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### To Shareholders with Voting Rights:

Kosuke Ikeda President and Representative Director Hokkan Holdings Limited 2-1-1 Nihonbashimuromachi, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, Japan

# NOTICE OF THE 99th ANNUAL SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING

#### Dear Shareholders:

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

We hereby inform you that the 99th Annual Shareholders' Meeting of Hokkan Holdings Limited (the "Company") will be held as described below.

When convening this general shareholders' meeting, the Company takes measures for providing information that constitutes the content of reference documents for the general shareholders' meeting, etc. (matters of an electronic provision measures) in electronic format, and posts this information on the Company's website and the TSE website. Please access the Company's website and the TSE website by using the internet address shown below to review the information.

#### Company website

https://hokkanholdings.co.jp/ir/library/syosyu/ (in Japanese)

#### TSE website (Listed Company Search):

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

(Access the TSE website by using the internet address shown above, enter "Hokkan Holdings" in "Issue name (company name)" or the Company's securities code "5902" in "Code," and click "Search." Then, click "Basic information" and select "Documents for public inspection/PR information." Under "Filed information available for public inspection," click "Click here for access" under "Notice of General Shareholders' Meeting /Informational Materials for a General Shareholders' Meeting.")

\* If revisions to the matters of an electronic provision measures arise, a notification to that effect, and the corrected and pre-corrected versions of these matters will be posted on the Company's aforementioned website and the TSE website.

If you do not attend the meeting in person, you can exercise your voting rights via the internet, etc. or in writing. Please review the Reference Documents for the Shareholders' Meeting, and exercise your voting rights by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 26, 2024, Japan Standard Time.

1. Date and Time: Thursday, June 27, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. Japan Standard Time

(Reception starts at 9:00 a.m.)

2. Place: Fuji Room, 3F Main Building, Imperial Hotel

1-1-1, Uchisaiwaicho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan

3. Meeting Agenda:

Matters to be reported:1. The Business Report and Consolidated Financial Statements for the

Company's 99th Fiscal Year (April 1, 2023 - March 31, 2024) and Results of Audits by the Accounting Auditor and the Audit & Supervisory Board of the Consolidated Financial Statements

2. Non-consolidated Financial Statements for the Company's 99th Fiscal

Year (April 1, 2023 - March 31, 2024)

Proposals to be resolved:

**Proposal 1:** Election of Nine (9) Directors

**Proposal 2:** Election of One (1) Substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Member

- 4. Decision Matters upon Convocation (Information on Exercise of Voting Rights)
  - (1) If there is no indication of approval or disapproval of the proposal in the voting form when the voting right is exercised in writing, it will be treated it as if there was an indication of approval.
  - (2) If voting rights are exercised multiple times via the internet, etc. the last exercise of voting rights will be treated as valid.
  - (3) If voting rights are exercised both via the internet, etc. and in writing, the exercise of voting rights via the internet, etc. will be treated as valid regardless of the date and time of arrival.
- If you will attend the Annual General Shareholders' Meeting in person, please submit the voting form to the reception desk.
- Among the matters subject to measures for electronic provision, in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations and the Articles of Incorporation of the Company, the following matters are not provided in the paper-based documents delivered to shareholders who have made a request for delivery of such documents.

Accordingly, the business report, consolidated financial statements and financial statements stated in the relevant documents are part of the documents audited by the accounting auditor when preparing the accounting audit report and by the auditor when preparing the audit report.

- (1) Within the "Current situation of the company" in the business report, "System to ensure the appropriateness of the business and the operation status of the system"
- (2) "Consolidated Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity" and "Consolidated Notes" in the consolidated financial statements
- (3) "Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity" and "Individual Notes" in the financial statements

Note that, for this general meeting of shareholders, paper-based documents stating matters for which measures for providing information in electronic format are to be taken, excluding the above matters, will be delivered to all shareholders regardless of whether they have made a request for delivery of such documents.

