To Our Shareholders

9-3, Higashi-Shimbashi 1-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo NIPPON EXPRESS CO., LTD.
Kenji Watanabe
President and Representative Director

NOTICE OF THE 108TH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

Dear Shareholders:

You are cordially invited to attend the 108th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of NIPPON EXPRESS CO., LTD. (the "Company").

If you are unable to attend the aforesaid meeting, you can exercise your votes through either of the methods stated below. The Company respectfully requests that you review the "Reference Material Concerning the General Meeting of Shareholders" below and exercise your voting rights on or before 6:00 p.m. (JST) June 26, 2014 (Thursday):

[By mail]

Please indicate on the Voting Right Exercise Form enclosed herewith your consent or dissent to the proposals on the agenda, and return the form to the Company by mail on or before the time limit stated above.

[Via the Internet]

When exercising your right via the Internet, please carefully read Guidance regarding the exercise of voting rights via the Internet in the "Procedures for Exercising Voting Rights via the Internet" stated in page 3 of the Japanese original version (p.*-p.* note: intentionally omitted as Internet voting service is only available in Japan with the Japanese language).

(Note: The Company participates in the ICJ platform for institutional investors to vote from ProxyEdge® system of Broadridge. For further details, please consult with your custodian(s), nominee(s) and/or broker(s). Voting via Internet other than ICJ platform is only available for registered shareholders in Japan with Japanese language only.)

(Note to shareholders residing outside Japan)

Your vote is important. We will appreciate your participation in the meeting of this Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company through providing instruction to your custodians, brokers, nominees, voting agents or other authorized intermediaries to process your vote as soon as possible. We look forward to receiving your vote.

- When you attend the meeting, please submit the enclosed document for the exercise of voting rights to the receptionist at the meeting place.
- In the event that any event occurs to amend the items to be presented in the Reference Document Concerning General Meeting of Shareholders, the Business Report, Consolidated Accounting Documents and Non-Consolidated Accounting Documents, please be informed that the Company will display the amended items on the Company's website (http://www.nittsu.co.jp/).

Particulars

1. Date and Time: 10:00 a.m. on June 27, 2014 (Friday)

2. Place: Large Conference Room, on the 2nd floor of Nippon Express Co., Ltd.

9-3, Higashi-Shimbashi 1-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo

(Please refer to the guidance map to the place of the meeting stated at the

end of this document.)

3. Objectives of the Meeting

Matters to be reported:

Report on Business, the Consolidated Accounting Documents, the Non-Consolidated Accounting Documents for the 108th Business Term (from April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014), and the Report on the Results of Audit of Consolidated Accounting Documents by Accounting Auditor and the Board of Corporate Auditors.

Matters to be resolved:

Proposal 1: Proposed Disposal of Surplus

Proposal 2: Election of Fifteen (15) Directors

Proposal 3: Election of One (1) Corporate Auditor

Proposal 4: Presentation of Bonuses to Directors

Proposal 5: Continuation of Defense Policy against Large Purchase Action of Shares and the like of the Company (Takeover Defense Measure)

4. Guidance for Exercising Voting Rights:

(Please refer to the [Guidance for Exercising Voting Rights] in the next page.)

(Note: This paragraph intentionally omitted as the Internet voting service is only available in Japan with the Japanese language)

<About the platform for exercising voting rights>

Nominal owners such as management trust banks (including standing proxies) may make prior application to use the electronic voting rights exercise platform (the so-called "TSE platform") as an electronic method for exercising voting rights for this ordinary general meeting of shareholders instead of exercising the voting rights via the Internet.

Reference Material Concerning General Meeting of Shareholders

Proposals and References Materials

Proposal 1: Proposed Disposal of Surplus

The Company's fundamental dividend policy is to declare a stabilized dividend as a distribution of the results, taking into consideration internal reserves to prepare for future business development. The Company proposes that the year-end dividend for the business year under review be made as follows:

Matters related to year-end dividend

(1) Kind of dividend property: Cash

(2) Matters related to distribution of cash and total amount:

Yen 5 per share of common stock of the Company

The total amount: 5,129,269,320 yen

(3) Effective date for distribution of surplus: June 30, 2014

Proposal 2: Election of Fifteen (15) Directors

The terms of office of all the 14 Directors will expire at the closing of this Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders. It is proposed that fifteen (15) Directors be elected, including two new Outside Directors, in order to improve management transparency and to strengthen the corporate governance of the Company.

The candidates for Directors are listed below.

		Profile		Number of	
Candidate	Name		and Responsibilities, and Important f Other Organizations Concurrently	Company's	
Number	(Date of Birth)	Position o	Shares Held by		
		1 1066	Assumed (if any))	Candidate	
		April 1966	Joined the Company		
		June 2001	Director and Officer		
		June 2003	Executive Vice President and		
			Representative Director,		
1	Masanori Kawai		Executive Officer	266,000	
	(September 30, 1943)	May 2005	President and Representative		
			Director, Chief Executive Officer		
		June 2011	Chairman and Representative		
			Director (Incumbent)		
	Kenji Watanabe (February 3, 1950)	April 1972	Joined the Company		
		June 2005	Director and Officer, Regional		
			General Manager, No. 9 Region, and		
			General Manager, Osaka Branch		
		May 2007	Director and Senior Managing		
			Officer, Regional General Manager,		
			Tokyo Metropolitan Region, and		
2			General Manager, Tokyo Branch	187,030	
		May 2009	Executive Vice President and		
			Representative Director, Executive		
			Officer		
		June 2011	President and Representative		
			Director, Chief Executive Officer		
			(Incumbent)		
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Candidate Number	Name (Date of Birth)	Profile (Position and Responsibilities, and Important Position of Other Organizations Concurrently Assumed (if any))	Number of Company's Shares Held by Candidate
3	Jiro Nakamura (January 22, 1950)	April 1973 Joined the Company June 2008 Director and Managing Officer June 2011 Executive Vice President and Representative Director, Executive Officer (Incumbent) (Duties in charge) Chief Managing Officer of International Business Headquarters	131,000
4	Akira Ohinata (October 27, 1953)	April 1976 Joined the Company May 2009 Officer June 2009 Director and Officer June 2011 Director and Managing Officer May 2014 Executive Vice President and Representative Director, Executive Officer (Incumbent) (Duties in charge) Chief Managing Officer, Sales Promotion Headquarters and in charge of Sales Strategy Division	85,000
5	Mitsuru Saito (September 22, 1954)	April 1978 Joined the Company May 2009 Officer, Regional General Manager, Tohoku Region and General Manager, Sendai Branch May 2012 Managing Officer June 2012 Director and Managing Officer May 2014 Executive Vice President and Representative Director, Executive Officer (Incumbent) (Duties in charge) Chief Managing Officer of Domestic Business Headquarters, Chief Managing Officer of Network Transport Business Promotion Headquarters and Chief Managing Officer of Administrative Headquarters	66,000
6	Takahiro Ideno (June 10, 1953)	April 1978 Joined the Company June 2010 Director and Officer, Regional General Manager, Chubu Region and General Manager, Nagoya Branch May 2012 Director and Managing Officer (Incumbent) (Duties in charge) In charge of Security Transport Business Division	75,000

