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# Amendment to Articles of Incorporation (Number of Audit & Supervisory Board Members) and Changes in Directors/Audit & Supervisory Board Members

At a meeting of the Board of Directors held today, the Board made resolutions regarding an amendment to the Articles of Incorporation and Director/Audit & Supervisory Board Member candidates, which will be submitted as propositions to the 33rd Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders (June 23, 2020). In addition, plans for concurrent Executive Officer duties for Director candidates were decided. Plans call for these changes to be formally decided at the above Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders and at the Board of Directors meeting following the conclusion of the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders.

# 1. Amendment to Articles of Incorporation

## (1) Reason for Amendment to Articles of Incorporation

With the objectives of further enhancing governance through auditing and further strengthening the auditing function, the number of Audit & Supervisory Board Members will be changed from a maximum of four members to a maximum of six members.

(2) Details of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation

The details of the amendment are as follows.

(Underlines show amendment)

Existing Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendment
(Number of Audit & Supervisory Board	(Number of Audit & Supervisory Board
Members)	Members)
Article 27 The Company shall have a maximum	Article 27 The Company shall have a maximum
of <u>four</u> Audit & Supervisory Board Members.	of six Audit & Supervisory Board Members.

# (3) Schedule

Planned date of General Meeting of Shareholders for amendment to the Articles of Incorporation 
June 23, 2020

#### 2. Director Candidates (as of June 23, 2020)

Chairman and Director (Chairman of the Board Seiji Manabe of Directors)

Vice Chairman, Director Tatsuo Kijima

Director Norihiko Saito

Director Hideo Miyahara

Director Hikaru Takagi

Yoshinobu Tsutsui (Currently: Audit & Supervisory Board Director (newly elected)

> Member; Chairman and Representative Director, Nippon Life Insurance Company)

Director (newly elected) (Currently: Junior Corporate Officer, HORIBA, Haruko Nozaki

Ltd.)

President, Representative Director, and Executive

Officer

Kazuaki Hasegawa

Vice President, Representative Director, and

Executive Officer;

Senior General Manager of Railway

**Operations Headquarters** 

Fumito Ogata

Yoshihisa Hirano

Vice President, Representative Director, and

**Executive Officer**;

Senior General Manager of Shinkansen Operations Division, Railway Operations Headquarters

Vice President, Representative Director, and

**Executive Officer**;

Senior General Manager of Business

**Development Headquarters** 

Atsushi Sugioka (Currently: Director and Senior Executive Officer;

Senior General Manager of Corporate

Planning Headquarters;

Senior General Manager of IT

Headquarters;

Senior General Manager of Business

Development Headquarters)

Director and Senior Managing Executive

Officer;

Senior General Manager of Corporate

Planning Headquarters

(Currently: Director and Senior Managing Shoji Kurasaka

Executive Officer;

General Manager of General Affairs

Department;

Senior General Manager of Tokyo

Headquarters)

Director and Senior Executive Officer;

Deputy Senior General Manager of Railway

Operations Headquarters;

General Manager of Transport Safety Department, Railway Operations

Headquarters

Keijiro Nakamura

Director and Senior Executive Officer:

Senior General Manager of Kansai Urban Area

Regional Head Office

Tadashi Kawai

Director, Senior Executive Officer, General Manager of Personnel Department (newly

elected)

Yutaka Nakanishi (Currently: Executive Officer, General Manager

of Personnel Department)

(Note) Directors Norihiko Saito, Hideo Miyahara, Hikaru Takagi, Yoshinobu Tsutsui and Haruko Nozaki are candidates for external director as provided for in Article 2, paragraph 3, item 7 of the Regulations to Enforce the Companies Act of

(Note) Current work responsibilities have been omitted for individuals whose work responsibilities have not changed.

## 3. Audit & Supervisory Board Member Candidate (as of June 23, 2020)

Full-time Audit & Supervisory Board Fumio Tanaka (Currently: President and Representative Director, Member (newly elected) WEST JAPAN RAILWAY TECHNOS Co.Ltd) Full-time Audit & Supervisory Board Maki Ogura (Currently: Judge, Osaka District Court, Osaka Family Court, Kishiwada Branch) Member (newly elected) Audit & Supervisory Board Member (newly (Currently: Professor, Department of Public Affairs, Emiko Hazama Osaka University of Commerce) elected)

(Note) Approval at the above General Meeting of Shareholders of the "Amendment to Articles of Incorporation" is a condition for the election of three Audit & Supervisory Board Members.

(Note) If the "election of 3 Audit & Supervisory Board Members" is approved at the above General Meeting of Shareholders, the number of Audit & Supervisory Board Members will change from 4 to 5.

(Note) Maki Ogura and Emiko Hazama are candidates for external Audit & Supervisory Board Members as provided for in Article 2, paragraph 3, item 8 of the Regulation for Enforcement of the Companies Act.

(Note) Maki Ogura plans to retire from his current position in June 2020.

(Note) The election of the full-time Audit & Supervisory Board Members is planned to be decided at the Audit & Supervisory Board Meeting following the conclusion of the above Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders.

#### 4. Directors Planning to Retire (as of June 23, 2020)

Currently: Director Yumiko Sato

Currently: Director Yuzo Murayama

Currently: Toshihiro Matsuoka

Director and Senior Executive Officer; (President, Representative Director of Deputy Senior General Manager of Railway WEST JAPAN RAILWAY Operations Headquarters; SHINKANSEN TECHNOLOGY Deputy Senior General Manager of Shinkansen CORPORATION (planned position))

Operations Division, Railway Operations Headquarters

#### 5. Audit & Supervisory Board Member Planning to Retire (as of June 23, 2020)

Currently: Full-time Audit & Supervisory Board Member Naoki Nishikawa (Senior Advisor

at the Company (planned position))

Currently: Audit & Supervisory Board Member Yoshinobu Tsutsui

End

May 18, 2020 West Japan Railway Company

West Japan Railway Company, at a meeting of the Board of Directors held today, resolved as follows in relation to matters regarding the 33rd General Meeting of Shareholders. This information is provided for reference.

Also, at a meeting of the Board of Directors held on April 30, 2020, the date of the meeting and the place of the meeting were decided, and this information is also provided for reference.

Furthermore, in holding the meeting, the Company plans to implement necessary infection prevention measures in consideration of the spread of the novel coronavirus infection.

## Description

### 1. Date and hour of the meeting:

June 23 (Tuesday), 2020, at 10:00 a.m.

## 2. Place of the meeting:

RIHGA Royal Hotel

3-68, Nakanoshima 5-chome, Kita-ku, Osaka, Japan

# 3. Matters forming the objects of the meeting:

Matters to be reported:

- 1. Report on the business report, the consolidated financial statements, and the financial statements for the 33rd fiscal year (April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020)
- 2. Report on the results of audit of the consolidated financial statements for the 33rd fiscal year by the account auditors and the Audit & Supervisory Board

#### Matters to be resolved:

Proposition No. 1: Appropriation of retained earnings

Proposition No. 2: Amendment to Articles of Incorporation

Proposition No. 3: Election of 15 directors

Proposition No. 4: Election of 3 Audit & Supervisory Board Members

Proposition No. 5: A change in the amount of remuneration for Audit & Supervisory Board Members

#### 4. Other matters

Date on which the dividend from retained earnings shall become effective:

June 24 (Wednesday), 2020