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Securities Code: 5440

June 9, 2025

To our shareholders:

Yasuyuki Hirotomi
President and Representative Director **KYOEI STEEL LTD.**

1-4-16, Dojimahama, Kita-ku, Osaka-shi

Notice of the 81st Annual General Meeting of Shareholders

We are pleased to announce the 81st Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of KYOEI STEEL LTD. (the "Company"), which will be held as described below.

In convening this general meeting of shareholders, the Company has taken measures for providing information that constitutes the content of reference documents for the general meeting of shareholders, etc. (items for which measures for providing information in electronic format are to be taken) in electronic format, and has posted the information on each of the following websites. Please access any of the websites to view the information.

The Company's website:

https://www.kyoeisteel.co.jp/ (in Japanese)

(From the above website, select "Investor Relations," "Stock Information" and then "General Meeting of Shareholders.")

Website for posted informational materials for the general meeting of shareholders:

https://d.sokai.jp/5440/teiji/ (in Japanese)

TSE website (Listed Company Search):

https://www2.jpx.co.jp/tseHpFront/JJK010010Action.do?Show=Show (in Japanese)

(Access the website by using the internet address shown above, enter "KYOEI STEEL" in "Issue name (company name)" or the Company's securities code "5440" in "Code," and click "Search." Then, click "Basic information" and select "Documents for public inspection/PR information." Under "Filed information available for public inspection," click "Click here for access" under "[Notice of General Shareholders Meeting /Informational Materials for a General Shareholders Meeting].")

If you are unable to attend the meeting in person, you may exercise your voting rights via the internet or in writing (by mail). Please review the Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, and exercise your voting rights in accordance with the instructions provided below by 5:40 p.m. on Tuesday, June 24, 2025 (JST).

[Exercise of Voting Rights via the Internet]

Please access the voting rights exercise website (https://www.web54.net) designated by the Company, use the voting rights exercise code and password printed on the Voting Rights Exercise Form, and follow the onscreen instructions to indicate your vote "for" or "against" for each proposal by the above deadline.

[Exercise of Voting Rights in Writing (by Mail)]

Please indicate your vote "for" or "against" for each proposal on the Voting Rights Exercise Form and return it so that it is received by the above deadline.

1. Date and Time: Wednesday, June 25, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. (JST)

2. Venue: General Incorporated Association Club Kansai 2F Hall

1-3-11, Dojimahama, Kita-ku, Osaka-shi

3. Purpose of the Meeting:

Matters to be reported:

- 1. Business Report and Consolidated Financial Statements, the Audit Reports by the Accounting Auditor and the Board of Corporate Auditors on the audit results of the Consolidated Financial Statements for the 81st fiscal year (April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025)
- 2. Non-consolidated Financial Statements for the 81st fiscal year (April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025)

Matters to be resolved:

Proposal No. 1: Election of Nine Directors

Proposal No. 2: Election of Two Corporate Auditors

- * For those attending the meeting on the day, please submit the Voting Rights Exercise Form at the reception desk.
- * In accordance with the enforcement of the electronic provision system, in principle you are to check items subject to measures for electronic provision by accessing any of the aforementioned websites, and paper-based documents stating the items are delivered only to shareholders who request the delivery of paper-based documents by the record date. However, for this general meeting of shareholders, we have delivered paper-based documents stating the items subject to measures for electronic provision to all shareholders, regardless of whether or not they have requested them.

Among the items subject to measures for electronic provision, in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations and the Articles of Incorporation of the Company, the following items are not provided in the paper-based documents delivered to shareholders. The Corporate Auditors and the Accounting Auditor have audited the documents subject to audit, including the following items.

- (i) Outline of the System for Ensuring the Properness of Operations of the Company and the Status of Operation of the System in the Business Report
- (ii) Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements
- (iii) Notes to Non-consolidated Financial Statements
- * If revisions to the items subject to measures for electronic provision arise, a notice of the revisions and the details of the items before and after the revisions will be posted on each of the aforementioned websites.

Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders

Proposals and Reference Information

Proposal No. 1: Election of Nine Directors

At the conclusion of this meeting, the terms of office of all 11 Directors will expire. In that regard, the Company proposes to decrease the number of Directors by two to further enhance the management supervisory function of the Board of Directors by increasing the ratio of outside Directors, and it proposes the election of nine Directors.

The candidates for Director are as follows:

Candidate No.	Name		Current position and responsibility in the Company	Attendance rate (times of attendance) at Board of Directors' meetings
1	Hideichiro Takashima	Reelection	Chairman and Representative Director	100% (17/17)
2	Yasuyuki Hirotomi	Reelection	President and Representative Director	100% (17/17)
3	Shogo Sakamoto	Reelection	Board Director and Senior Vice President; Executive Officer, Assistant to the President and in charge of Corporate Planning Dept. and Marketing Planning & Coordination Dept. of head office, and promotion of Group collaboration	100% (17/17)
4	Masahiro Kitada	Reelection	Board Director and Executive Managing Officer Seconded to KYOEI STEEL America LLC (President of KYOEI STEEL America LLC and Board Director and Chairman of Vinton Steel, LLC); Seconded to AltaSteel Inc. (Board Director and Chairman of AltaSteel Inc.); Seconded to KYOEI CANADA INVESTMENT LTD. (Representative of KYOEI CANADA INVESTMENT LTD.)	100% (17/17)
5	Tetsuya Kan	New election	Senior Vice President; Executive Officer in charge of Overseas Investment Dept. of head office and assistant in charge of promotion of Group Collaboration	-
6	Tetsuya Yamao	Reelection Outside Independent Director	Outside Director	94% (16/17)
7	Tatsuya Kawabe	Reelection Outside Independent Director	Outside Director	100% (17/17)
8	Kimiko Funato	Reelection Outside Independent Director	Outside Director	100% (17/17)
9	Yukako Matsuka	Reelection Outside Independent Director	Outside Director	100% (13/13)

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career sum and signif	Number of the Company's shares owned	
		Mar. 1989	Joined the Company	
		Mar. 1990	Board Director	
		Apr. 1991	Board Director and Executive Managing Officer	
		June 1992 Board Director and Senior Executive Managing Officer		
		June 1993	Board Director and Senior Vice President	4,347,460
	Hideichiro Takashima (January 26, 1958) <reelection></reelection>	Oct. 1993	Senior Vice President and Representative Director	4,547,400
1		June 1995	President and Representative Director, and COO	
		June 2007	Vice Chairman and Representative Director	
		June 2010 Chairman and Representative Director (current position)		
		Reasons for	nomination	
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Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		Career summary, position and responsibility in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company				
		Apr. 1978	Joined The Daiwa Bank, Limited (currently Resona Bank, Limited)				
		Oct. 2003	Executive Officer				
		June 2005	Managing Executive Officer, and General Manager of Osaka Sales Division and Osaka Central Sales Division				
		June 2008	Director and Senior Managing Executive Officer				
		June 2009	Representative Director, Deputy President and Executive Officer				
		Apr. 2014	Joined the Company				
	Yasuyuki Hirotomi (June 15, 1954) <reelection></reelection>	June 2014	Board Director and Senior Vice President; Executive Officer and Assistant to the President	16,000			
2		June 2017	Outside Director of ICHINEN HOLDINGS CO., LTD. (current position)				
		Oct. 2017	Board Director and Senior Vice President; Executive Officer, Assistant to the President and in charge of Corporate Planning Dept. of head office of the Company				
		June 2018	President and Representative Director (current position)				
		<significant< td=""><td>t concurrent positions outside the Company></td><td></td></significant<>	t concurrent positions outside the Company>				
		Outside Dir	ector of ICHINEN HOLDINGS CO., LTD.				
		Reasons for	Reasons for nomination				
		Yasuyuki Hirotomi has abundant experience as a manager at Resona Bank, Limited and, based on his high level of insight, he provides leadership as a member of the management team of the Company group and appropriately supervises overall management of the Company. Thus, we have judged that he is capable of adequately enabling the Company to sustainably enhance its corporate value and nominated him as a candidate to continue as a Director.					

