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## To Shareholders with Voting Rights:

Yoshiro Susaki Chairman & CEO Nishimoto Co., Ltd.

(Head office) 3-2-1, Nihonbashi Muromachi, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, Japan (Registered main office) 4-1-38 Isobe-dori, Chuo-ku, Kobeshi, Hyogo Prefecture, Japan

## NOTICE OF THE 77TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

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

You are hereby cordially invited to attend the 77th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of Nishimoto Co., Ltd. (the "Company") to be held for the purposes as described below.

In convening this General Meeting of Shareholders, the Company has taken measures to electronically provide the information contained in the Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, etc. (Matters for Electronic Provision), and these are posted on the Company's website as "Notice of the 77th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders." Please go to the Company's website below to check this information.

The Company's website: https://www.wismettac.com/en/ir/stock/meeting.html

Matters for Electronic Provision are also posted on the website of Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. (TSE) Please go to the TSE website below (Listed Company Search), enter and search for either "W i s m e t t a c" (double byte character) in the "Issue name (company name)" bar or "9260" in the "Code" bar, and then select "Basic information," "Documents for public inspection/PR information," and "Notice of General Shareholders Meeting /Informational Materials for a General Shareholders Meeting" in order to view the information provided.

TSE website (Listed Company Search) https://www2.jpx.co.jp/tseHpFront/JJK020010Action.do?Show=Show

In lieu of attending the meeting in person, you can exercise your voting rights either by electronic means (via the Internet or other means) or in writing. Please review the Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders and exercise your voting rights in reference to the attached Guidance on Exercising Voting Rights (pages 3 to 4 of the Japanese version).

1. Date and Time: Thursday, March 28, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. Japan time

(Reception will open at 9:00 a.m.)

2. Place: Hall at Muromachi Mitsui Hall & Conference on the third floor of Nihonbashi

Muromachi Mitsui Tower located at 3-2-1, Nihonbashi Muromachi, Chuo-ku,

Tokyo, Japan

3. Meeting Agenda:

- Matters to be reported: 1. The Business Report, Consolidated Financial Statements for the Company's 77th Fiscal Year (January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023) and results of audits by the Accounting Auditor and the Audit & Supervisory Committee of the **Consolidated Financial Statements** 
  - 2. Non-consolidated Financial Statements for the Company's 77th Fiscal Year (January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023)

## Proposals to be resolved:

**Proposal No. 1:** Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation

**Proposal No. 2:** Election of Four (4) Directors Who Are Not Audit & Supervisory Committee

Members

**Proposal No. 3:** Election of Three (3) Directors Who Are Audit & Supervisory Committee

Members

## 4. Matters to be determined upon convocation:

Please refer to the attached Guidance on Exercising Voting Rights (available in Japanese only).

## <Notes to Shareholders>

• When attending the meeting, please submit the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form at the reception.

- Of the Matters for Electronic Provision, the "Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements" and "Notes to Non-consolidated Financial Statements" are not provided in the documents sent to shareholders who have requested a paper copy, in accordance with provisions of laws and regulations as well as Article 15 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation. Accordingly, the documents sent to shareholders who have requested a paper copy form a part of those that were audited by the Audit & Supervisory Committee and the Accounting Auditor in preparing their audit reports.
- Should the Matters for Electronic Provision require revisions, the revised content will be posted on the abovementioned Company's website and on the TSE website.
- A part of the content of the meeting will be posted on the abovementioned Company's website at a later date.

# **Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders**

## **Proposals and References**

## Proposal No. 1: Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation

#### 1. Reasons for amendments

Article 2 (Purpose)

In line with the expansion and diversification of business areas aimed at transforming the Company into a global food solutions company, new business purposes shall be added. Additionally, some wording and the order in which business purposes are listed shall be changed.

Article 10 (Shareholder Register Administrator)

Some wording shall be changed.

Article 14 (Convener and Chairman)

The necessary changes shall be made to ensure flexibility in the operation of the general meeting of shareholders.

## 2. Details of amendments

The details of the amendments are as follows.

|  | (Amended parts are underlined.)  |
|--|--|
| Current Articles of Incorporation  | Proposed Amendments  |
| Article 1 (Omitted)  | Article 1 (Unchanged)  |
| (Purpose) Article 2 The purpose of the Company shall be  | (Purpose) Article 2 The purpose of the Company shall be  |
| to engage in the following businesses and related businesses, and to control and manage the business activities of domestic and foreign companies that engage in the following businesses and related businesses by means of holding shares or equity interests. | to engage in the following businesses and related businesses, and to control and manage the business activities of domestic and foreign companies that engage in the following businesses and related businesses by means of holding shares or equity interests.   |
| Import and export, and sales and marketing of foods, agricultural products, seafood products, livestock products, daily  | Import and export, and sales and marketing of foods; agricultural products; seafood products; livestock products; beverages;   |
| necessities, and other miscellaneous goods;  | alcoholic beverages; materials and equipment for the food, agriculture, fisheries and livestock industries; cosmetics; daily necessities; and other miscellaneous goods;   |
| 2. Production, and manufacturing and processing of foods, agricultural products, seafood products, livestock products, daily necessities, and other miscellaneous goods;   | 2. Production, and manufacturing and processing of foods; agricultural products; seafood products; livestock products; beverages; alcoholic beverages; materials and equipment for the food, agriculture, fisheries and livestock industries; cosmetics; daily necessities; and other miscellaneous goods; |
| Mail-order (including mail-order using the Internet) business;   | 3. Mail-order (including mail-order using the Internet) business;  |

