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To our shareholders:

Takaharu Iwasaki, Representative Director and President LIFE CORPORATION 3-6-2 Nihonbashi-Honcho, Chuo-ku, Tokyo

# Notice of the 68th General Meeting of Shareholders

We are pleased to announce the 68th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of LIFE CORPORATION (the "Company") to be held as indicated below.

When convening this general meeting of shareholders, the Company takes measures for providing the matters described below that constitutes the content of Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, etc. (matters for which measures for providing information in electronic format) in electronic format, and posts this on the Company's website. Please access the following website using the internet to review the information.

The Company's website

http://www.lifecorp.jp/company/ir/procedure.html (in Japanese)

In addition, apart from the Company's website, matters for which measures for providing information in electronic format are also posted on the website of the Tokyo Stock Exchange (TSE). Please refer to the following.

TSE website (Listed Company Search)

#### https://www2.jpx.co.jp/tseHpFront/JJK010010Action.do?Show=Show

(Access the TSE website indicated above, enter "LIFE CORPORATION" in the "Issue name (company name)" or the Company's securities code "8194" in the "Code" and search. Then select "Basic information" followed by "Documents for public inspection/PR information" and review the information from the "Notice of General Shareholders Meeting/Information Materials for a General Shareholder Meeting" under "Filed information available for public inspection.")

If you will not be attending the meeting in person, you may exercise your voting rights via the internet or in writing (postal mail). Please review the Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, follow the "Guide to Exercising Voting Rights" (in Japanese only), and exercise your voting rights by 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 24, 2023 (JST).

#### 1. Date and Time: Thursday, May 25, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. (JST)

2. Venue: Large conference room, 1st floor of the Osaka Headquarters of the Company 2-2-22, Nishimiyahara, Yodogawa-ku, Osaka

#### 3. Purpose of the Meeting

#### Matters to be reported:

- 1. The Business Report and the Consolidated Financial Statements for the 68th fiscal year (from March 1, 2022 to February 28, 2023), and the audit results of the Consolidated Financial Statements by the Accounting Auditor and the Board of Corporate Auditors
- 2. The Non-consolidated Financial Statements for the 68th fiscal year (from March 1, 2022 to February 28, 2023)

#### Matters to be resolved:

Proposal No. 1	Appropriation of Surplus
Proposal No. 2	Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation
Proposal No. 3	Election of Eight (8) Directors
Proposal No. 4	Election of Three (3) Corporate Auditors

#### 4. Decisions on convening the meeting

In the event that the voting rights have been exercised in writing (postal mail) and where no vote for or against a proposal has been indicated on the voting form, the vote shall be treated as for the proposal.

- When you attend the meeting, please present the enclosed voting form to reception.
- Shareholders who requested the delivery of paper-based documents will also be sent paper-based documents that describe the matters for which measures for providing information in electronic format will be taken, but such paper-based documents shall exclude the following matters pursuant to the provisions of laws and regulations and Article 15, paragraph (2) of the Articles of Incorporation.
  - (i) "Matters Related to Establishing System for Ensuring the Propriety of Business Activities" in the Business Report
  - (ii) "Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements" in the Consolidated Financial Statements
  - (iii) "Notes to the Non-consolidated Financial Statements" in the Non-consolidated Financial Statements

Accordingly, the Business Report, Consolidated Financial Statements and Non-consolidated Financial Statements attached to such paper-based documents constitute a part of the documents that were audited by the Corporate Auditors and the Accounting Auditors in preparing the audit results.

- If revisions to the matters for which measures for providing information in electronic format are to be taken arise, a notice of the revisions and the details of the matters before and after the revisions will be posted via the internet on the Company's website and the TSE website listed above.

## **Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders**

### Proposal No. 1 Appropriation of Surplus

The Company regards the return of profit to its shareholders as one of the management policies of utmost importance and maintains a basic policy to continuously carry out stable payment of dividends. The Company has given comprehensive consideration to matters including the above basic policy, strengthening the management structure and future business development. Therefore, the Company proposes the payment of the year-end dividend and other appropriation of surplus for the 68th fiscal year as set forth below.

- 1. Year-end dividends
  - (1) Type of dividend property

To be paid in cash.

(2) Allotment of dividend property and their aggregate amount

The Company proposes to pay a dividend of \$35 per common share of the Company. In this event, the total dividends will be \$1,645,430,990.

Accordingly, including the interim dividend (¥35 per share), the annual dividend will be ¥70 per share.

(3) Effective date of dividends of surplus

The effective date of dividends will be May 26, 2023.

	64th Fiscal Year ended February 2019	65th Fiscal Year ended February 2020	66th Fiscal Year ended February 2021	67th Fiscal Year ended February 2022	68th Fiscal Year ended February 2023
Interim dividend (¥)	15.00	20.00	25.00	30.00	35.00
Year-end dividend (¥)	15.00	20.00	25.00	40.00 (Includes commemorative dividend of ¥10)	35.00
Consolidated dividend payout ratio (%)	19.0	23.9	13.1	21.6	24.6

(Reference) Trends in dividends per share and dividend payout ratio

- 2. Other appropriation of surplus
  - Item of surplus to be increased and amount of increase General reserve: ¥9,300,000,000
  - (2) Item of surplus to be decreased and amount of decrease Retained earnings brought forward: ¥9,300,000,000

## Proposal No. 2 Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation

1. Reasons for the amendment

The Company has relocated its head office for the purpose of improvement management and operational efficiencies.

Consequently, the Company proposes to change the location of the head office prescribed in Article 3 (Location of the Head Office) of the current Articles of Incorporation from Chuo-ku, Tokyo to Osaka City, Osaka Prefecture. This amendment shall take effect on the date of relocation of the head office (May 27, 2023) resolved at the Board of Directors meeting held on January 27, 2023 and a supplementary provision indicating this fact shall be established. The supplementary provision shall be eliminated after the effective date of the relocation of the head office.

2. Amendments

Details of amendments are as follows.

(Changed portion is underlined)

Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments
Article 3 Location of the Head Office	Article 3 Location of the Head Office
The head office of the Company shall be located at <u>Chuo-ku,</u> <u>Tokyo, Japan</u> . (Newly established)	The head office of the Company shall be located at Osaka City,         Osaka Prefecture, Japan.         Supplementary provision         (Transitional Measures for the Relocation of the Head Office)         Article 1       The amendment of Article 3 (Location of the Head         Office) shall take effect on May 27, 2023, and this supplementary provision shall be eliminated after the effective date of the relocation of the head office.

## Proposal No. 3 Election of Eight (8) Directors

At the conclusion of this meeting, the terms of office of all nine (9) Directors will expire. Therefore, the Company proposes to elect eight (8) Directors.

The details of this proposal were deliberated at the "Nomination & Remuneration Advisory Committee," which is a consultative body to the Board of Directors with an independent outside Director as the chair. The results of the deliberation were reported to the Board of Directors, where the proposal was approved.

The candidates for Directors are as follows:

Candidate No.		Name	Gender	Current position in the Company	Attendance at Board of Directors meetings in FY2022
1	Re-election	Takaharu Iwasaki	Male	Representative Director and President	17/17 (100%)
2	Re-election	Tomehisa Morishita	Male	Director & Senior Managing Executive Officer	17/17 (100%)
3	Re-election	Takashi Sumino	Male	Director & Managing Executive Officer	17/17 (100%)
4	Re-election	Nobuyuki Kawai	Male	Director & Managing Executive Officer	17/17 (100%)
5	Re-election Independent Outside	Koichi Narita	Male	Director	17/17 (100%)
6	Re-election Independent Outside	Haruhiko Yahagi	Male	Director	17/17 (100%)
7	Re-election Independent Outside	Hiroko Kono	Female	Director	17/17 (100%)
8	Re-election Independent Outside	Takashi Katayama	Male	Director	13/14 (93%)

Note: For Takashi Katayama, attendance at Board of Directors meetings indicates his attendance after he assumed office as a Director.

#### Reference: Major experience fields of Director candidates (skill matrix)

Expertise and experience Name Legal and Sustainability Overall HR and Finance and Digital International Store IT Sales Logistics management and ESG labor accounting Compliance marketing development experience Takaharu • • • • • Iwasaki Tomehisa • • Morishita Takashi Sumino Nobuyuki • • • • • Kawai Koichi • • • • • Narita Haruhiko • Yahagi Hiroko • • • Kono Takashi • • Katayama

The major experience fields for candidates for Directors are as follows:

Note: The above table does not represent all of the expertise and experience possessed by each candidate.

