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### [Translation]

(Stock Exchange Code 7327) May 30, 2025 (Date of commencement of electronic provision measures: May 19, 2025)

To Shareholders with Voting Rights:

Michiro Ueguri President and Representative Director Daishi Hokuetsu Financial Group, Inc. 1071-1 Higashiborimae-dori 7-bancho, Chuo-ku, Niigata, Niigata, Japan

# NOTICE OF CONVOCATION OF THE 7TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

Dear Shareholders:

We would like to express our appreciation for your continued support and patronage.

You are hereby notified that the 7th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of Daishi Hokuetsu Financial Group, Inc. (the "Company") will be held for the purposes described below.

When convening this general meeting of shareholders, the Company has taken measures for electronically providing information and has posted the matters subject to the electronic provision measures on the websites of the Company and the Tokyo Stock Exchange on the Internet. You are kindly requested to access the following websites to view the information.

	https://www.dhfg.co.jp/english/
[The Company website]	Please access the website above, and then click on "Shareholders' Meeting" to find the information.
	https://www2.jpx.co.jp/tseHpFront/JJK020010Action.do?Show=Show
[The Tokyo Stock Exchange website] (Listed Company Search)	Please access the website above, and then enter the Company's name or stock exchange code (7327), and click on "Search," "Basic information," and "Documents for public inspection/PR information" in this order to find the information.

If you do not attend the meeting, you can exercise your voting rights in advance via the Internet or in writing. Please review the after-mentioned Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders and exercise your voting rights **by 5:20 p.m. on Tuesday, June 24, 2025, Japan time**.

1. Date and Time:	•	une 25, 2025, at 10 a.m. Japan time a begins at 9 a.m.)			
2. Place:	Daishi Hokuetsu Hall, 2nd Floor, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd.'s head office located at 1071-1, Higashiborimae-dori, 7-bancho, Chuo-ku, Niigata, Niigata, Japan (Please refer to the "Location of General Meeting of Shareholders" attached at the end of this document (Japanese version only).)				
3. Agenda: Matters to be reported: Proposals to be resolved:	consolidated H 2024–March 3 Audit & Supe <b>Proposal 1</b> :	Report, and the Consolidated Financial Statements and Non- Financial Statements for the Company's 7th Fiscal Year (April 1, 81, 2025) and results of audits by the Accounting Auditor and the rvisory Committee of the Consolidated Financial Statements Election of Eight (8) Directors Not Serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Members			
	Proposal 2:	Election of Two (2) Directors Serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Members			

# 4. Instructions for the Exercise of Voting Rights

(1) Methods for the exercise of voting rights

You can exercise your voting rights by three methods: attending the meeting in person, using the Internet, and mailing the Voting Rights Exercise Form.

(2) Handling of duplicate votes

If you have exercised your voting rights both by the Voting Rights Exercise Form and via the Internet, the vote exercised via the Internet shall be deemed effective.

If you have exercised your voting rights several times via the Internet, only the last vote shall be deemed effective.

(3) Handling of diverse exercise

If you wish to make a diverse exercise of your voting rights, please notify the Company of your intention of making a diverse exercise of your voting rights and the reasons thereof by three (3) days prior to the General Meeting of Shareholders.

(4) Exercise of voting rights by proxy

If you are unable to attend the meeting, you may exercise your voting rights by proxy. Such proxy must be a shareholder of the Company who holds voting rights and will be required to submit a document certifying the authority as proxy.

End

Request for exercising voting rights

Voting rights in a general meeting of shareholders are important rights of our shareholders to participate in our management. We request that you exercise your voting rights.

[Note on the Delivery of Paper-based Materials for the General Meeting of Shareholders]

Considering comprehensively the reduction of global environmental burden by saving paper resources, and other factors, the Company sends a "simple convocation notice" to shareholders who have not made a request for delivery of documents.