# Reference Documents for the Shareholders' Meeting

# **Proposal 1:** Election of Nine (9) Directors

The terms of office of all nine (9) Directors will expire at the conclusion of this Annual Shareholders' Meeting. Accordingly, the Company proposes to elect nine (9) Directors. The candidates for Director are as follows.

For your reference, a skills matrix of Director candidates is provided on page 15, and a summary of criteria and procedures of the selection of candidates for Director and Audit & Supervisory Board Member are provided on page 17 and below.

Outside Directors: 4 (44.4%); Male: 7 (77.8%); Female: 2 (22.2%)

		Current positions		Committees	Committees to which they belong, if their election is approved. (② indicates a chairperson.)				
No.	Name	and responsibilities at the Company	Number of years in office	Remuneration Review Committee	Officers Nomination Review Committee	Risk Management Committee	Compliance Committee	Sustainability Committee	
1	Reappointment Kosuke Ikeda	President and Representative Director	15 years	©	0	0		©	
2	Reappointment Yasuhiro Sato	Director and Senior Managing Executive Officer	5 years					0	
3	Reappointment Hideaki Tada	Director and Senior Managing Executive Officer	3 years			0		0	
4	Reappointment Takuya Takeda	Director and Managing Executive Officer General Affairs Dept. Human Resources Dept.	10 years	0	0		©	0	
5	Reappointment Toshiaki Sunahiro	Director and Managing Executive Officer Accounting & Finance Dept. Management & Control Dept./Global Business Dept.	6 years			0		0	
6	Reappointment Outside Independent Akiko Fujita	Outside Director	4 years	0	0			0	
7	Reappointment Outside Independent Kazuhide Koda	Outside Director	3 years	0	0				

No.	Name responsi	Current positions	Current positions		Committees to which they belong, if their election is approved. (© indicates a chairperson.)				
		and responsibilities at the Company	Number of years in office	Remuneration Review Committee	Officers Nomination Review Committee	Risk Management Committee	Compliance Committee	Sustainability Committee	
8	Reappointment Outside Independent Atsuko Watanabe	Outside Director	3 years	0	0				
9	New appointment Outside Independent Takashi Furukawa	_	ı	0	0				

No.	Name Date of birth	Career summary, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held			
	April 1988   Joined Hokkai Can Co., Ltd. (currently, the Company)					
1	[Reason for nomination as candidate for Director]  Mr. Kosuke Ikeda has engaged in various fields such as corporate strategies and overseas business of the Group.  Serving as President and Representative Director of the Company since June 2018, he has abundant experience and ability to lead the Group. Accordingly, the Company nominated him once again as a candidate for Director.  Notes: 1. The candidate Mr. Kosuke Ikeda does not have any special interests in the Company.  2. Mr. Kosuke Ikeda is the President and Representative Director of Hokkai Can Co., Ltd. and Nihon Canpack Co., Ltd. The Company has business transactions with these companies, such as money lending transactions, and payment of outsourcing fee and management fee.  3. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance (D&O Insurance) contract provided for in Article 430-3, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act with an insurance company. The					

compensation for damages to be borne by the insured persons, which may result from them being liable for the performance of their duties. If Mr. Kosuke Ikeda is appointed upon approval of his

election, he will be covered by the insurance contract.

No.	Name Date of birth	Career summary, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
2	Yasuhiro Sato (February 9, 1964)  [Reappointment]  [Attendance at the Board of Directors meetings] 100% (13/13)	Executive Vice	President, Hokkai Can Co., Ltd.	5,200
2	the Company (current position)  [Significant concurrent positions]  Executive Vice President, Hokkai Can Co., Ltd.  President and Representative Director, OS Machinery Corp.			

Mr. Yasuhiro Sato is engaged in management as a Director of the Company, Hokkai Can Co., Ltd., a main business company of the Group, and as the President and Representative Director of OS Machinery Corp. He also has abundant experience and track record in the container business and is therefore a person necessary for enhancing the Group's corporate value. Accordingly, the Company nominated him once again as a candidate for Director.

Notes: 1. The candidate Mr. Yasuhiro Sato does not have any special interests in the Company.