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		ary, positions and responsibilities in the Company, icant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares owned
1	Takaharu Iwasaki (March 27, 1966) Re-election Period as Director: 24 years (as of conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders)	Apr. 1989 Feb. 1994 May 1999 Oct. 2001 Mar. 2006 June 2014 Jan. 2017 Jan. 2018 May 2019	Joined Mitsubishi Corporation Princes Limited Director, Assistant to Division COO of Sales General Division of the Company Senior Managing Director, Division COO of Tokyo Region Business Division Representative Director, President & Chief Operating Officer, and Group CEO of Business Group Headquarters Representative Director, President & Chief Operating Officer, Group CEO of Business Group Headquarters, and Group CEO of Development Group Headquarters Representative Director, President & Chief Operating Officer, and Group CEO of Development Group Headquarters Representative Director, President & Chief Operating Officer, and Group CEO of Business Group Headquarters Representative Director, President & Chief Operating Officer, and Group CEO of Business Group Headquarters Representative Director and President, and Group CEO of Business Group Headquarters (current position)	21,739 shares (of which, the number of shares to be granted under the performance-linked share remuneration plan: 8,145 shares)
		Representativ Sangyo Co., I Representativ SERVICE (Reason for n Takaharu Iwa trading comp industry and t as the Presid	oncurrent positions outside the Company) e Director and Vice President of Nihon Ryutsu t.td. e Director and Chairman of LIFE FINANCIAL omination as Director) saki, in addition to gaining experience at a general any, has amassed knowledge in the distribution he Company's overall management through serving lent of the Company for 17 years since 2006. e Company has nominated him as a candidate for	

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		ary, positions and responsibilities in the Company, icant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares
	( )	-		owned
		Apr. 1982 Sept. 2001	Joined the Company General Manager of Osaka Region Apparel	
		Feb. 2007	Department General Manager of Information System Department	
		Mar. 2009	Executive Officer, Division COO of Corporate Strategy and Planning Division, and General Manager of Corporate Strategy and Planning Department	
		Nov. 2009	Executive Officer, Division COO of Osaka Region Apparel and Lifestyle Products Division, General Manager of Osaka Region Apparel Department, and General Manager of Osaka Region Lifestyle Products Department	
		Feb. 2014	Executive Officer, Deputy Division COO of Osaka Region Sales Division, and Division COO of Osaka Region Apparel and Lifestyle Products Division	
	Tomehisa Morishita	May 2014	Director, Deputy Division COO of Osaka Region Sales Division, and Division COO of Osaka Region Apparel and Lifestyle Products Division	
	(December 9, 1959)	June 2015	Director, Division COO of Corporate Strategy and Planning Division, and Division COO of	5,513 shares (of which, the
2	Re-election Period as Director:	June 2016	New Business Development Division Managing Director, Division COO of Corporate Strategy and Planning Division, and in charge	number of shares to be granted under the performance-linked
	9 years (as of conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders)	Jan. 2017	of New Businesses Managing Director, Group CEO of Administration and Management Headquarters	share remuneration plan: 3,365 shares)
	Sharenoravis)	Jan. 2018	Managing Director, Group CEO of Corporate Functions Group Headquarters	
		May 2019	Director & Managing Executive Officer, Group CEO of Corporate Functions Group Headquarters	
		Feb. 2020	Director & Managing Executive Officer, Group CEO of Corporate Functions Group Headquarters, and Division COO of Information Strategy Division	
		Apr. 2020	Director & Senior Managing Executive Officer, Group CEO of Corporate Functions Group Headquarters, and Division COO of Information Strategy Division (current position)	
		-	omination as Director) prishita has successfully served as head in various	
		planning in Company's o	luding sales, systems and corporate strategy and the Company and has amassed insight on the overall management, administration and business herefore, the Company has nominated him as a	
		candidate for		

Candidate No.	e Name (Date of birth) Career summary, positions and responsibilities in the Company and significant concurrent positions outside the Company			Number of the Company's shares owned
3	Takashi Sumino (January 25, 1956) Re-election Period as Director: 11 years (as of conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders)	Mar. 1980           Jan. 2001           Mar. 2004           Mar. 2006           Mar. 2008           Mar. 2009           Feb. 2010           May 2012           June 2015           Jan. 2017           Jan. 2018           May 2019           Feb. 2021           Jan. 2022           (Reason for m           Takashi Sumi           of the Compa           in the sales di           and the Com	Joined the Company Joined the Company General Manager of Osaka Region Sales Promotion Department General Manager of Osaka Region Logistics Department General Manager of Osaka Region Operational Reforms Promotion Office Executive Officer, General Manager of Osaka Region Operational Reforms Promotion Office Executive Officer, General Manager of Logistics Planning of Sales Management Division Executive Officer, Division COO of Osaka Region Store Support Division Director, Division COO of Osaka Region Chain Store Division, and Division COO of Osaka Region Store Support Division Managing Director, Division COO of Osaka Region Sales Division Managing Director, Division COO of Osaka Region Sales Division Managing Director, Division COO of Corporate Strategy and Planning Division, and in charge of New Businesses Managing Director, Group CEO of Infrastructure Group Headquarters, and Division COO of Information Strategy Division Director & Managing Executive Officer, Group CEO of Infrastructure Group Headquarters, and Division COO of Information Strategy Division Director & Managing Executive Officer, Group CEO of Infrastructure Group Headquarters, and Division COO of E-Commerce Operation Division Director & Managing Executive Officer, Group CEO of Infrastructure Group Headquarters, and Division COO of E-Commerce Operation Division Director & Managing Executive Officer, Group CEO of Infrastructure Group Headquarters, and Division COO of E-Commerce Operation Division Director & Managing Executive Officer, Group CEO of Infrastructure Group Headquarters, and Division COO of E-Commerce Operation Division Director & Managing Executive Officer, Group CEO of Infrastructure Group Headquarters (current position)	

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		Career summary, positions and responsibilities in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company		
		Apr. 1987 Dec. 2005	Joined Mitsubishi Corporation Senior Manager, Accounting & Finance Team, Accounting Department, Kansai Branch	owned	
		May 2010	Head, Planning and Development, Structured Finance, M&A Advisory Dept.		
		May 2012	Deputy General Manager, Corporate Auditors' Office		
		Apr. 2014	Executive Vice President and CFO, Mitsubishi Company (Thailand) Ltd. Executive Vice President and CFO, Thai-MC Company Limited		
		May 2016	Chief Administrative Officer, Tata Consultancy Services Japan, Ltd.		
		July 2018	General Manager of Department in charge of Special Missions, Business Group Headquarters of the Company		
	Nobuyuki Kawai (April 18, 1963)	Oct. 2018	Assistant to Group CEO of Corporate Functions Group Headquarters	2,173 shares	
4	Re-election	Jan. 2019	Executive Officer, Deputy Division COO of Corporate Finance and Accounting Division, and responsible for Corporate Strategy and	(of which, the number of shares to be granted under the	
	Period as Director: 4 years (as of conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders)	May 2019	Planning Department Director & Senior Executive Officer, Division COO of Corporate Finance and Accounting Division	performance-linked share remuneration plan: 1,973 shares)	
		Mar. 2021	Director & Managing Executive Officer, Assistant to Group CEO of Corporate Functions Group Headquarters, and Division COO of Corporate Finance and Accounting Division		
		Jan. 2022	Director & Managing Executive Officer, Deputy Group CEO of Corporate Functions Group Headquarters, and Division COO of Corporate Finance and Accounting Division (current position)		
		Nobuyuki Kay and accountin finance and a and has also a	omination as Director) wai has amassed significant knowledge in finance ng through his long-standing experience at the ccounting divisions in a general trading company ubundant knowledge in compliance. Therefore, the nominated him as a candidate for Director.		

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		ary, positions and responsibilities in the Company, icant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares owned
5	Koichi Narita (June 30, 1954) Re-election Independent Outside Period as outside Director: 5 years (as of conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders)	expected role The Company outside Dire accomplishme Services Japa of knowledge contributed to Director of the Company's r The Compan described abo	Joined Mitsubishi Corporation Counselor, Deputy Division COO of Sales General Division of the Company Director Director, Deputy Division COO of Sales General Division, and Division COO of Store Business Division Retired from Director Mitsubishi Corporation (returned) General Manager of Living Essentials Group CEO Office Division COO of Foods (Products) Div. Executive Officer, Division COO of Foods (Products) Div. Executive Officer, General Manager of Living Essentials Group CEO Office Representative Director and President of SIGMAXYZ Inc. (seconded) Representative Director, President and Executive Officer of IT Frontier Corporation Representative Director, Senior Vice President of Tata Consultancy Services Japan, Ltd. Outside Director of the Company (current position) nomination as outside Director and outline of ) y has nominated Koichi Narita as a candidate for ctor because he left a record of remarkable ents as a corporate manager of Tata Consultancy n, Ltd. and other companies, possesses a high level e of business operation in IT solutions, and has to the enhancement of corporate value as an outside the company by appropriately giving advice for the management and supervising business execution. y expects that he will continue to fulfill his role tove. Mr. Narita's period as outside Director of the li have been five years at the conclusion of this	0 shares