Candidate Number	Name (Date of Birth)	Profile (Position and Responsibilities, and Important Position of Other Organizations Concurrently		Number of Company's Shares Held by
rumoer		April 1977	Assumed (if any)) Joined the Company	Candidate
7	Hideo Hanaoka (August 8, 1952)	June 2011 June 2012 May 2014 (Duties in cl In charge of	Officer Director and Officer Director and Managing Officer (Incumbent)	37,000
*8	Takaaki Ishii (October 12, 1954)	April 1978 June 2005 May 2007	Joined the Company General Manager, Kansai Airport Branch General Manager,	
		May 2009	International Freight Division, Tokyo Air Service Branch General Manager,	
		June 2010	Corporate Planning Division General Manager, Corporate Planning Division, and General Manager, Real Estate	
		June 2011	Development Division Officer, Regional General Manager, North Kanto & Shin-Etsu Region, and	36,000
		December 2013	General Manager, Gunma Branch Officer	
		May 2014 Managing Officer (Incumbent) (Duties in charge) In charge of Corporate Planning Division, Information Technology Promotion Division and Real Estate Development Division		
9	Yasuaki Nii (August 20, 1956)	April 1980 June 2011	Joined the Company Director and Officer, Regional General Manager, Kansai Region and General Manager, Osaka Branch(Incumbent)	
		Division, G	f Public Relations & Advertising eneral Affairs & Labor Division, ivision, NITTSU Group University	39,000

Candidate Number	Name (Date of Birth)	Profile (Position and Responsibilities, and Important Position of Other Organizations Concurrently Assumed (if any))		Number of Company's Shares Held by Candidate
*10	Hisao Taketsu (January 18,1958)	_	Joined the Company Group General Manager, General Affairs & Labor Division Personnel and Competence Development General Manager, Kanazawa Branch General Manager, Business Division Officer, Regional General Manager, Shikoku Region, and General Manager, Shikoku Branch Officer Managing Officer, Regional General Manager, Tokyo Metropolitan Region, and General Manager, Tokyo Branch (Incumbent) arge) eneral Manager, Tokyo Metropolitan General Manager, Tokyo Branch	39,000
11	Yutaka Ito (May 15, 1955)		Joined the Company President and Director, Nippon Express (U.K.) Ltd. Officer Director and Officer (Incumbent) arge) Air Cargo Business Division and anning Division	27,000
12	Masahiko Hata (April 3, 1955)	April 1979 May 2009 May 2012 June 2012 (Duties in ch In charge of	Joined the Company General Manager, Finance & Accounting Division Officer and General Manager, Finance & Accounting Division Director and Officer (Incumbent) arge) Finance & Accounting Division	26,000
13	Noboru Shibusawa (September 12, 1951)	(Important P Concurrently President an	Joined the Company Director and Managing Officer Director (Incumbent) President and Representative Director of NITTSU SHOJI CO., LTD. (Incumbent) Position of Other Organizations by Assumed) d Representative Director of HOJI CO., LTD.	58,000

G 11.1			Profile and Responsibilities, and Important	Number of
Candidate Name (Date of Birth)		(Position a Position of	Company's Shares Held by	
		1 Osition of	Candidate	
*14	Masahiro Sugiyama (February 25, 1941)	Concurrentl Chairman, I Organizatio Vice Chairn Director and	Highway Industry Development	3,000
*15	Shigeo Nakayama (April 3, 1952)	Concurrentl Outside Cor Television C	porate Auditor, Shizuoka Daiichi	3,000

(Note) 1. There is no special interest between the Company and each of the candidates.

- 2. Candidates with an * are new candidates.
- 3. Messrs. Masahiro Sugiyama and Shigeo Nakayama are candidates for Outside Directors. If this proposal is approved and resolved, the Company will provide notice to the Tokyo Stock Exchange Incorporated of Messrs. Sugiyama and Nakayama being independent officers.
- 4. The reasons for the selection of Messrs. Masahiro Sugiyama and Shigeo Nakayama for Outside Director are as follows.
 - (1) Mr. Masahiro Sugiyama has many years of experience in research in the area of transport and freight as a university professor, and therefore the Company requests the shareholders to elect Mr. Sugiyama as Outside Director in the judgment of the Company that he will be able to utilize his abundant experience and deep insight in the management of the Company. Mr. Sugiyama has no direct experience in managing a company, however, based on the above

- reason, the Company believes he will be able to carry out his duties as Outside Director appropriately.
- (2) Mr. Shigeo Nakayama has expert knowledge in Labor Law and the Labor Relations Act as an attorney, and therefore the Company requests the shareholders to elect Mr. Nakayama as Outside Director in the judgment of the Company that he will be able to utilize his legal knowledge which he has cultivated over many years and his abundant experience in the management of the Company. Mr. Nakayama has no direct experience in managing a company other than serving as an outside corporate auditor, however, based on the above reason, the Company believes he will be able to carry out his duties as Outside Director appropriately.
- 5. Agreement to limit Outside Director's liability

When the election of Messrs.' Masahiro Sugiyama and Shigeo Nakayama is approved and resolved, and the Company will enter into an agreement to Outside Director's limit liabilities with them in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation. The limit of liability under the agreement shall be an amount provided for in the laws and regulations.

Proposal 3: Election of One (1) Corporate Auditor

The term of office of Outside Corporate Auditor, Mr. Shinichi Miyazaki will expire at the close of this Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders. It is proposed that one (1) Corporate Auditor be elected.

The submission of this proposal to this Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders has obtained the prior consent of the Board of Corporate Auditors.