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		imary, position and responsibility in the Company, ficant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares owned	
		Apr. 1999	Joined the Company		
		June 2012	General Manager of Sales & Marketing Dept. of Yamaguchi Division		
		June 2014	Executive Officer, Deputy General Manager of Yamaguchi Division and General Manager of Sales & Marketing Dept. of Yamaguchi Division		
		June 2017	Board Director and Executive Officer; Deputy General Manager of Yamaguchi Division and General Manager of Sales & Marketing Dept. of Yamaguchi Division Board Director and Executive Officer; General Manager of Marketing Planning & Coordination Dept. of head office and Deputy General Manager of Yamaguchi Division Board Director and Executive Managing Officer, and General Manager of Marketing		
		Jan. 2018	Manager of Marketing Planning & Coordination Dept. of head office and Deputy		
		June 2018			
	Shogo Sakamoto	June 2019	Board Director and Executive Managing Officer in charge of Marketing Planning & Coordination Dept. of head office, and General Manager of Marketing Planning & Coordination Dept. of head office	5,500	
3	(November 26, 1958) <reelection></reelection>	Apr. 2020	Board Director and Executive Managing Officer in charge of Marketing Planning & Coordination Dept. of head office		
		June 2020	Board Director and Executive Managing Officer, and General Manager of Yamaguchi Division		
		June 2021	Board Director and Senior Executive Managing Officer, and General Manager of Yamaguchi Division		
		June 2023	Board Director and Senior Vice President; Executive Officer, Assistant to the President and in charge of Corporate Planning Dept. of head office		
		June 2024	Board Director and Senior Vice President; Executive Officer, Assistant to the President and in charge of Corporate Planning Dept. and Marketing Planning & Coordination Dept. of head office, and promotion of Group collaboration (current position)		
		Reasons for	nomination		
		Shogo Sakamoto has broad and deep knowledge and expertise in all aspects of operating a business through his many years of experience in sales divisions and as a General Manager. We have judged that he is capable of adequately enabling the Company to sustainably enhance its corporate value, and thus, have nominated him as a candidate to continue as a Director.			

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		nmary, position and responsibility in the Company, ficant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares owned		
		Oct. 1991	Joined the Company	shares o whea		
		Apr. 2010	General Manager of Accounting & Financing Dept. of head office			
		Oct. 2014	Executive Officer, General Manager of Accounting & Financing Dept. and General Manager of Overseas Investment Dept. of head office			
		Dec. 2016	Executive Officer and Assistant to Director in charge of Overseas Investment Dept. of head office Seconded to KYOEI STEEL America LLC (President of KYOEI STEEL America LLC and President of Vinton Steel, LLC)			
		June 2019	Senior Executive Officer of the Company Seconded to KYOEI STEEL America LLC (President of KYOEI STEEL America LLC and President of Vinton Steel, LLC)			
		June 2020	Board Director and Senior Executive Officer of the Company Seconded to KYOEI STEEL America LLC (President of KYOEI STEEL America LLC and President of Vinton Steel, LLC) Seconded to AltaSteel Inc. (Board Director and President of AltaSteel Inc.) Seconded to KYOEI CANADA INVESTMENT LTD. (Representative of KYOEI CANADA INVESTMENT LTD.)	270		
4	Masahiro Kitada (December 1, 1958) <reelection></reelection>	June 2022	Board Director and Executive Managing Officer of the Company Seconded to KYOEI STEEL America LLC (President of KYOEI STEEL America LLC and Board Director and President of Vinton Steel, LLC) Seconded to AltaSteel Inc. (Board Director and Chairman of AltaSteel Inc.) Seconded to KYOEI CANADA INVESTMENT LTD. (Representative of KYOEI CANADA INVESTMENT LTD.)	2.0		
		Jan. 2025	Board Director and Executive Managing Officer of the Company Seconded to KYOEI STEEL America LLC (President of KYOEI STEEL America LLC and Board Director and Chairman of Vinton Steel, LLC) Seconded to AltaSteel Inc. (Board Director and Chairman of AltaSteel Inc.) Seconded to KYOEI CANADA INVESTMENT LTD. (Representative of KYOEI CANADA INVESTMENT LTD.) (current position)			
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		President of KYOEI STEEL America LLC Board Director and Chairman of Vinton Steel, LLC Board Director and Chairman of AltaSteel Inc. Representative of KYOEI CANADA INVESTMENT LTD.				
			nomination			
		Masahiro Kitada has been engaged in the overseas business field of the Company for many years and has deep knowledge and a high level of insight through his experience as a manager at overseas subsidiaries, etc. We have judged that he is capable of adequately enabling the Company to sustainably enhance its corporate value, and thus, have nominated him as a candidate to continue as a Director.				

