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Dear Shareholders:

Securities Code: 8377 June 2, 2016

Eishin Ihori President Hokuhoku Financial Group, Inc. 1-2-26 Tsutsumicho-dori, Toyama-city, Toyama

Convocation Notice of the 13th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders and the Class Meeting of Holders of Ordinary Shares

This is to inform you that the 13th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders and the Class Meeting of Holders of Ordinary Shares of Hokuhoku Financial Group, Inc. ("the Company") will be held as described below. You are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, you may exercise your voting rights in writing or by electromagnetic method (using the Internet etc.). Please exercise voting rights after careful examination of the Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders and the Class Meeting of Holders of Ordinary Shares contained herein by 5:10 p.m., Thursday June 23, 2016.

1. Date and time:	June 24, 2016 (Friday) at 10:00 a.m.
2. Place:	6ւհ floor Conference Room Head office of The Hokuriku Bank, Ltd.
	1-2-26 Tsutsumicho-dori, Toyama-city, Toyama

The 13th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders and the Class Meeting of Holders of Ordinary Shares is to be held in Toyama-city, so please note that the venue of the meeting is different from that of the last year.

3. Agenda:

Matters to be reported:

13th business year (April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016) Business Report, Non-Consolidated Financial Statements, Consolidated Financial Statements, and Audit Report on Consolidated Financial Statements by the Accounting Auditor and Board of Corporate Auditors

Matters to be resolved:

- Proposal 1: Appropriation of Surplus
- Proposal 2: Consolidation of Shares
- Proposal 3: Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation
- Proposal 4: Election of Nine (9) Directors

Proposal No.2 and No.3 are also matters to be resolved by the Class Meeting of Holders of Ordinary Shares.

4. Exercise of Voting Rights

(1) If you attend the meeting, please present the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form to the reception desk.

If you wish to exercise your voting rights through a proxy, you must appoint only one (1) proxy from shareholders with voting rights and submit a letter of attorney attached with the Voting Rights Exercise Form to the receptionist.

(2) If you are unable to attend the meeting, please exercise voting rights by any of the following method.

A. Exercise of Voting Rights in Writing

Please indicate your approval or disapproval of the proposals on the Voting Rights Exercise Form enclosed herewith, and send back to arrive by the time limit of the preceding page.

No indication on the voting form of your approval or disapproval for any proposal shall be treated as an indication of approval.

B. Exercise of Voting Rights by Electromagnetic Method (using the Internet, etc.) Access the website for exercising voting rights specified by the Company (http://www.it-soukai.com) and enter the "Code for the Exercise of Voting Rights" and the "Password" shown in the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form. Exercise your voting rights by following the directions on the screen. Your voting rights are to be exercised by the time limit of the preceding page.

In addition, on the occasion of exercise of voting rights via the Internet, please confirm "Guidance Notes on the Exercise of Voting Rights by the Internet" on page 19.

(3) Treatment of voting rights exercised multiple times

- A. If you send Voting Rights Exercise Form multiple times, the last vote cast shall be treated as the valid vote.
- B. Should you exercise your voting rights by completing the Voting Rights Exercise Form and by using the designated electromagnetic method, the vote cast by electromagnetic method shall be deemed to be the valid vote regardless of the time the Voting Rights Exercise Form reaches us.
- C. If you exercise your voting rights by electromagnetic method more than once, the last vote cast shall be the valid vote.
- (4) If any revisions are made to Reference Documents for the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders and the Class Meeting of Holders of Ordinary Shares, Business Report, Non-Consolidated Financial Statements and Consolidated Financial Statements, the revisions will be posted on the Company website (http://www.hokuhoku-fg.co.jp/).
- (5) The reception desk is open at 9:00A.M.

This is a partial translation of the original Japanese "Convocation Notice of the 13th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders and the Class Meeting of Holders of Ordinary Shares" prepared for the convenience of non-resident shareholders. In case of any discrepancy between any part of this translation and the original Japanese text, the Japanese original shall prevail.

Reference Documents

Proposal 1: Appropriation of Surplus

Our dividend policy is to ensure financial foundation and stable distribution of dividends, based on the public function of financial services that our group companies provide. We propose year-end dividend as below, considering the business results of this fiscal year, enhancement of financial foundation and accumulation of internal surplus.

(1) Type of dividend property: Cash

(2) Matters concerning the allocation and total amount of dividend property :

	(Dividend per share)	(Dividend amount)
Common shares	¥4.25	¥ 5,695,736,110
1st series Type 5 preferred shares	¥7.50	¥ 805,723,800
Total		¥ 6,501,459,910

(Notes) There were no interim dividends for common shares in the end of 2nd quarter. Interim and year-end dividends for 1st series Type 5 preferred shares are JPY 7.50 per share respectively, as specified in advance.

(3) Date on which	dividends	from sur	plus shall	be effect	ive:	June 27.	2016
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Proposal 2: Consolidation of Shares

This proposal is also a matter to be resolved by the Class Meeting of Holders of Ordinary Shares. Reason and details of share consolidation are as follows.