A complete set of materials for the General Meeting of Shareholders is available on the websites of the Company and the Tokyo Stock Exchange, the addresses of which are provided on page 1 of this document. Please confirm this information.

- Among the matters subject to the electronic provision measures, the following matters will not be provided in the paper copy to shareholders who made a request for delivery of documents in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations and the Articles of Incorporation of the Company. The Audit & Supervisory Committee and the Accounting Auditors audit documents subject to auditing, including the following matters:
  - (i) "Matters concerning Share Acquisition Rights, etc.," "Corporate Structure to Ensure Appropriate Business Operations," "Matters concerning Specified Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries," and "Matters concerning Dealings with Parent Company, etc." in the Business Report
  - (ii) Consolidated Statement of Shareholders' Equity and Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements
  - (iii) Non-consolidated Statement of Shareholders' Equity and Notes to the Non-consolidated Financial Statements
- Should any amendments be made to the matters subject to the electronic provision measures, the Company will post the notice to that effect with matters before and after the amendment on the Company website and the Tokyo Stock Exchange website, the addresses of which are provided on page 1 of this document.

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

## **Proposals and Reference Documents**

Proposal 1: Election of Eight (8) Directors Not Serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Members

The term of office of all of the nine (9) current Directors (excluding Directors serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Members; hereinafter the same applies within this proposal) will expire at the conclusion of this Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. Accordingly, the Company proposes to elect eight (8) Directors.

The Company has established the Nomination and Remuneration Committee to ensure the opportunity to receive appropriate involvement and advice from Outside Directors on important matters such as the election and dismissal of Directors, and thereby reinforce fairness, transparency, and objectivity (the Committee is an advisory body to the Board of Directors composed of seven (7) members: five (5) Outside Directors and two (2) Representative Directors). The appointment of the candidates for Director was decided based on the deliberations and findings of this Committee.

This proposal was discussed by the Audit & Supervisory Committee, and there were no special matters to note.

The candidates for Director are as follows:

No.	Name	(Sex)		Current position in the Company	Attendance at Meetings of the Board of Directors (7th term)
1	Fujio Namiki	(Male)	Reappointment	Chairman	12/12 (100%)
2	Michiro Ueguri	(Male)	Reappointment	President and Representative Director	12/12 (100%)
3	Makoto Takahashi	(Male)	Reappointment	Representative Director and Senior Managing Director	12/12 (100%)
4	Ken Shibata	(Male)	Reappointment	Representative Managing Director	12/12 (100%)
5	Toshiyuki Maki	(Male)	Reappointment	Director	12/12 (100%)
6	Takayoshi Tanaka	(Male)	Reappointment	Director	12/12 (100%)
7	Takashi Ishizaka	(Male)	Reappointment	Director	12/12 (100%)
8	Yoshiko Baba	(Female)	Reappointment	Director	12/12 (100%)

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Brief	Brief career summary, positions and responsibilities		
1	Fujio Namiki (June 20, 1951) (Age: 74*) Reappointment	April 1975 August 1998 February 2000 February 2002 June 2004 June 2005 June 2006 April 2007 April 2008 June 2011 June 2012 October 2018 January 2021 April 2021 June 2024	Joined The Daishi Bank, Ltd. General Manager, Kashiwazaki Minami Office General Manager, Business Development Division General Manager, Tsubame Office General Manager, Sanjo Office and General Manager, Sanjo Minami Office Director, General Manager, Sanjo Office Director stationed in Joetsu/General Manager, Takada Office Director and Executive Officer stationed in Joetsu/General Manager, Takada Office Managing Director, General Manager, Business Headquarters Senior Managing Director (Representative Director) President (Representative Director) President and Representative Director, the Company President (Representative Director), Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. Chairman and Representative Director, the Company Director, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. Chairman, Supervision (current position)	Company held 20,000	
	Years in service as Director: 6 years and 9 months <sup>*</sup>				
	[Reason for nomination as Director] Since he assumed the office of Director of The Daishi Bank, Ltd. (currently Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd.) in June 2005, Mr. Fujio Namiki has supervised the divisions of business promotion, credit/loans, and management planning, thereby accumulating considerable experience and broad knowledge. Having assumed the office of the bank's Representative Director in June 2011, President (Representative Director) in June 2012, the Company's President and Representative Director since its establishment in October 2018, the Company's Chairman and Representative Director since April 2021, and the Company's Chairman since June 2024, he has adequately fulfilled his duties and responsibilities. He has therefore been nominated as Director in the judgment that he will continue to be able to contribute to the management of our Group. [Significant concurrent position] None				