| Current Articles of Incorporation                      | Proposed Amendments                                  |
|--|--|
| (Newly established)                                    | *  |
| (Newly established)                                    | 4. Support for the introduction of systems and       |
|  | technologies related to the import and export,       |
|  | production, logistics, etc. of foods,                |
|  | agricultural products, seafood products, and         |
|  | livestock products, and management                   |
|  | consulting for food-related business                 |
| (NJ11-1; -11)  | operators;   |
| (Newly established)                                    | 5. Acquisition, assignment, use, licensing, and      |
|  | sales of intellectual property rights such as        |
|  | patent rights, trademark rights, plant breeder's     |
|  | rights, and technology and know-how related          |
|  | to the production, etc. of foods, agricultural       |
|  | products, seafood products and livestock             |
|  | products, and intermediation and agency of           |
|  | such activities;                                     |
| (Newly established)                                    | 6. Planning, design, development, sales,             |
|  | operation, and management of platforms,              |
|  | applications, websites, digital content, etc.        |
|  | related to import and export, sales, logistics,      |
|  | order placing and receiving, payment                 |
|  | processing, etc., and undertaking of                 |
|  | outsourcing and agency of the administration         |
|  | and operation of such activities;                    |
| (Newly established)                                    | 7. Intermediation and agency of information          |
|  | provision services, information distribution         |
|  | services, and advertising services using             |
|  | networks such as the Internet;                       |
| (Newly established)                                    | 8. Local revitalization projects in and outside      |
|  | Japan through means such as the provision of         |
|  | local information on specialty products, etc.;       |
| <u>4</u> . Buying and selling, rental, brokerage,      | (Moved to Item 20)                                   |
| intermediation, and management of real                 |  |
| estate;  |  |
| <u>5</u> . Management of parking lots and              | (Moved to Item 21)                                   |
| undertaking of outsourcing of parking lot              |  |
| maintenance services;                                  |  |
| <u>6</u> . Buying and selling of securities and        | (Moved to Item 19)                                   |
| investment consulting services;                        |  |
| <u>7</u> . Money lending;                              | (Moved to Item 18)                                   |
| <u>8</u> . General leasing, rental business and agency | (Moved to Item 16)                                   |
| business thereof;                                      |  |
| 9. Management of eateries, restaurants, cafes,         | 9. Management of eateries, restaurants, cafes,       |
| shops and other various food stores;                   | shops and other various food stores;                 |
| 10. Operation of facilities and institutions           | 10. Operation of facilities and institutions related |
| related to health management for the                   | to health management for the purpose of              |
| purpose of maintaining and promoting                   | maintaining and promoting health, preventing         |
| health, preventing diseases, etc.;                     | diseases, etc.;                                      |
| 11. Planning, production and sales of books,           | 11. Planning, production and sales of books,         |
| publications, and video software related to            | publications, and video software related to          |
| health, food, clothing and housing;                    | health, food, clothing and housing;                  |
| 12. Provision of information on and                    | 12. Provision of information on and introduction     |
| introduction of doctors, medical technology            | of doctors, medical technology, and medical          |

institutions;

of institutions thereof;

14. Temporary staffing services;

of doctors, medical technology, and medical

related to health management, and operation

13. Training and education of human resources

introduction of doctors, medical technology,

related to health management, and operation

13. Training and education of human resources

and medical institutions;

of institutions thereof;

14. Temporary staffing services;

## **Current Articles of Incorporation**

(Moved from Item 16) (Moved from Item 8)

- 15. Solicitation and agency business of life insurance, non-life insurance and other various insurances:
- <u>16. Medical</u> equipment sales and rental business;

(Moved from Item 7) (Moved from Item 6)

(Moved from Item 4)

(Moved from Item 5)

- <u>17</u>. Undertaking of outsourcing of planning, survey, research, training and consulting related to those mentioned in the preceding items; and
- 18. All businesses which are incidental to or related to those mentioned in the preceding items.

Article 3 to 9 (Omitted)

(Shareholder Register Administrator)

Article 10 The Company shall have shareholder register administrator.

- 2. The shareholder register administrator and its handling office shall be designated by a resolution of the Board of Directors.
- 3. The preparation and keeping of the Company's shareholder registry and registry of share acquisition rights and other administrative work pertaining thereto shall be entrusted to the shareholder register administrator and shall not be handled by the Company.

