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To our shareholders:

Hiroyuki Tamura
Representative Director and President
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# NOTICE OF THE 143RD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

We are pleased to announce the 143rd Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of YUASA TRADING CO., LTD. (the "Company"), which will be held as described below.

In light of the situation where prevention measures for the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) infection are strongly requested, in order to avoid the risk of the infection, you are encouraged to exercise your voting rights prior to the meeting in writing or by using the Internet, etc. Regardless of your own state of health, you are urged to refrain from traveling to the venue on the meeting date, if at all possible.

In order to prevent the spread of the infection, we may ask for taking your temperature, wearing a face mask, using alcohol disinfectant and other prevention measures on the meeting date.

As for the exercise of your voting rights in writing (by postal mail) or via the Internet, etc., please exercise your voting rights following "Guidance for Exercise of Voting Rights" (in Japanese only) on pages 4 to 6, by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 23, 2022 (Japan Standard Time).

### **Meeting Details**

1. Date and Time: Friday, June 24, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. (reception will open at 9:00 a.m.) (Japan Standard

Time)

2. Venue: BELLESALLE KANDA, Sumitomo Fudosan Kanda Bld., 3F,

7, Kanda-Mitoshirocho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

### 3. Purposes:

#### Items to be reported:

- 1. Business Report and Consolidated Financial Statements for the 143rd Term (from April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022), as well as the results of audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements by the Accounting Auditor and the Audit & Supervisory Board
- 2. Non-Consolidated Financial Statements for the 143rd Term (from April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022)

#### Items to be resolved:

**Proposal 1:** Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation

**Proposal 2:** Election of Eight (8) Directors

**Proposal 3:** Election of Three (3) Audit & Supervisory Board Members

**Proposal 4:** Election of One (1) Substitute Audit & Supervisory Board Member

# 4. Exercise of Voting Rights

Please refer to the page 4 to 6, "Guidance for Exercise of Voting Rights" (in Japanese only)

For Institutional Investors

Institutional investors may also use the "electronic voting rights exercise platform" operated by ICJ, Inc. to electronically exercise the voting rights for this General Meeting of Shareholders.

# Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders Proposals and Reference Information

### **Proposal 1:** Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation

#### Reason for proposal

Since the revised provisions provided for in the proviso to Article 1 of the Supplementary Provisions of the Act Partially Amending the Companies Act (Act No. 70 of 2019) are to be enforced on September 1, 2022, the system for providing informational materials for the general meeting of shareholders in electronic format will be introduced. Therefore, the Company proposes to make the following changes to its Articles of Incorporation.

- (1) Article 14 (Measures, etc. for Providing Information in Electronic Format), paragraph 1 in "Proposed Amendments" will be newly established, as the Articles of Incorporation will be required to stipulate that the Company shall take measures for providing information that constitutes the content of reference documents for the general meeting of shareholders, etc. in electric format.
- (2) Article 14 (Measures, etc. for Providing Information in Electronic Format), paragraph 2 in "Proposed Amendments" will be newly established to allow the Company to limit the scope of items to be stated in the paper-based documents to be delivered to shareholders who requested the delivery of paper-based documents, among items for which the measures for providing information of the content of reference documents for the general meeting of shareholders, etc. in electronic format will be taken, to the scope designated by the Ministry of Justice Order.
- (3) Once the system for providing informational materials for the general meeting of shareholders in electronic format is introduced, Article 14 (Internet Disclosure and Deemed Provision of Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, Etc.) of the current Articles of Incorporation will no longer be required, therefore they will be deleted.
- (4) Supplementary provisions regarding the effect of the provisions to be newly established and deleted above will be established. These Supplementary Provisions shall be deleted after the expiration of the effective date.

#### 2. Details of the change

Details of the changes are as follows:

(Underlined portions indicate changes)

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Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments
Article 14 (Internet Disclosure and Deemed Provision of Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, Etc.)	(deleted)
When the Company convenes a general meeting of shareholders, if it discloses information that is to be stated or presented in the reference documents for the general meeting of shareholders, business report, financial statements and consolidated financial statements through the internet in accordance with the provisions prescribed by the Ministry of Justice Order, it may be deemed that the Company has provided this information to shareholders.	
(Newly established)	Article 14 (Measures, etc. for Providing Information in Electronic Format)  1. When the Company convenes a general meeting of
	shareholders, it shall take measures for providing information that constitutes the content of reference documents for the general meeting of shareholders, etc. in electronic format.

Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments
	2. Among items for which the measures for providing information in electronic format will be taken, the Company may exclude all or some of those items designated by the Ministry of Justice Order from statements in the paper-based documents to be delivered to shareholders who requested the delivery of paper-based documents by the record date of voting rights.
(Newly established)	(Supplementary Provisions)
(Newly established)	Article 1 (Transitional Measures for Providing Informational Materials for the General Meeting of Shareholders in Electronic Format)
	1. The deletion of Article 14 (Internet Disclosure and Deemed Provision of Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, Etc.) and the establishment of the new Article 14 (Measures, etc. for Providing Information in Electronic Format) in the Articles of Incorporation shall be effective from September 1, 2022.
	2. Notwithstanding the provision of the preceding paragraph, Article 14 (Internet Disclosure and Deemed Provision of Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, Etc.) in the Articles of Incorporation shall remain effective regarding any general meeting of shareholders held on a date within six months from September 1, 2022.
	3. The provision of this Article shall be deleted on the date when six months have elapsed from September 1, 2022 or three months have elapsed from the date of the general meeting of shareholders in the preceding paragraph, whichever is later.

#### **Proposal 2:** Election of Eight (8) Directors

The terms of office of eight (8) incumbent Directors will expire at the conclusion of this meeting. In this regard, in order to further enhance the transparency and soundness of management, as well as to ensure the sustainable growth of the Company and the enhancement of corporate value over the medium to long term, the Company proposes the election of eight (8) Directors, including one (1) new Director and three (3) Outside Directors.

The Governance Advisory Committee has reported on this proposal.

The candidates for Directors are as follows:

Candidate No.	Name	Position and responsibility in the Company	
1.	Hiroyuki Tamura	Representative Director, President & CEO In charge of Overseas Business Development	Reelection
2	Haruo Sanoki	Representative Director, Senior Managing Director, Executive Officer Supervisory Manager of Management Administration In charge of Regional Groups Committee Chairperson of Export Administration Department, Ethics and Compliance Committee and Internal Control Committee	Reelection
3	Kenichi Tanaka	Senior Managing Director, Executive Officer Supervisory Manager of Sales Division Chief General Manager of Living Environment Market Headquarters	Reelection
4	Naomi Nakayama	Director, Executive Officer Chief General Manager of Construction Market Headquarters	Reelection
5	Mamoru Hamayasu	Senior Executive Officer Chief General Manager of Industrial Market Headquarters	New Candidate
6	Shinzo Maeda	Outside Director	Reelection Outside Independent
7	Keiko Toya	Outside Director	Reelection Outside Independent
8	Kyosuke Kimura	Outside Director	Reelection Outside Independent

Reelection: Candidate for reelection for Director New Candidate: New candidate for election as Director

Outside: Candidate for Outside Director

Independent: Independent Officer pursuant to the rules of the Tokyo Stock Exchange

Skills Matrix for Candidates for Director

Name	Position and main responsibility in the Company	Corporate management	Marketing	Organization and personnel development	Finance and accounting	Legal affairs & risk management	Global operations
Hiroyuki Tamura	Representative Director, President & CEO In charge of Overseas Business Development	0	0	0			0
Haruo Sanoki	Representative Director, Senior Managing Director Supervisory Manager of Management Administration	0		0	0	0	
Kenichi Tanaka	Senior Managing Director Supervisory Manager of Sales Division Chief General Manager of Living Environment Market Headquarters	0	0	0			
Naomi Nakayama	Director Chief General Manager of Construction Market Headquarters	0	0				
Mamoru Hamayasu	Senior Executive Officer Chief General Manager of Industrial Market Headquarters	0	0				0
Shinzo Maeda	Outside Director	0		0		0	0
Keiko Toya	Outside Director		0	0	0	0	
Kyosuke Kimura	Outside Director	0		0		0	0

Note: The above table lists up to four fields in which the candidate for Director's expertise is particularly expected, based on the past experience of each candidate. It is not an exhaustive list of all the expertise and experience the candidate possesses.