- 2. Mr. Yasuhiro Sato is the President and Representative Director of OS Machinery Corp. The Company has business transactions with this company, such as money lending transactions and management fee.
- 3. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance (D&O Insurance) contract provided for in Article 430-3, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act with an insurance company. The contract is scheduled to be renewed in July 2024. This insurance contract covers litigation costs and compensation for damages to be borne by the insured persons, which may result from them being liable for the performance of their duties. If Mr. Yasuhiro Sato is appointed upon approval of his election, he will be covered by the insurance contract.

No.	Name Date of birth	Career summary, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
		April 1980	Joined Nihon Canpack Co., Ltd.	
		June 2008	Executive Officer, Nihon Canpack Co., Ltd.	
		June 2009	Director and Executive Officer, Nihon Canpack Co., Ltd.	
	Hideaki Tada	June 2014	Director and Managing Executive Officer, Nihon	
	(March 18, 1962)	April 2019	Canpack Co., Ltd. Director and Senior Executive Officer, Nihon	
	[Reappointment]	June 2021	Canpack Co., Ltd. Director and Managing Executive Officer, the	2,900
	[Attendance at the		Company	2,500
	Board of Directors meetings]	April 2024	Executive Vice President, Nihon Canpack Co., Ltd. (current position)	
	100% (13/13)	April 2024	Director and Senior Managing Executive Officer, the Company (current position)	
		[Significant con	ncurrent positions]	
3		Executive Vice		
		Director, OS M	Iachinery Corp.	

Mr. Hideaki Tada is engaged in management as a Director of the Company, and a Director of Nihon Canpack Co., Ltd. and OS Machinery Corp., which are main business companies of the Group. He also has abundant experience and track record in the contract filling business and is therefore a person necessary for the Group's future business expansion. Accordingly, the Company nominated him once again as a candidate for Director.

- Notes: 1. The candidate Mr. Hideaki Tada does not have any special interests in the Company.
  - 2. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance (D&O Insurance) contract provided for in Article 430-3, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act with an insurance company. The contract is scheduled to be renewed in July 2024. This insurance contract covers litigation costs and compensation for damages to be borne by the insured persons, which may result from them being liable for the performance of their duties. If Mr. Hideaki Tada is appointed upon approval of his election, he will be covered by the insurance contract.

No.	Name Date of birth	Career summary, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
4	Takuya Takeda (September 30, 1964)  [Reappointment]  [Attendance at the Board of Directors meetings] 100% (13/13)	Director and Sen	•	4,300

Mr. Takuya Takeda is engaged in management as a Director of the Company and of Hokkai Can Co., Ltd. and Nihon Canpack Co., Ltd., which are main business companies of the Group. He also has abundant experience, track record and insight that he accumulated in general affairs and human resources divisions, etc. Accordingly, the Company nominated him once again as a candidate for Director.

Notes: 1. The candidate Mr. Takuya Takeda does not have any special interests in the Company.

2. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance (D&O Insurance) contract provided for in Article 430-3, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act with an insurance company. The contract is scheduled to be renewed in July 2024. This insurance contract covers litigation costs and compensation for damages to be borne by the insured persons, which may result from them being liable for the performance of their duties. If Mr. Takuya Takeda is appointed upon approval of his election, he will be covered by the insurance contract.

No.	Name Date of birth	Career summary, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
5	Toshiaki Sunahiro (October 1, 1964)  [Reappointment]  [Attendance at the Board of Directors meetings] 100% (13/13)	[Significant con Director and Ser Director and Ser	Joined Hokkai Can Co., Ltd. (currently, the Company) Executive Officer, the Company Executive Officer, Nihon Canpack Co., Ltd. Director and Executive Officer, Nihon Canpack Co., Ltd. Director, the Company Director and Executive Officer, the Company Director and Managing Executive Officer, the Company (current position)  Management & Control Dept./Global Business Dept. current positions] nior Executive Officer, Hokkai Can Co., Ltd. nior Executive Officer, Nihon Canpack Co., Ltd. PT. HOKKAN DELTAPACK INDUSTRI	3,100

Mr. Toshiaki Sunahiro is engaged in management as a Director of the Company and of Hokkai Can Co., Ltd. and Nihon Canpack Co., Ltd., which are main business companies of the Group, and as a Commissioner of PT. HOKKAN DELTAPACK INDUSTRI. He also has abundant experience, track record and insight through serving in managerial positions at accounting and finance divisions, etc. Accordingly, the Company nominated him once again as a candidate for Director.