The candidate for Corporate Auditor is listed below:

The candidate for corporate reaction is inseed below.						
Name	Profile		Number of			
(Date of Birth)	(Position and Duties in charge, and Important Position of		Company's Shares Held by Candidate			
(Date of Diffil)	Other Organ	Other Organizations Concurrently Assumed (if any))				
	May 1976	Joined the Company				
	October 2006	General Manager, Asia & Oceania Ocean				
		Cargo Business Division and General				
		Manager, Ocean Cargo Branch, Nippon				
		Express (Hong Kong) Co., Ltd.				
	May 2008	General Manager, Yokohama International				
		Transport Branch				
	May 2009	Associate Director, in charge of China,				
		Regional General Manager, Asia &				
		Oceania				
	May 2010	Officer, Regional General Manager, East				
Takashi Wada		Asia, and President and Director, Nippon				
(July 26, 1953)		Express (Hong Kong) Co., Ltd.	60,000			
(041) 20, 1933)	May 2012	Managing Officer, Regional General				
		Manager, East Asia, and President and				
		Director, Nippon Express (Hong Kong)				
		Co., Ltd.				
	February 2013	Managing Officer, Regional General				
		Manager, East Asia, President and				
		Director, Nippon Express (Hong Kong)				
		Co., Ltd., and Chairman, Nippon Express				
		(China) Co., Ltd.				
	May 2014	Senior Advisor				
		(Incumbent)				
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(Notes) 1. There is no special interest between Mr. Takashi Wada and the Company.

2. Mr. Takashi Wada is a new candidate.

Proposal 4: Presentation of Bonuses to Directors

Taking into account the amounts provided as bonuses in the past and the results of operation for the business year under review, it is proposed that a total amount of 90,000,000 yen for bonuses be paid to a total of fourteen (14) Directors as a group.

Proposal 5: Continuation of Defense Policy against Large Purchase Action of Shares and the like of the Company (Takeover Defense Measure)

At the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company held on May 8, 2014 the Company adopted a resolution with respect to the continuation of "the defense policy against large purchase action of shares and the like of the Company" (hereinafter referred to as "Current Plan") which was approved by shareholders at the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company held on June 29, 2011.

Since Current Plan terminates at the close of this Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders, the Company examined what Company policy should be, including whether or not Current Plan should be continued in the light of securing and enhancing the corporate value and in turn common interest of shareholders of the Company. As a result, taking into consideration changes of the circumstances and the contents and the like of the "Takeover Defense Measures in Light of Recent Environmental Changes" published by the Corporate Value Study Group on June 30, 2008, the Company determined to continue Current Plan with amendments subject to approval of shareholders of the Company (Current Plan with amendments hereinafter being referred to as "this Plan").

Furthermore, all the four Corporate Auditors of the Company including three Outside Corporate Auditors made a statement to the effect that this Plan is judged reasonable defense policy against large purchase action of shares and the like of the Company.

Accordingly, the Company takes liberty to ask shareholders to approve the continuation of this Plan.

1. Purpose of this Plan

The Board of Directors of the Company determined to continue this Plan for the purpose of making clear rules for any person conducting a large purchase action of shares and the like of the Company to comply with, securing necessary and sufficient time and information required for shareholders to make an appropriate judgment and securing an opportunity to negotiate with the persons conducting the large purchase action.

This Plan designs the rules with which any persons conducting a large purchase action of shares and the like of the Company should comply, makes it clear that any persons conducting a large purchase action might incur damages if and when the Company takes a defense measure in the specified case. By disclosing these cases appropriately, a warning is hereby given to any persons conducting a large purchase action which will not facilitate the corporate value and in turn common interest of shareholders of the Company.

In connection with triggering the counter measure, for the purpose of eliminating any arbitrary judgment from the Board of Directors of the Company, this Plan secures transparency by respecting to the full extent the recommendation to be made by the independent committee (hereinafter referred to as "Independent Committee") consisting of such persons only as independent from the management executing business of the Company, including outside Director, outside Corporate Auditor or outside experts (well performed company executive, ex-government officer, lawyer, certified public accountant or person of learning and experience or other person equivalent thereto) pursuant to the Regulations for Independent Committee and by disclosing timely information to shareholders. For the members of Independent Committee, Messrs. Masahiro Sugiyama, Naoto Nakamura and Zenjiro Watanabe as stated in the Attachment 1 are expected to assume the offices.

The conditions of large shareholders of the Company as at March 31, 2014 are stated on "Conditions of shareholding of large shareholders of the Company" in the Attachment 2. As at March 31, 2014, the Company has not received any proposal for a large purchase action of shares

and the like of the Company.

2. Details of this Plan (Measures to prevent an inappropriate person, in the light of the Basic Policy, from controlling in determining the Company's policy toward its finance and business)

(1) Procedure for this Plan:

① Large Purchase Action of Shares and the like:

This Plan will apply to a purchase action of shares and the like of the Company falling under item (i) or (ii) below or other action equivalent thereto (other than those actions approved by the Board of Directors of the Company: such action to be referred to as "Large Purchase and the Like"). Any persons conducting Large Purchase and the Like (hereinafter referred to as "Purchaser and the Like") shall comply with the procedure provided for in this Plan in advance.

- (i) Any purchase of shares¹ and the like of the Company, as a result of which a holding ratio³ of the holder² is 20% or more.
- (ii) With respect to shares and the like⁴ of the Company, a tender offer bid⁵ as a result of which the ratio of holding⁶ shares and the like together with the holding ratio by specially related persons⁷ is 20% or more.
- ② Prior Submission of "Letter of Intent" to the Company:

Purchaser and the Like shall submit to the Board of Directors of the Company a statement in Japanese language in the form designated by the Company describing covenants to comply with the procedure provided for in this Plan (hereinafter referred to as "Letter of Intent") in connection with a Large Purchase and the Like prior to contemplation of Large Purchase and the Like.

Specifically, the following will be stated in Letter of Intent.

- (i) Summary of Purchaser and the Like:
 - (a) Name and address or location
 - (b) Position and name of the representative

¹ This means "share and the like" as defined in Article 27-23, paragraph 1 of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act. Unless otherwise defined below, the same will apply. Furthermore, in case of any amendment to the provisions of the laws and regulations cited in this Plan, each provision of the laws and regulations cited in this Plan, unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors of the Company, will read such each provision as succeeding substantially provisions of the laws and regulations after the amendments.

² This means the holder as defined in Article 27-23, paragraph 1, including person deemed the holder pursuant to the same Article, paragraph 3 and the same hereafter.

³ This means the "holding ratio of shares and the like" as defined in Article 27-23, paragraph 4, and the same hereafter.

⁴ This mean the "shares and the like" as defined in Article 27-2, paragraph 1, and the same is applied to (ii).

⁵ This is defined in Article 27-2, paragraph 6, and the same hereafter.