1. Reason for share consolidation

As announced in their "Action Plan for Consolidating Trading Units", all domestic Japanese exchanges are proceeding with plans aimed to ultimately unify trading units of all listed domestic companies to 100 ordinary shares.

Respecting the purport of this plan, the Board of Directors made a resolution as of May 11, 2016, pursuant to the provisions of the Companies Act, that the Company will change the number of shares constituting one (1) unit of shares from 1,000 shares to 100 shares with respect to ordinary shares on October 1, 2016, on the condition that this proposal 2 be approved.

The Company proposes to consolidate ordinary shares (consolidation ratio: 10 shares to 1 share) in order to achieve the amount of investment unit deemed desirable by Japanese exchanges (50,000 yen or more but less than 500,000 yen) and to keep the number of votes of ordinary shareholders unchanged, after the change in its ordinary share unit.

2. Details of share consolidation

- (1) Type of shares to be consolidated and consolidation ratio
 - The Company will consolidate its common share on the basis of one share for every ten shares. If a fraction of less than one share is created due to the consolidation of shares, such fractional shares will be sold together pursuant to the provisions of the Companies Act, and the proceeds will be distributed to shareholders who held the fractional shares in proportion to the number of fractional shares they held.
- (2) Effective date of share consolidation October 1, 2016
- (3) Total number of authorized shares on the effective date Three hundred ninety million (390,000,000)

(4) Other

The consolidation of shares is subject to the approval of Proposal No.3 "Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation". It is also proposed that other necessary matters be entrusted to the Board of Directors.

Proposal 3: Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation This proposal is also a matter to be resolved by the Class Meeting of Holders of Ordinary Shares. Reason and details of amendments are as follows.

1. Reason of amendments

- (1) Respecting the purport of the "Action Plan for Consolidating Trading Units" announced by domestic Japanese exchanges, we proposes to revise the existing Article 6. (Number of Shares Constituting One (1) Unit of Shares) of the Articles of Incorporation to change the number of ordinary shares constituting one unit from 1,000 shares to 100 shares.
- (2) Since there are no outstanding shares and the Company has no plan to newly issue shares as for Type 1, Type 2, Type 3 and Type 4 preferred shares, the Company proposes to delete statements related to Type 1, Type 2, Type 3 and Type 4 preferred shares. The Company also proposes to delete other unnecessary statements and modify article numbers as required.
- (3) Since the total number of outstanding ordinary shares will decrease after the share consolidation in the Proposal No.2 is approved and becomes effective, and the total number of authorized shares of Type 1, Type 2, Type 3 and Type 4 preferred shares will be zero after the deletion of the statements related to the said shares as explained in (2) above, the Company proposes to revise the existing Article 5. (Total Number of Authorized Shares) to reduce the total number of authorized shares and the total number of authorized shares of ordinary shares.

These partial amendments to the Articles of Incorporation are subject to the approval of the consolidation of shares in Proposal No.2. The Company proposes to establish a supplementary provision stating that the amendments shall be effective on the effective date of the share consolidation and that the said supplementary provision shall be deleted with the elapse of the effective date of the share consolidation.

(The underlined portions indicate the amendmen				
Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments			
CHAPTER 2. SHARES	CHAPTER 2. SHARES			
(Total Number of Authorized Shares) Article 5.	(Total Number of Authorized Shares) Article 5.			
The aggregate number of shares authorized to be issued by the Company shall be <u>three</u> <u>billion eight hundred million (3,800,000,000)</u> <u>shares, consisting of two billion eight hundred</u> <u>million (2,800,000,000) ordinary shares, four</u> <u>hundred million (400,000,000) Type 1</u> <u>preferred shares, two hundred million</u> (200,000,000) Type 2 preferred shares, two <u>hundred million (200,000,000) Type 3</u> <u>preferred shares, ninety million (90,000,000)</u> <u>Type 4 preferred shares and one hundred ten</u> <u>million (110,000,000) Type 5 preferred</u> <u>shares.</u>	The aggregate number of shares authorized to be issued by the Company shall be <u>three</u> <u>hundred ninety million (390,000,000) shares,</u> <u>and the aggregate number of each class shares</u> <u>authorized to be issued shall be two hundred</u> <u>eighty million (280,000,000) with respect to</u> <u>ordinary shares and one hundred ten million</u> (110,000,000) with respect to Type 5 <u>preferred shares.</u>			