- Notes: 1. The candidate Mr. Toshiaki Sunahiro does not have any special interests in the Company.
  - 2. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance (D&O Insurance) contract provided for in Article 430-3, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act with an insurance company. The contract is scheduled to be renewed in July 2024. This insurance contract covers litigation costs and compensation for damages to be borne by the insured persons, which may result from them being liable for the performance of their duties. If Mr. Toshiaki Sunahiro is appointed upon approval of his election, he will be covered by the insurance contract.

No.	Name Date of birth	Cai	Number of shares of the Company held	
	Akiko Fujita (December 12, 1962)  [Reappointment]  [Outside]  [Independent]  [Years in office as Outside Director]  4 years (at the conclusion of this	April 1991 April 2001 April 2006 June 2020 April 2022 [Significant con	Associate professor, Faculty of Economics, Saga University Professor, Department of Business Administration, Faculty of Economics, Meiji Gakuin University Professor, Department of International Business, Faculty of Economics, Meiji Gakuin University (to present) Outside Director, the Company (current position) Dean, Faculty of Economics, Meiji Gakuin University (to present) current positions]	-
6	Meeting)  [Attendance at the Board of Directors meetings] 100% (13/13)		f Economics, and Professor, Department of siness, Faculty of Economics, Meiji Gakuin	

[Reason for nomination as candidate for Outside Director and overview of expected roles to be fulfilled]
Ms. Akiko Fujita has abundant academic experience and expertise in the field of accounting, and provides useful advice from a professional standpoint particularly regarding corporate accounting. Accordingly, she is expected to fulfill the roles stipulated in each item under "3. Selection criteria for Outside Directors" in the "Policy for Selection and Removal of Officers," and therefore the Company requests her election. Although she has not been involved in corporate management in the past other than as an outside officer, the Company believes that she can appropriately execute the duties as an Outside Director due to the above reasons.

Notes: 1. The candidate Ms. Akiko Fujita does not have any special interests in the Company.

- 2. Ms. Akiko Fujita is a candidate for Outside Director. If she is reappointed, she will continue serving as an independent officer as stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange and Sapporo Securities Exchange.
- 3. Pursuant to Article 427, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act, the Company has entered into a contract with Ms. Akiko Fujita to limit the liability for damages stipulated in Article 423, paragraph (1) of the said Act to the minimum liability amounts provided for by Article 425, paragraph (1) of the said Act. If she is reappointed, the Company will continue the same contract with her.
- 4. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance (D&O Insurance) contract provided for in Article 430-3, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act with an insurance company. The contract is scheduled to be renewed in July 2024. This insurance contract covers litigation costs and compensation for damages to be borne by the insured persons, which may result from them being liable for the performance of their duties. If Ms. Akiko Fujita is appointed upon approval of her election, she will be covered by the insurance contract.

No.	Name Date of birth	Career summary, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
	Kazuhide Koda	March 1993	Admitted as a certified public accountant	
	(October 20, 1962)	July 2013	Senior Partner, Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC.	
	[Reappointment] [Outside] [Independent]	July 2015  July 2021  [Significant core	General Manager, Okinawa Office, Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC. (until June 2021) Outside Director, the Company (current position) acurrent positions]	
	[Years in office as Outside Director] 3 years (at the conclusion of this Meeting)	_		-
7	[Attendance at the Board of Directors meetings] 100% (13/13)			

[Reason for nomination as candidate for Outside Director and overview of expected roles to be fulfilled] Mr. Kazuhide Koda is qualified as a certified public accountant. He has abundant experience and expertise regarding accounting and provides useful advice from a professional standpoint particularly regarding corporate accounting. Accordingly, he is expected to fulfill the roles stipulated in each item under "3. Selection criteria for Outside Directors" in the "Policy for Selection and Removal of Officers," and therefore the Company requests his election. Although he has not been involved in corporate management in the past other than as an outside officer, the Company believes that he can appropriately execute the duties as an Outside Director due to the above reasons.