⁶ This means the "holding ratio of shares and the like" as defined in Article 27-2, paragraph 8, and the same hereafter.

⁷ This means the specially related person(s) defined in Article 27-2, paragraph 7; provided, however, that the person stated in the same paragraph, item 1 is excluded from the person stated in Article 3, paragraph 2 of the Cabinet Order relating to Disclosure of Tender offer for Share Certificates, etc. by Person Other than Issuer and the same hereafter.

- (c) Purpose and details of the business of company and the like
- (d) Summary of large shareholders or large investors (top ten shareholders or investors)
- (e) Address of contact in Japan
- (f) Laws under which a company is incorporated
- (ii) Number of shares and the like of the Company held by Purchaser and the Like and the status of transactions of the Company's shares and the like by Purchaser and the Like for 60 days prior to the date on which Letter of Intent was submitted.
- (iii) Summary of Large Purchase and the Like proposed by Purchaser and the Like (including the type and number of shares and the like of the Company scheduled to be acquired by Large Purchase and the Like and the purpose of Large Purchase and the Like (in the case of acquisition of controlling power or participation in management, portfolio investment or strategic investment, planned transfer of shares and the like of the Company following Large Purchase and the Like or other purpose such as important proposing action⁸, the situation and the details thereof. In case of more than one purpose, all should be stated.)

③ Provision of "Necessary Information":

In the event that Letter of Intent stated in paragraph ② above has been submitted, Purchaser and the Like shall be required to provide to the Company information in Japanese language necessary and sufficient for shareholders to make judgment on Large Purchase and the Like (hereinafter referred to as "Necessary Information") pursuant to the procedure stated below.

First, since the Company will dispatch to the address of contact in Japan in paragraph ② (i)(e) above "List of Information" stating a list of information to initially be provided within 10 business days⁹ (the commencement day not inclusive) after the day on which Letter of Intent was submitted, Purchaser and the Like shall provide to the Company sufficient information in accordance with "List of Information".

Secondly, in the event that the Board of Directors of the Company and Independent Committee reasonably deemed information Purchaser and the Like provided in accordance with "List of Information" insufficient for shareholders and the Board of Directors of the Company to make judgment in the light of the details and manner of Large Purchase and the Like, Purchaser and the Like shall be required to provide additional information that the Board of Directors of the Company separately requested.

However, from a viewpoint of prompt provision of information from Purchaser and the Like and also from a viewpoint of avoiding arbitrarily to manage to prolong the period during which Purchaser and the Like should provide information by the Board of Directors requesting repeatedly to provide additional information, the number of days during which information should be provided (the "Information Providing Period"), is limited to 60 days commencing the day following the day of the receipt of Letter of Intent, and in the event that sufficient information has not been provided, if the Information Providing Period has terminated, at that moment "Board Evaluation Period" (which is explained in paragraph 4 below) shall be set forth. (Provided, however, that if Purchaser and the Like asks to extend the period with reasonable cause, the period may be extended as the necessity arises.)

Thirdly, regardless of the details and manner of Large Purchase and the Like, information relating to each of the following items shall in principle be included in part of List of Information.

(i) Details of Purchaser and the Like and its group (joint holder 10, specially related person

⁸ This means important proposing actions provided for in the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, Article 27-26, paragraph 1, the Order for Enforcement of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, Article 14-8-2, paragraph 1, and Article 16 of Cabinet Order relating to Disclosure of Large Volume Holding of Share Certificates, etc. The same shall be hereinafter applicable unless otherwise provided for.

⁹ Business day means a day other than the day listed in each item of paragraph 1 of Article 1 of the Act on the Holidays of Administrative Organs. The same shall be applicable hereafter.

¹⁰ This means joint holder defined in the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, Article 27-23, paragraph 5, including that

- and in the case of investment partnership, including each partner and other constituents), including history, specified names, capital structure, details of business, details of finance, names and career and the like of officers.
- (ii) Purpose of Large Purchase and the Like (details of the purpose disclosed in Letter of Intent), the manner and details (including whether or not it intends to participate in management, kind of consideration for Large Purchase and the Like and an amount thereof, timing of Large Purchase and the Like, structure of transactions related thereto, the number of shares and the like scheduled to be purchased, the ratio of holding shares and the like after Purchase and the Like is completed, and legality of the manner in which Large Purchase and the Like is conducted).
- (iii) Basis on which consideration for Large Purchase and the Like is calculated (including the conditions on which it is calculated, method of calculation, numerical information used for the calculation and details of synergy expected to accrue from a series of transactions relating to Large Purchase and the Like, in case of collecting a third party's opinion in connection with the calculation, the name of the third party and the summary thereof and process to determine the amount of consideration based on the opinion).
- (iv) How to finance the funds for Large Purchase and the Like (specified name of fund provider (including any substantial provider), method of finance and details of the related transaction).
- (v) Whether or not it communicates with any third party in connection with Large Purchase and the Like and in case of communication made with any third party, details thereof and the summary of the third party.
- (vi) In the event that Purchaser and the Like have already entered into a lease agreement, pledge agreement, buy-back agreement, engagement agreement for purchase and sale or other important agreement or arrangement (hereinafter referred to as "Pledge Agreement and the Like"), the specified terms and conditions of the Pledge Agreement and the Like such as the type of the agreement, party to the agreement and the number and quantity of shares and the like subject to the agreement.
- (vii) In the event that Purchaser and the Like are scheduled to agree with any third party or agree to enter into Pledge Agreement and the Like relating to shares and the like planned to be purchased by Large Purchaser and the Like, specified details of the agreement such as type of scheduled agreement, the opponent party to the agreement and the number and quantity of shares and the like subject to the agreement.
- (viii)Management policy, business plan, capital policy and dividend policy of the Company and the Company group following Large Purchase and the Like.
- (ix) Policy on how to treat employees of the Company, the labor union, business partners, customers and local community and other stakeholders with the Company following Large Purchase and the Like.
- (x) Any specified measure to avoid any conflict of interest with other shareholders of the Company.

The Board of Directors of the Company will disclose immediately to shareholders the fact that Purchaser and the Like made proposal to the Company for Large Purchase and the Like, the summary thereof and the summary of Necessary Information and other information deemed necessary by the Company for making judgment at the time deemed appropriate by the Company.

In the event that the Board of Directors of the Company acknowledges that Purchaser and the Like provided sufficiently Necessary Information to the Company, it will inform the Purchaser and the Like thereof (hereinafter referred to the "Completion Notice of Information Provision") and promptly disclose information to that effect.