Article 11 to 13 (Omitted)

(Convener and Chairman)

- Article 14 Unless otherwise provided by laws and regulations, <u>Chairman shall convene a general meeting of shareholders and act as the chairman thereof in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors. However, if Chairman has not been elected, President shall convene the meeting and act as the chairman thereof.</u>
- 2. When the chairman referred to in the preceding paragraph is unable to act, another Director who is designated in accordance with an order of priority predetermined by the Board of Directors shall convene a general meeting of shareholders and act as the chairman thereof.

## **Proposed Amendments**

- 15. Medical equipment sales and rental business;
- <u>16</u>. General leasing, rental business and agency business thereof;
- 17. Solicitation and agency business of life insurance, non-life insurance and other various insurances:

(Moved to Item 15)

- 18. Money lending;
- <u>19</u>. Buying and selling of securities and investment consulting services;
- 20. Buying and selling, rental, brokerage, intermediation, and management of real estate:
- 21. Management of parking lots and undertaking of outsourcing of parking lot maintenance services:
- <u>22</u>. Undertaking of outsourcing of planning, survey, research, training and consulting related to those mentioned in the preceding items; and
- 23. All businesses which are incidental to or related to those mentioned in the preceding items.

Article 3 to 9 (Unchanged)

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Article 11 to 13 (Unchanged)

(Convener and Chairman)

- Article 14 Unless otherwise provided by laws and regulations, Representative Director shall convene a general meeting of shareholders.

  However, when Representative Director is unable to act, another Director who is designated in accordance with an order of priority predetermined by the Board of Directors shall convene the general meeting of shareholders.
- 2. Chairman or President shall act as the chairman of a general meeting of shareholders in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors. However, when the chairman is unable to act, another Director who is designated in accordance with an order of priority predetermined by the Board of Directors shall act as the chairman of thereof.

| Current Articles of Incorporation | Proposed Amendments          |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Article 15 to 43 (Omitted)        | Article 15 to 43 (Unchanged) |

At the meeting of the Board of Directors held on February 14, 2024, the Company resolved to perform a 3-for-1 stock split with June 30, 2024 as the record date. In line with the stock split, the Company also resolved to change the total number of authorized shares stipulated in Article 6 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation from 50,000,000 shares to 150,000,000 shares on July 1, 2024, without requiring a resolution of a general meeting of shareholders pursuant to Article 184, Paragraph 2 of the Companies Act.

Proposal No. 2: Election of Four (4) Directors Who Are Not Audit & Supervisory Committee Members

The terms of office of all five (5) Directors who are not Audit & Supervisory Committee Members will expire at the conclusion of this year's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. Accordingly, to speed up the decision-making and business execution processes while maintaining the supervisory functions of the Group as a holding company to realize the Company's mid-term business plan, we hereby request that the number of Directors who are not Audit & Supervisory Committee Members be decreased by one (1), and propose the election of four (4) Directors who are not Audit & Supervisory Committee Members.

There were no objections with respect to this Proposal as a result of deliberation in the Audit & Supervisory Committee.

The candidates for Directors who are not Audit & Supervisory Committee Members are as follows:

| No. | Attributes      |                                | Name             | Positions and responsibilities at the Company                                      |
|-----|-----------------|--------------------------------|------------------|--|
| 1   | [Reappointment] | [Male]                         | Yoshiro Susaki   | Chairman & CEO   |
| 2   | [Reappointment] | [Male]                         | Yuji Sasa        | President, Director, Managing Executive Officer, COO, CFO                          |
| 3   | [Reappointment] | [Male]                         | Hiroyuki Shinkai | Director, Executive Vice President, Chief of Staff,<br>Operation Management Office |
| 4   | [Reappointment] | [Outside] [Independent] [Male] | Hajime Arai      | Outside Director   |

|     | Name   |                | Career summary, positions, responsibilities                       |
|-----|--|----------------|---|
| No. | No. (Date of birth) Career summary, positions, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions |                |   |
|     |  | September 1980 | Joined Morgan Bank, N.A., Tokyo Branch                            |
|     | **   | September 1988 | Director, the Company   |
|     | Yoshiro Susaki   | May 1994       | President   |
|     | (January 18, 1958)   | October 2000   | Chairman, IPM Nishimoto Co., Ltd. (currently Wismettac Foods,     |
|     |  |                | Inc.)   |
|     | [Reappointment]  | March 2012     | Chairman, Nishimoto Trading Co., Ltd. (currently Wismettac Foods, |
|     |  |                | Inc.) (current position)  |
|     | Number of shares of  | March 2017     | Chairman & CEO, the Company                                       |
|     | the Company held 2,910,000   | January 2019   | Director, Wismettac Asian Foods, Inc. (current position)          |
|     | 2,910,000  | March 2020     | Chairman & President CEO, the Company                             |
| 1   |  | January 2023   | Chairman & CEO, the Company (current position)                    |
|     | [Significant concurred   | nt positions]  | -   |
|     | Chairman, Wismettac Foods, Inc.  |                |   |
|     |  |                |   |

Director, Wismettac Asian Foods, Inc.