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		summary, position and responsibility in the and significant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares owned
		Apr. 1982	Joined the Company	
		Apr. 1997	Managing Director of YUASA MECHATRONICS (M) SDN. BHD.	
		Mar. 2000	President of YUASA WARWICK MACHINERY LTD.	
		Oct. 2002	Managing Director of YUASA SHOJI EUROPE B.V.	
		Apr. 2007	General Manager of Factory Solution Division of the Company	
		Apr. 2009	Executive Officer, General Manager of Factory Solution Division of the Company	
	Hiroyuki Tamura (July 16, 1959)	June 2010	Director, Executive Officer, in charge of Overseas Business Development and General Manager of Factory Solution Division of the Company	
	Reelection  Attendance to the Board of	June 2013	Managing Director, Executive Officer, in charge of Overseas Business Development and General Manager of Factory Solution Division of the Company	7,600 shares
1	Directors Meetings: 15/15	Apr. 2014	Managing Director, Executive Officer, Chief General Manager of Industrial Market Headquarters, in charge of Overseas Business Development and General Manager of Factory Solution Division of the Company	
		Apr. 2016	Senior Managing Director, Executive Officer, Chief General Manager of Industrial Market Headquarters and in charge of Overseas Business Development of the Company	
		Apr. 2017	Representative Director, President & COO of the Company	
		June 2019	Representative Director, President & CEO of the Company	
		Apr. 2021	Representative Director, President & CEO of the Company, in charge of Overseas Business Development (incumbent)	

Reasons for nomination as a candidate for Director

Mr. Hiroyuki Tamura has full knowledge of the industrial equipment and tools and machine tools areas due to his serving in such capacities as Director, Executive Officer, Chief General Manager of the Industrial Market Headquarters and also has abundant experience and achievements in overseas business as a representative of some of the Company's overseas subsidiaries and a Director in charge of Overseas Business Development. Moreover, having demonstrated outstanding management skills since taking the position of Representative Director, President & COO of the Company in April 2017, the Company decided it would be appropriate to have him contributing to the growth of the Company and the Company's Group going forward, and so made him a candidate.

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career Company, a	Number of the Company's shares owned	
		Apr. 1978	Joined the Company	
		Apr. 2007	Vice Assistant General Manager of Machinery Engineering Division of the Company	
		Apr. 2011	Executive Officer, General Manager of Machinery Engineering Division of the Company	
		June 2013	Director, Executive Officer, General Manager of Machinery Engineering Division of the Company	
		Apr. 2015	Director, Executive Officer, Vice Supervisory Manager of Management Administration, General Manager of General Affairs Department of the Company	
	Haruo Sanoki (March 9, 1955)  Reelection  Attendance to the Board of Directors Meetings:	Apr. 2017	Managing Director, Executive Officer, Supervisory Manager of Management Administration, in charge of Regional Groups, Committee Chairperson of Export Administration Department, Ethics and Compliance Committee and Internal Control Committee of the Company	6,700 shares
2	15/15	Apr. 2018	Senior Managing Director, Executive Officer, Supervisory Manager of Management Administration, in charge of Regional Groups, Committee Chairperson of Export Administration Department, Ethics and Compliance Committee and Internal Control Committee of the Company	
		June 2019	Representative Director, Senior Managing Director, Executive Officer, Supervisory Manager of Management Administration, in charge of Regional Groups, Committee Chairperson of Export Administration Department, Ethics and Compliance Committee and Internal Control Committee of the Company (incumbent)	

Mr. Haruo Sanoki has full knowledge of the machine tools area due to his being a Director, Executive Officer, General Manager of the Machinery Engineering Division and having served as a Representative Director, Senior Managing Director, Executive Officer, Supervisory Manager of the Management Administration. He has worked on strengthening the management foundation and governance at both the Company and the Company's Group and has abundant experience and achievements. The Company decided it would be appropriate to have him continue to use his knowledge for the growth of the Company and the Company's Group and so made him a candidate.

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		summary, position and responsibility in the and significant concurrent positions outside the	Number of the Company's
		A 1002	Company	shares owned
		Apr. 1982 Oct. 2007	Joined the Company General Manager of Plant Business Department of the Company	
		Apr. 2008	Vice Assistant General Manager of Building Facility Division of the Company	
		Apr. 2010	Executive Officer, General Manager of Building Facility Division of the Company	
		Apr. 2011	Executive Officer, General Manager of Living Environment Division (Eastern Area) of the Company	
		June 2014	Director, Executive Officer, General Manager of Living Environment Division (Eastern Area) of the Company	
	Kenichi Tanaka	Apr. 2017	Director, Executive Officer, Chief General Manager of Living Environment Market Headquarters, Supervisory Manager of Construction Business Headquarters, General Manager of Living Environment Division (Eastern Area) of the Company	
	(October 9, 1958)  Reelection  Attendance to the Board of Directors Meetings:	June 2017	Managing Director, Executive Officer, Chief General Manager of Living Environment Market Headquarters, Supervisory Manager of Construction Business Headquarters, General Manager of Living Environment Division (Eastern Area) of the Company	5,900 shares
3	3 15/15	Apr. 2018	Managing Director, Executive Officer, Chief General Manager of Living Environment Market Headquarters, Supervisory Manager of Construction Business Headquarters of the Company	
		Apr. 2019	Managing Director, Executive Officer, Chief General Manager of Living Environment Market Headquarters of the Company	
		June 2019	Senior Managing Director, Executive Officer, Chief General Manager of Living Environment Market Headquarters of the Company	
		Apr. 2020	Senior Managing Director, Executive Officer, Supervisory Manager of Sales Division and Chief General Manager of Living Environment Market Headquarters of the Company (incumbent)	
			concurrent positions outside the Company Representative Director of YUASA PRIMUS part time)	