The Information Providing Period shall terminate at the earlier of the day on which the

Board of Directors of the Company made the Completion Notice of Information Provision and the day on which the Information Providing Period reached the upper limit.

4 Establishment and the Like of Board Evaluation Period:

Commencing the day following the day on which the Information Providing Period terminated, the Board of Directors of the Company will establish a period stated in item (i) or (ii) (dependent on how it is difficult to evaluate Large Purchase and the Like) for evaluating, considering, negotiating, formulating opinions and designing an alternative plan (hereinafter referred to as "Board Evaluation Period") and disclose information to that effect immediately.

- (i) a maximum sixty (60) day period in the case of a tender offer bid the consideration of which is cash in Japanese yen only; or
- (ii) a maximum ninety (90) day period in other Large Purchase and the Like.

Provided, however, that in any case in (i) or (ii) above, Board Evaluation Period shall be extended by maximum 30 day period only when Board of Directors and Independent Committee deem it reasonably necessary. In such case, an actually extended period and reasons of the extension shall be notified to Purchaser and the Like and disclosed to shareholders.

The Board of Directors of the Company will fully evaluate and examine Necessary Information provided by Purchaser and the Like with the advices from external professionals from time to time as the necessity arises during Board Evaluation Period, and consider details of Large Purchase and the Like proposed by Purchaser and the Like from the viewpoint of securing and enhancing the corporate value and common interest of shareholders of the Company. The Board of Directors of the Company will carefully investigate and summarize opinions of the Board of Directors of the Company for Large Purchase and the Like and inform Purchaser and the Like thereof and a timely and appropriate disclosure will be made to shareholders. If necessary, the Board of Directors of the Company may negotiate the conditions and manner of Large Purchase and the Like with Purchaser and the Like and furthermore the Board of Directors of the Company may propose an alternative plan to shareholders.

⑤ Recommendation of Independent Committee relating to Triggering Defense Measure:

Within Board Evaluation Period, Independent Committee, in parallel with the Company's Board of Directors' evaluation, examination, negotiation, forming opinions and design of an alternative plan as stated in paragraph ⓐ above, shall make recommendations to the Board of Directors of the Company whether or not the defense measure be triggered on the following procedure. In that connection, for the purpose of securing ensuring that Independent Committee will make judgment to facilitate to procure and enhance the corporate value and common interest of shareholders of the Company, Independent Committee may obtain advices of third parties independent from management of the Company engaged in executing business of the Company at the Company's cost (including investment bank, securities company, financial advisers, certified public accountant, lawyer, consultant or other professionals). In the event that Independent Committee made recommendation of item (i) or (ii) below to the Board of Directors of the Company, the Board of Directors of the Company will promptly disclose the fact that recommendations issued and the summary thereof and any other matters deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors of the Company.

(i) In the event that Purchaser and the Like did not comply with the procedure provided for in this Plan:

In the event that Purchaser and the Like did not comply with the procedure provided

in this Plan, Independent Committee will in principle make recommendations to the Board of Directors of the Company to trigger Defense Measure.

(ii) In the event that Purchaser and the Like complied with the procedure provided for in this Plan:

In the event that Purchaser and the Like complied with the procedure provided in this Plan, Independent Committee will in principle make recommendation not to trigger Defense Measure.

Provided, however, that in the event that the procedure provided for in this Plan was complied with, Purchase Action is deemed to fall under any of the patterns in which Purchase and the Like would prejudice materially the corporate value and common interest of shareholders of the Company as stated in Attachment 3, Independent Committee may make recommendation to trigger the Defense Measure as exception hereto.

6 Resolution of the Board of Directors:

The Board of Directors of the Company will to the fullest extent respect the recommendation made by Independent Committee provided in paragraph ⑤, and adopt a resolution of whether or not to trigger Defense Measure speedily on the basis of the recommendation from the viewpoint of securing and enhancing the corporate value and common interest of shareholders of the Company.

In the event that the Board of Directors of the Company adopts a resolution, regardless of whether or not triggering a Defense Measure is recommended, it will promptly disclose the summary of the resolution and other matters deemed appropriate by the Company's Board of Directors.

(7) Cessation of Defense Measure or Withdrawal of Triggering:

After resolving upon triggering Defense Measure, or triggering Defense Measure pursuant to the procedure aforementioned in paragraph ⑥, in the event that (i) Purchaser and the Like cease Large Purchase and the Like, or (ii) the factual situation resulting in the judgment of triggering the Defense Measure or not deviated and then deemed reasonable to discontinue the Defense Measure from the viewpoint of securing and enhancing the corporate value and common interest of shareholders of the Company, the Board of Directors of the Company will cease Defense Measure or withdraw triggering Defense Measure in accordance with recommendation of Independent Committee or regardless of recommendation or the details of recommendation.

In the event that the Board of Directors of the Company adopts the aforementioned resolution, the Board of Directors of the Company will promptly disclose the summary of the resolution and the other matters deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors of the Company.

®Commencement of Large Purchase and the Like:

Purchaser and the Like shall comply with the procedure provided for in this Plan, and shall not commence to conduct Large Purchase and the Like prior to resolution for triggering or not triggering Defense Measure adopted by the Board of Directors.

(2) Details of Defense Measure of this Plan:

If and when Defense Measure pursuant to resolution stated in paragraph (1) above is triggered, the Board of Directors of the Company will in principle make a *Gratis* Allotment of a stock acquisition right to shareholders of the Company (hereinafter referred to as "Stock Acquisition Rights").

The summary of *Gratis* Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights is stated in Attachment 4, "Summary of *Gratis* Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights".

The Board of Directors of the Company may determine to cease Defense Measure or withdraw triggering Defense Measure as stated in paragraph (1) above even if it resolved upon triggering Defense Measure or it triggered Defense Measure. For example, after the

Board of Directors of the Company resolved upon *Gratis* Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights upon triggering Defense Measure, if Purchaser and the Like ceased Large Purchase and the Like and the Board of Directors of the Company adopted resolution stated in paragraph (1)⑦, it may nullify the *Gratis* Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights prior to the ex-right day (not inclusive) relating to the allotment date fixed for the *Gratis* Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights or the Company may acquire Stock Acquisition Rights free of charge from shareholders during the period from the effective date for the *Gratis* Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights to the date prior to the commencement date of the exercise period of Stock Acquisition Rights.

(3) Effective Period, Abolishment and Amendment of this Plan:

In the event that shareholders approve this Plan at this General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company, the effective period of this Plan will expire at the closing of the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders scheduled to be held in June 2017.