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Brief	career summary, positions and responsibilities	Number of shares of the Company held	
2	Michiro Ueguri (December 24, 1962) (Age: 62*) Reappointment	April 1986 April 2008 June 2012 June 2015 June 2016 April 2017 June 2017 June 2018 October 2018 April 2021 June 2024	Joined The Daishi Bank, Ltd. General Manager, Kashiwazaki Minami Office General Manager, Planning Coordination Division General Manager, Tokyo Office, and Chief Representative, Tokyo Representative Office Executive Officer, General Manager, Tokyo Office, and Chief Representative, Tokyo Representative Office Executive Officer and General Manager, Group Strategy Planning Division Director, Executive Officer and General Manager, Group Strategy Planning Division Managing Director Director, the Company President and Representative Director, the Company President (Representative Director), Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. President and Representative Director, Chairman of Board of Directors, in charge of Supervision/Audit and Inspection Division, the Company (current position) President (Representative Director), Chairman of Board of Directors, in charge of Supervision/ Secretariat Division/Audit and Inspection Division, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. (current position)	11,900	
	Years in service as Director: 6 years and 9 months <sup>*</sup> [Reason for nomination as Director] Since he assumed the office of Director of The Daishi Bank, Ltd. (currently Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd.) in June 2017, Mr. Michiro Ueguri has supervised the divisions of management planning, general affairs, human resources, administration and sales, thereby accumulating considerable experience and broad knowledge. He has served as Director of the Company since its establishment in October 2018, and was appointed President and Representative Director of the Company and President (Representative Director) of Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. in April 2021. He has adequately fulfilled his duties and responsibilities, and he has therefore been nominated as Director in the judgment that he will continue to be able to contribute to the management of our Group. [Significant concurrent positions] President (Representative Director), Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. Outside Director, HOKURIKU GAS CO., LTD. Outside Director, BSN Media Holdings, Inc.				

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Brief c	career summary, positions and responsibilities	Number of shares of the Company held		
3	Makoto Takahashi (February 23, 1962) (Age: 63*) Reappointment	April 1985 July 2009 June 2013 June 2015 June 2017 June 2018 October 2018 January 2021 June 2023	Joined The Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. General Manager, Gosen Office General Manager, Loan Division Director, General Manager, General Planning Division Managing Director, General Manager, General Planning Division Director, the Company Managing Director, General Manager, Operation Headquarters, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. Representative Director and Senior Managing Director in charge of Risk Management Division (currently Risk Management Division and Compliance Division)/Systems Operation Administration Division (currently Systems Management Division and Administration Division), the Company (current position) Senior Managing Director (Representative Director), General Manager, Operation Headquarters, in charge of Administration Division/Operation Centralization Division/Operation Centralization Division/Operation Support Division/Risk Control Division (currently Risk Management Division and Compliance Division), Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd.	12,900		
	(current position)					
	Years in service as Director: 6 years and 9 months <sup>*</sup> [Reason for nomination as Director] Since he assumed the office of Director of The Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. (currently Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd.) in June 2017, Mr. Makoto Takahashi has supervised the divisions of management planning and consolidation promotion, thereby accumulating considerable experience and broad knowledge. Since the establishment of the Company in October 2018, he has served as Director and, since June 2023, as Representative Director and Senior Managing Director of the Company and Senior Managing Director (Representative Director) of Daishi Hokuetsu Bank and has adequately fulfilled his duties and responsibilities. He has therefore been nominated as Director in the judgment that he will continue to be able to contribute to the management of our Group. [Significant concurrent position] Senior Managing Director (Representative Director), Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd.					