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		hary, positions and responsibilities in the Company, acant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares owned
6	Haruhiko Yahagi (December 21, 1962) Re-election Independent Outside Period as outside Director: 2 years (as of conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders)	expected role Haruhiko Ya management nominated hin amassed kno serving as a c be found in h expects that h of the Comp corporate valu management period as out	Director-in-charge, Change Integration 5, Price Waterhouse Consultants Co., Ltd. Manager, Global Service Group, EDS Japan Co., Ltd. Director-in-charge, Consumer Business, Deloitte Tohmatsu Consulting Co., Ltd. Director-in-charge, Aska Technology Co., Ltd. Director, Business Process Innovation (BPI) Team, Capgemini Japan K.K. Partner, Consumer Business Industry Leader of Asia and Japan, Deloitte Tohmatsu Consulting Co., Ltd. Partner, In-charge of Retail & Consumer Industry, PwC Consulting LLC Managing Director, Consumer Market Outside Director of the Company (current position) Officer, Managing Director, Consumer Market, PwC Consulting LLC (Current Position) nomination as outside Director and outline of ) hagi has never been directly involved in the of a company. However, the Company has m as a candidate for outside Director because he has wledge in retail and digital marketing through onsultant, and his performance and insight that can is writings are highly regarded and the Company ie will continue to fulfill his role as outside Director any as he can contribute to the enhancement of ue by appropriately giving advice for the Company's and supervising business execution. Mr. Yahagi's side Director of the Company will have been two onclusion of this meeting.	0 shares

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		hary, positions and responsibilities in the Company, icant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares owned
		Apr. 1989	Joined Mitsubishi Corporation	
		July 1992	Joined Tokyo Office, Capital International Research, Inc.	
		Jan. 2001	Los Angeles Headquarters, The Capital Group Companies, Inc.	
		Feb. 2003	Washington, D.C. Office, Capital International Research, Inc.	
		July 2008	Tokyo Office, Capital International, Inc.	
		July 2011	Council and Director of International School of Asia, Karuizawa Establishment Preparation Foundation	
		Nov. 2013	Director and Head of Operations of International School of Asia, Karuizawa	
	Hiroko Kono	Mar. 2016	Head of Operations of UWC ISAK Japan	
	(May 8, 1965)	Nov. 2018	Executive Coach of COACH A Co., Ltd.	
		May 2021	Outside Director of the Company (current	
	Re-election	-	position)	
	Independent	Mar. 2022	Officer, Executive Coach of COACH A Co.,	
7	Outside		Ltd. (current position)	0 shares
		Aug. 2022	Outside Director, Audit and Supervisory	
	Period as outside Director:		Committee Member of SATUDORA	
	2 years (as of conclusion of this		HOLDINGS CO., LTD. (current position)	
	General Meeting of			
	Shareholders)	(Reasons for expected role	nomination as outside Director and outline of )	
			has never been directly involved in the management	
		-	ny. However, the Company nominated her as a	
			outside Director because her work experience at	
			ompanies and performance and insight concerning	
		-	ion and human resource development nurtured in a	
			ree development company are highly regarded and	
			expects that she will continue to fulfill her role as extor of the Company as she can contribute to the	
			of corporate value by appropriately giving advice	
			npany's management and supervising business	
			s. Kono's period as outside Director of the Company	
			n two years at the conclusion of this meeting.	

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)		nary, positions and responsibilities in the Company, icant concurrent positions outside the Company	Number of the Company's shares owned
8	Takashi Katayama (October 27, 1953) Re-election Independent Outside Period as Director: 1 year (as of conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders)	expected role The Company for outside I accomplishm Ltd. and othe related to log Therefore, th outside Direc advice for the execution. M	Assistant at College of Science and Technology, Nihon University Joined Teraoka Seiko Co., Ltd. Director of Digi Europe Ltd. (UK) Managing Director Managing Director of Teraoka Weigh-System Ltd. (Singapore) Managing Director Director and General Manager of Global Business Development Department of Teraoka Seiko Co., Ltd. Director and General Manager of Food Industry System Department Senior Director President and CEO Advisor Representative of RTK-Design (current position) Outside Director of the Company (current position) r nomination as outside Director and outline of ) y has nominated Takashi Katayama as a candidate Director because he left a record of remarkable ents as a corporate manager of Teraoka Seiko Co., r companies and possesses high level of knowledge gistics environment systems and overseas logistics. e Company expects that he will fulfill his role as tor of the Company such as by appropriately giving company's management and supervising business Ir. Katayama's period as outside Director of the ll have been one year at the conclusion of this	200 shares

Notes: 1. Takaharu Iwasaki, a candidate for Director, is concurrently serving as Representative Director of Nihon Ryutsu Sangyo Co., Ltd. The Company and Nihon Ryutsu Sangyo Co., Ltd. have a business relationship, which includes the purchase of products.

2. Koichi Narita, a candidate for outside Director, previously served as a person who executed business in the Company during the period from August 1992 to May 1995. For part of that period, from May 1993 to May 1995, Mr. Narita served as Director of the Company.

For ten years, Mr. Narita served as a person who executed business in the Mitsubishi Corporation, a specified related business operator of the Company. His other positions and responsibilities are listed in "Career summary, positions and responsibilities in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company" above. He resigned from Mitsubishi Corporation in April 2013.

- 3. There is no special interest between any other candidates for Director and the Company.
- 4. Koichi Narita, Haruhiko Yahagi, Hiroko Kono, and Takashi Katayama are candidates for outside Director.
- 5. The Company has submitted notification to the Tokyo Stock Exchange that Koichi Narita, Haruhiko Yahagi, Hiroko Kono, and Takashi Katayama, candidates for outside Director, have been appointed as an independent officer.
- 6. The Company states in the Articles of Incorporation that the Company may enter into an agreement with outside Directors to limit their liability for damages to the Company in order for outside Directors to fully perform the roles expected of them as outside Directors. The Company has entered into the aforementioned limited liability agreement with Koichi Narita, Haruhiko Yahagi, Hiroko Kono, and Takashi Katayama. If they are elected, the Company plans to renew this agreement with them. The outline of the agreement is as follows:
  - Outside Directors shall be liable to the Company for damages caused by neglect of his/her duties up to the minimum liability amount provided for under Article 425, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act.
  - The limitation of the liability above shall apply only when outside Director in question acted in good faith and without gross negligence in performing the duties giving rise to said liabilities.

7. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance policy, as defined in Article 430-3, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act, with an insurance company to provide coverage under said insurance policy for damages that may arise from the assumption of liability incurred in the course of the execution of duties by the insured, including Directors of the Company, or claims pertaining to the pursuit of such liability. If candidates are elected and assume the office as Directors, they will be added to the insured of said insurance policy. The Company plans to renew this insurance policy with the same contents at the next renewal.

## Proposal No. 4 Election of Three (3) Corporate Auditors

At the conclusion of this meeting, the terms of office of Corporate Auditors Kaoru Sueyoshi, Junichi Hamahira, and Naoko Miyatake will expire. Therefore, the Company proposes to elect three (3) Corporate Auditors.

The consent of the Board of Corporate Auditors has been obtained for this proposal.

The candidates for Corporate Auditors are as follows:

Candidate No.	Name	Gender Current position in the Company		Attendance at Board of Corporate Auditors meetings in FY2022
1	Re-election Kaoru Sueyoshi	Male	Full-Time Corporate Auditor	14/14 (100%)
2	Re-election Independent Naoko Miyatake Outside	Female	Corporate Auditor	14/14 (100%)
3	New election Independent Koji Shiono Outside	Male	_	_

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary and positions in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company		Number of the Company's shares owned
1	Kaoru Sueyoshi (December 26, 1958) Re-election Period as Corporate Auditor: 4 years (as of conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders)	Kaoru Sueyos and accountin and accountin in the Comp accounting op time Corporat	Joined the Company General Manager of Tokyo Region Accounting Department General Manager of Finance Department General Manager of Tokyo Region Accounting Department General Manager of Department in charge of Special Missions, Administration and Management Headquarters General Manager of Finance Department and General Manager of Department in charge of Special Missions, Corporate Functions Group Headquarters General Manager of Department in charge of Special Missions, Corporate Functions Group Headquarters Full-Time Corporate Auditor (current position) omination as Corporate Auditor) shi has amassed significant knowledge in finance g through his long-standing experience in finance any's overall management through finance and erations. He is currently fulfilling his role as a full- te Auditor, auditing the Company's management, any expects that he will continue to fulfill his role ve.	2,021 shares

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary and positions in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company		Number of the Company's shares owned
2	Naoko Miyatake (December 16, 1959) Re-election Independent Outside Period as outside Corporate Auditor: 4 years (as of conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders)	The Company outside Corp business exp Representative and is also hi position as Re Ltd. She is c Auditor, auditi expects that sh Ms. Miyatake	Joined JCB Co., Ltd. Group Manager, Human Resources Development, Personnel Department General Manager, Quality Control General Manager, Communication Center Executive Officer and General Manager, Communication Center Representative Director and President of JCB Service Co., Ltd. Representative Director of KANSEI worker Research Ltd. (current position) Outside Director (Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) of Odelic Co., Ltd. Outside Corporate Auditor of the Company (current position) omination as outside Corporate Auditor) has nominated Naoko Miyatake as a candidate for orate Auditor because she has long-standing perience in customer service, and as the e Director and President of JCB Service Co., Ltd. ghly regarded for her performance in her current presentative Director of KANSEI worker Research urrently fulfilling her role as outside Corporate ing the Company's management, and the Company the will continue to fulfill her role described above. c's period as outside Corporate Auditor of the l have been four years at the conclusion of this	