[Reason for nomination as candidate for Director who is not an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member]

Mr. Yoshiro Susaki was appointed Director of the Company in 1988 and has led the management of the Group and its business expansion as Representative Director from 1994 to the present, and is fulfilling his duties and responsibilities properly in overall management. He is expected to make contributions to enhancing the Group's corporate value by capitalizing on his many years of experience and insight in managing the Group to date. Therefore, the Company requests his reelection as a Director who is not an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member.

| No. | Name<br>(Date of birth)                          | Career summary, positions, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions |   |  |
|-----|--|--|---|--|
|     |  | April 1985   | Joined The Nippon Credit Bank, Ltd. (currently Aozora Bank, Ltd.)   |  |
|     |  | November 2011  | Director, Nishimoto Trading Co., Ltd. (currently Wismettac Foods,   |  |
|     |  | April 2016   | Inc.) Executive Officer & Deputy General Manager, Group Administration Headquarters, the Company  |  |
|     | Yuji Sasa<br>(October 11, 1962)                  | May 2017<br>February 2018<br>March 2019  | Director & Officer, Vice President, Wismettac Asian Foods, Inc. Officer, Vice President, Wismettac Asian Foods, Inc. Director (Audit & Supervisory Committee Member), the Company Corporate Auditor, Wismettac Foods, Inc.  |  |
|     | [Reappointment]                                  | March 2020   | Director, the Company Director, Wismettac Asian Foods, Inc.   |  |
| 2   | Number of shares of<br>the Company held<br>1,800 | July 2020<br>April 2021<br>April 2022<br>January 2023                            | Director, NTC Wismettac Singapore Pte. Ltd. (current position) Director, COMPTOIRS DES 3 CAPS (current position) Director & CFO, the Company Director, Managing Executive Officer, CFO President, Director, Managing Executive Officer, COO, CFO (current position) Director & President, Wismettac Asian Foods, Inc. (current position) Director, Wismettac EMEA Holdings Limited (current position) |  |
|     | IG: :C: .  | March 2023   | Director, Wismettac Asian Foods, Inc. (Canada) (current position)   |  |

Director & President, Wismettac Asian Foods, Inc.

Director, Wismettac Asian Foods, Inc. (Canada)

Director, Wismettac EMEA Holdings Limited

Director, COMPTOIRS DES 3 CAPS

Director, NTC Wismettac Singapore Pte. Ltd.

[Reason for nomination as candidate for Director who is not an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member] Mr. Yuji Sasa joined the Group in 2011, and engaged mainly in administrative divisions as Executive Officer and Director at the Company and its Group companies. Since March 2019, he had been in charge of duties as a Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member such as the supervision and audit of business execution. Since March 2020, he has overseen the overall administrative divisions of the Group as a whole as a Director who is not an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member, and since January 2023, he has executed the overall business strategy of the Group as President, Managing Executive Officer, COO, CFO, and is fulfilling his duties and responsibilities properly. Based on his experience and achievements, he is expected to make contributions to further enhancing the Group's corporate value. Therefore, the Company requests his reelection as a Director who is not an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member.