However, in the event that resolution amending or abolishing this Plan is adopted at the General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company prior to the end of such effective period, this Plan will be amended or abolished pursuant to such resolution at the time the resolution is adopted. If the Board of Directors consisting of Directors elected at the General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company adopts resolution to abolish this Plan, it will be abolished at the time of such resolution.

The Board of Directors of the Company may amend or change this Plan upon approval of Independent Committee to the extent necessary for formal changes to reflect the changes made to the Companies Act, Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, other laws and ordinances or the rules of the Financial Instrument Exchanges or changes in interpretation or operation of the aforesaid or changes in the taxation system or court cases. On the other hand, in the event that the Board of Directors of the Company makes such a change in the Plan as affects substantially shareholders of the Company, the change shall be referred to the General Meeting of Shareholders to be held immediately thereafter for approval of shareholders.

In the event that this Plan is abolished or amended, the Company will disclose fact of the abolishment or amendments and details of changes (in case of changes) and other matters deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors of the Company.

3. Reasonableness of this Plan

(1) Satisfying Requirements of Guidelines relating to Takeover Defense Policy:

This Plan satisfies all of the three principles provided in the "Guidelines Regarding Takeover Defense for the Purposes of Protection and Enhancement of Corporate Value and Shareholders' Common Interests" released by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry and the Ministry of Justice on May 27, 2005, namely, securing and enhancing the corporate value and shareholders' common interests, prior disclosure and the principle of upholding the shareholders' intent, and necessity and suitability principle. Also, this Plan is in accordance with the idea shown in the "Takeover Defense Measures in Light of Recent Environmental Changes" published by the Corporate Value Study Group on June 30, 2008.

(2) This Plan being introduced for the purpose of securing and enhancing the corporate value and common interest of the shareholders of the Company:

As stated in paragraph 1 above, this Plan is proposed to continue for the purpose of securing and enhancing the corporate value and in turn common interest of its shareholders, when Large Purchase and the Like is conducted, through securing information and time period necessary for the shareholders to decide whether or not Large Purchase and the Like is appropriate and through enabling the Board of Directors of the Company to present an alternative plan or negotiate with Purchaser and the Like on behalf of the shareholders.

(3) Placing emphasis on the shareholders intent:

This Plan is proposed to continue subject to approval of shareholders at this Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders. After approval of shareholders at this Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders, if a resolution is adopted to amend or abolish this Plan at the General Meetings of Shareholders of the Company thereafter, it will be amended or abolished pursuant to such resolution. Accordingly, with respect to the continuation, amendment and abolishment of this Plan, the intent of shareholders will fully be upheld.

(4) Placing emphasis on judgment of independent external persons and disclosure of information:

For the purpose of excluding arbitrary judgment by the Board of Directors of the Company and enabling resolution and recommendation duly to be made on implementing this Plan, including triggering Defense Measure and the Like, Independent Committee is established as an advisory body to the Board of Directors of the Company.

Independent Committee is composed of three or more members, from among outside Director of the Company, outside Corporate Auditor of the Company, or experts outside the Company (well performed company executive, ex-government officer, lawyer, certified public accountant or person of learning and experience or other person equivalent thereto).

The Company shall, when necessary, disclose to the shareholders the summary of the judgment made by Independent Committee so that the Company will secure a system under which this Plan will be operated with transparency so that it may facilitate the corporate value and common interest of shareholders of the Company.

(5) Reasonable and objective requirements being set forth:

As stated in paragraph 2(1) above, this Plan is designed so as not to allow Defense Measure to be triggered against Large Purchase and the Like unless the reasonable and specified objective requirements have been satisfied. Accordingly, it is ensured that the Board of Directors of the Company is prevented from arbitrarily triggering Defense Measure.

(6) Defense Measure not falling under dead-hand type or slow-hand type take-over defense policy:

As stated in paragraph 2(3) above, since the Board of Directors of the Company composed of Directors elected at the General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company may abolish at any time Defense Measure, it is not a dead-hand type take-over defense policy (a defense measure which cannot be prevented from triggering even if the majority of members of the board are changed).

Since the Company does not adopt different terms of offices of Directors, it is not a slow-hand type take-over defense policy (a defense measure which takes a prolonged time to prevent triggering because all Directors cannot be changed at once).

4. Influence affecting Shareholders

(1) Influence affecting Shareholders and Investors when this Plan is Renewed:

When this Plan is renewed, any *Gratis* Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights has not been made. Accordingly, the rights and economic value of the shareholders and investors are not directly affected in any respect.

As stated in paragraph 2(1) above, since the Company's responding policy to Purchase and the Like will deviate according to whether or not Purchaser and the Like comply with this Plan, shareholders and investors are requested to keep watching what Purchaser and the Like's conduct.

(2) Influence affecting shareholders if *Gratis* Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights is made:

In the event that the Board of Directors of the Company determines to trigger Defense Measure and the *Gratis* Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights is made, Stock Acquisition Rights will be allotted to shareholders who entered into or recorded in the shareholders'

register on the allotment date for allotment separately designated in the rate of a maximum of two Stock Acquisition Rights per share of common stock held. The Board of Directors will not assume that the shareholders would be affected in terms of their legal rights or economic value since the overall economic value of shares of the Company has not been diluted nor voting rights per share have been changed although the economic value per share was diluted.

However, as a result, Purchaser and the Like may be affected adversely on their legal rights or economic value by triggering Defense Measure.

In the event that the Board of Directors of the Company resolves upon the *Gratis* Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights, when it is determined that Defense Measure which the Board of Directors of the Company triggered cease or be withdrawn in accordance with the procedure stated in paragraph 2(1) above, the market price of shares of the Company would be affected accordingly. For example, in the event that after the allotment date for the Stock Acquisition Rights, the Company determined to cease Defense Measure, once determined to trigger, and acquired Stock Acquisition Rights free of charge without delivering new shares in exchange for Stock Acquisition Rights, the economic value per share held by shareholders will not be diluted ultimately. It is noted that investors who consummated to purchase and/or sell shares of the Company on the assumption that the economic value per share of the Company would be diluted, would incur losses and damages arising from fluctuation of the stock price.

In the event that discriminating terms and conditions are attached to the exercise or acquisition of Stock Acquisition Rights, it is assumed that the legal rights and economic value of Purchaser and the Like would be affected in connection with the exercise or acquisition, however, it is not assumed that the legal rights and economic value of shareholders and investors other than Purchaser and the Like would be affected in any direct specified aspect.