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Brief c	Brief career summary, positions and responsibilities		
4	Ken Shibata (January 19, 1967) (Age: 58*) Reappointment	April 1989 February 2011 June 2015 June 2018 October 2018 June 2020 January 2021 June 2023 June 2024	Joined The Daishi Bank, Ltd. General Manager, Tsubame Minami Office General Manager, Planning Coordination Division Director and Executive Officer, General Manager, Planning Coordination Division General Manager, Business Planning Division, the Company Director, General Manager, Corporate Planning Division, the Company Managing Director, General Manager, Planning Coordination Division, The Daishi Bank, Ltd. Director, the Company Managing Director, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. Senior Managing Director (Representative Director), in charge of Planning Coordination Division/Tokyo Representative Office and Treasury and Capital Markets Division, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. (current position) Representative Managing Director, in charge of Corporate Planning Division/Group Strategy Promotion Division and Treasury and Capital Markets Division and Treasury and Capital	Company held 8,900	
	Markets Division, the Company (current position)     Years in service as Director: 5 years*     IDesson for pomination as Director!				
	[Reason for nomination as Director] Mr. Ken Shibata assumed the office of Director of The Daishi Bank, Ltd. (currently Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd.) in June 2018 and has supervised the divisions of corporate planning, risk management, securities operation, thereby accumulating considerable experience and broad knowledge. He has served as Director of the Company since June 2020, as Senior Managing Director (Representative Director) of Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. since June 2023, and as Representative Managing Director of the Company since June 2024. He has adequately fulfilled his duties and responsibilities, and he has therefore been nominated as Director in the judgment that he will continue to be able to contribute to the management of our Group. [Significant concurrent position]				
		-	ative Director), Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd.		

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Brief	career summary, positions and responsibilities	Number of shares of the Company held		
5	Toshiyuki Maki (December 19, 1966) (Age: 58*) Reappointment	April 1990 June 2015 June 2017 June 2018 October 2018 June 2019 June 2020 January 2021 April 2021 June 2021 June 2023 June 2024 July 2024	Joined The Daishi Bank, Ltd. General Manager, Kameda Office General Manager, Sanjo Office and General Manager, Sanjo Higashi Office Executive Officer and General Manager, Consulting Promotion Division General Manager, Business Planning Division, the Company Director, Executive Officer and General Manager, Consulting Promotion Division, The Daishi Bank, Ltd. Director, Executive Officer and General Manager, Business Headquarters Managing Director, General Manager, Business and Regional Revitalization Headquarters Senior Managing Executive Officer and General Manager, Business and Regional Revitalization Headquarters, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. General Manager, Regional Revitalization Headquarters and General Manager, Regional Revitalization Division, the Company Director, General Manager, Regional Revitalization Headquarters and General Manager, Rusiness Headquarters, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. Director, General Manager, Regional Revitalization Headquarters, the Company (current position) Senior Managing Director (Representative Director), General Manager, Business Headquarters, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. Senior Managing Director (Representative Director), General Manager, Business Headquarters, and General Manager, Tokyo Business Headquarters, in charge of Consulting Division and Business Development and Planning Division, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd.	3,300		
	(current position)   Years in service as Director: 4 years*					
	[Reason for nomination as Director] Mr. Toshiyuki Maki assumed the office of Director of The Daishi Bank, Ltd. (currently Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd.) in June 2019 and supervised the division of business promotion, thereby accumulating considerable experience and broad knowledge. He has served as Director and General Manager of the Regional Revitalization Headquarters of the Company since June 2021, and as Senior Managing Director (Representative Director) and General Manager of the Business Headquarters of Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. since June 2024. He has adequately fulfilled his duties and responsibilities, and he has therefore been nominated as Director in the judgment that he will continue to be able to contribute to the management of our Group.					