| No.                 | Name   | Career summary, positions, responsibilities                      |  |
|---------------------|--|--|--|
|                     | (Date of birth)  |  | and significant concurrent positions   |
|                     |  | April 1988   | Joined Tomen Corporation (currently Toyota Tsusho Corporation)   |
|                     |  | September 1998   | Joined Andersen Consulting (currently Accenture)   |
|                     |  | October 2002   | Joined the Company   |
|                     |  | December 2005  | Director & General Manager of Administration Headquarters,   |
|                     |  | 3.6 1.2000   | Nishimoto Trading Co., Ltd. (currently Wismettac Asian Foods, Inc.)  |
|                     |  | March 2009   | Joined CEF Co. Ltd.  |
|                     |  | October 2010   | Joined Takara Shuzo Co., Ltd.  |
|                     |  | April 2016   | Director & Vice President, Takara Europe Holdings B.V.   |
|                     |  | May 2018   | Rejoined the Company, Chief of Staff, The Chairman's Office  |
|                     |  | March 2020   | Executive Officer, Chief of Staff, The Chairman's Office, General  |
|                     |  |  | Manager, Corporate Planning Department, and General Counsel,   |
|                     | Hiroyuki Shinkai   | E-1 2021   | Office of General Counsel  |
|                     | (July 1, 1964)   | February 2021  | Director, Sco-Fro Group Limited (current position)   |
|                     | (3, 7, 1, 1, 7,  | January 2022   | Director, Ban Choon Marketing Pte. Ltd. (current position)   |
|                     | [Reappointment]  | April 2022<br>January 2023                                       | Director, Wismettac Asian Foods, Inc. (current position)  Executive Vice President, Chief of Staff, The Chairman's Office, and |
|                     | . 11   | January 2025   |  |
| Number of shares of |  |  | General Manager, Corporate Planning Department, the Company Director, Wismettac EMEA Holdings Limited (current position)       |
|                     | the Company held   | March 2023   | Director, Executive Vice President, Chief of Staff, The Chairman's   |
|                     | 2,653  | Wiaicii 2023   | Office, and General Manager, Corporate Planning Department, the  |
|                     |  |  | Company  |
|                     |  | April 2023   | Director, Wismettac Harro Foods Limited (current position)   |
|                     |  | 71pm 2023  | Director, SSP Konsumgüter TRADE & CONSULT GmbH (current  |
|                     |  |  | position)  |
| 3                   |  |  | Director, COMPTOIRS DES 3 CAPS (current position)  |
|                     |  |  | Director, NTC Wismettac Singapore Pte. Ltd. (current position)   |
|                     |  |  | Director, Wismettac Nippon Foods Co, Ltd. (current position)   |
|                     |  |  | Director, NTC Wismettac Australia Pty Ltd. (current position)  |
|                     |  | October 2023   | Director, Uniontrade S.p.A (current position)  |
|                     |  | November 2023  | Director, Executive Vice President, Chief of Staff, Operation  |
|                     |  |  | Management Office, the Company (current position)  |
|                     | [Significant concurre  | nt positions]  |  |
|                     | Director, Wismettac  |  | Director, COMPTOIRS DES 3 CAPS   |
|                     | Director, Wismettac  |  |  |
|                     | Director, Wismettac  |  |  |
|                     | Director, Sco-Fro Gro  |  | Director, Ban Choon Marketing Pte. Ltd.  |
|                     |  | , SSP Konsumgüter TRADE & CONSULT Director, Wismettac Nippon Foo |  |
|                     | GmbH   |  | Director, NTC Wismettac Australia Pty Ltd.   |
|                     | [Reason for nomination as candidate for Director who is not an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member] |  |  |
| l                   | l Mr. Hirovuki Shinkai   | cince inining the (  | Company in 2002, has overseen the administrative divisions of the Group  |

[Reason for nomination as candidate for Director who is not an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member]
Mr. Hiroyuki Shinkai, since joining the Company in 2002, has overseen the administrative divisions of the Group in the North America region and contributed to the establishment of a business foundation in the region. Since rejoining the Company in 2018, he has assisted the CEO and other executive officers as Chief of Staff of The Chairman's Office and General Manager of the Corporate Planning Department, and has been responsible for strategy formulation, budget compilation and the launch of new organizations, etc. of the Group, from planning to execution. In addition, since 2023, he has been fulfilling his duties and responsibilities properly as Director & Executive Vice President. Based on his experience and achievements, he is expected to make contributions to further enhancing the Group's corporate value. Therefore, the Company requests his reelection as a Director who is not an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member.

|     | Name   |                                      | Career summary, positions, responsibilities                               |  |
|-----|--|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| No. | (Date of birth)  | and significant concurrent positions |   |  |
|     | ( )  | June 1979                            | Joined Department of Neurosurgery, Faculty of Medicine, Juntendo          |  |
|     |  |                                      | University  |  |
|     |  | January 1980                         | Studied at the National Institutes of Health, U.S.                        |  |
|     |  | August 1993                          | Associate Professor, Department of Neurosurgery, Faculty of               |  |
|     |  |                                      | Medicine, Juntendo University   |  |
|     |  | April 1995                           | Studied at Department of Neurosurgery, University of Florida, U.S.        |  |
|     |  | October 2002                         | Professor, Department of Neurosurgery, Faculty of Medicine,               |  |
|     | Hajime Arai  |                                      | Juntendo University   |  |
|     | (February 4, 1955)   | April 2008                           | Director, Juntendo Educational Foundation (current position)              |  |
|     |  |                                      | Director, Juntendo University Hospital                                    |  |
|     | [Reappointment]  | April 2011                           | Dean of Graduate School of Medicine, Dean of Faculty of Medicine,         |  |
|     | [Outside Director]   |                                      | Juntendo University   |  |
|     | [Independent   | April 2016                           | President, Juntendo University (current position)                         |  |
|     | Director]  |                                      | Director, Association of Private Medical Schools (current position)       |  |
|     | _  | May 2016                             | Director, Saitama Prefecture Saiseikai, Saiseikai Branch, Social          |  |
|     | Number of shares of  |                                      | Welfare Organization Saiseikai Imperial Gift Foundation, Inc.             |  |
|     | the Company held   |                                      | (current position)  |  |
|     | _  |                                      | President, Association of Japan Medical Colleges                          |  |
|     |  | October 2017                         | Executive President, The Japan Neurological Society                       |  |
|     |  | April 2020                           | Emeritus Professor, Juntendo University (current position)                |  |
| 4   |  | 1 2021                               | Director, HAYASHI HOSPITAL (current position)                             |  |
| -   |  | March 2021                           | Vice President, Lifelong Health and Wellness Association (current         |  |
|     |  | M 2022                               | position)   |  |
|     |  | May 2022                             | Auditor, Association of Japan Medical Colleges (current position)         |  |
|     | LGC. 1   | March 2023                           | Director, the Company (current position)                                  |  |
|     | [Significant concurred   |                                      | Discrete HAVACH HOODITAL  |  |
|     | President, Juntendo U  |                                      | Director, HAYASHI HOSPITAL  |  |
|     | Emeritus Professor, J<br>Director, Juntendo Ed   |                                      |   |  |
|     | Director, Association  |                                      |   |  |
|     | Director, Saitama Pre  |                                      |   |  |
|     | Branch, Social Welfa   |                                      |   |  |
|     | Imperial Gift Founda   |                                      | uibentui  |  |
|     |  |                                      | r Outside Director who is not an Audit & Supervisory Committee            |  |
|     | Member and expected roles]   |                                      |   |  |
|     |  |                                      | nce and wide-ranging insight as a doctor and university professor, and is |  |
|     |  |                                      | ement as President of Juntendo University. From a medical perspective,    |  |
|     | we expect that he will provide the Company with useful advice as well as suggestions and judgements with |                                      |   |  |
|     |  |                                      | ndent standpoint for our business to realize the wellbeing of people      |  |
|     | throughout the world through food. Based on the above, although he has never been involved in corporate  |                                      |   |  |
|     | management, the Con  | mpany requests hi                    | is reelection as an Outside Director who is not an Audit & Supervisory    |  |