2. Details of amendments

Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments
(Number of Shares Constituting One (1)	(Number of Shares Constituting One (1)
Unit of Shares)	Unit of Shares)
Article 6.	Article 6.
The number of shares constituting one (1) unit	The number of shares constituting one (1) unit
of shares of the Company shall be <u>one</u>	of shares of the Company shall be one
thousand (1,000) for all class of shares.	hundred (100) with respect to ordinary shares
	and one thousand (1,000) with respect to
	preferred shares.
CHAPTER 3. PREFERRED SHARES	CHAPTER 3. PREFERRED SHARES
(Preferred Dividends)	(Preferred Dividends)
Article 10.	Article 10.
In respect of dividends from its surplus	In respect of dividends from its surplus
provided for in Article 50, the Company shall	provided for in Article <u>47</u> , the Company shall
distribute cash dividends from surplus on	distribute cash dividends from surplus on
preferred shares (hereinafter referred to as the	preferred shares (hereinafter referred to as the
"Preferred Dividends" to the holders of	"Preferred Dividends" to the holders of
preferred shares (hereinafter referred to as the	preferred shares (hereinafter referred to as the
"Preferred Shareholders") or registered share	"Preferred Shareholders") or registered share
pledgees who hold pledges over preferred	pledgees who hold pledges over preferred
shares (hereinafter referred to as the	shares (hereinafter referred to as the
"Registered Preferred Share Pledgees") with	"Registered Preferred Share Pledgees") with
priority over the holders of ordinary shares	priority over the holders of ordinary shares
(hereinafter referred to as the "Ordinary	(hereinafter referred to as the "Ordinary
Shareholders") or registered share pledgees	Shareholders") or registered share pledgees
who hold pledges over ordinary shares	who hold pledges over ordinary shares
(hereinafter referred to as the "Registered	(hereinafter referred to as the "Registered
Ordinary Share Pledgees") in the amount	Ordinary Share Pledgees") in the amount
determined for <u>each types of</u> preferred shares	determined for preferred shares by resolution
by resolution of the meeting of shareholders of	of the meeting of shareholders of the deemed
the deemed subsidiary bank held pursuant to	subsidiary bank held pursuant to Article 353
Article <u>365 or</u> 353 of the Commercial Code,	of the Old Commercial Code, or by resolution
or by resolution of the Board of Directors on	of the Board of Directors on the issuance of
the issuance of such shares, which amount	such shares, which amount shall not exceed
shall not exceed such amount as provided	such amount as provided below:
below:	
Type1 preferred shares:37.50yen per share per year	(Deleted)
Type2 preferred shares:37.50yen per share per year	(Deleted)
<u>Type3 preferred shares:50yen per share per year</u>	(Deleted)
<u>Type4 preferred shares:37.50yen per share per year</u>	(Deleted)
Type5 preferred shares:50yen per share per year	Type5 preferred shares:50yen per share per year

Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments	
(Preferred Interim Dividends)	(Preferred Interim Dividends)	
Article 11.	Article 11.	
In respect of interim dividends provided for in	In respect of interim dividends provided for in	
Article <u>51</u> , the Company shall distribute cash	Article <u>48</u> , the Company shall distribute cash	
dividends from surplus on preferred shares	dividends from surplus on preferred shares	
(hereinafter referred to as the "Preferred	(hereinafter referred to as the "Preferred	
Interim Dividends") to the Preferred	Interim Dividends") to the Preferred	
Shareholders or Registered Preferred Share	Shareholders or Registered Preferred Share	
Pledgees with priority over the Ordinary	Pledgees with priority over the Ordinary	
Shareholders or Registered Ordinary Share	Shareholders or Registered Ordinary Share	
Pledgees in the amount determined for	Pledgees in the amount determined for	
preferred shares by resolution of the meeting	preferred shares by resolution of the meeting	
of shareholders of the deemed subsidiary bank	of shareholders of the deemed subsidiary bank	
held pursuant to Article <u>365 or</u> 353 of <u>the</u>	held pursuant to Article 353 of the Old	
<u>Commercial Code</u> , or by resolution of the	<u>Commercial Code</u> , or by resolution of the	
Board of Directors on the issuance of such	Board of Directors on the issuance of such	
shares, which amount shall not exceed one	shares, which amount shall not exceed one	
half $(1/2)$ of the amount of the Preferred	half $(1/2)$ of the amount of the Preferred	
Dividends.	Dividends.	
(Distribution of Residual Assets)	(Distribution of Residual Assets)	
Article 12.	Article 12.	
In respect of distribution of residual assets, the	In respect of distribution of residual assets, the	
Company shall pay cash to the Preferred	Company shall pay cash to the Preferred	
Shareholders or Registered Preferred Share	Shareholders or Registered Preferred Share	
Pledgees with priority over the Ordinary	Pledgees with priority over the Ordinary	
Shareholders or Registered Ordinary Share	Shareholders or Registered Ordinary Share	
Pledgees in such <u>respective</u> amount as	Pledgees in such amount as provided below:	
provided below: Type1 preferred shares: 500yen per share	(Deleted)	
Type2 preferred shares: 500yen per share	(Deleted) (Deleted)	
Type3 preferred shares: 500yen per share	(Deleted)	
Type4 preferred shares: 570yen per share	(Deleted)	
Type5 preferred shares: 500yen per share	Type5 preferred shares: 500yen per share	
(Delivery of Money in Exchange for the	(Delivery of Money in Exchange for the	
Acquisition of Preferred Shares Subject to	Acquisition of Preferred Shares Subject to	
Call)	Call)	
Article 13.	Article 13.	
In respect of the <u>Type 2</u> , <u>Type 3 and Type 5</u>	In respect of the Type 5 preferred shares, the	
preferred shares, the Company may, after	Company may, after issuance of the respective	
issuance of the respective preferred shares and	preferred shares and after the lapse of the	
after the lapse of the period designated by	period designated by resolution of the Board	
resolution of the Board of Directors adopted at	of Directors adopted at the time of the	
the time of the issuance of respective preferred	issuance of respective preferred shares,	
shares, acquire such preferred shares, in whole	acquire such preferred shares, in whole or in	
or in part, in exchange for such amount of	part, in exchange for such amount of cash to	
cash to the extent of the amount prescribed	the extent of the amount prescribed in	
in Article 461 of the Companies Act, as deemed	Article 461 of the Companies Act, as deemed	
appropriate as the acquisition price giving due	appropriate as the acquisition price giving due	
consideration to the prevailing market	consideration to the prevailing market	
conditions, as determined by such resolution	conditions, as determined by such resolution	
of the Board of Directors, on a certain date as	of the Board of Directors, on a certain date as	
separately determined by the Company by a	separately determined by the Company by a	
resolution of the Board of Directors after the	resolution of the Board of Directors after the	
issue of the relevant preferred shares. Partial	issue of the relevant preferred shares. Partial	
acquisition shall be effected pro rata or in lot.	acquisition shall be effected pro rata or in lot.	

	Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments
(A	cquisition of Own Type 1 and Type 4	(Deleted)
	eferred Shares by the Company)	
Ar	<u>ticle 13-2.</u>	
1.	In respect of the Type 1 and Type 4	
	preferred shares, the Company may decide	
	the matters listed in item (i) of Article	
	459(1) of the Companies Act by the	
	resolution of the Board of Directors.	
2.	<u>If the Company intends to make a</u>	
	determination under the provisions of	
	Article 160(1) with respect to the	
	acquisition of the Type 1 and Type 4	
	preferred shares, the provisions of	
	paragraph (2) and paragraph (3) of	
	that article shall not apply.	
	ight to Request Acquisition)	(Deleted)
	<u>ticle 16.</u>	
1.	Any holder of the Type 1, Type 2 or Type	
	<u>4 preferred shares may request acquisition</u>	
	of such preferred shares in exchange for	
2	ordinary shares of the Company.	
2.	The period in which such preferred	
	shareholder is entitled to request	
	acquisition under the provisions of the	
	preceding paragraph and the condition	
	of delivery of ordinary shares of the	
	Company are determined by resolution of	
	the meeting of shareholders of the deemed subsidiary bank held pursuant to Article	
	365 or 353 of the Commercial Code, or by	
	resolution of the Board of Directors on the	
	issuance of such shares.	
	issuance of such shares.	

	Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments
(M	andatory Acquisition)	(Deleted)
	ticle 17.	(Deletta)
1.	The Company shall mandatorily acquire	
1.	any of the Type 1, Type 2 or Type 4	
	preferred shares for which no request for	
	acquisition is made during the period in	
	which the holders of such preferred shares	
	are entitled to request acquisition pursuant	
	to the provisions of the preceding	
	article on the day immediately following	
	the last day of such period (hereinafter	
	referred to as "Acquisition Day") in	
	exchange for ordinary shares in the	
	number as is obtained by dividing an	
	amount equivalent to the subscription	
	price per each relevant preferred share by	
	the average daily closing price (including	
	closing bids or offered prices) of ordinary	
	shares of the Company in regular trading	
	as reported by the Tokyo Stock Exchange	
	for the thirty (30) consecutive trading days	
	(excluding a trading day or days on which	
	no closing price or closing bid or offered	
	price is reported) commencing on the	
	forty-fifth (45th) trading day prior to such	
	Acquisition Day. Such calculation shall be	
	made to the second decimal place	
	denominated in yen, and rounded up to	
	one decimal place when the fraction	
	beyond it is equal to or more than 0.05	
	yen, discarding amounts less than 0.05	
	yen. If the relevant average price is less	
	than the amount determined by resolution	
	of the meeting of shareholders of the	
	deemed subsidiary bank held pursuant to	
	Article 365 or 353 of the Commercial	
	Code, or by resolution of the Board of	
	Directors on the issuance of such shares,	
	the relevant preferred shares shall be	
	acquired in exchange for ordinary shares	
	in the number as is obtained by dividing	
	an amount equivalent to the subscription	
	price per each relevant preferred shares by	
	the amount determined by such resolution.	
2.	In the calculation of the number of	
	ordinary shares provided for in the	
	preceding paragraph of this article, if any	
	number less than one (1) share is yielded,	
	such fractions shall be handled by the	
	method provided for in the Companies	
	Act.	
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Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments
(Order of Priority)	(Deleted)
Article 18.	<u></u>
Type 1, Type 2, Type 3, Type 4 and Type 5	
preferred shares shall rank pari passu with	
each other in respect of the payment of	
Preferred Dividends and Preferred Interim	
Dividends and the distribution of residual	
assets.	
(Prescription Period for Payment of	(Prescription Period for Payment of
Preferred Dividends)	Preferred Dividends)
Article 19.	Article 16.
The provisions set forth in Article 52 of these	The provisions set forth in Article 49 of these
Articles shall apply mutatis mutandis to the	Articles shall apply mutatis mutandis to the
payment of Preferred Dividends and Preferred	payment of Preferred Dividends and Preferred
Interim Dividends.	Interim Dividends.
Article 20. (Text omitted)	Article 17. (Text unchanged)
to	to
Article <u>25.</u>	Article <u>22.</u>
CHAPTER 4. GENERAL MEETING OF	CHAPTER 4. GENERAL MEETING OF
SHAREHOLDERS	SHAREHOLDERS
(General Meetings of Holders of Classes of	(General Meetings of Holders of Classes of
Shares)	Shares)
Article <u>26.</u>	Article <u>23.</u>
1. The provisions of Articles $\underline{22}$, $\underline{23}$ and $\underline{25}$	1. The provisions of Articles <u>19</u> , <u>20</u> and <u>22</u>
of these Articles shall apply mutatis	of these Articles shall apply mutatis
mutandis to general meetings of class	mutandis to general meetings of class
shareholders.	shareholders.
2. The provisions of Article <u>21</u> shall apply	2. The provisions of Article <u>18</u> shall apply
mutatis mutandis to general meetings of	mutatis mutandis to general meetings of
class shareholders held at the same day of	class shareholders held at the same day of
the ordinary general meeting of	the ordinary general meeting of
shareholders.	shareholders.
Article <u>27.</u> (Text omitted)	Article <u>24.</u> (Text unchanged)
to	to
Article <u>52.</u>	Article <u>49.</u>
(Newly Established)	Supplementary Provision
	The effective date of partial amendments to
	the Articles of Incorporation shall be the
	date on which the consolidation of shares
	pertaining to the proposal of the 13th
	Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders
	and the Class Meeting of Holders of
	Ordinary Shares on June 24, 2016, takes
	effect. This supplementary provision shall
	be deleted with the elapse of the effective
	date of the share consolidation.

Proposal 4: Election of Nine (9) Directors

In order to fill the vacant offices of all nine (9) Directors, whose terms of office will expire upon the conclusion of this Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders, we propose the election of nine (9) Directors (including two (2) Outside Directors).

The candidates for Directors are as follows:

No		(Titles and Assignments in the Company and subsidiary rent positions of other organizations)	Type and Number of Shares of the Company held		
1	Eishin Ihori (Augus	Common shares			
	April 1979	Joined The Hokuriku Bank, Ltd.	68,000 shares		
	June 2004	Deputy General Manager of Planning Division of the said bank			
	September 2004	Deputy General Manager of Planning Division of the said bank (Transferred to and in charge of the Company)			
	June 2005	General Manager of Planning Division of the said bank (Transferred to and in charge of the Company)			
	June 2009 Director and Executive Officer of the said bank Director of the Company (In charge of Planning and Administration Groups)				
	June 2010	Managing Executive Officer of the said bank			
	June 2013	President and Representative Director of the said bank (present position)			
		President of the Company (present position)			
		rrent position of another organization) presentative Director of The Hokuriku Bank, Ltd.			
	(Reasons for election of the candidate for Director)				
	`	nted with the general business, and has abundant business	experience,		
	having been engaged in corporate planning for a long time, as a member of the Group since				
		1979. Moreover, he has abundant management experience as the President of the Company			
		Representative Director of The Hokuriku Bank, Ltd. The			
		candidate for Director because the utilization, as a membe			
		Directors, of his experience and expert knowledge is expected to strengthen the effectiv			
	of both the decisio	of both the decision-making and supervisory functions of the Board of Directors.			

No) y (Titles and Assignments in the Company and subsidiary urrent positions of other organizations)	Type and Number of Shares of the Company held
2	Masahiro Sasahara	Common shares	
	April 1979	Joined The Hokkaido Bank, Ltd.	38,600 shares
	June 2001	General Manager of Tsukisamu Branch of the said	
		bank	
	July 2002	Manager and head of Sales Promotion Planning	
		Group of the said bank	
	May 2003	Executive Officer of the said bank	
	June 2003	Director and Executive Officer of the said bank	
	June 2005	Director and Managing Executive Officer of the said	
		bank (Head of Sales Promotion Section)	
	October 2005	Director and Managing Executive Officer of the said	
		bank (Head of Sales Promotion Section and Corporate	
		Sales Division)	
	June 2006	Director and Managing Executive Officer of the said	
		bank (Head of Sales Promotion Section)	
	June 2010	Deputy President and Representative Director of the	
		said bank	
		Director of the Company	
	June 2015	President and Representative Director of the said	
		bank (present position)	
		Deputy President of the Company (present position)	
	(Important concu	urrent position of another organization)	
	President and Re	epresentative Director of The Hokkaido Bank, Ltd.	
	(Reasons for ele	ection of the candidate for Director)	
	He is well-acqua	inted with the general business, and has abundant business	experience,
	having been eng	etc., as a member	
	of the Group sine		
		e Hokkaido Bank,	
	Ltd. The Compa		
		board of Directors, of his experience and expert knowledge	-
	•	fectiveness of both the decision-making and supervisory fu	inctions of the
	Board of Directo	ors.	