Candidate No.	Name (Date of birth)	Career summary and positions in the Company, and significant concurrent positions outside the Company		Number of the Company's shares owned
3	Koji Shiono (February 21, 1955) New election Independent Outside Period as outside Corporate Auditor: 0 years (as of conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders)	Koji Shiono l of a company candidate for accountant of National Tax his role as an management	Recruited as Assistant Director (Taxation) of the National Tax Agency Official, Co-ordination Division, Management and Co-ordination Department, Tokyo Regional Taxation Bureau Examiner, Suginami Tax Office Assistant Director, Tax Counsel Office, Management and Co-ordination Department Examiner, Special Management Division, Higashi Murayama Tax Office Assistant Chief, Income Tax Section, Direct Tax Division Assistant Director, Planning Division, Management and Co-ordination Department Joined Hamahira Junichi Tax & Accounting Office Joined Sakai Certified Public Accountants' Office Established Koji Shiono Tax & Accounting Office Founding Representative, Nihonbashi Hamahira & Shiono Partners Tax & Accounting Company (current position) momination as outside Corporate Auditor) has never been directly involved in the management y. However, the Company has nominated him as a r outside Corporate Auditor because he has a tax pualification and operational experience at the Agency. The Company expects that he will fulfill outside Corporate Auditor, auditing the Company's from an objective perspective due to his expertise 4 of knowledge related to finance and accounting.	0 shares

Notes: 1. There are no special interests between any of the candidates for Corporate Auditor and the Company.

2. Naoko Miyatake and Koji Shiono are both candidates for outside Corporate Auditor.

 The Company has submitted notification to the Tokyo Stock Exchange that Naoko Miyatake, candidate for Corporate Auditor, has been appointed as an independent officer.
 Since Koji Shiono also meets the requirements for independent officer pursuant to the rules of the Tokyo Stock Exchange,

the Company plans to notify him to the said exchange as an independent officer if he is elected.4. The reasons the candidates were judged capable of appropriately performing the duties of outside Corporate Auditor

The Company judges that Naoko Miyatake is capable of appropriately performing her duty as outside Corporate Auditor because she has sufficient knowledge to audit corporate management through her work experience to date and her abundant experience as a corporate manager at JCB Service Co., Ltd. and KANSEI worker Research Ltd.

Although Koji Shiono has never been directly involved in the management of a company, the Company judges that he is capable of appropriately performing his duty as outside Corporate Auditor because he is well-versed in finance and accounting as a tax accountant and has sufficient knowledge to audit corporate management.

5. The Company states in the Articles of Incorporation that the Company may enter into an agreement with outside Corporate Auditors to limit their liability for damages to the Company in order for outside Corporate Auditors to fully perform the roles expected of them as outside Corporate Auditors. The Company has entered into the aforementioned limited liability agreement with Naoko Miyatake. If she is elected, the Company plans to renew this agreement with her. Also, if Koji Shiono is elected, the Company plans to newly enter into the same limited agreement with him.

The outline of the agreement is as follows:

- Outside Corporate Auditors shall be liable to the Company for damages caused by neglect of his/her duties up to the minimum liability amount provided for under Article 425, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act.
- The limitation of the liability above shall apply only when outside Corporate Auditor in question acted in good faith and without gross negligence in performing the duties giving rise to said liabilities.

6. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance policy, as defined in Article 430-3, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act, with an insurance company to provide coverage under said insurance policy for damages that may arise from the assumption of liability incurred in the course of the execution of duties by the insured, including Corporate Auditors of the Company, or claims pertaining to the pursuit of such liability. If candidates are elected and assume the office as Corporate Auditors, they will be added to the insured of said insurance policy. The Company plans to renew this insurance policy with the same contents at the next renewal.

## **Reference:** <u>Nomination Policy</u>

After consultation at the Board of Directors and deliberation and reports by the Nomination & Remuneration Advisory Committee, the Company nominates officer candidates who fulfill the following requirements. The evaluation of effectiveness of the Board of Directors confirms whether or not current Directors fulfill the following requirements and whether they will be nominated again.

Also, the Company maintains a policy for selecting candidates from both inside and outside the Company who are suitable as officers.

[Requirements of all officers]

- 1. Deeply share the corporate philosophy, "through reliable management with noble aspirations, contribute towards the realization of a sustainable and flourishing society."
- 2. Possess an excellent personality, strong virtue, a sense of fairness, a rich knowledge and wealth of experience.
- 3. Understand social responsibility and missions, possess the ability to perform fair and accurate business operations and management based on the corporate philosophy and code of conduct of the Company.
- 4. Possess adaptability to boldly address changes in the external environment, as well as objective decision making ability, insight, and foresight.
- 5. Does not possess an interest that could impact execution of duties.

[Requirements of inside Directors]

- 1. Possess rich knowledge, experience and accomplishments related to the business of the Group.
- 2. Ability to execute business and manage organizations under a cross-company perspective, not just in the field of one's own experience.

[Requirements of outside Directors]

- 1. Possess a wealth of experience and expertise in the following areas: corporate management, industrial knowledge, finance/accounting, crisis management, internal controls, legal affairs, government, education, HR, marketing, development/investment, technology, and others.
- 2. Can provide objective management supervision and judgement, and advice and support for the sustainable growth of the Company.

[Requirements of Corporate Auditors]

Possess experience and expertise of legal affairs, accounting, tax accounting, auditing, and others.

## Reference: Criteria for Determining Independence of Outside Officers of the Company

Outside officers who do not correspond to any of the following are designated as independent officers.

- 1 A person who is currently or has been within the past ten years an executive director, executive officer, manager, or employee (hereinafter "Business Executor") of the Company or its subsidiaries.
- 2 A shareholder who directly or indirectly holds 10% or more of the voting rights of the Company.
- 3 A party in which the Company or its subsidiaries directly or indirectly hold 10% or more of the voting rights.
- 4 A party whose major business partner is the Company or its subsidiaries (a party for whom total sales to the Company or its subsidiaries in the most recent fiscal year comprise 2% or more of the party's net sales for that fiscal year).
- 5 A party who is a major business partner of the Company or its subsidiaries (a party to whom total annual sales of the Company or its subsidiaries in the most recent fiscal year comprise 2% or more of consolidated net sales of the Company for that fiscal year, or a party who has provided financing for 2% or more of consolidated total assets of the Company at the end of the most recent fiscal year).
- 6 A party receiving over ¥10 million annually in donations or monetary aid from the Company or its subsidiaries.
- 7 A Business Executor or full-time corporate auditor of a company in which a Business Executor or full-time Corporate Auditor of the Company or its subsidiaries is also serving concurrently as a Director or Corporate Auditor.
- 8 A CPA, or partner, manager, or employee of a CPA office or auditing corporation that is the accounting auditor of the Company or its subsidiaries.
- 9 A consultant, accounting professional, or legal expert receiving ¥10 million or more annually in monetary or other assets (outside of officer remuneration) from the Company or its subsidiaries (if the party receiving the assets is a corporation or organization, a party to whom the total amount paid by the Company or its subsidiaries in the most recent fiscal year is 2% or more of the party's consolidated net sales for that fiscal year).
- 10 For items 2 to 6, a Business Executor of the party's parent company or consolidated subsidiary in the case where the party is a corporation.
- 11 A person to whom any of items 2 to 10 have applied within the past three years.
- 12 A relative within the second degree of kinship of a person described in items 1 to 11. In the case where a relative within the second degree of kinship is the subject of this item, a Business Executor refers to a Director (excluding outside Directors), Executive Officer, or General Manager.
- 13 A person who does not fall under the above items, but whose independence is questionable due to a risk of enduring and substantial conflict of interest with general shareholders.

## Reference: Corporate Governance Basic Policy

Under the corporate philosophy, "through reliable management with noble aspirations, contribute towards the realization of a sustainable and flourishing society," the Group ensures compliance and achieves sustainable company growth to enhance the Group's contribution to society as a supermarket group trusted by all stakeholders.

In order to achieve this, the Group established a Corporate Governance Basic Policy to realize transparent, fair, swift, and bold decision-making, and continuously strive to fulfill corporate governance based on this policy.

The Group also established the Internal Controls System Management Committee, Risk Management Committee, and Nomination & Remuneration Advisory Committee as organizations to enhance corporate governance. Each committee engages in vibrant discussion, deliberates measures, and makes decisions to fulfill their purpose. These details are deliberated in the Board of Directors meetings. The Group also established the Sustainability Promotion Committee in March 2022 in order to strengthen sustainability efforts.