#### (Notes)

Committee Member.

- 1. There are no special interests between the candidates and the Company.
- 2. The number of shares of the Company held by each candidate is as of December 31, 2023.
- 3. Mr. Yoshiro Susaki qualifies as "parent company, etc." under Article 2, item (iv)-2 of the Companies Act. He serves as Managing Director of Tatsumi Sangyo Co., Ltd., which is his subsidiary company, etc.
- 4. The Company has entered into an agreement with Mr. Hajime Arai to limit his liability for damages pursuant to Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, in accordance with the provisions of Article 427, Paragraph 1 of the said Act. The maximum amount of liability for damages pursuant to the agreement is the minimum amount stipulated by laws and regulations. If the reappointment of Mr. Hajime Arai is approved, the Company intends to continue the agreement with him.
- 5. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance contract with an insurance company as stipulated in Article 430-3, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, under which the directors, corporate auditors, executive officers, and managerial employees of the Company and all of the Company's subsidiaries (subsidiaries as defined under the Companies Act), including each of the candidates for reappointment, are insured. The Company is responsible for the full amount of the premium

for said insurance. The contract shall cover any loss or damage (e.g., defense costs, compensation for damages, and settlement money) that the insured may incur due to a claim for damages (including shareholder's derivative suits) arising from an act (including an omission) committed by the insured in his or her capacity. If the candidates are elected and assume the office of Directors who are not Audit & Supervisory Committee Members, the Company will continue to insure them under the said insurance contract. As the term of the contract will expire during their terms of office, the Company intends to enter into an equivalent directors and officers liability insurance contract that continues to cover the candidates, etc. as insured persons.

- 6. Mr. Hajime Arai has been registered as an Independent Director as prescribed by the Tokyo Stock Exchange. If the reappointment of Mr. Hajime Arai is approved, the Company intends to continue his registration as an Independent Director.
- 7. At the conclusion of this year's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, it will be one (1) year since the appointment of Mr. Hajime Arai as an Outside Director who is not an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member.

Proposal No. 3: Election of Three (3) Directors Who Are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members

The terms of office of all three (3) Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members will expire at the conclusion of this year's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. Accordingly, we hereby propose the election of three (3) Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members.

The consent of the Audit & Supervisory Committee was obtained with respect to this Proposal. The candidates for Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members are as follows:

| No. | Attributes      |  | Name                | Positions and responsibilities at the Company           |
|-----|-----------------|--|---------------------|---|
| 1   | [Reappointment] | [Male]                                 | Toshiyuki Nishikawa | Director (Audit & Supervisory Committee<br>Member)      |
| 2   | [Reappointment] | [Outside]<br>[Independent]<br>[Male]   | Kimikazu Nomi       | Outside Director (Audit & Supervisory Committee Member) |
| 3   | [Reappointment] | [Outside]<br>[Independent]<br>[Female] | Yukiko Omura        | Outside Director (Audit & Supervisory Committee Member) |