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		Career summary, position and responsibility in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company				
		Apr. 1984 Apr. 2008	Joined The Daiwa Bank, Limited (currently Resona Bank, Limited) Executive Officer				
		June 2011	Managing Executive Officer				
		Apr. 2013	Director and Executive Officer				
		Apr. 2013	Representative Executive Officer of Resona Holdings, Inc.				
		June 2013	Director and Representative Executive Officer				
		Apr. 2017	Deputy President and Representative Director, Executive Officer of Resona Bank, Limited				
		Nov. 2017	Representative Director and Executive President of Kansai Mirai Financial Group, Inc.	2,500			
5	Tetsuya Kan (April 3, 1961)	Apr. 2019	President and Representative Director of Kansai Mirai Bank, Limited				
3	<new election=""></new>	Apr. 2023	Chairman of the Board of Kansai Mirai Financial Group, Inc. Chairman of the Board of Kansai Mirai Bank, Limited				
		Apr. 2024	Joined the Company				
		June 2024	Senior Vice President; Executive Officer in charge of Overseas Investment Dept. of head office and assistant in charge of promotion of Group Collaboration (current position)				
		Reasons for	Reasons for nomination				
		operating a institutions.	Tetsuya Kan has deep knowledge and a high level of insight in all aspects of operating a business through his abundant experience as a manager at financial institutions. We have judged that he is capable of adequately enabling the Company to sustainably enhance its corporate value, and thus, have nominated				
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Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career sum and signif	Number of the Company's shares owned			
Tetsuya Yamao (September 22, 1951) 6 <reelection> <outside> <independent director=""></independent></outside></reelection>		_	Joined Hanshin Law Office Apr. 1991 Attorney, Established Tokiwa Law Office Apr. 2004 Attorney, Established Yamao Law Office Sept. 2015 Attorney and Partner of Umeda Shinmichi Law Office (current position) Mar. 2016 Outside Corporate Auditor of Cypressclub Co., Ltd.			
		Reasons for nomination and outline of expected roles Tetsuya Yamao has many years of abundant experience and expertise as an attorney at law, as well as a high level of legal compliance, and is expected to provide advice to ensure adequacy and appropriateness of decision-making by the Board of Directors from a professional perspective. Thus, we have nominated him as a candidate to continue as an outside Director. If he is elected, he will be a member of the Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee, a voluntary advisory body of the Board of Directors, and will be involved in the appointment of candidates for the Company's directors, corporate auditors and officers and the decision on their remuneration, etc. from an objective and neutral position. Although he has no experience of direct involvement in corporate management other than having served as an outside director/corporate auditor, for the reasons stated above, we have judged that he can perform his duties appropriately as an outside Director.				

