction partner.
- (Note 4) Major transaction partners of the Group are persons to which any of the following apply.
 - 1) Persons whose payment to the Group is 2% or more of total annual consolidated net sales of the Group.
 - 2) A financial institution whose balance of loans to the Group as of the end of the fiscal year comprises 2% or more of total consolidated assets of the Group.
- (Note 5) A significant amount of cash is 10 million yen per annum or 2% or more of consolidated net sales or total revenue for said corporation, whichever amount is greater, on average for the past three fiscal years.
- (Note 6) Major shareholders are shareholders that hold stocks that account for 10% or more of total voting rights.
- (Note 7) A certain amount is 10 million yen per annum or 30% or more of total annual expenses for said corporation, whichever amount is greater, on average for the past three fiscal years.
- (Note 8) Significant employees are employees that are in upper levels of management, such as General Managers or higher.
- (Note 9) Significant persons are certified public accountants, attorneys (including so-called associates), corporate directors, and committee members, etc., or persons that can objectively and rationally be said to possess a similar level of significance.