| Ma  | Name                   | Career summary, positions, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions |  |
|-----|------------------------|--|--|
| No. | (Date of birth)        |  |  |
|     |                        | April 1990   | Joined the Company   |
|     |                        | February 1992  | Seconded to Nishimoto Trading Co., Ltd. (currently Wismettac Asian |
|     |                        |  | Foods, Inc.)   |
|     |                        | August 2003  | Regional Director & Los Angeles Branch Manager                     |
|     | Toshiyuki Nishikawa    | March 2006   | Director, Sales Management   |
|     | (November 14, 1966)    | February 2009  | Officer, Vice President of Administration, Corporate Secretary     |
|     |                        | December 2010  | Director & Officer, Vice President of Administration, Corporate    |
|     | [Reappointment]        |  | Secretary  |
|     |                        | April 2017   | Director & Officer, Senior Vice President of Administration,       |
|     | Number of shares of    |  | Corporate Secretary  |
|     | the Company held       | January 2023   | Director & Officer, Senior Vice President                          |
|     | _                      | March 2023   | Director (Audit & Supervisory Committee Member), the Company       |
|     |                        |  | (current position)   |
| 1   |                        |  | Director, Wismettac Asian Foods, Inc. (current position)           |
|     |                        |  | Corporate Auditor, Wismettac Foods, Inc. (current position)        |
|     |                        | April 2023   | Auditor, Shanghai IPM Co., Ltd. (current position)                 |
|     | [Significant concurred | nt positions]  |  |

Director, Wismettac Asian Foods, Inc.

Corporate Auditor, Wismettac Foods, Inc.

Auditor, Shanghai IPM Co., Ltd.

[Reason for nomination as candidate for Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member] Mr. Toshiyuki Nishikawa joined the Company in 1990 and has since been engaged mainly in the Asian Food Global Business in the North America region, which is one of the Group's primary businesses, and since 2009, has overseen the overall administrative divisions in the North America region. Based on his abundant experience in the Group's business, he is expected to fulfill his duties in the audit and supervision of business execution as a Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member. Therefore, the Company requests his reelection as a Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member.

| NI. | Name                | Career summary, positions, responsibilities and significant concurrent positions |  |
|-----|---------------------|--|--|
| No. | (Date of birth)     |  |  |
|     |                     | April 1969   | Joined The Norinchukin Bank                                    |
|     |                     | June 1999  | Managing Director  |
|     |                     | June 2002  | Senior Managing Director                                       |
|     | Kimikazu Nomi       | June 2004  | President, Norinchukin Zenkyoren Asset Management Co., Ltd.    |
|     | (October 24, 1945)  | June 2006  | Representative Director and Deputy Chairman, Aozora Bank, Ltd. |
|     |                     | February 2007  | Representative Director, Chairman and CEO                      |
|     | [Reappointment]     | July 2009  | President and CEO Member of the Board, Innovation Network      |
|     | [Outside Director]  |  | Corporation of Japan (currently Japan Investment Corporation)  |
|     | [Independent        | July 2015  | Executive Advisor, J-WILL CORPORATION (current position)       |
|     | Director]           | March 2016   | Director (Audit & Supervisory Committee Member), the Company   |
|     | _                   |  | (current position)   |
|     | Number of shares of | June 2016  | Independent Director, Konica Minolta, Inc.                     |
|     | the Company held    | June 2017  | Outside Director, SPARX Group Co., Ltd.                        |
|     | _                   | June 2020  | Outside Director (Audit and Supervisory Committee Member)      |
| 2   |                     |  | (current position)   |
|     |                     | June 2021  | Outside Director (Audit and Supervisory Committee Member), IR  |
|     |                     |  | Japan Holdings, Ltd. (current position)                        |

Outside Director (Audit and Supervisory Committee Member), SPARX Group Co., Ltd.

Outside Director (Audit and Supervisory Committee Member), IR Japan Holdings, Ltd.

Executive Advisor, J-WILL CORPORATION

[Reason for nomination as candidate for Outside Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member and expected roles]

Mr. Kimikazu Nomi was engaged in managing financial businesses at The Norinchukin Bank and Aozora Bank, Ltd., and in fostering new businesses through initiatives such as investment activities and supporting corporate self-reformation at the Innovation Network Corporation of Japan (currently Japan Investment Corporation). After being appointed an Outside Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member of the Company in March 2016, he has been fulfilling his duties and responsibilities properly. He is expected to monitor overall management and provide effective advice based on his abundant experience and deep insight. Therefore, the Company requests his reelection as an Outside Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member.

