(Additional) Announcement of Candidate for Outside Director

Kuraray Co., Ltd. has added an Outside Director position to its executive personnel as disclosed in "Announcement of Change in Executive Personnel" on November 27, 2019.

The candidate will be officially appointed at the 139th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders to be held at the end of March 2020.

1. <u>Director (Scheduled effective date: General Meeting of Shareholders at</u> the end of March 2020)

| New position | Name | Current position |
|------------------|--------------|------------------|
| Outside Director | Keiko Murata | — |
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2. Career summary of the newly appointed director

Name: Keiko Murata XOutside Director Date of birth: February 25, 1962

Educational background:

| March 1986 | BA. in Economics, University of Tokyo |
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| November 1999 | D. Phil. in Economics, University of Oxford |

Career history:

| April 1986 | Entered Economic Planning Agency of Japan (EPA) | | |
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| August 2005 | Director for Overseas Economies, Directorate General for | | |
| | Economic Research, Cabinet Office | | |
| August 2006 | Director for International Affairs, Secretariat of the Science | | |
| | Council of Japan, Cabinet Office | | |
| July 2008 | Professor, Graduate School of Social Sciences, Tokyo | | |
| | Metropolitan University | | |
| May 2015 | Advisor to the President, Tokyo Metropolitan University | | |
| July 2017 | Trustee, Nippon Life Insurance Company (Current position) | | |
| April 2018 | Professor, Graduate School of Management, Tokyo Metropolitan | | |
| | University (Current position) | | |

3. <u>The members of the board of directors and corporate auditors</u> <u>after the 139th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders</u>

| Representative Director and President | Masaaki Ito |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Representative Director and | Hiroaya Hayase |
| Senior Managing Executive Officer | |
| Director and Senior Managing | Yoshimasa Sano |
| Executive Officer | |
| Director and Managing Executive | Kenichi Abe |
| Officer | |
| Director and Managing Executive | Hitoshi Kawahara |
| Officer | |
| Director and Managing Executive | Keiji Taga |
| Officer | |
| Director and Managing Executive | Matthias Gutweiler |
| Officer | |
| Director and Managing Executive | Nobuhiko Takai |
| Officer | |
| Outside Director | Tomokazu Hamaguchi |
| Outside Director | Jun Hamano |
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| Outside Director | Keiko Murata |
| Outside Director | Satoshi Tanaka |
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| Standing Corporate Auditor | Kazuhiro Nakayama |
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| Standing Corporate Auditor | Yukinori Yamane |
| External Corporate Auditor | Mitsuhiro Nagahama |
| External Corporate Auditor | Tomomi Yatsu |
| External Corporate Auditor | Kenji Komatsu |