[Significant concurrent position] Senior Managing Director (Representative Director), Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd.

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Brief ca	areer summary, positions and responsibilities	Number of shares of the Company held			
6	Takayoshi Tanaka (June 15, 1963) (Age: 62*) Reappointment	April 1987 February 2009 February 2011 June 2013 June 2015 June 2017 October 2018 June 2019 June 2020 January 2021 June 2021 June 2023	Joined The Daishi Bank, Ltd. General Manager, Nagaoka Shiyakushomae Office General Manager, Gosen Office General Manager, Tokamachi Office General Manager, Human Resources Division Executive Officer, General Manager, Human Resources Division General Manager in charge of Personnel Planning Division, the Company Director and Executive Officer, General Manager, Human Resources Division, The Daishi Bank, Ltd. Managing Director, General Manager, Head Office Business Division, and Manager, Head Office Business Division, and Manager, Niigata Airport Sub-office, The Daishi Bank, Ltd. Senior Managing Executive Officer, General Manager, Head Office Business Division and Manager, Niigata Airport Sub-office, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. Director, the Company Managing Director, General Manager, Head Office Business Division, and Manager, Niigata Airport Sub-office, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. Director in charge of Personnel Planning Division (currently Human Capital Strategy Division) and General Affairs Division, the Company (current position) Managing Director, in charge of General Affairs Division and Deputy in charge of Personnel Division, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. (current position)	10,552			
	Years in service as	Director: 4 years*	position)				
	[Reason for nomina						
			office of Director of The Daishi Bank, Ltd. (currently I	Daishi Hokuetsu			
		Bank, Ltd.) in June 2019 and has supervised the Personnel Division, thereby accumulating considerable					
	-	U	has served as Director of the Company and Managing	·			
			dequately fulfilled his duties and responsibilities, and				
		Director in the jud	gment that he will continue to be able to contribute to	the management			
	of our Group.	· · -					
	[Significant concur						
	Managing Director	, Daishi Hokuetsu l	Bank, Ltd.				

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Brief ca	areer summary, positions and responsibilities	Number of shares of the Company held		
7	Takashi Ishizaka (January 22, 1964) (Age 61*) Reappointment	April 1986 October 2007 June 2009 April 2014 April 2017 October 2018 June 2019 January 2021 June 2021 October 2021 June 2023	Joined The Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. General Manager, Yoshida Office General Manager, Ichinokido Office General Manager, Niitsu Office General Manager, Solution Business Division General Manager in charge of Business Planning Division, the Company General Manager, Business Supervision Division, The Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. Executive Officer, General Manager, Business Supervision Division Executive Officer, Deputy General Manager, Business Headquarters, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. Deputy General Manager, Regional Revitalization Headquarters, and General Manager in charge of Regional Revitalization Division, the Company Executive Officer, Deputy General Manager, Business Headquarters, and General Manager, Business Headquarters, and General Manager, Business Development and Planning Division, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. President and Representative Director, Daishi Hokuetsu Capital Partners, Co., Ltd. Director, Deputy General Manager, Regional Revitalization Division, the Company (current position) Managing Director, Deputy General Manager, Business Headquarters, and General Manager, Business Headquarters, and General Manager, Regional Revitalization Division, the Company (current position) Managing Director, Deputy General Manager, Business Headquarters, and General Manager, Business Headquarters, Deputy General Manager, Business Headquarters, Deputy General Manager, Business Headquarters, Deputy General Manager, Business Headquarters, Deputy in charge of Consulting Division and Business Development	3,400		
	and Planning Division (current position)     Years in service as Director: 2 years*     [Reason for nomination as Director]     After serving as General Manager at multiple offices of The Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. (currently Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd.), Mr. Takashi Ishizaka assumed the office of General Manager of Solution Business Division, and Executive Officer and General Manager of Business Supervision Division, thereby accumulating considerable experience and broad knowledge in the sales divisions. He has served as Director and Deputy General Manager of Regional Revitalization Headquarters of the Company and as Managing Director and Deputy General Manager of Business Headquarters of Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. since June 2023. He has adequately fulfilled his duties and responsibilities, and he has therefore been nominated as Director in the judgment that he can continue to contribute to the management of our Group.     [Significant concurrent position]     Managing Director, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd.					