# Reasons for nomination as a candidate for Director

Mr. Kenichi Tanaka has full knowledge of the housing, air & fluidic control systems area due to his serving in such capacities as Managing Director, Executive Officer, General Manager of the Living Environment Division (Eastern Area) and as Senior Managing Director, Executive Officer, Chief General Manager of the Living Environment Market Headquarters, and has abundant experience and achievements. The Company decided that it would be appropriate to have him continue to play a part in strengthening the business in field of living environments and contribute to the growth of the Company and the Company's Group, and so made him a candidate.

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		Career summary, position and responsibility in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company	
		Apr. 1979	Joined the Company	
		Apr. 2007	Vice Assistant General Manager of Housing Division of the Company	
	Naomi Nakayama	Oct. 2009	Branch Manager of Hokkaido Branch of the Company	
	(April 20, 1956) Reelection	Apr. 2011	Executive Officer, General Manager of Living Environment Division (Western Area) of the Company	2,600 shares
	Attendance to the Board of	Apr. 2014	Executive Officer, Branch Manager of Tohoku Branch of the Company	2,000 shares
4	Directors Meetings: 15/15	Jan. 2019	Executive Officer, Chief General Manager of Construction Market Headquarters of the Company	
		June 2019	Director, Executive Officer, Chief General Manager of Construction Market Headquarters of the Company (incumbent)	
	serving in such capacities as Di Headquarters, having served as experience and achievements. T	knowledge of rector, Execut Executive Off The Company e construction	the building exterior and construction machines are ive Officer, Chief General Manager of the Construction, Branch Manager of the Tohoku Branch, and he decided that it would be appropriate to have him playing field and contribute to the growth of the Company	tion Market as abundant ay a part in

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		summary, position and responsibility in the and significant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares owned
		Apr. 1984	Joined the Company	
		Apr. 2011	Vice Assistant General Manager of Factory Solution Division of the Company	
		Apr. 2012	President and General Sales Manager of YUASA TRADING (SHANGHAI) CO.,LTD.	
		Apr. 2014	Supervisory Manager of East Asia Area of the Company and, Chairperson and President of YUASA TRADING (SHANGHAI) CO.,LTD.	
	Mamoru Hamayasu	Apr. 2015	Executive Officer, Supervisory Manager of East Asia Area of the Company, and Chairperson and President of YUASA TRADING (SHANGHAI) CO.,LTD.	
	(May 31, 1961)  New Candidate  Attendance to the Board of	Dec. 2016	Executive Officer of the Company, and Representative Director, President of YUASA TECHNICAL ENGINEERING CO., LTD. (currently YUASA NEOTEC CO., LTD.)	1,700 shares
5	Directors Meetings:	Apr. 2021	Executive Officer of the Company, and Representative Director, President of YUASA NEOTEC CO., LTD.	
		June 2021	Senior Executive Officer of the Company, and Representative Director, President of YUASA NEOTEC CO., LTD.	
		Apr. 2022	Senior Executive Officer, Chief General Manager of Industrial Market Headquarters of the Company (incumbent)	
		Chairperson,	concurrent positions outside the Company Director of KOKKO CO., LTD. (part time) Representative Director of YUASA NEOTEC Dart time)	

#### Reasons for nomination as a candidate for Director

Mr. Mamoru Hamayasu has full knowledge of the industrial equipment and tools and machine tools areas due to his serving in such capacities as Executive Officer and Senior Executive Officer of the Company, including as a representative of the Company's overseas subsidiary and Representative Director, President of YUASA NEOTEC CO., LTD., a subsidiary of the Company, and has abundant experience and achievements. The Company decided that it would be appropriate to have him play a part in strengthening the business in the industrial field and contribute to the growth of the Company and the Company's Group and so made him a candidate.

