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## Notice Concerning Change of Certified Public Accountant, etc.

At a meeting of the Board of Corporate Auditors held today, the Board of Corporate Auditors resolved to change the certified public accountant, etc. who provides audit certification under Article 193-2, Paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, and at a meeting of the Board of Directors held on the same day, the Board of Directors resolved to submit the proposal to the 15th Ordinary General Shareholders' Meeting scheduled to be held on January 26, 2023. Accordingly, the Company hereby announces the following.

Details

1. Scheduled date of change

January 26, 2023 (Scheduled date of the 15th Ordinary General Shareholders' Meeting)

## 2. Outline of the certified public accountant, etc. to be appointed and retired

Name	Grant Thornton Taiyo LLC
Address	1-2-7 Motoakasaka, Minato-ku, Tokyo
Name of operating partners	Tetsuya Ishihara, Hiroyuki Nanba
Registration status under the registration system for audit firms of listed companies of the Japanese Institute of Certified Public Accountants	Registered.

(2) Certified public accountant, etc. to be retired

Name	Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC
Address	1-1-2, Yurakucho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo
Name of operating partners	Eishi Yoshida, Masayoshi Zenpo

3. Reason for nominating the persons stated in 2. (1) as candidates for certified public accountant, etc.

The Board of Corporate Auditors has nominated Grant Thornton Taiyo LLC as a candidate for the position of accounting auditor because the Board of Corporate Auditors has comprehensively considered the professional skills, independence, professional ethics, quality control system, and level of audit fees required of an accounting auditor, and has determined that the firm is qualified to serve as an accounting auditor.

- 4. Date of appointment of retiring certified public accountant, etc. June 30, 2016
- 5. Opinions, etc. in audit reports, etc. prepared by the retiring certified public accountant, etc. for the past three years Not applicable.
- 6. Reasons and background leading to the decision or change

The term of office of Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC, the Company's accounting auditor, will expire at the conclusion of the 15th Ordinary General Shareholders' Meeting to be held on January 26, 2023. We believe that our current accounting auditor is fully equipped with a system to ensure that accounting audits are conducted properly and appropriately.

However, due to the long term of auditing with the Company and in consideration of changes in the business environment, etc., and as a result of comparisons with other auditing firms regarding audit responses appropriate to the scale of the Company's business and the appropriateness of audit fees, the Company proposes to appoint Grant Thornton Taiyo LLC as its new accounting auditor for the reasons stated in 3. above.

- 7. Opinion on the reasons and background of 6.
  - (1) Opinion of the retiring accounting auditor

We have received a response stating that there are no special comments.

(2) Opinion of the Board of Corporate Auditors It has been determined that it is appropriate.

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