Notes: 1. The candidate Mr. Kazuhide Koda does not have any special interests in the Company.

- 2. Mr. Kazuhide Koda is a candidate for Outside Director. If he is reappointed, he will continue serving as an independent officer as stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange and Sapporo Securities Exchange.
- 3. Pursuant to Article 427, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act, the Company has entered into a contract with Mr. Kazuhide Koda to limit the liability for damages stipulated in Article 423, paragraph (1) of the said Act to the minimum liability amounts provided for by Article 425, paragraph (1) of the said Act. If he is reappointed, the Company will continue the same contract with him.
- 4. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance (D&O Insurance) contract provided for in Article 430-3, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act with an insurance company. The contract is scheduled to be renewed in July 2024. This insurance contract covers litigation costs and compensation for damages to be borne by the insured persons, which may result from them being liable for the performance of their duties. If Mr. Kazuhide Koda is appointed upon approval of his election, he will be covered by the insurance contract.

No.	Name Date of birth	Career summary, positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions	Number of shares of the Company held
	Atsuko Watanabe (February 3, 1964)	April 1996 Registered as an attorney-at-law Joined Nagaishi Law Office August 2010 Opened Atsuko Watanabe Law office July 2014 Watanabe Law Offices (office name changed	1) (to
	[Reappointment] [Outside] [Independent]	June 2021 Outside Director, the Company (current position)  June 2023 Outside Director, Mitsubishi Paper Mills Lir (current position)	ition)
	[Years in office as Outside Director] 3 years (at the conclusion of this Meeting)	[Significant concurrent positions]  Representative, Watanabe Law Offices  Outside Director, Mitsubishi Paper Mills Limited	-
8	[Attendance at the Board of Directors meetings] 100% (13/13)		

[Reason for nomination as candidate for Outside Director and overview of expected roles to be fulfilled]
Ms. Atsuko Watanabe is qualified as a lawyer. She has abundant experience and expertise regarding legal affairs and provides useful advice from a professional standpoint particularly regarding compliance and corporate legal affairs. Accordingly, she is expected to fulfill the roles stipulated in each item under "3. Selection criteria for Outside Directors" in the "Policy for Selection and Removal of Officers," and therefore the Company requests her election. Although she has not been involved in corporate management in the past other than as an outside officer, the Company believes that she can appropriately execute the duties as an Outside Director due to the above reasons.

Notes: 1. The candidate Ms. Atsuko Watanabe does not have any special interests in the Company.

- 2. Ms. Atsuko Watanabe is a candidate for Outside Director. If she is reappointed, she will continue serving as an independent officer as stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange and Sapporo Securities Exchange.
- 3. Pursuant to Article 427, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act, the Company has entered into a contract with Ms. Atsuko Watanabe to limit the liability for damages stipulated in Article 423, paragraph (1) of the said Act to the minimum liability amounts provided for by Article 425, paragraph (1) of the said Act. If she is reappointed, the Company will continue the same contract with her.
- 4. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance (D&O Insurance) contract provided for in Article 430-3, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act with an insurance company. The contract is scheduled to be renewed in July 2024. This insurance contract covers litigation costs and compensation for damages to be borne by the insured persons, which may result from them being liable for the performance of their duties. If Ms. Atsuko Watanabe is appointed upon approval of her election, she will be covered by the insurance contract.