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, position and responsibility in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company		Number of the Company's shares owned
		Apr. 1970	Joined Shiseido Company, Limited	
		June 2003	Director, Corporate Officer, General Manager of Corporate Planning Department of Shiseido Company, Limited	
		June 2005	Representative Director, President and CEO of Shiseido Company, Limited	
	Shinzo Maeda (February 25, 1947)	Apr. 2011	Representative Director, Chairperson of Shiseido Company, Limited	
	Reelection  Candidate for Outside Director	Apr. 2013	Representative Director, Chairperson, President and CEO of Shiseido Company, Limited	
	Independent Officer	Apr. 2014	Representative Director, Chairperson of Shiseido Company, Limited	0 share
	Attendance to the Board of Directors Meetings: 6 15/15	June 2014	Counselor of Shiseido Company, Limited (Retired June 2020)	
6		June 2015	Outside Director of the Company (incumbent)	
O		Sept. 2015	Outside Director of TOSHIBA CORPORATION (retired in June 2018)	
		June 2021	Outside Director of S.T. CORPORATION (incumbent)	
			concurrent positions outside the Company ctor of S.T. CORPORATION	

Mr. Shinzo Maeda has worked in various public offices, in addition to having been the Representative Director, Chairperson of the Board, etc. of Shiseido Company, Limited, and has abundant experience and high principles as a global business executive and intellectual. Due to these qualities, the Company decided that he can be expected to give direction and advice from an independent and objective viewpoint and so ask for his election as an Outside Director. While Mr. Shinzo Maeda is Outside Director of S. T. CORPORATION, the Company and the Company's Group do not have any business relationship with S. T. CORPORATION or its consolidated subsidiaries, and so the Company regards him as independent. If Mr. Shinzo Maeda is elected, he will serve as Chairperson of the Governance Advisory Committee and lead the supervisory function for governance-related matters, including the appointment and dismissal of Directors and their remuneration, etc., from a neutral standpoint.

Candidate No.	Name (Date of hirth)		summary, position and responsibility in the and significant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares owned
		July 1999	Managing Director of MARKETING EXCELLENCE Co. LTD. (incumbent)	
		Apr. 2010	Adjunct Lecturer, Business School, Professional Graduate School, Chuo University (incumbent)	
	Keiko Toya (February 26, 1964)	Apr. 2014	Visiting Researcher, Human Informatics Research Institute, The National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (currently Human Augmentation Research Center) (incumbent)	
	Reelection	Apr. 2014	Professor, Graduate School of Global Business, Meiji University (incumbent)	
	Candidate for Outside Director	Oct. 2014	Member of Science Council of Japan (incumbent)	0 shares
	Independent Officer	June 2019	Outside Director of the Company (incumbent)	
	Attendance to the Board of Directors Meetings:	June 2021	Outside Director of SHIN NIPPON BIOMEDICAL LABORATORIES, LTD. (SNBL) (incumbent)	
	15/15	Sept. 2021	Outside director of QB Net Holdings Co.,Ltd. (incumbent)	
7		Professor, Gr University Outside Dire LABORATO	concurrent positions outside the Company raduate School of Global Business, Meiji ctor of SHIN NIPPON BIOMEDICAL DRIES, LTD. (SNBL) ctor of QB Net Holdings Co.,Ltd.	

#### Reasons for nomination as a candidate for Outside Director and expected roles

Ms. Keiko Toya has for many years advised a number of companies on corporate management as a marketing consultant, has abundant experience and knowledge through her involvement as a committee member of administrative institutions, etc., and she is currently pursuing further research activities. Due to these qualities, the Company decided that she can be expected to give direction and advice from an independent and objective viewpoint and so ask for her election as an Outside Director. The Company has concluded a lecturer services agreement with Ms. Keiko Toya in regard to marketing, however the Company regards her as independent due to the contract amount being less than ¥1 million, which is not considerable amount to cause financial dependence on the Company. Therefore, the Company has determined that this amount does not fall under the "a large amount of money or other assets" under Article 74, Paragraph 4, Item 7, (d) of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Companies Act. In addition, she is an outside director of SHIN NIPPON BIOMEDICAL LABORATORIES, LTD. and QB Net Holdings Co., Ltd., but the Company and the Company's Group do not have any business relationship with either company or their consolidated subsidiaries, nor is there any business relationship with any other companies where she holds concurrent positions. If Ms. Keiko Toya is elected, she will serve as member of the Governance Advisory Committee and take on the supervisory function for governance-related matters, including the appointment and dismissal of Directors and their remuneration, etc., from a neutral standpoint.