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Association Board Director of the Company (current position) President and Director General of Institute of Nuclear Safety System, Inc. nomination and outline of expected roles that deep knowledge and a high level of insigns a Director of KEPCO, etc., and is expected to sure and provide advice on the Company's overall maninated him as a candidate to continue as an outsic will be a member of the Nomination and Remunerate a voluntary advisory body of the Board of Director the appointment of candidates for the Company's officers and the decision on their remuneration, end neutral position.		

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career sum and signif	Number of the Company's shares owned				
		Apr. 1991	Joined The Sumitomo Bank, Limited (currently Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation)				
		Apr. 1998	Registered as an attorney at law Joined AIMANN AND ASSOCIATES (current position)				
		June 2021	Board Director of the Company (current position)	0			
		Apr. 2025	Outside Director of Kin-Ei Corp. (current position)				
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	Kimiko Funato (March 5, 1969)	Attorney, AIMANN AND ASSOCIATES Outside Director of Kin-Ei Corp.					
8	<reelection></reelection>	Reasons for nomination and outline of expected roles Kimiko Funato has many years of abundant experience and expertise as an attorney at law, as well as a high level of legal compliance, and is expected to provide advice to ensure adequacy and appropriateness of decision-making by the Board of Directors from a professional perspective. Thus, we have nomina her as a candidate to continue as an outside Director. If she is elected, she will a member of the Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee, a voluntary advisory body of the Board of Directors, and will be involved in the appointment of candidates for the Company's directors, corporate auditors and officers and the decision on their remuneration, etc. from an objective and neutral position. Although she has no experience of direct involvement in corporate management other than having served as an outside director, for the reasons stated above, we have judged that she can perform her duties appropriately as an outside Director.					
	<outside> <independent director=""></independent></outside>						

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career sum and signif	Number of the Company's shares owned			
		Dec. 2008	Joined Hanoi Branch (Vietnam) of Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation			
		July 2011	Head of Business Resources & Networking Department of Hanoi Branch (Vietnam)			
		Apr. 2014	Head of Business Resources & Networking Department of Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh Branches (Vietnam)			
		Nov. 2016	Head of Information and Business Networking Team of Global Advisory Banking Department (Singapore)	0		
		May 2019	Joined YCP Solidiance Pte. Ltd. (currently YCP SG Pte. Ltd.) Director (current position)			
	Yukako Matsuka (July 5, 1978)	June 2024	Board Director of the Company (current position)			
9	<reelection></reelection>	<significant company="" concurrent="" outside="" positions="" the=""></significant>				
	<outside></outside>	Director of YCP SG Pte. Ltd.				
	<independent director=""></independent>	Reasons for nomination and outline of expected roles				
		Yukako Matsuka has deep knowledge and a high level of insight through her many years of business experience at Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation and advisory firms and abundant international experience, and is expected to supervise the management and provide advice on the Company's overall management, particularly with respect to the Company's Vietnam business. Thus, we have nominated her as a candidate to continue as an outside Director. If she is elected, she will be a member of the Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee, a voluntary advisory body of the Board of Directors, and will be involved in the appointment of candidates for the Company's directors, corporate auditors and officers and the decision on their remuneration, etc. from an objective and neutral position. Although she has no experience of direct involvement in corporate management other than having served as an outside director, for the reasons stated above, we have judged that she can perform her duties appropriately as an outside Director.				

Notes: 1. There is no special interest between any of the candidates for Director and the Company.