No.	Name Date of birth	Care	Number of shares of the Company held	
9	Takashi Furukawa (June 6, 1971)  [New appointment]  [Outside]  [Independent]	April 1995 July 2000 October 2002 June 2005 August 2007 August 2015 November 2017 August 2021 October 2021 [Significant concu	Joined the Bank of Japan Joined Boston Consulting Group CEO and Chairman, Ultima Partners Member of the Board and CFO, Transcu Technologies Co., Ltd. Director, Industrial Growth Platform, Inc. Corporate Officer, SanBio Co., Ltd. CEO and Chairman, Innophys Co., Ltd. SBIR Executive Program Manager, Cabinet Office, Government of Japan (current position) Managing Partner, UTokyo Innovation Platform Co., Ltd. (current position)	-
		Managing Partner	, UTokyo Innovation Platform Co., Ltd.	

[Reason for nomination as candidate for Outside Director and overview of expected roles to be fulfilled] Mr. Takashi Furukawa has management experience in multiple companies, is working as a capitalist on hands-on management supports in startup companies, and to create innovation. He has abundant experience regarding corporate management and provides useful advice for corporate governance and corporate value enhancement. Accordingly, he is expected to fulfill the roles stipulated in each item under "3. Selection criteria for Outside Directors" in the "Policy for Selection and Removal of Officers," and therefore the Company requests his election.

Notes: 1. The candidate Mr. Takashi Furukawa does not have any special interests in the Company.

- 2. Mr. Takashi Furukawa is a candidate for Outside Director. If his election is approved, he will serve as an independent officer as stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange and Sapporo Securities Exchange.
- 3. If the election of Mr. Takashi Furukawa is approved, the Company will, pursuant to Article 427, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act, enter into a contract with him to limit the liability for damages stipulated in Article 423, paragraph (1) of the said Act to the minimum liability amounts provided for by Article 425, paragraph (1) of the said Act.
- 4. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance (D&O Insurance) contract provided for in Article 430-3, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act with an insurance company. The contract is scheduled to be renewed in July 2024. This insurance contract covers litigation costs and compensation for damages to be borne by the insured persons, which may result from them being liable for the performance of their duties. If Mr. Takashi Furukawa is appointed upon approval of his election, he will be covered by the insurance contract.

# Proposal 2: Election of One (1) Substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Member

To prepare for a contingency in which the Company does not have the number of Audit & Supervisory Board Members required by laws and regulations, the Company proposes to elect one (1) Substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Member.

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

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

Name Date of birth	Career summary, positions, and significant concurrent positions		Number of shares of the Company held
	April 1992	Joined Morgan Stanley Japan Limited (currently,	
		Mitsubishi UFJ Morgan Stanley Securities Co., Ltd.)	
	April 2000	Registered as an attorney-at-law	
		Joined Nagashima Ohno & Tsunematsu	
	July 2010	Established Tokyo J Law Office (to the present)	
Eriko Matsuno	October 2015	Outside Auditor, WealthNavi Inc.	
(January 10, 1969)	June 2020	Outside Director, H.U. Group Holdings, Inc.	
, , ,	March 2022	Outside Director, WealthNavi Inc. (current position)	-
[Outside]	May 2023	Outside Director, TOKYO KOKI CO. LTD. (current	
[Independent]		position)	
	[Significant con	current positions]	
	Representative 1	awyer, Tokyo J Law Office	
	Outside Director, Audit & Supervisory Committee Member,		
	WealthNavi Inc		
	Outside Directo	r, TOKYO KOKI CO. LTD.	

[Reason for nomination as candidate for Substitute Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member]

Ms. Eriko Matsuno is qualified as a lawyer and has insight into legal affairs, so the Company expects to receive useful advice from her and proposes her election. Although she has not been involved in corporate management in the past other than as an outside officer, the Company believes that she can appropriately execute duties as an Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member.