The Internal Controls System Management Committee deliberates proper execution of internal controls and reports the results of these discussions and makes proposals to the Board of Directors. The Risk Management Committee deliberates risks related to the business execution of the Group and reports the results of these discussions and makes proposals to the Board of Directors. The Nomination & Remuneration Advisory Committee advises the Board of Directors on matters related to the nomination of Directors and Executive Officers as well as remuneration.

The Sustainability Promotion Committee deliberates the proper promotion of sustainability and reports the results of these discussions and makes proposals to the Board of Directors.

#### (Attached Documents)

## **Business Report**

#### (March 1, 2022, to February 28, 2023)

#### I. Status of the corporate group

#### 1. Business activities and results

Operating reven	ue	Change from the previous fiscal year	Operating profit	Change from the previous fiscal year
	¥765,426 million	-%	¥19,148 million	-16.5%
Ordinary profit		Change from the previous fiscal year	Profit attributable to owners of parent	Change from the previous fiscal year
	¥20,015 million	-15.5%	¥13,327 million	-12.4%

The Company has applied the "Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition" (ASBJ Statement No. 29), etc., from the beginning of the fiscal year ended February 28, 2023. As a result, the accounting treatment method for revenues differs from that used in the previous fiscal year; therefore, in the following explanation of operating results, no increase or decrease amounts or year-on-year comparisons (%) are shown for operating revenues and net sales.

During the current fiscal year, in the Japanese economy, the normalization of socioeconomic activities was pursued while measures against COVID-19 were taken. On the other hand, the outlook remained uncertain, largely due to the acceleration of cost-push inflation stemming from a sharp rise in resource prices under the unstable international situation, the global economic downturn, particularly in Europe and the U.S., and the depreciation of the yen.

In the food supermarket industry, which is the Group's area of business, the environment surrounding corporate operations is becoming increasingly severe, mainly due to intensifying competition across industries and business categories, rising procurement costs for raw materials, soaring utilities expenses, personnel costs and other costs, and the growing tendency for consumers to economize due to a decline in real wages.

In this economic environment, the current fiscal year is positioned as the year for the total completion of the 6th Medium-Term Plan, which commenced in fiscal 2018, with the aim of making all of our stores No. 1 in their areas and creating even greater trust from our customers. While breaking away from the homogeneous competition and promoting differentiation, we are working on various measures. Specifically, we are focusing on the development of original products, such as BIO-RAL, a private brand that uses healthy materials and production methods for customers interested in health and natural products (the number of stores with product sections based on the BIO-RAL concept will be increased to 240 stores, approximately 80% of all stores), as well as expanding our online supermarket business, including services for Amazon Prime members, and aggressively opening new stores.

Our Central Square Yebisu Garden Place Store, which opened in April 2022 as the flagship store, is positioned as a next-generation supermarket that combined brick-and-mortar stores and an online supermarket with the business concepts of Central Square ("making daily shopping not only more convenient but also more enjoyable") and BIO-RAL ("organic, local, healthy, and sustainable"). It has been performing well with the support of many customers.

Furthermore, in March 2022, as part of our efforts to realize a sustainable and flourishing society, we started full-scale operation of one of the largest bio-gas power generation facilities in the Japanese retail industry at Tempozan, which reduces food residues by more than 4,000 tons per year and creates renewable energy. The Tempozan bio-gas power generation plant won the Award for Decarbonization at the Sustainability Video Awards 2022, which is a joint project by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, the Consumer Affairs Agency and the Ministry of the Environment in January 2023. In addition, in April 2022, we switched all electricity used at the Tokyo and Osaka headquarters and Central Square Nishi-miyahara Store, adjacent to the Osaka headquarters, to power from renewable energy sources. At the same time, in response to soaring electricity prices and tight power supply, stores and the headquarters are working to save electricity by adjusting the temperature settings of air conditioners and turning off some lights.

In addition, as part of our social contributions, we offered food products and daily supplies to those living in Kyoto City who have evacuated from Ukraine to assist "Kyoto Citizens' Acceptance Support Network for Kyiv and Ukraine evacuees," a support organization launched by Kyoto City and others.

We opened 11 new stores: Central Square Yebisu Garden Place Store (Tokyo) (mentioned above), Kameido Clock Store (Tokyo) and Horikawa Kitayama Store (Kyoto) in April 2022, BIO-RAL Shinjuku Marui Store (Tokyo) in May, Moriguchi Takii Store (Osaka) and Nishiogikubo Store (Tokyo) in July, Toyosu Store (Tokyo), Hanazono Central Park Store (Osaka) and Shijoomiya Store (Kyoto) in September, VIERRA Maita Store (Kanagawa) in October, and Ichigayayakuoji Store (Tokyo) in December. For existing stores, we also temporarily closed the Hatsushiba Store in January 2021 for reconstruction works and continued operating at a temporary store "Hatsushiba Higashi Store," and opened the new "Hatsushiba Store" in December 2022. We also undertook major renovation of four existing stores to expand product lines and frozen foods that meet the needs of health consciousness, simplicity and convenience at Shiki Store, Oyodonaka Store, and Ichikawakokubun Store, and we set up one of the largest "BIO-RAL" sections in the Osaka region at the annex to the Central Square Namba Store, etc.

The Group's operating revenue totaled ¥765,426 million as a result of the expansion of new stores and online supermarkets, the strengthening of private brand products such as "BIO-RAL," and implementing product initiatives that sought to enhance the taste of products. On the other hand, as for selling, general and administrative expenses, the Group saw increases in utilities expenses, various property expenses such as rent expenses from opening new stores, and personnel expenses from increased hiring activities. Operating profit was ¥19,148 million (¥22,932 million in the previous year), ordinary profit was ¥20,015 million (¥23,695 million in the previous year), and profit attributable to owners of parent was ¥13,327 million (¥15,208 million in the previous year).

Results by segment are as follows:

#### **Retail Business**

Operating revenue was \$765,240 million, with net sales of \$738,494 million, and segment profit of \$19,683 million (\$23,556 million in the previous year).

Net sales by department were  $\frac{323,247}{100}$  million for fresh produce,  $\frac{327,577}{100}$  million for general food,  $\frac{464,667}{100}$  million for lifestyle products, and  $\frac{423,001}{100}$  million for apparel.

			*Ai	mounts less than	one million yen a	re rounded down
	Fresh produce	General food	Lifestyle products	Apparel	Tenants	Total
66th Fiscal Year	314,783	321,393	66,971	23,516	9,680	736,346
(2020/3 - 2021/2)	(42.8)	(43.6)	(9.1)	(3.2)	(1.3)	(100.0)
67th Fiscal Year	323,082	324,343	64,823	23,150	9,680	745,080
(2021/3 - 2022/2)	(43.4)	(43.5)	(8.7)	(3.1)	(1.3)	(100.0)
68th Fiscal Year	323,247	327,577	64,667	23,001	_	738,494
(2022/3 - 2023/2)	(43.8)	(44.3)	(8.8)	(3.1)	(-)	(100.0)

Units: Millions of yen; figures in () indicate percentage of net sales \*Amounts less than one million yen are rounded down Other Business

Operating revenue from LIFE FINANCIAL SERVICE was ¥2,577 million (¥2,415 million in the previous year), with segment profit of ¥332 million (¥139 million in the previous year).

New store information for March 2022 to February 2023

Apr. 2022	Central Square Yebisu Garden Place Store (Tokyo)	Apr. 2022	Horikawa Kitayama Store (Kyoto)
Apr. 2022	Kameido Clock Store (Tokyo)	May 2022	BIO-RAL Shinjuku Marui Store (Tokyo)
Jul. 2022	Moriguchi Takii Store (Osaka)	Jul. 2022	Nishiogikubo Store (Tokyo)
Sep. 2022	Toyosu Store (Tokyo)	Sep. 2022	Hanazono Central Park Store (Osaka)
Sep. 2022	Shijoomiya Store (Kyoto)	Oct. 2022	VIERRA Maita Store (Kanagawa)
Dec. 2022	Ichigayayakuoji Store (Tokyo)		

## 2. Capital expenditures

Major capital expenditures during the fiscal year under review are as follows:

(1) Stores opened during the fiscal year under review

Osaka Region:	Horikawa Kitayama Store, Moriguchi Takii Store, Hanazono Central Park Store,
	Shijoomiya Store, Hatsushiba Store (reconstruction)
Tokyo Region:	Central Square Yebisu Garden Place Store, Kameido Clock Store, BIO-RAL
	Shinjuku Marui Store, Nishiogikubo Store, Toyosu Store, VIERRA Maita Store,
	Ichigayayakuoji Store

(2) Stores that underwent large-scale renovation during the fiscal year under review

Osaka Region:	Shiki Store, Oyodonaka Store, Central Square Namba Store
Tokyo Region:	Ichikawakokubun Store

Financing for the abovementioned facilities was primarily allocated from the Group's own funds.

## 3. Financing

Not applicable.