(3) Procedure requiring shareholders to follow in connection with *Gratis* Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights:

Shareholders might be required to exercise Stock Acquisition Rights during the specified period to acquire new shares (in which case, a certain specified amount of money has to be paid).

Provided, however, that in connection with triggering Defense Measure, the Company anticipates that Stock Acquisition Rights will be issued to shareholders on buyback condition, accordingly the Company will deliver to shareholders shares of the Company in exchange for Stock Acquisition Rights as consideration for Stock Acquisition Rights received. In this case, since shareholders other than Purchaser and the Like will receive from the Company shares of the Company for consideration of delivering Stock Acquisition Rights to the Company from shareholders without paying cash equivalent to exercise price of Stock Acquisition Rights, no procedure will be required to be followed by shareholders such as subscription procedure for Stock Acquisition Rights and payment procedure.

In addition, the Company will make a timely and appropriate disclosure or notice in details with respect to a method of allotment, manner of exercise and a method of acquisition of Stock Acquisition Rights by the Company based on applicable laws and ordinances and rules of the Financial Instruments Exchange upon resolution adopted at the Board of Directors of the Company relating to the *Gratis* Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights. Accordingly, shareholders are requested to confirm the details of the disclosure and notice.

Profile of Independent Committee Members

Masahiro Sugiyama

Emeritus Professor, Waseda University (Date of Birth: February 25, 1941)

(Profile)

April 1971 Research Assistant, Waseda University School of Commerce

April 1974 Lecturer, Waseda University School of Commerce

April 1976 Associate Professor, Waseda University School of Commerce

April 1977 Guest Researcher, Faculty of Law and Economics, University of Bonn

April 1981 Professor, Waseda University School of Commerce and Graduate School of Commerce (April 2004 Professor, Waseda University Faculty of Commerce (due to the organization's name

change)

March 2011 Retired

May 2011 Emeritus Professor, Waseda University (Incumbent)

(Note) Mr. Masahiro Sugiyama is a candidate of the Outside Director and the Company has a plan to submit the Notifications of Independent Officer to the Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc.

Naoto Nakamura

Lawyer and Partner, Law Firm of Nakamura, Tsunoda and Matsumoto

(Date of Birth: January 25, 1960)

(Profile)

April 1985 Member of Daini Tokyo Bar Association April 1998 Founder and Partner, Hibiya Park Law Office

February 2003 Founder and Partner, Law Firm of Naoto Nakamura (presently Law Firm of Nakamura,

Tsunoda and Matsumoto) (Incumbent)

(Note) There is no special interest between the Company and Mr. Naoto Nakamura.

Zenjiro Watanabe

Full-Time Corporate Auditor, the Company (Outside Corporate Auditor)

(Date of Birth: January 13, 1952)

(Profile)

April 1976 Joined Japan Tobacco and Salt Public Corporation (Currently Japan Tobacco Inc.)

June 2007 Executive Vice President, Deputy President, Tobacco Business, Japan Tobacco Inc.

June 2008 Full-Time Corporate Auditor, the Company (Incumbent)

(Note) Mr. Zenjiro Watanabe is the Outside Corporate Auditor and the Company submitted the Notifications of Independent Officer to the Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc.

Conditions of Shareholding of large Shareholders of the Company

(as of March 31, 2014)

	Shareholding Status		
Name of the shareholder	Number of	Ratio of	
	shareholding	shareholding	
	(thousand	(%)	
	shares)		
The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Account in Trust)	83,224	8.1	
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Account in Trust)	78,286	7.6	
Asahi Mutual Life Insurance Company	56,019	5.5	
Nipponkoa Insurance Co., Ltd.	50,967	5.0	
Mizuho Trust & Banking Co., Ltd. as trustee for Retirement Benefit Trust of Mizuho Bank, Ltd.	41,500	4.0	
(re-entrusted by Trust & Custody Services Bank, Ltd.)			
Nippon Express Employees' Shareholding Association	35,779	3.5	
The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd.	21,316	2.1	
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Account in Trust No.4)	21,284	2.1	
The Bank of New York Mellon SA/NV 10	10,461	1.0	
JP Morgan Chase Bank 385078	10,297	1.0	

(Notes)

- 1. The Company holds 36,445 thousand treasury shares, which are not included in the list above.
- 2. The shareholding ratio is calculated by excluding the treasury shares stated above.

The patterns in which Purchase and the Like would substantially prejudice materially the corporate value and common interest of shareholders of the Company

- 1. It is judged that Purchaser and the Like have no true intention to participate in the management of the Company, and Purchaser and the Like engage in Purchase and the Like for the purpose of selling shares at high prices to the Company or parties related to the Company by unduly raising the price of the shares of the Company (also known as "Green Mailer").
- 2. It is judged that after a temporary control of management of the Company, Purchaser and the Like engage in Large Purchase and the Like for the purpose of enabling Purchaser and the Like to transfer intellectual proprietary rights, know-how, trade secret, principal business partners, and customers, etc. of the Company or the group companies, all of which are necessary for the operation of the Company and the group companies, to Purchaser and the Like and/or its affiliated companies.
- 3. It is judged that Purchaser and the Like engage in Purchase and the Like of shares with a view to diverting assets of the Company or group companies through mortgages and/or repayments of liabilities incurred by the Purchaser and its group companies, etc. after Purchaser and the Like have control of the management of the Company.
- 4. It is judged that Purchaser and the Like engage in Purchase and the Like for the purpose of enabling the Purchaser to cause the Company to temporarily pay high returns to the shareholders with proceeds from sales of the Company's or the group's expensive assets, etc. such as real estate and securities which are currently not directly related to the Company's or the Company's group's current business or to sell the Company's shares at such high prices arising from the temporary rise of the Company's shares due to a temporary high return, etc.
- 5. It is judged that the shareholders of the Company may be effectively coerced to sell shares of the Company because purchase proposal restricts opportunities and freedom for the shareholders to decide, including but not limited to a two-tier coercive purchase proposal (i.e., at the first stage the entire Company's shares are not solicited for purchase, but at the second stage, purchase will be consummated at less favorable or unspecified conditions to shareholders, including a tender offer bid).

Summary of the *Gratis* Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights

1. Total Number of Stock Acquisition Rights Allotted:

The total number of Stock Acquisition Rights will be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors of the Company relating to the *Gratis* Allotment of Stock Acquisition Rights (hereinafter referred to as "Stock Acquisition Rights *Gratis* Allotment Resolution"), but not more than the total number of shares in issue multiplied by two (2) at the close of the date separately designated by resolution of the Board of Directors of the Company (hereinafter referred to as the "allotment date") (excluding shares held by the Company at the time thereof).