- Notes: 1. The candidate Ms. Eriko Matsuno does not have any special interests in the Company.
  - 2. Ms. Eriko Matsuno is a candidate for Substitute Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member. If she is appointed as Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member, she will serve as an independent officer as stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange and Sapporo Securities Exchange.
  - 3. If Ms. Eriko Matsuno is appointed as Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member, the Company will, pursuant to Article 427, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act, enter into a contract with her to limit the liability for damages stipulated in Article 423, paragraph (1) of the said Act to the minimum liability amounts provided for by Article 425, paragraph (1) of the said Act.
  - 4. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance (D&O Insurance) contract provided for in Article 430-3, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act with an insurance company. The contract is scheduled to be renewed in July 2024. This insurance contract covers litigation costs and compensation for damages to be borne by the insured persons, which may result from them being liable for the performance of their duties. If Ms. Eriko Matsuno is appointed as Audit & Supervisory Board Member, she will be covered by the insurance contract.

# (Reference) Skills matrix of Director candidates

In order for the Board of Directors of the Company to appropriately fulfill its roles and responsibilities, the Company expects each Director to demonstrate the following knowledge and abilities (skills). The Company judged that the Board of Directors of the Company is equipped with necessary skills as a whole.

Skills that the Company particularly expects each Director to demonstrate are determined by the Board of Directors with reference to the career summary of each Director (Our criteria require Internal Directors to possess work experience of serving in the position of General Manager or higher for a certain period of time).

	Name	Positions and responsibilities	Skills (Those marked in gray are the skills the Company particularly expects Outside Directors to possess)								
No.			Cornorate	Sustainability	Management	Global business	Group business	Finance &	Legal affairs, risk management and compliance	Human	
1	Kosuke Ikeda	President and Representative Director	•		•	•	•				
2	Yasuhiro Sato	Director and Senior Managing Executive Officer		•			•				
3	Hideaki Tada	Director and Senior Managing Executive Officer					•				
4	Takuya Takeda	Director and Managing Executive Officer General Affairs Dept. Human Resources Dept.							•	•	
5	Toshiaki Sunahiro	Director and Managing Executive Officer Finance Dept. Management & Control Dept./Global Business Dept.			•			•			
6	Akiko Fujita	Outside Director (University professor)						•			
7	Kazuhide Koda	Outside Director (Certified public accountant)						•			
8	Atsuko Watanabe	Outside Director (Lawyer)							•		
9	Takashi Furukawa	Outside Director (Capitalist)	•		•	•					

The Company defines the skills that shall be possessed by the Board of Directors of the Company as follows.

Skills	Definitions
Corporate management	Skills to make managerial decisions from a broad perspective and to execute business management toward the enhancement of the Group's corporate value over a medium
	to long term, based on experience of corporate management in the position of president or posts with responsibilities equivalent thereto, and with deep insight into and experience in corporate governance, management strategies and management planning, etc.
Sustainability	Skills to promote sustainability management from the perspective of enhancing corporate value over a medium to long term based on issues of material importance for the Group.
Management planning, M&A	Skills to formulate and implement management strategies and management plans, inclusive of new business development and M&A, toward further development of the Group's businesses.
Global business	Skills to execute business operation toward further development, based on deep knowledge and experience in the Group's overseas operation and global business as a whole.
Group business	Skills to execute business operation toward further development, based on deep knowledge and experience in technical development, production and sales, etc. concerning the Group's three mainstay businesses (container, filling and overseas)
Finance & accounting, tax affairs	Skills to execute business management toward the enhancement of the Group's corporate value over a medium to long term based on deep knowledge and experience regarding finance, accounting and tax affairs, which are fundamental to management strategies and business management.
Legal affairs, risk management and compliance	Skills to execute business management toward the enhancement of the Group's corporate value over a medium to long term based on deep knowledge and experience regarding legal affairs, risk management and compliance, which are fundamental to management strategies and corporate governance.
Human resource development	Skills to promote human resource strategies such as retention of a diverse workforce and supporting their growth from the perspective of enhancing the Group's corporate value over a medium to long term.