No		n) ry (Titles and Assignments in the Company and subsidiary surrent positions of other organizations)	Type and Number of Shares of the Company held
3	Hidenori Mugino (March 18, 1957) April 1979 Joined The Hokuriku Bank, Ltd.		Common shares 50,379 shares
	June 2005	Head of Managerial Administration Division of the said bank	
	June 2007	Deputy Head of Toyama Regional Business Division and General Manager of Head Office Business Division of the said bank	
	June 2009		
	June 2010	Director, Managing Executive Officer and Head of Toyama Regional Business Division of the said bank	
	June 2013	Chairman and Representative Director of the said bank (present position) Director of the Company (Sub-charge of Audit Group) (present position)	
	-	current position of another organization) Representative Director of The Hokuriku Bank, Ltd.	
	 (Reasons for election of the candidate for Director) He is well-acquainted with the general business, and has abundant business having been engaged in business administration and business promotion, et the Group since 1979. Moreover, he has abundant management experience the Company and Chairman and Representative Director of The Hokuriku Company has selected him as a candidate for Director because the utilization the Board of Directors, of his experience and expert knowledge is expected effectiveness of both the decision-making and supervisory functions of the Directors. 		c., as a member of as the Director of Bank, Ltd. The m, as a member of to strengthen the

No	Name (Date of birth) Career Summary (Titles and Assignments in the Company and subsidiary banks and concurrent positions of other organizations)		Type and Number of Shares of the Company held
4	Hiroyuki Yamakawa (December 10, 1956)		Common shares
	April 1979	Joined The Hokkaido Bank, Ltd.	19,600 shares
	July 1998	General Manager of Sakaemachi Branch of the said	
		bank	
	July 2001	Manager of Corporate Banking Group of the said bank	
	June 2002	General Manager of Kiyota Branch of the said bank	
	September 2004	General Manager of Sapporo-Ekimae Branch of the	
		said bank	
	June 2005	Executive Officer, Business Area Supervisor and	
		General Manager of Obihiro Branch of the said bank	
	June 2009	Managing Executive Officer, Business Area	
		Supervisor and General Manager of Asahikawa	
		Branch of the said bank	
	April 2012	Managing Executive Officer and Business Area	
		Supervisor of the said bank	
	April 2013	Managing Executive Officer and Supervisor of	
		Sapporo & Ishikari Business Area of the said bank	
	June 2013	Senior Managing Executive Officer and General	
		Manager of Head Office Business Division of the said	
		bank	
	June 2015	Deputy President and Director of the said bank	
		(present position)	
		Director of the Company (present position)	
	(Important concur	rrent position of another organization)	
	Deputy President	and Director of The Hokkaido Bank, Ltd.	
	(Reasons for ele	ction of the candidate for Director)	
	-	nted with the general business, and has abundant business	-
		ged in Supervisor of several areas, as a member of the Gro	-
	Moreover, he has abundant management experience as the Director of the C Deputy President and Director of The Hokkaido Bank, Ltd. The Company h		
		Director because the utilization of his experience and exp	-
		gthen the effectiveness of both the decision-making and su	pervisory
	iunctions of the B	Board of Directors.	

No) y (Titles and Assignments in the Company and subsidiary urrent positions of other organizations)	Type and Number of Shares of the Company held
5	Takashi Nakano (September 10, 1954)		Common shares
	April 1977	Joined The Hokuriku Bank, Ltd.	97,000 shares
	April 2005	Head of Risk Management Division of the said bank	
	June 2007	Head of Planning Division and Secretary Office of the said bank	
	June 2008	Executive Officer and Head of Planning Division and Secretary Office of the said bank	
	June 2009	Managing Executive Officer, Head of Tokyo Regional Business Division and General Manager of Tokyo Branch of the said bank	
	January 2012	Managing Executive Officer and Head of Tokyo Regional Business Division of the said bank	
	June 2012	Director, Managing Executive Officer and Head of Hokkaido Regional Business Division of the said bank	
	June 2013	Director, Senior Managing Executive Officer and Head of Hokkaido Regional Business Division of the said bank (Part-time) Director of The Hokkaido Bank, Ltd. (present position)	
	June 2014	Director and Senior Managing Executive Officer of The Hokuriku Bank, Ltd. Director of the Company (In charge of Planning and Administration Groups)(present position)	
	June 2015	Director, Senior Managing Executive Officer and Head of Tokyo Regional Business Division of the said bank (present position)	
	June 2016	Senior Managing Executive Officer of the said bank (scheduled)	
	-	urrent position of another organization) g Executive Officer of The Hokuriku Bank, Ltd.	
	(Reasons for el	lection of the candidate for Director)	
	having been eng	ainted with the general business, and has abundant business gaged in risk management, corporate planning and business the Group since 1977. Moreover, he has abundant managen	promotion, etc.,
	the Director of t and Senior Man	he Company (In charge of Planning and Administration Gro aging Executive Officer of The Hokuriku Bank, Ltd. The C a candidate for Director because the utilization, as a membe	oups) and Directo ompany has
		s experience and expert knowledge is expected to strengthen sion-making and supervisory functions of the Board of Dire	