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, position and responsibility in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company		Number of the Company's shares owned
		Apr. 1979	Joined Kimura Shindai Industry Co., Ltd. (currently PARAMOUNT BED CO., LTD.)	
		Aug. 1979	Member of the Board, Kimura Shindai Industry Co., Ltd.	
	и 1 и.	Oct. 1982	Member of the Board, Kimura Kosan Co., Ltd. (currently PARAMOUNT BED HOLDINGS CO., LTD.)	
	Kyosuke Kimura (September 20, 1950)	Sept. 1987	Senior Managing Director, PARAMOUNT BED CO., LTD.	
	Reelection	Apr. 1991	Senior Executive Director, PARAMOUNT BED CO., LTD.	
	Candidate for Outside Director	Apr. 1997	Executive Vice President, PARAMOUNT BED CO., LTD.	0 shares
	Independent Officer  Attendance to the Board of	Apr. 2009	President and Chief Executive Officer, PARAMOUNT BED CO., LTD.	
	Directors Meetings: (Since assuming the office on	Feb. 2011	President and Chief Executive Officer, PARAMOUNT BED HOLDINGS CO., LTD.	
8	June 24, 2021) 11/11	Apr. 2020	Chairperson, PARAMOUNT BED HOLDINGS CO., LTD. (incumbent) Chairperson, PARAMOUNT BED CO., LTD. (incumbent)	
		June 2021	Outside Director of the Company (incumbent)	
		Chairperson,	PARAMOUNT BED HOLDINGS CO., LTD. PARAMOUNT BED CO., LTD.	

Mr. Kyosuke Kimura has been engaged in the management of PARAMOUNT BED HOLDINGS CO., LTD. and PARAMOUNT BED CO., LTD. for many years, and has a wealth of experience and a high level of insight as a business executive. Due to these qualities, the Company decided that he can be expected to take on a supervisory and advisory function from an independent and objective standpoint and nominated him as a candidate for Outside Director. The Company and the Company's Group have transactions with consolidated subsidiaries of PARAMOUNT BED HOLDINGS CO., LTD., concerning the sale and purchase of bedding and other items. However, the amount of these transactions was less than 1% of the Company's consolidated net sales for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2022 and less than 1% of Paramount Bed Holdings Co. Ltd.'s consolidated net sales for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2022. Moreover, PARAMOUNT BED HOLDINGS, CO., LTD. does not fall under the category of "major business partner" under Article 2, Paragraph 3, Item 19 (b) of the Regulation for Enforcement of the Companies Act, and the terms and conditions of the transactions are the same as those of other businesses that have no relationship with the Company. In addition, he was once an employee of the Company, but more than 10 years have passed since his retirement. Based on the above, the Company regards him as independent. If Mr. Kyosuke Kimura is elected, he will serve as member of the Governance Advisory Committee and take on the supervisory function for governance-related matters, including the appointment and dismissal of Directors and their remuneration, etc., from a neutral standpoint.

Notes:

- 1. The Company had concluded a consignment contract with Ms. Keiko Toya regarding lecturing services. In addition, Mr. Kyosuke Kimura serves as Chairperson of PARAMOUNT BED HOLDINGS CO., LTD. and its operating company, PARAMOUNT BED CO., LTD, and the Company has business relationships with the operating companies of PARAMOUNT BED HOLDINGS CO., LTD. All of them satisfy the independence standards provided for by the Tokyo Stock Exchange. There is no special interest between any of the candidates.
- 2. Mr. Shinzo Maeda, Ms. Keiko Toya and Mr. Kyosuke Kimura are candidates for Outside Directors. All three satisfy the independence standards stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange, and the Company has submitted notification to that stock exchange regarding their status as independent officers.
- 3. Mr. Shinzo Maeda, Ms. Keiko Toya and Mr. Kyosuke Kimura are currently Outside Directors of the Company, and at the conclusion of this meeting, their tenures will have been seven (7) years, three (3) years, and one (1) year, respectively.
- 4. The Company has entered into limited liability agreements with Mr. Shinzo Maeda, Ms. Keiko Toya and Mr. Kyosuke Kimura as specified in Article 427, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act. If their reappointment is approved, the Company plans to continue said agreements with them. Based on this agreement, the limit of liability is the amount specified by laws and regulations.
- 5. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance policy as provided for in Article 430-3, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act with an insurance agency. The insurance policy covers losses incurred from

amounts of indemnification and litigation expenses, etc. that insureds are liable for in cases where a claim for damages is brought by shareholders or third party. An overview of the policy details of this insurance policy is provided on page 39 of the Business Report. If each candidate is elected and assumes the office as Director, the Company plans to include every such Director as an insured in this insurance policy. Moreover, the Company intends to renew the policy with the same policy details when the next renewal is due.

- 6. All shares of YUASA WARWICK MACHINERY LTD. were sold in September 2008.
- 7. YUASA SHOJI EUROPE B.V. was liquidated in August 2005.