## 4. Trends in assets and operating results

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Category	Period	65th Fiscal Year ended February 2020	66th Fiscal Year ended February 2021	67th Fiscal Year ended February 2022	68th Fiscal Year (fiscal year under review) ended February 2023
Operating revenu	e(Millions of yen)	714,684	759,146	768,335	765,426
Ordinary profit	(Millions of yen)	14,558	28,156	23,695	20,015
Profit attributable parent	to owners of (Millions of yen)	7,834	17,824	15,208	13,327
Earnings per shar	e (Yen)	167.17	380.32	324.50	284.35
Total assets	(Millions of yen)	262,053	268,307	270,229	280,810
Net assets	(Millions of yen)	81,360	97,560	110,299	122,002
Net assets per sha	are (Yen)	1,735.94	2,081.61	2,353.44	2,599.79

(1) Trends in assets and operating results of the corporate group

Notes: 1. Earnings per share is calculated based on the average number of shares outstanding during each fiscal year, and the amount of net assets per share is calculated based on the total number of shares outstanding at the end of each fiscal year. Treasury shares are excluded from the average number of shares outstanding during each fiscal year and from the total number of shares outstanding at the end of each fiscal year.

2. Amounts less than one million yen are rounded down, except for amounts of earnings per share and net assets per share.

3. The Group has applied the "Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition" (ASBJ Statement No. 29, March 31, 2020), etc. from the beginning of the fiscal year under review, and each figure for the fiscal year under review is the figure after applying the accounting standard, etc.

Peri Category	od 65th Fiscal Year ended February 2020	66th Fiscal Year ended February 2021	67th Fiscal Year ended February 2022	68th Fiscal Year (fiscal year under review) ended February 2023
Operating revenue (Millions of y	en) 713,879	758,259	767,379	765,240
Ordinary profit (Millions of y	en) 14,541	27,972	23,556	19,683
Profit (Millions of y	en) 7,787	17,665	15,066	12,977
Earnings per share (Ye	en) 166.15	376.93	321.46	276.87
Total assets (Millions of y	en) 269,377	274,950	275,299	283,477
Net assets (Millions of y	en) 82,616	98,170	110,634	120,563
Net assets per share (Ye	en) 1,762.74	2,094.63	2,360.60	2,569.11

(2) Trends in assets and operating results of the reporting company

Notes: 1. Earnings per share is calculated based on the average number of shares outstanding during each fiscal year, and the amount of net assets per share is calculated based on the total number of shares outstanding at the end of each fiscal year. Treasury shares are excluded from the average number of shares outstanding during each fiscal year and from the total number of shares outstanding at the end of each fiscal year.

2. Amounts less than one million yen are rounded down, except for amounts of earnings per share and net assets per share.

3. The Company has applied the "Accounting Standard for Revenue Recognition" (ASBJ Statement No. 29, March 31, 2020), etc. from the beginning of the fiscal year under review, and each figure for the fiscal year under review is the figure after applying the accounting standard, etc.

## 5. Significant parent company and subsidiaries

(1) Parent company

Not applicable.

(2) Significant subsidiaries

Company name	Share capital	Ownership	Principal lines of business
LIFE FINANCIAL SERVICE	¥499 million	100.0%	Credit card and e-money business

## 6. Issues to be addressed

As for the future economic outlook for Japan, the government's response to COVID-19 is under review, and inbound demand is expected to grow as socioeconomic activities begin to normalize. Overseas, however, excessive inflation, frequent natural disasters, fiscal, monetary, and trade policies in Europe and the United States, economic trends in China, the situation in Ukraine, and other geopolitical risks continue to affect the Japanese economy, and the situation remains less optimistic.

In the retail industry, rising wages will support consumption in addition to the accumulation of household savings due to COVID-19, but the retail industry is still in a difficult situation due to concerns about deteriorating corporate earnings, high prices, declining demand for eating at home due to renewed responses to COVID-19, and a drop in consumer confidence.

In this difficult environment, we decided to extend the scope of the 6th Medium-Term Plan by one year, making fiscal 2022 its final year, in order to address issues remaining from the COVID-19 pandemic. This plan, which commenced in fiscal 2018, aims to make each of our stores No. 1 in the area with even greater trust from customers

In the 6th Medium-Term Plan, while reassessing the issues that the Company is facing, we have clearly expressed the Group's vision as the "True to LIFE Declaration," comprised of three keywords: "delicious," "exciting," and "happy." To achieve this vision, we have worked on the action plan, such as the following: The store is the star!, Investment in people, Investment in stores, Investment in merchandise, LIFE's strengths, Activities to instill, develop, and maintain the concept of "True to LIFE," and Strategy to support "True to LIFE."

Based on the reflections of the 6th Medium-Term Plan and changes in the external environment, we have formulated the 7th Medium-Term Plan, which will begin in fiscal 2023, to realize our Corporate Philosophy, Vision, and the "True to LIFE Declaration," with a view to looking toward to what we want to be in fiscal 2030. The three main themes that we will address are as follows.

- Investment in people We aim to increase motivation through employee growth and satisfaction, which will advance the 7th Medium-Term Plan and lead to company growth.
- Break away from homogeneous competition We aim to provide customers with a comfortable shopping experience by expanding our internet business while refining our unique products and services in order to realize seamless and convenient shopping.
- Contributing towards the realization of a sustainable and flourishing society As a "lifeline for the community" we aim to implement initiatives necessary for a sustainable and flourishing society (reduction of environmental impacts, contribution to the local community, etc.).

In promoting the three themes, all employees will personally engage in "kaizen" activities under the slogan of "Linking the Circle of Kaizen" in order to promote efficiency and secure funds for investment to realize the 7th Medium-Term Plan, even in the current situation of labor shortages.

Through the abovementioned measures, we aim to improve our corporate value and achieve sustained growth, as a business entity that is trusted by customers, society and employees.

While wages are expected to rise in addition to the accumulation of household savings as social and economic activities move toward normalization, there are concerns that consumer confidence will decline due to lower demand for eating at home and higher prices, making it extremely difficult to discern performance trends. Even though the outlook remains unclear, however, for the first year of the 7th Medium-Term Plan (fiscal 2023), the Group forecasts operating revenue of \$801.0 billion (up 4.6% year on year), operating profit of \$19.8 billion (up 3.4% year on year), ordinary profit of \$20.5 billion (up 2.4% year on year), and profit attributable to owners of parent of \$13.5 billion (up 1.3% year on year). Although we may revise our business outlook in response to changes in the social and economic environment, we will steadily implement all measures to "realize our Corporate Philosophy, Vision, and the True to LIFE Declaration," which are the goals of the 7th Medium-Term Plan.

## 7. Principal lines of business (as of February 28, 2023)

The Group is mainly engaged in the retail business, handling fresh produce, general food, sundries and other lifestyle products, apparel, and the credit card and e-money business. The Group also conducts incidental operations, including the leasing of stores.

LIFE: 296 stores			
164 stores in the Osaka Region		132 stores in the Tokyo Region	
Osaka	126 stores	Tokyo	90 stores
Kyoto	18 stores	Kanagawa	30 stores
Нуодо	17 stores	Saitama	7 stores
Nara	3 stores	Chiba	5 stores

#### 8. Major business locations (as of February 28, 2023)

#### (1) Logistics centers and other locations of the Company

1) Osaka	Nanko Food Process Center
	Sakai Food Process Center
	Suminoe Logistics Center
	Shintempozan Low Temperature Logistics Center
	Tempozan Food Process Center
	Osaka Hirabayashi Comprehensive Logistics Center
	Osaka Hirabayashi Food Process Center
2) Tokyo	Higashigotanda Satellite Delicatessen Center
	Sakurashinmachi Satellite Delicatessen Center
3) Saitama	Kurihashi Food Process Center
	Yoshikawa Ekimae Bakery Center
	Kazo Food Process Center
4) Chiba	Matsudo Comprehensive Logistics Center
	Funabashi Food Process Center
5) Kanagawa	Kawasaki Comprehensive Logistics Center

(2) Head offices and headquarters of subsidiaries

LIFE FINANCIAL SERVICE Head Office and Headquarters (Taito-ku, Tokyo)

## 9. Employees (as of February 28, 2023)

## (1) Employees of the corporate group

Number of employees	Increase/decrease from the previous fiscal year-end
7,125	+278

Note: In addition to the above, the average number of part-timers employed during the period was 24,520 (converted on an eighthour workday basis).

#### (2) Employees of the reporting company

Number of employees	Increase/decrease from the previous fiscal year-end	Average age	Average years of service
7,117	+278	41.0 years old	15.3 years

Note: In addition to the above, the average number of part-timers employed during the period was 24,520 (converted on an eighthour workday basis).

## 10. Major creditor banks and balance of borrowings (as of February 28, 2023)

	(Millions of yen)
Creditor banks	Balance of borrowings
Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Limited	18,132
The Norinchukin Bank	16,760
MUFG Bank, Ltd.	10,525
Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation	5,756
Mizuho Bank, Ltd.	4,466
Resona Bank, Limited	1,356
Development Bank of Japan Inc.	1,212
The Shoko Chukin Bank, Ltd.	636

Note: Amounts less than one million yen are rounded down.