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6	Takashi Asabayashi (August 30, 1957) (New candidate)		Common shares
	April 1981	Joined The Hokuriku Bank, Ltd.	16,000 shares
	July 2002	General Manager of Fukumitsu Branch of the said bank	
	June 2004	General Manager of Otaru Branch of the said bank	
	June 2006	General Manager of Shinjuku Branch of the said bank	
	June 2009	Head of First Loan Division of the said bank	
	January 2010	Head of Managerial Administration Division of the said bank	
	June 2011	Deputy Head of Takaoka Regional Business Division and General Manager of Tonami Branch of the said bank	
	June 2012	Executive Officer, Deputy Head of Takaoka Regional Business Division and General Manager of Tonami Branch of the said bank	
	June 2013	Managing Executive Officer, Head of Fukui Regional Business Division and Head of Nagoya-Osaka Regional Business Division of the said bank	
	June 2015	Managing Executive Officer of the said bank (present position)	
	June 2016	Director and Managing Executive Officer of the said bank (scheduled)	
	(Important concu	urrent position of another organization)	
	Director and Ma (scheduled)	naging Executive Officer of The Hokuriku Bank, Ltd.	
	(Reasons for el	ection of the candidate for Director)	
	-	ainted with the general business, and has abundant business	-
		aged in business promotion, financing examination and bus	
		etc., as a member of the Group since 1981. The Company ha	
		Director because the utilization, as a member of the Board o	
	-	expert knowledge is expected to strengthen the effectiveness	s of both the
	decision-making	g and supervisory functions of the Board of Directors.	

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7	Takashi Ogura (October 14, 1960)		Common shares
	April 1984	Joined The Hokkaido Bank, Ltd.	29,337 shares
	October 2004	General Manager of Head Office Business of the said bank	
	April 2005	Manager and head of Examination Group of the said bank	
	October 2005	Assistant General Manager of Loan Division of the said bank	
	October 2009	General Manager of Toyohira Branch of the said bank	
	June 2011	General Manager in charge of Regional Banks Association of Japan and General Manager of Tokyo Office of the said bank	
	June 2013	Executive Officer and General Manager of Tokyo Branch of the said bank	
	April 2014	Executive Officer and Supervisor of Sapporo & Ishikari and Shiribeshi Business Area	
	June 2015	(Part-time)Director of The Hokuriku Bank, Ltd. (present position) Director of the Company(In charge of Risk Management and Audit Group) (present position)	
	June 2016	Director and Executive Officer of The Hokuriku Bank, Ltd. (scheduled)	
	-	urrent position of another organization)	
		ecutive Officer of The Hokuriku Bank, Ltd. (scheduled) ection of the candidate for Director)	<u> </u>
		inted with the general business, and has abundant business	experience,
	-	aged in business promotion and loan business section, etc.,	-
	the Group since	1984. Moreover, he has abundant management experience	as the Director of
	the Company (In charge of Risk Management and Audit Group). The Company		
	him as a candida	te for Director because the utilization of his experience and	l expert
	knowledge is ex	making and	
	supervisory func		

No		Titles and Assignments in the Company and subsidiary ent positions of other organizations)	Type and Number of Shares of the Company held
8	Yuji Oshima (October 25, 1929) Outside Director		Common shares
	October 1954	Joined Yasuda Life Insurance Company	26,000 shares
	July 1979	Director and Head of Sales Promotion Division of the said company	
	February 1983	Managing Director and Head of Sales Promotion Division of the said company	
	April 1983	Managing Director and Head of Osaka Business Headquarter of the said company	
	April 1986	Managing Director and Head of Asset Investment Headquarter of the said company	
	April 1988	Representative Senior Managing Director and Head of Asset Investment Headquarter of the said company	
	April 1989	Representative Senior Managing Director and Head of Sales Headquarter of the said company	
	April 1990	Representative Senior Managing Director and Head of Sales General Headquarter of the said company	
	April 1991	Representative Director, Deputy President and Head of Sales General Headquarter of the said company	
	April 1993	Representative Director and President of the said company	
	April 1999	Representative Director and Chairman of the said company	
	January 2004	The said company renamed Meiji Yasuda Life Insurance Company after merger Became Counselor of the said company	
	September 2004 December 2005 July 2013	(Part-time) Director of the Company (present position) Special Advisor of the said company Honorary Advisor of the said company(present position)	
		rent position of another organization) of Meiji Yasuda Life Insurance Company	
	(Reasons for election He has been engage Yasuda Life Insurate executive director The company has contribute to streng	the head he is expected to supervisory	
	the management, u	ompany's Board of Directors from a perspective independent atilizing his accumulated management experience and dis ment of a financial institution.	