# **Proposal 3:** Election of Three (3) Audit & Supervisory Board Members

The terms of office of Audit & Supervisory Board Members Mr. Kazumi Mizumachi, Mr. Yoshiyuki Furumoto and Mr. Mitsuhiro Honda will expire at the conclusion of this Meeting. Therefore, the Company proposes the election of three (3) Audit & Supervisory Board Members, including one (1) new candidate for Audit & Supervisory Board Member.

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

The candidates for Audit & Supervisory Board Member are as follows:

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary, position and responsibility in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company		Number of the Company's shares owned	
1	Yoshiyuki Furumoto (December 8, 1958)  Reelection  Attendance to the Board of Directors Meetings: 15/15	Apr. 1982 June 2011	Joined the Company General Manager of Credit Department of the	4,700 shares	
		June 2016	Company  Executive Officer and General Manager of Credit Department of the Company		
		Apr. 2018	Executive Officer and Special Assistant to the President & CEO of the Company		
	Attendance to Audit & Supervisory Board Meetings 15/15	June 2018	Full-time Audit & Supervisory Board Member of the Company (incumbent)		
	Reasons for nomination as a candidate for Audit & Supervisory Board Member Mr. Yoshiyuki Furumoto has many years of experience related to management administration as the Company's General Manager of Credit Department and a solid track record as a Full-time Audit & Supervisory Board Member of the Company. The Company has decided that he possesses sufficient knowledge of finance and accounting matters and so made him a candidate.				
2		Apr. 1984	Joined the Company		
	Takeshi Maeda (July 25, 1961) New Candidate	Apr. 2007	Assistant Deputy General Manager of Finance Dept. of the Company		
		Apr. 2012	Vice Branch Manager of Kansai Branch Office of the Company	1,600 shares	
	Attendance to the Board of Directors Meetings:	Apr. 2014	General Manager of Affiliated Companies' Administration of the Company		
		Apr. 2016	General Manager of Finance Dept. of the Company		
	Attendance to Audit & Supervisory Board Meetings	Apr. 2020	Vice Branch Manager of Kansai Branch Office and General Manager of Osaka Administration of the Company		
		Apr. 2022	Audit & Supervisory Board Members Office of the Company (incumbent)		
	Reasons for nomination as a candidate for Audit & Supervisory Board Member  Mr. Takeshi Maeda has many years of experience and a solid track record related to finance and management administration in the finance department and management administration departments of the Company. The Company has decided that he possesses sufficient knowledge of finance and accounting matters and so made him a candidate.				

Mitsuhiro Honda	Apr. 1984 July 2010 July 2012	Joined the National Tax Agency General Manager, General Affairs Department,	
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	July 2012	Takamatsu Tax Bureau	
$(I_{11}I_{12}, 7, 1061)$	July 2012	Professor, University of Tsukuba Graduate School of Business Sciences (incumbent)	
(July 7, 1961)  Reelection  Candidate for Outside Audit & Supervisory Board  Member	May 2013	International Tax Advisor, TOMA Consultants Group Co., Ltd. (incumbent)	
	Apr. 2014	Part-time Instructor, Waseda University Graduate School (retired in March 2021)	
	Mar. 2016	Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member, Roland DG (incumbent)	
Independent Officer	Apr. 2016	Professor, Graduate School of Global Business, Meiji University and Lecturer (retired in March 2022)	0 shares
Attendance to the Board of Directors Meetings: 15/15	Apr. 2017	Research Grant Selection Committee Member, The Institute of Tax Research and Literature (incumbent)	
Attendance to Audit & Supervisory Board Meetings 15/15	Aug. 2017	Member of the United Nations Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters (retired in June 2021)	
	Apr. 2018	Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of the Company (incumbent)	
	Sept. 2021	Outside Director of YOKOREI Co., Ltd. (incumbent)	
<i>_</i>	andidate for Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member Independent Officer Attendance to the Board of Directors Meetings: 15/15 Attendance to Audit & upervisory Board Meetings 15/15	Apr. 2014  Apr. 2014  Mar. 2016  Mar. 2016  Mar. 2016  Apr. 2016  Apr. 2016  Apr. 2017  Apr. 2017  Apr. 2017  Apr. 2017  Apr. 2017  Apr. 2017  Apr. 2018  Apr. 2018  Sept. 2021  Casons for nomination as a candidate for the supervisory and the supervisory april 2018  Apr. 2018	Apr. 2014 Part-time Instructor, Waseda University Graduate School (retired in March 2021)  Mar. 2016 Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member, Roland DG (incumbent)  Apr. 2016 Professor, Graduate School of Global Business, Meiji University and Lecturer (retired in March 2022)  Apr. 2017 Research Grant Selection Committee Member, The Institute of Tax Research and Literature (incumbent)  Attendance to Audit & upervisory Board Meetings 15/15  Attendance to Audit & upervisory Board Meetings 15/15  Apr. 2018 Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of the Company (incumbent)  Sept. 2021 Outside Director of YOKOREI Co., Ltd.