## 11. Other important matters relating to the current status of the corporate group

Not applicable.

## II. Shares of the Company (as of February 28, 2023)

**1. Total number of authorized shares** 120,000,

120,000,000 shares

7,676

2. Total number of issued shares

49,450,800 shares (including 2,438,486 treasury shares)

3. Number of shareholders

4. Major shareholders

Name	Number of shares held (shares)	Shareholding ratio (%)
Mitsubishi Corporation	10,562,500	22.5
Seishin Kosan Corporation	5,382,000	11.4
The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account)	3,238,500	6.9
LIFE Sport Foundation	3,229,200	6.9
LIFE Mutual Prosperity Association	2,322,212	4.9
Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Limited	2,264,000	4.8
The Norinchukin Bank	2,100,276	4.5
Custody Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account)	1,104,200	2.3
SUMITOMO LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	737,000	1.6
Nobutsugu Shimizu	701,400	1.5

Note: The shareholding ratio is calculated after deducting treasury shares (2,438,486 shares).

The treasury shares do not include 84,300 shares of the Company held by Custody Bank of Japan, Ltd. as trust assets for the "Trust for Delivering Shares to Directors."

#### 5. Other important matters related to shares

At its meeting held on January 16, 2023, the Board of Directors passed a resolution for the disposal of treasury shares as restricted stock compensation.

- (1) Classes of shares disposed of Ordinary shares of the Company
- (2) Allotted parties 550 employees, 55,000 shares
- (3) Date of payment February 27, 2023
- (4) Reason for disposal

The Company disposed of treasury shares for the purpose of providing employees of the Company who meet certain requirements with incentives to achieve sustainable enhancement of the Group's corporate value and to further promote the sharing of value with shareholders.

(Reference) Distribution of shares by shareholder type

Foreign corporations, etc.	7.46%
Financial institutions	25.61%
Individuals and others	11.86%
Treasury shares	4.93%
Securities firms	1.36%
Other domestic corporations	48.78%

#### III. Share acquisition rights, etc. of the Company

Not applicable.

## **IV.** Company Officers

#### 1. Directors and Corporate Auditors (as of February 28, 2023)

Position	Name	Responsibilities of the Company and significant concurrent positions outside the Company
Representative Director and President	Takaharu Iwasaki	Group CEO of Business Group Headquarters Member of the Nomination & Remuneration Advisory Committee Representative Director and Vice President of Nihon Ryutsu Sangyo Co., Ltd. Representative Director and Chairman of LIFE FINANCIAL SERVICE
Director & Senior Managing Executive Officer	Toshiaki Namiki	Assistant to the President and Group CEO of Development Group Headquarters
Director & Senior Managing Executive Officer	Tomehisa Morishita	Group CEO of Corporate Functions Group Headquarters and Division COO of Information Strategy Division
Director & Managing Executive Officer	Takashi Sumino	Group CEO of Infrastructure Group Headquarters
Director & Managing Executive Officer	Nobuyuki Kawai	Deputy Group CEO of Corporate Functions Group Headquarters and Division COO of Corporate Finance and Accounting Division
Director	Koichi Narita	Chairperson of the Nomination & Remuneration Advisory Committee
Director	Haruhiko Yahagi	
Director	Hiroko Kono	
Director	Takashi Katayama	
Full-Time Corporate Auditor	Kaoru Sueyoshi	
Corporate Auditor	Junichi Hamahira	Certified tax accountant
Corporate Auditor	Mitsuo Maki	Attorney at law
Corporate Auditor	Naoko Miyatake	Member of the Nomination & Remuneration Advisory Committee

Notes: 1. The Company has established a Nomination & Remuneration Advisory Committee, with an independent outside Director as the chair, as a non-mandatory advisory body to the Board of Directors.

2. Koichi Narita, Haruhiko Yahagi, Hiroko Kono, and Takashi Katayama are outside Directors. The Company has submitted notification to the Tokyo Stock Exchange that they have been appointed as independent officers.

- 3. Junichi Hamahira, Mitsuo Maki, and Naoko Miyatake are outside Corporate Auditors. The Company has submitted notification to Tokyo Stock Exchange that they have been appointed as independent officers.
- 4. Corporate Auditor Junichi Hamahira is a certified tax accountant and has considerable knowledge of finance and accounting.
- 5. Corporate Auditor Mitsuo Maki is well-versed in corporate legal affairs as an attorney at law and has sufficient knowledge to audit corporate management.
- 6. Corporate Auditor Naoko Miyatake has sufficient knowledge to audit corporate management, given her extensive experience as a corporate executive.
- 7. The Company has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance policy, as defined in Article 430-3, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act, with an insurance company. The scope of those insured by this policy is Directors and Corporate Auditors of the Company, as well as Directors and Corporate Auditors of the Company's subsidiaries. The insured do not pay insurance premiums. This insurance policy provides coverage for damages that may arise from the assumption of liability incurred in the course of the execution of duties by the insured or claims pertaining to the pursuit of such liability. The Company plans to renew the insurance policy with the same contents at the next renewal.

#### 2. Changes to Directors during the fiscal year under review

(1) New appointment

At the 67th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on May 26, 2022, Takashi Katayama was newly elected and appointed as Director.

(2) Retirement

Directors Nobutsugu Shimizu and Hayuru Tsutsumi retired upon the expiry of their terms of office at the conclusion of the 67th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on May 26, 2022.

(3) Changes in positions and responsibilities of Directors during the fiscal year under review

Not applicable.

(4) Changes in positions and responsibilities of Directors after the end of the fiscal year under review Not applicable.

Total amount of		Total amount of remuneration by type (millions of yen)		
Category	remuneration (Millions of yen)	Fixed remuneration	Performance-linked remuneration	Number of recipients
Director (of which outside Directors)	206 (32)	206 (32)	0 (-)	11 (5)
Corporate Auditor (of which outside Corporate Auditors)	45 (32)	45 (32)	- (-)	4 (3)
Total (of which outside officers)	252 (65)	252 (65)	0 (-)	15 (8)

#### 3. Total amount of remuneration for Directors and Corporate Auditors

Notes: 1. The abovementioned figures include two Directors (including one outside Director) who retired at the conclusion of the 67th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on May 26, 2022.

 At the 52nd Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on May 24, 2007, it was resolved that remuneration for Directors shall be no more than ¥35,000 thousand per month. The number of Directors at the conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders was 14.

In addition, separate from the above monetary remuneration, at the 64th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on May 23, 2019, it was resolved that the upper limit of money contributed by the Company to the board benefit trust for performance-linked share remuneration shall be ¥200,000 thousand in total for the five fiscal years from the fiscal year ended February 29, 2020 to the fiscal year ending February 29, 2024 (the term of which may be extended), and that the total number of points to be granted as share remuneration shall be no more than 20,000 points (where one point equates to one share in the Company) for each fiscal year (outside Directors and non-residents of Japan shall not be eligible for share remuneration). The number of Directors (excluding outside Directors) at the conclusion of this Annual General Meeting of Shareholders was seven.

3. At the 64th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on May 23, 2019, it was resolved that the remuneration for Corporate Auditors shall be no more than ¥6,000 thousand per month. The number of Corporate Auditors at the conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders was four.

### 4. Policies for determining remuneration for Directors and other officers

### (1) Remuneration for Directors

At the Board of Directors meeting held on March 15, 2019, the Company passed a resolution on the decision-making policy related to remuneration of individual Directors.

The basic policy for remuneration of Directors is to appropriately reflect the Company's performance and individual contribution in remuneration for each component described below, considering industry levels and levels of similar sized companies with reference to survey results from external institutions.

In addition, the Company has adopted performance-linked remuneration for the purpose of increasing the Directors' motivation to contribute to improving medium-to-long-term performance and increasing corporate value.

Remuneration for outside Directors is comprised solely of role-based remuneration in light of their role and independence.

In order to ensure transparency and fairness of the process for determining remuneration for Directors, the Nomination & Remuneration Advisory Committee, a majority of whose members are outside officers and which is established as an advisory body to the Board of Directors, deliberates on remuneration and reports its findings to the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors has passed a resolution that it will make its decision in accordance with the details of such findings. Furthermore, regarding the remuneration of individual Directors for the fiscal year under review, the Board of Directors has confirmed that the method for determining the content of remuneration and the determined content of remuneration are consistent with the decision-making policy, and the report from the Nomination & Remuneration Advisory Committee is respected, and it is judged that the content is in line with the policy.

Members of the Nomination & Remuneration Advisory Committee include the Representative Director, independent outside Directors, and independent outside Corporate Auditors. The reason for including independent outside Corporate Auditors in the Nomination & Remuneration Advisory Committee is to make more appropriate decisions about the nomination and remuneration of Directors by receiving opinions on nomination and remuneration of Directors from members of the Board of Corporate Auditors.