2. Shareholders to whom *Gratis* Allotment is made:

The Company will make a *Gratis* Allotment of the maximum two (2) Stock Acquisition Rights per share of common stock of the Company (other than treasury stock at the time thereof) to the shareholders who have been stated or recorded in the last register of shareholders or the last register of substantial shareholders on the allotment date. The Board of Directors of the Company will separately determine a specified ratio of Stock Acquisition Right per share through Stock Acquisition Rights *Gratis* Allotment Resolution.

3. Effective date for *Gratis* Allotment of Stock Acquisition Right:

The date will be separately determined by the Board of Directors of the Company through Stock Acquisition Rights *Gratis* Allotment Resolution.

4. Type and Number of Shares to be issued upon the Exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights:

The type of shares to be issued upon the exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights is the share of common stock and the number of shares issued upon exercise of a Stock Acquisition Right will be determined by the Board of Directors of the Company through Stock Acquisition Rights *Gratis* Allotment Resolution but not more than one (1); however, provided that if the Company makes any stock split or stock consolidation, the necessary adjustments shall be made.

5. Details of assets or amount required to be paid upon exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights:

Not less than Yen 1.00 per Stock Acquisition Right, will be separately determined by the Board of Directors of the Company through Stock Acquisition Rights *Gratis* Allotment Resolution.

6. Transfer of Stock Acquisition Rights:

Any transfer of Stock Acquisition Rights shall be subject to approval of the Board of Directors of the Company.

7. Conditions on Exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights:

(1) The specified large holder¹¹; (2) joint holder of the specified large holder; (3) the

¹¹ A holder of shares and the like of the Company, whose holding ratio of shares and the like is 20% or more or such person as deemed the equivalent thereto by the Board of Directors of the Company; provided, however, that such person whose holding shares and the like of the Company is deemed by the Board of Directors of the Company not to prejudice the corporate value and common interest of shareholders of the Company and person designated by the Board of Directors of the Company through Stock Acquisition Rights *Gratis* Allotment Resolution shall be excluded.

specified large purchaser¹²; (4) other specially related person of the specified large purchaser; (5) without approval of the Board of Directors of the Company, any transferee or successor of Stock Acquisition Rights from the persons described in (1) to (4) above; or (6) any related person¹³ of the person described in (1) to (5) above (these holder or purchaser or transferee and successor being collectively referred to as "unqualified person"), shall not exercise the Stock Acquisition Rights. Details of the conditions on the exercise of Stock Acquisition Rights shall be provided separately through Stock Acquisition Rights *Gratis* Allotment Resolution. The person determined by the Board of Directors of the Company as someone who substantially controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with, a person described in (i) to (iv) above, or person determined by the Board of Directors of the Company to act in concert with a person described in (i) to (iv) above) may not exercise the Stock Acquisition Rights. The details of the conditions to exercise the Stock Acquisition Rights shall be separately determined through Stock Acquisition Rights *Gratis* Allotment Resolution.

8. Acquisition of Stock Acquisition Rights by the Company:

The Company may deliver the number of shares of common stock of the Company, determined by the Company per Stock Acquisition Right in exchange for Stock Acquisition Rights held by person other than unqualified person on the date separately designated by the Board of Directors of the Company. Details of the conditions on acquisition of Stock Acquisition Rights shall be separately determined through Stock Acquisition Rights *Gratis* Allotment Resolution.

9. Acquisition of Stock Acquisition Rights is free of charge in case of cessation of Defense Measure triggered:

The Company may acquire all Stock Acquisition Rights free of charge in the event that the Board of Directors of the Company ceases to apply Defense Measure triggered or otherwise provided for in Stock Acquisition Rights *Gratis* Allotment Resolution.

10. Exercise period and the like of Stock Acquisition Rights:

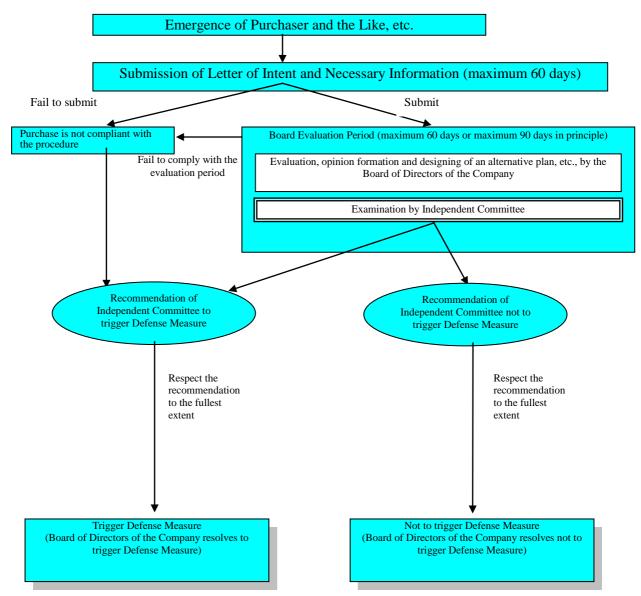
The exercise period and other necessary matters of Stock Acquisition Rights shall be determined separately by the Board of Directors of the Company through Stock Acquisition Rights *Gratis* Allotment Resolution.

End

¹² A purchaser who made a public notice to conduct purchase and the like (meaning the "purchase and the like" as defined in the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, Article 27-2, paragraph 1, the same applicable in this footnote) of shares and the like (meaning "shares and the like" as defined in the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, Article 27-2, paragraph 1, the same applicable in this footnote) of the Company through a tender offer bid and his/her holding (including that provided for in the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, Article 7, paragraph 1 as an equivalent thereto) ratio of shares and the like after the purchase and like is 20% or more together with the ratio of the specially related person, or such person as deemed the equivalent thereto by the Board of Directors of the Company; provided, however, that such person whose holding shares and the like of the Company is deemed by the Board of Directors of the Company not to prejudice the corporate value and common interest of shareholders of the Company and person designated by the Board of Directors of the Company through Stock Acquisition Rights *Gratis* Allotment Resolution shall be excluded.

¹³ "Related person" of the person means a person who substantially control the person, is controlled by the person or under the common control with the person (including a person deemed equivalent thereto by the Board of Directors of the Company). "Control" means the case in which a person controls to determine the policy of finance and business of the company and the like (which is defined in the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Companies Act, Article 3, paragraph 3).

Procedure of the Current Plan



^{*}This diagram shows the summary of the Current Plan simply. Please refer to the main text for details of the Plan.