Although Mr. Mitsuhiro Honda does not have direct experience in corporate management other than as an Outside Officer, he has expert knowledge of tax matters due to his many years working for the National Tax Agency and as a university professor, and has experience as Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Roland DG and Outside Director of YOKOREI Co., Ltd. The Company has decided that he possesses considerable knowledge of tax and accounting matters and so made him a candidate for Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member. The Company has business transactions with Roland DG as a supplier of industrial equipment, etc., but the value of those transactions is less than 1% of the Company's consolidated net sales for the fiscal year under review and is less than 1% of Roland DG's consolidated net sales for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021, so the Company has decided that he has independence. There is no special relationship between the Company and other entities where he holds concurrent positions.

- (Notes) 1. Mr. Mitsuhiro Honda is a candidate for Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member. The Company has designated him as an Independent Officer according to the rules of Tokyo Stock Exchange and has registered him with the same exchange.
  - 2. Mr. Mitsuhiro Honda is currently an Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of the Company, and his tenure will have been four (4) years.
  - 3. The Company has entered into a limited liability agreement with Mr. Mitsuhiro Honda as provided for in Article 427, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act. If his reappointment is approved, the Company plans to continue said agreement with him. Based on this agreement, the limit of liability is the amount specified by laws and regulations.
  - 4. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance policy as provided for in Article 430-3, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act with an insurance agency. The insurance policy covers losses incurred from amounts of indemnification and litigation expenses, etc. that insureds are liable for in cases where a claim for damages is brought by shareholders or third party. An overview of the policy details of this insurance policy is provided on page 39 of the Business Report. If each candidate is elected and assumes the office as Audit & Supervisory Board Member, the Company plans to include every such Audit & Supervisory Board Member as an insured in this insurance policy. Moreover, the Company intends to renew the policy with the same policy details when the next renewal is due.

#### **Proposal 4:** 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 law and the Articles of Incorporation, the Company proposes that one (1) substitute Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member be elected.

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)		Number of the Company's shares owned	
Masashi Masuda	Nov. 1980	Joined Daiichi Audit Firm (currently Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC)	
(April 20, 1949)	Mar. 1984	Registered as certified public accountant	
Reelection	June 2012	Resigned from Shinnihon Audit Firm (currently Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC)	
Candidate for substitute Outside Audit & Supervisory	June 2014	Auditor (part time), National Federation of UNESCO Associations in Japan (incumbent)	0 shares
Board Member	June 2017	Substitute Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of the Company (incumbent)	
Independent Officer	June 2021	Auditor of the Coca-Cola Educational & Environmental Foundation (part-time) (incumbent)	

Reasons for nomination as a candidate for substitute Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member

Although Mr. Masashi Masuda does not have direct experience in corporate management, he possesses a wealth of experience and a solid track record as a certified public accountant, having served in such capacities as auditor at public corporations. The Company has decided that he possesses sufficient knowledge of financing and accounting matters and so made him a candidate for substitute Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member.

Notes:

- 1. No special interest exist between the Company and Mr. Masashi Masuda.
- 2. Mr. Masashi Masuda is a candidate for substitute Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member.
- 3. If Mr. Masashi Masuda is appointed as an Audit & Supervisory Board Member, the Company plans to designate him as an Independent Officer according to the rules of Tokyo Stock Exchange and register him with the same exchange.
- 4. If Mr. Masashi Masuda is appointed as an Audit & Supervisory Board Member, the Company plans to enter into a limited liability agreement with him limiting his liability pursuant to Article 427, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act. Based on this agreement, the limit of liability is the amount specified by laws and regulations.
- 5. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance policy as provided for in Article 430-3, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act with an insurance agency. The insurance policy covers losses incurred from amounts of indemnification and litigation expenses, etc. that insureds are liable for in cases where a claim for damages is brought by shareholders or third party. An overview of the policy details of this insurance policy is provided on page 39 of the Business Report. If the candidate is elected and assumes the office as Audit & Supervisory Board Member, the Company plans to include every such Audit & Supervisory Board Member as an insured in this insurance policy. Moreover, the Company intends to renew the policy with the same policy details when the next renewal is due.