| Name Career sum |                                      |                                      | Career summary, positions, responsibilities                         |  |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| No.             | (Date of birth)                      | and significant concurrent positions |   |  |
|                 |                                      | August 1980                          | Joined the Inter-American Development Bank                          |  |
|                 |                                      | August 1984                          | Joined Morgan Bank, N.A., Tokyo Branch                              |  |
|                 |                                      | May 1994                             | Joined Lehman Brothers Japan Inc.                                   |  |
|                 |                                      | March 1996                           | Joined UBS Securities Japan Co., Ltd.                               |  |
|                 | W 1" 0                               | August 1998                          | Joined Dresdner Kleinwort Wasserstein (Japan) Ltd.                  |  |
|                 | Yukiko Omura                         | March 2004                           | Executive Vice President and CEO, Multilateral Investment           |  |
|                 | (July 4, 1955)                       |                                      | Guarantee Agency  |  |
|                 | [D                                   | February 2010                        | Vice-President and COO, International Fund for Agricultural         |  |
|                 | [Reappointment]                      |                                      | Development   |  |
|                 | [Outside Director]                   | January 2013                         | Director, GuarantCo Limited   |  |
|                 | [Independent                         | May 2014                             | Director, Assured Guaranty Ltd. (current position)                  |  |
|                 | Director]                            | March 2016                           | Director (Audit & Supervisory Committee Member), the Company        |  |
|                 | Number of shound of                  |                                      | (current position)  |  |
|                 | Number of shares of the Company held | January 2018                         | Chair of the Board of Directors, GuarantCo Limited                  |  |
|                 |                                      | March 2018                           | Director, The Private Infrastructure Development Group Limited      |  |
|                 |                                      | May 2018                             | Director, HSBC Bank plc (current position)                          |  |
| 2               |                                      | February 2022                        | Senior Independent Director, The Private Infrastructure Development |  |
| 3               |                                      | -                                    | Group Limited (current position)                                    |  |
|                 |                                      | November 2023                        | Advisory Board Member, the Critical Minerals Fund (current          |  |
|                 |                                      |                                      | position)   |  |
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Senior Independent Director, The Private Infrastructure Development Group Limited

Director, Assured Guaranty Ltd.

Director, HSBC Bank plc

Advisory Board Member, the Critical Minerals Fund

[Reason for nomination as candidate for Outside Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member and expected roles]

Ms. Yukiko Omura has been engaged in financial operation and business management internationally at private and public financial institutions, and currently assumes the position of Director at several foreign companies. After being appointed Outside Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member of the Company in March 2016, she has been fulfilling her duties and responsibilities properly. She is expected to monitor overall management and provide effective advice based on her abundant international experience and deep insight. Therefore, the Company requests her reelection as an Outside Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member.

#### (Notes)

- 1. There are no special interests between the candidates and the Company.
- 2. The Company has entered into agreements with Mr. Kimikazu Nomi and Ms. Yukiko Omura to limit their liability for damages pursuant to Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, in accordance with the provisions of Article 427, Paragraph 1 of the said Act. The maximum amount of liability for damages pursuant to the agreement is the minimum amount stipulated by laws and regulations. If the reappointments of Mr. Kimikazu Nomi and Ms. Yukiko Omura are approved, the Company intends to continue these agreements with them.
- 3. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance contract with an insurance company as stipulated in Article 430-3, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, under which the directors, corporate auditors, executive officers, and managerial employees of the Company and all of the Company's subsidiaries (subsidiaries as defined under the Companies Act), including each of the candidates for reappointment, are insured. The Company is responsible for the full amount of the premium for said insurance. The contract shall cover any loss or damage (e.g., defense costs, compensation for damages, and settlement money) that the insured may incur due to a claim for damages (including shareholder's derivative suits) arising from an act (including an omission) committed by the insured in his or her capacity. If the candidates assume the office of Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members, the Company will continue to insure them under the said insurance contract. As the term of the contract will expire during their terms of office, the Company intends to enter into an equivalent directors and officers liability insurance contract that continues to cover the candidates, etc. as insured persons.
- 4. Mr. Kimikazu Nomi and Ms. Yukiko Omura have been registered as Independent Directors as prescribed by the Tokyo Stock Exchange. If the reappointments of Mr. Kimikazu Nomi and Ms. Yukiko Omura are approved, the Company intends to continue their registrations as Independent Directors.

| 5. | At the conclusion of this year's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, it will be eight (8) years since the appointment of Mr. Kimikazu Nomi and Ms. Yukiko Omura as Outside Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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**Reference**: Skills Matrix of Directors (if each candidate for Director is elected at this year's Annual General Meeting of Shareholders)

| The Fields of Knowledge and Expertise the Company Particularly Expects of Each Director (Up to 3) |   |             |                                   |                   |    |  |                          |                          |  |  |
|---|---|-------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|----|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| Name  | Vision<br>(Vision/strategy for long-<br>term corporate soundness<br>and growth) |             | Execution (Execution of strategy) |                   |    | Risk Management<br>(Appropriate risk management) |                          |                          |  |  |
|   | Mission<br>Strategy<br>planning   | ESG<br>SDGs | Global<br>management              | Organization & HR | DX | Finance & Accounting                             | Legal affairs<br>&<br>IP | Compliance & Food safety |  |  |
| Yoshiro<br>Susaki   |   |             |                                   |                   |    |  |                          |                          |  |  |
| Yuji Sasa   |   |             |                                   |                   |    |  |                          |                          |  |  |
| Hiroyuki<br>Shinkai   | •   |             |                                   |                   | •  | •  |                          |                          |  |  |
| Hajime Arai   |   |             |                                   |                   |    |  |                          |                          |  |  |
| Toshiyuki<br>Nishikawa  |   | •           |                                   |                   |    |  |                          |                          |  |  |
| Kimikazu<br>Nomi  |   |             |                                   |                   |    |  |                          |                          |  |  |
| Yukiko<br>Omura   |   | •           |                                   |                   |    |  |                          |                          |  |  |