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Brief career summary, positions and responsibilities		Number of shares of the Company held	
	Yoshiko Baba (April 1, 1969) (Age 56*) Reappointment	April 1991 February 2016 May 2019 June 2022 June 2023 June 2024	Joined The Daishi Bank, Ltd. General Manager, Inada Office President and Representative Director, Daishi Hokuetsu Career Bridge Co., Ltd. Executive Officer, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. Director, General Manager, Minami Niigata Office, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. (current position) Director, the Company (current position)	1,428	
	Years in service as	1			
8	[Reason for nomination as Director] After serving as General Manager at an office of The Daishi Bank, Ltd. (currently Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd.), Ms. Yoshiko Baba worked as Deputy General Manager of the Human Resources Division and then exercised her abilities to launch Daishi Hokuetsu Career Bridge Co., Ltd. as its President and Representative Director until that company got off the ground, thereby accumulating considerable experience and broad knowledge in human resources. Since June 2023, she has served as Director and General Manager of Minami Niigata Office of Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd., and since June 2024 as Director of the Company. She has adequately fulfilled her duties and responsibilities and has therefore been nominated as Director in the judgment that she can continue to contribute to the management of the Group.				

[Significant concurrent position]

Director, General Manager, Minami Niigata Office, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd.

\*1 The age and the number of years in service as Director for the renominated candidates are at the closing of this General Meeting Shareholders.

Notes: 1. There is no special interest between each candidate for Director and the Company.

2. The Company has concluded a directors and officers liability insurance contract based on Article 430, Paragraph 3, Item 1 of the Companies Act with an insurance company to cover legal damages and litigation expenses in the event that a claim for damages is made against the insured parties. The insured parties under the insurance contract are Directors of the Company, Directors and Executive Officers of the Company's subsidiary bank. The insurance premiums are fully paid by the Company and its subsidiary bank, in proportion to their respective number of insured parties. If this proposal is approved and passed without alternation, then all candidates for the position of Director will be insured under the contract.

The Company intends to renew the directors and officers liability insurance contract under the same terms when it comes due for renewal.

Proposal 2: Election of Two (2) Directors Serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Members

Of the six (6) current Directors serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Members, two (2) Directors, Mr. Takayoshi Konomura and Mr. Kunio Mori, will complete their term of office at the conclusion of this Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. Accordingly, the Company proposes to elect two (2) Directors serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Members.

The Company has established the Nomination and Remuneration Committee to ensure the opportunity to receive appropriate involvement and advice from Outside Directors on important matters such as the election and dismissal of Directors, and thereby reinforce fairness, transparency, and objectivity (the Committee is an advisory body to the Board of Directors composed of seven (7) members: five (5) Outside Directors and two (2) Representative Directors). The appointment of the candidates for Director was decided based on the deliberations and findings of this Committee.

This proposal has been approved by the Audit & Supervisory Committee.

If Proposal 1 "Election of Eight (8) Directors Not Serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Members" and this proposal are both approved and passed without alteration, then there will be two (2) female directors, and there will be five (5) independent directors based on the regulations of the Tokyo Stock Exchange Inc., and one third or more of the Company's directors will be independent directors.