- 2. Tetsuya Kan is a new candidate for Director.
- 3. Tetsuya Yamao, Tatsuya Kawabe, Kimiko Funato, and Yukako Matsuka are candidates for outside Director. The Company has appointed Tetsuya Yamao, Tatsuya Kawabe, Kimiko Funato, and Yukako Matsuka as Independent Directors as provided for in the regulations of the Tokyo Stock Exchange and notified them to the Exchange. If the reelection of them is approved, the Company plans for their appointment as Independent Directors to continue.
- 4. Tetsuya Yamao, Tatsuya Kawabe, Kimiko Funato, and Yukako Matsuka are currently outside Directors of the Company. At the conclusion of this meeting, their tenures since assuming office as outside Directors will have been nine years for Tetsuya Yamao, six years for Tatsuya Kawabe, four years for Kimiko Funato, and one year for Yukako Matsuka, respectively.
- 5. The reasons for nomination and outline of expected roles of each candidate for outside Director are as stated in "Reasons for nomination and outline of expected roles."
- 6. Liability limitation contracts with Directors (excluding those who are Executive Directors, etc.)
 - The Company provides in its Articles of Incorporation that Directors (excluding those who are Executive Directors, etc.) may enter into contracts with the Company to limit their liability for damages to the Company to a certain extent. The Company has entered into such contracts with Tetsuya Yamao, Tatsuya Kawabe, Kimiko Funato, and Yukako Matsuka, and if the reappointment of the four Directors is approved, the Company plans to renew the contracts with the four Directors. The outline of the contracts is as follows.
 - (1) If any Director (excluding those who are Executive Directors, etc.) shall be liable for damages to the Company due to negligence of his or her duties, such Director shall be liable for such damages up to the minimum liability amount stipulated in laws and regulations.
 - (2) The above liability limitation contracts shall be permitted only when Directors (excluding those who are Executive Directors, etc.) perform the duties giving rise to said liabilities in good faith and without any gross negligence.

7. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance policy as provided for in Article 430-3, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act with an insurance company. The insurance policy covers losses that may arise from the insured's assumption of liability incurred in the course of the performance of duties as an officer or a person at a certain position, or receipt of claims pertaining to the pursuit of such liability. (However, there are certain reasons for coverage exclusion, such as not being covered for damages caused by an illegal act with full knowledge of its illegality.) In the event that each candidate is reelected or elected as Director, each shall become an insured under the policy. In addition, when the insurance policy is renewed, the Company plans to renew the policy with the same terms.

(For your reference) Skills matrix of the candidates for Director

The following shows the expertise, experience, and skills possessed by each candidate for Director of which the Board of Directors has particularly high expectations to effectively fulfill its decision-making and supervisory functions:

				Experti	se, experie	nce and ski	lls, etc.		
Candidate No.	Name	Corporate management	Business strategy and environmental management	Manufacturing, technology, development and quality control	Sales and marketing	Treasury, accounting and finance	Legal affairs and risk management	Internationality and overseas business	Human resource management, labor management, human rights and personnel development
1	Hideichiro Takashima	0	0	0	0			0	
2	Yasuyuki Hirotomi	0	0		0	0		0	0
3	Shogo Sakamoto	0	0	0	0				0
4	Masahiro Kitada	0	0			0		0	0
5	Tetsuya Kan	0	0		0	0		0	0
6	Tetsuya Yamao		0	0			0		
7	Tatsuya Kawabe	0	0						
8	Kimiko Funato						0		0
9	Yukako Matsuka		0			0		0	

Proposal No. 2: Election of Two Corporate Auditors

At the conclusion of this meeting, the term of office of Corporate Auditor Toyoji Maeda will expire, and Corporate Auditor Shuji Ichihara will resign. Therefore, the Company proposes the election of two Corporate Auditors.

Yohei Takeuchi, a candidate for Corporate Auditor, was elected as a substitute Corporate Auditor at the 79th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 27, 2023. However, the Company proposes to nullify the effect of that election and to newly elect him as a Corporate Auditor.

The consent of the Board of Corporate Auditors has been obtained for the submission of this proposal.