[Components of Director remuneration]

(i)	Role-based remuneration :	Remuneration paid for duties and responsibilities as Director, outside Director, or Representative Director (Fixed remuneration)
(ii)	Remuneration for business : execution	Remuneration paid for performing duties and responsibilities as well as for the results of business executed (individually determined commensurate with the state of business execution and other factors of each Director, based on a range of remuneration set according to duties and responsibilities)
(iii)	Performance-linked remuneration :	Based on target figures for consolidated ordinary profit, which is the Company's management target, each Director is granted points, which are converted into shares, determined for each position according to the achievement of the targets for each fiscal year. The Company's shares are then delivered based on the number of points. (The Board of Directors determines the target figures each fiscal year, and achieving the targeted ordinary profit is required.)

[Performance-linked remuneration]

This is a performance-linked share remuneration plan (the "Plan"), established in accordance with the details of a resolution at the General Meeting of Shareholders, under which the Company grants points pursuant to the Director Performance-Linked Share Distribution Regulations set by the Board of Directors and delivers shares based on the total number of points accumulated at retirement.

A target figure for consolidated ordinary profit, which is the Company's management target, is used as an indicator for remuneration, and each Director is granted points, which are converted into shares, determined for each position according to the achievement of the targets for each fiscal year as follows.

Points to be granted are calculated based on the following formula (rounded down to the nearest integer).
 Points to be granted = position-based base points<sup>(\*1)</sup> x performance-linked coefficient<sup>(\*2)</sup>
 (\*1) Position-based base points

Position	Position-based base points
Director & Chairman	1,716
Director and President	2,439
Director & Senior Managing Executive Officer	1,084
Director & Managing Executive Officer	767
Director & Senior Executive Officer	496

(\*2) The performance-linked coefficient is set, as below, between 0.0 and 1.5, based on the achievement of the target for ordinary profit<sup>(\*3)</sup> for the corresponding evaluation period.

Achievement level of the target for ordinary profit	Performance-linked coefficient
120% and higher	1.5
100% and higher, less than 120%	2.5 x achievement level - 1.5
90% and higher, less than 100%	6.0 x achievement level - 5.0
Less than 90%	0.0

(\*3) The target for ordinary profit is determined by the Board of Directors each fiscal year. Achieving the targeted ordinary profit is required for the target to be considered achieved.

The Plan aims to increase Directors' motivation to contribute to improving medium- to long-term performance and increasing the Company's corporate value by better clarifying the link between the Company's share value and Directors' remuneration in addition to granting shares based on performance for each fiscal year, having these Directors benefit from the advantages of rising share prices while at the same time assuming the risks of falling share prices, and sharing the benefits and risks of share price fluctuations with shareholders.

The Company selected consolidated ordinary profit as a target indicator based on this premise because it was determined to be an appropriate indicator for improving the ordinary state of management of the Company, and because achieving this business target will maintain a strong motivation toward performance.

Furthermore, the target consolidated ordinary profit for the fiscal year under review is a profit of \$23.9 billion, and the remuneration will not be provided unless the consolidated ordinary profit reaches at least 90% of the target. The actual results for the fiscal year under review were a profit of \$20,015 million, which is 83.7% of the target. As the payment requirement has not been met, no performance-linked remuneration corresponding to the points granted in accordance with the target level achieved has been recorded as an expense in accordance with the Director Performance-Linked Share Distribution Regulations.

## (2) Remuneration for Corporate Auditors

Remuneration for Corporate Auditors is determined by discussion among Corporate Auditors within the limits of the total remuneration determined by the General Meeting of Shareholders, with the results of such determination reported to the Board of Directors.

#### (3) Process of determining remuneration and limits of remuneration for Directors and other officers

In accordance with the above basic policy and the remuneration limits resolved by the General Meeting of Shareholders, the Nomination & Remuneration Advisory Committee deliberates on and evaluates the amounts of Director remuneration, and the Board of Directors passes a resolution on the decision based on the reports of the Nomination & Remuneration Advisory Committee. Further, remuneration limits for Directors and other officers are as follows.

Directors:	No more than ¥35 million per month (pursuant to the resolution at the 52nd Annual		
	General Meeting of Shareholders held on May 24, 2007)		
Corporate Auditors:	No more than ¥6 million per month (pursuant to the resolution at the 64th Annual		
	General Meeting of Shareholders held on May 23, 2019)		

Separate from the limits above, a resolution on the Plan was passed at the 64th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on May 23, 2019, whereby the target period of the trust established for the Plan shall be five fiscal years from the fiscal year ended February 29, 2020, to the fiscal year ending February 29, 2024 (the target period may be extended). The maximum amount of contributions was set at ¥200 million. Officers eligible for payment under the Plan are Directors excluding outside Directors.

## 5. Outside Directors and outside Corporate Auditors

(1) Relationships between the Company and organizations where outside officers hold important concurrent positions

Not applicable.

(2) Major activities during the fiscal year under review

Category	Name	Attendance at meetings, comments made, and outline of duties performed in relation to the roles expected of outside Directors
Director	Koichi Narita	<ul> <li>He attended all 17 Board of Directors meetings held during the fiscal year under review, actively offered opinions in the meetings that were mainly based on his expertise and from a perspective of a corporate executive with rich experience, and fulfilled appropriate roles in ensuring appropriate and proper decision-making.</li> <li>He also serves as the chairperson of the Nomination &amp; Remuneration Advisory Committee.</li> </ul>
Director	Haruhiko Yahagi	He attended all 17 Board of Directors meetings held during the fiscal year under review, actively offered opinions in the meetings mainly based on his deep knowledge of the retail industry and digital marketing, and fulfilled appropriate roles in ensuring appropriate and proper decision-making.
Director	Hiroko Kono	She attended all 17 Board of Directors meetings held during the fiscal year under review, actively offered opinions in the meetings mainly based on her deep knowledge of human resource development and from a perspective of an investor, and fulfilled appropriate roles in ensuring appropriate and proper decision-making.
Director	Takashi Katayama	He attended 13 of the 14 Board of Directors meetings held during the fiscal year under review after his appointment, actively offered opinions in the meetings mainly based on his rich experience of a corporate executive and high level of knowledge related to logistics environment systems and overseas logistics, and fulfilled appropriate roles in ensuring appropriate and proper decision-making.
Corporate Auditor	Junichi Hamahira	He attended all 17 Board of Directors meetings and all 14 Board of Corporate Auditors meetings held during the fiscal year under review and provided remarks that were mainly based on his expertise as a certified tax accountant.
Corporate Auditor	Mitsuo Maki	He attended all 17 Board of Directors meetings and all 14 Board of Corporate Auditors meetings held during the fiscal year under review and provided remarks that were mainly based on his expertise as an attorney at law.
Corporate Auditor	Naoko Miyatake	She attended all 17 Board of Directors meetings and all 14 Board of Corporate Auditors meetings held during the fiscal year under review and provided remarks that were mainly based on her expertise as a corporate executive. She also serves as a member of the Nomination & Remuneration Advisory Committee.

### (3) Matters pertaining to limited liability agreements

The Company has entered into limited liability agreements with Directors Koichi Narita, Haruhiko Yahagi, Hiroko Kono, and Takashi Katayama, as well as Corporate Auditors Junichi Hamahira, Mitsuo Maki, and Naoko Miyatake, to limit their liability stipulated in Article 423, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act. Under these limited liability agreements, their liability shall be limited to the minimum liability amount provided for under Article 425, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act.

## V. Accounting Auditor

## 1. Name KPMG AZSA LLC

#### 2. Amount of remuneration

	Amount of remuneration (Millions of yen)
Amount of remuneration for the Accounting Auditor for the fiscal year under review	40
Total amount of money and other economic benefits payable by the Company and its subsidiaries	40

Notes: 1. In the audit agreement between the Company and the Accounting Auditor, no clear distinction is made between the amounts of remuneration for audits pursuant to the Companies Act and audits pursuant to the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, and in practical terms such distinction cannot be made. Accordingly, the amount of remuneration stated for the fiscal year under review is the total of those amounts.

2. The Board of Corporate Auditors received explanations from the Accounting Auditor on the auditing time required for the accounting audit plan for the fiscal year under review, verified and assessed the performance for the previous fiscal year, and scrutinized the efficiency of the audit services, the reasonableness of the Accounting Auditor's execution of the audit, and the assumptions used to calculate the quotation that forms the basis for the remuneration. As a result, it has given its approval to the remuneration for the Accounting Auditor.

#### 3. Policy on decisions of dismissal or non-reappointment of the Accounting Auditor

If the Board of Corporate Auditors of the Company determines that the Accounting Auditor falls under any of the items in Article 340, paragraph (1) of the Companies Act, the Company shall dismiss the Accounting Auditor based on the unanimous consent of the Corporate Auditors. If, based on a comprehensive judgment on the state of the execution of duties by the Accounting Auditor, the Board of Corporate Auditors determines that the properness and reliability of the audit cannot be ensured, the Board of Corporate Auditors shall determine the content of a proposal pertaining to the dismissal or non-reappointment of the Accounting Auditor to be submitted to the General Meeting of Shareholders.