N	Name (Date of birth)		Type and Number	
No		(Titles and Assignments in the Company and subsidiary rent positions of other organizations)	of Shares of the Company held	
9	Ryoji Nakagawa (D	Common shares		
	April 1964	Registered as Attorney-at-law (Dai-Ichi Tokyo Bar Association)	2,000 shares	
	April 1986 April 1997	Vice President of the Dai-Ichi Tokyo Bar Association President of the Dai-Ichi Tokyo Bar Association Vice President of the Japan Federation of Bar		
	January 2005 June 2010	Associations Justice of the Supreme Court of Japan Outside Corporate Auditor of the NEC Corporation		
	June 2014 June 2015	Re-Registered as Attorney-at-law (Part-time) Director of the Company (present position)		
	(Important concurrent position of another organization) Attorney-at-law			
	(Reasons for election of the candidate for Outside Director)He has served in positions as Justice of the Supreme Court, and he has been active as an			
	attorney-at-law. Although he has not previously been engaged in management of a company other than as an Outside officer in his career, the company selected him as a candidate for			
	Outside Director because he is expected to contribute to strengthen the effectiveness of both the decision-making and supervisory functions of the Company's Board of Directors from a			
	perspective indep high level of expe			

(Notes)

- 1. No special interests exist between any of the candidates and the Company.
- 2. Descriptions on candidates for Outside Directors
- (1) Mr. Yuji Oshima and Ryoji Nakagawa are candidates for Outside Directors of the Companies Act. They are currently registered as Independent Directors of the rules prescribed by Tokyo Stock Exchange and Sapporo Securities Exchange. If re-elected, the Company shall continue to appoint them as Independent Directors.
- (2) Although Mr. Oshima is concurrently in office as a Honorary Advisor of Meiji Yasuda Life Insurance Company which offers insurance for directors to the Company, he is considered to work adequately as an Outside Director and Independent Director of the Company, because the traded amount is not so large as to influence his performance as a result of relationship between him and his insurance company, and 10 or more years have passed since he performed an executive role at the said company.
- (3) Mr. Oshima's term of office as an Outside Director of the Company will be 11 years and 10 months as of the conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders. That of Mr. Nakagawa will be 1 year as of the conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders.
- (4) The Company has executed agreements on limitation of responsibilities with Mr. Oshima and Mr. Nakagawa to effect that the Company ensure that Outside Directors shall assume the liability for damages with limits of minimum amount prescribed in Article 425, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, as long as acting in good faith and without gross negligence in performing in their duties. If re-elected at this meeting, the Company shall make the said agreements with them.

Guidance Notes on the Exercise of Voting Rights by the Internet

1. Exercise of Voting Rights via the Internet

(1) In substitution for exercise of voting rights in writing, you may exercise your voting rights via the Internet by accessing the website for exercising voting rights specified by the Company (the following URL). When exercising your voting rights via the Internet, you will be required to enter the "Code for the Exercise of Voting Rights" and the "Password" shown in the Voting Rights Exercise Form. Please follow the directions on the screen.

Please note that you will be prompted to change password when you login following website for the first time, to ensure security.

http://www.it-soukai.com

- (2) Please exercise your voting rights via the Internet by 5:10 p.m., June 23, 2016 (Thursday).
- (3) Should you exercise your voting rights by completing the Voting Rights Exercise Form and by using the designated electromagnetic method, the vote cast by electromagnetic method shall be deemed to be the valid vote regardless of the time the Voting Rights Exercise Form reaches us. If you exercise your voting rights more than once, the last vote cast shall be the valid vote.
- (4) The "Password" (including the password changed by shareholders) is valid for this general meeting only. Please note that new password will be issued for the next general meeting.
- (5) The costs incurred for the access to the specified website to exercise voting rights shall be borne by the shareholders.

(Attention)

- The password is means to authenticate shareholders. Please note that the Company does not and will not make any inquiries regarding your password.

- The password is locked when you fail to input it correctly more than the predetermined times. When it is locked, please follow the guidance of the screen.

2. For Inquiries with respect to the Exercise of Voting Rights via the Internet (only in Japan)

Stock Transfer Agency Department

Mizuho Trust and Banking Co., Ltd.

Telephone: 0120-768-524 (toll-free, only in Japan)

Operating Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and Japanese national holidays)

Reference: Exercise of Voting Rights via the electronic voting platform

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