The candidates for Corporate Auditor are as follows:

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		Career summary and position in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company				
		Apr. 1983	Joined The Daiwa Bank, Limited (currently Resona Bank, Limited)				
		Dec. 2001	Deputy General Manager of Finance and Accounting Division of Daiwa Bank Holdings, Inc. (currently Resona Holdings, Inc.)				
		Nov. 2003	Deputy General Manager of Internal Audit Division of Resona Bank, Limited				
	Toyoji Maeda (April 27, 1960) <reelection></reelection>	June 2007	General Manager of Funds and Securities Division, of The Kinki Osaka Bank, Ltd. (currently Kansai Mirai Bank, Limited)	3,700			
		Aug. 2012	Advisor of Pension Trust Division of Resona Bank, Limited	- 7,			
1		Apr. 2014	Joined the Company and General Manager of Internal Auditing Dept.				
		June 2019	Executive Officer and General Manager of Internal Auditing Dept.				
		Apr. 2021	Executive Officer and Assistant to the Director in charge of Internal Auditing Dept.				
		June 2021	Standing Corporate Auditor (current position)				
		Reasons for	Reasons for nomination				
		Toyoji Maeda has deep knowledge and a high level of insight through his abun- business experience in the areas of internal auditing. We have judged that he perform his duties appropriately, and thus, have nominated him as a candidat continue as a Corporate Auditor.					

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary and position in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company		Number of the Company's shares owned
2	Yohei Takeuchi (September 21, 1981) <new election=""> <outside> <independent auditor="" corporate=""></independent></outside></new>	Certified put Yohei Takeu Accounting Outside Cor Outside Dire	porate Auditor of Isojiman K.K. ector of Mori-Gumi Co.,Ltd. ector and Audit and Supervisory Committee	0
		Reasons for nomination		
		Yohei Takeuchi has expertise and broad experience as a certified public accountant and a certified public tax accountant. We expect him to contribute his experience to the auditing of the Company as an outside Corporate Auditor, and thus, have nominated him as a new candidate for outside Corporate Auditor. Although he has no experience of direct involvement in corporate management other than having served as an outside director/corporate auditor/audit and supervisory committee member, for the reasons stated above, we have judged that he can perform his duties appropriately as an outside Corporate Auditor.		

Notes:

- 1. There is no special interest between any of the candidates for Corporate Auditor and the Company.
- 2. Yohei Takeuchi is a new candidate for Corporate Auditor.
- 3. Yohei Takeuchi is a candidate for outside Corporate Auditor. If the election of him is approved, the Company plans to appoint him as an Independent Auditor as provided for by the Tokyo Stock Exchange.
- 4. The reasons for the nomination of the candidate for outside Corporate Auditor are as stated in "Reasons for nomination."
- 5. Liability limitation contracts with Corporate Auditors

The Company provides in its Articles of Incorporation that Corporate Auditors may enter into contracts with the Company to limit their liability for damages to the Company to a certain extent. The Company has entered into such contract with Toyoji Maeda, and if his reappointment is approved, the Company plans to renew the contract with him. If the election of Yohei Takeuchi is approved, the Company plans to enter into a limited liability contract of the same content with him. The outline of the contracts is as follows.

- (1) If any Corporate Auditor shall be liable for damages to the Company due to negligence of his or her duties, such Corporate Auditor shall be liable for such damages up to the minimum liability amount stipulated in laws and regulations.
- (2) The above liability limitation contract shall be permitted only when Corporate Auditors perform the duties giving rise to said liabilities in good faith and without any gross negligence.
- 6. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance policy as provided for in Article 430-3, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act with an insurance company. The insurance policy covers losses that may arise from the insured's assumption of liability incurred in the course of the performance of duties as an officer or a person at a certain position, or receipt of claims pertaining to the pursuit of such liability. (However, there are certain reasons for coverage exclusion, such as not being covered for damages caused by an illegal act with full knowledge of its illegality.) In the event that both candidates are elected or reelected as Corporate Auditor, both shall become insureds under the policy. In addition, when the insurance policy is renewed, the Company plans to renew the policy with the same terms.