(Reference) Summary of criteria and procedures of the selection of candidates for Director and Audit & Supervisory Board Member

The Board of Directors of the Company has resolved and operates the "Policy for Selection and Removal of Officers" as criteria and procedures of the selection of candidates for Director and Audit & Supervisory Board Member.

https://hokkanholdings.co.jp/en/wp-content/themes/hokkan\_hd\_eng/pdf/english/governance1.pdf An overview is as follows:

# [Scale and Composition of the Board of Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board]

Taking into consideration the business characteristics of each Group company and the role of the Company as a holding company, and the necessity to expedite decision-making and being able to delegate authority, the Board of Directors is composed of an appropriate number of members of ten (10) or less as stipulated in the Articles of Incorporation.

Taking into account the knowledge and abilities required for the Company to promote sound management as well as the proportion of Outside Directors and female Directors on the Board of Directors and other diversity of the Board of Directors, at least one-third of the number of Directors of the Board of Directors is composed of independent Outside Directors from the Company.

Taking into consideration the abundant experience and knowledge required to carry out audits of the Company and the Group, as well as to get a good balance of knowledge of finance, accounting, and legal affairs, the Audit & Supervisory Board is composed of an appropriate number of members of five (5) or less as stipulated in the Articles of Incorporation.

#### [Selection criteria for Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members]

The Company requires its Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members to have outstanding personality, knowledge, ability, and rich experience; to have high ethical standards; to be persons who proactively act toward the sustainable growth of the Group and the enhancement of corporate value in the medium and long term while adhering to the Code of Conduct established by the Board of Directors; to be concurrently appointed with no more than four (4) other listed company executive positions; and to attend Board of Directors meetings at a rate of roughly 85% or more, as a guideline for the proper performance of their role and responsibilities, and uses these criteria for candidate selection.

#### [Selection criteria for Outside Directors]

The Company has established the following criteria regarding the roles and responsibilities expected of Outside Directors, and selects those who meet these criteria as candidates for Outside Directors.

(1) Promote sustainable growth of the Company based on their own knowledge of management policies and management improvement, and give advice from the perspective of improving corporate value in the medium and long term

- (2) Provide management supervision through key decisions of the Board of Directors
- (3) Supervise conflicts of interest between the Company and the Group's management and major shareholders
- (4) Ensure that the opinions of each stakeholder are appropriately reflected in the Board of Directors in an independent position from the Group's management and major shareholders

#### [Overview of independence criteria]

The Company has established the criteria for judging the independence of its officers based on laws and regulations and the independence criteria established by the Listed Stock Exchange. An outline is as follows.

Independent officers shall not fall under any of the following items:

- (1) A person who is an Executive Officer, Audit & Supervisory Board Member (excluding Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members) of the Group or a person who has been an Executive Officer or Audit & Supervisory Board Member (excluding Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members) of the Group in the past ten (10) years
- (2) A person for whom the Group is a main business partner or an Executive Officer thereof
- (3) A main business partner of the Group or an Executive Officer thereof
- (4) Consultants, certified public accountants or legal professionals who have obtained substantial amounts of money or other property other than executive remuneration from the Group (in the case where the person who has obtained such property is a corporation, union, or other organization, a person who belongs to such organization)
- (5) A person or an Executive Officer of a corporation, union, or other organization who receives a large amount of donations or grants from the Group.
- (6) A major shareholder of the Company or an Executive Officer thereof
- (7) Any person who has fallen under any of (2) to (6) within the past three (3) years
- (8) Relatives within the second degree of kinship of the following persons (with regard to employees, limited to those with the position of General Manager or above):
  - (i) An Executive Officer or Audit & Supervisory Board Member of the Group, or a person who has been an Executive Officer or Audit & Supervisory Board Member of the Group within the past three (3) years
  - (ii) Any person who falls under any of the above (2) to (7)

# [Selection procedures of candidates for officers]

The Company has established the following selection procedures of candidates for officers:

- (1) In selecting candidates for the Board of Directors, based on these criteria, the Code of Conduct established by the Board of Directors and the internal rules of the Officers Nomination Review Committee, the Officers Nomination Review Committee shall prepare a personnel plan and submit it to the Board of Directors after obtaining the consent of the Audit & Supervisory Board.
- (2) The Board of Directors shall respect the personnel plan submitted by the Officer Nomination

Review Committee, deliberate on it, and make decisions