The candidate for Director serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Member is as follows:

No.	Name	Sex		Current position in the Company	Attendance at Meetings of the Board of Directors (7th term)
1	Naruhito Hosaka	Male	New appointment	_	_
2	Miki Kuwahara	Female	New appointment	_	_

	Name (Date of birth)	Brief c	areer summary, positions and responsibilities	Number of shares of the Company held
1	Naruhito Hosaka (July 22, 1962) (Age: 62*) New appointment	April 1986 June 2006 April 2008 June 2013 February 2016 June 2017 June 2019 January 2021 June 2021 June 2023	Joined The Daishi Bank, Ltd. General Manager, Ubagayama Office General Manager, Inada Office General Manager, Naoetsu Office General Manager, Naoetsu Office Executive Officer, General Manager, Nagaoka Main Office Executive Officer, General Manager, Tokyo Office Executive Officer, General Manager, Tokyo Branch, Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd. Executive Officer, General Manager, Takada Main Office, General Manager, Takada Chuo Branch, and Manager, Honmachi Sub-office Director (Audit and Supervisory Committee Member) (current position)	7,800
	[Reason for nomin	-	multiple offices of The Daishi Bank, Ltd. (currently Dais	hi Hokuetsu Bank
	Ltd.), Mr. Naruhi	to Hosaka served	as Executive Officer and General Manager of Tokyo 2021 and as Executive Officer, General Manager of Tal	Branch of Daishi

General Manager of Takada Chuo Branch, and Manager of Honmachi Sub-office of the said bank since June 2021, thereby accumulating considerable experience and broad knowledge in the division of business promotion. He has served as Director serving as an Audit and Supervisory Committee Member of the said bank since June 2023. He has adequately fulfilled his duties and responsibilities, and he has therefore been nominated as Director serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Member of the Company in the judgment that he will be able to contribute to the enhancement of the effectiveness of our Group's auditing function as well as

\*On June 19, 2025, Mr. Naruhito Hosaka plans to retire from the office of Director (Audit and Supervisory

decision-making and supervisory functions of its Board of Directors.

Committee Member) of Daishi Hokuetsu Bank, Ltd.

[Significant concurrent position]

None

	Name (Date of birth)	Brief c	Number of shares of the Company held			
	Miki Kuwahara (August 14, 1956) (Age: 68 <sup>*</sup> ) New appointment	April 1979 June 2013 June 2015 March 2016	Joined TV Asahi Corporation Director and General Manager, Tokyo Branch, The Niigata Television Network 21, Inc. Managing Director and General Manager, Tokyo Branch Managing Director and General Manager, Sales	0		
	Independent	June 2017	Division President and CEO (current position)			
2	[Reason for nomination as Outside Director and summary of expected roles] Since June 2017, Ms. Miki Kuwahara has served as President and CEO of a highly public and ethical news medium by utilizing extensive experience and broad knowledge as a company manager. She has therefore been nominated as Outside Director in the judgment that she will be able to contribute to the enhancement of the effectiveness of our Group's auditing function as well as decision-making and supervisory functions of its Board of Directors as our first female Outside Director.					
	[Significant concurrent position] President and CEO, The Niigata Television Network 21, Inc.					
	[Note on independence] Ms. Miki Kuwahara satisfies the "Independence Criteria" (please see Reference 1 on Page 16) prescribed by the Company.					
	Ms. Miki Kuwahara currently serves as President and CEO of The Niigata Television Network 21, Inc., but the transactional amount of the Group companies with The Niigata Television Network 21, Inc. for fiscal 2024 accounted for less than 1% of the net sales of The Niigata Television Network 21, Inc. as well as of the consolidated gross profits of the Company. Therefore, her independence is not affected.					

\*1 The age of newly nominated candidates is at the closing of this General Meeting Shareholders.

- Notes: 1. There is no special interest between each candidate for Director serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Member and the Company.
  - 2. Ms. Miki Kuwahara is a candidate for Outside Director.
  - 3. If the election of Ms. Miki Kuwahara is approved and passed, the Company plans to enter into a limited liability agreement pursuant to Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act with her. The maximum amount of liability in accordance with said agreement shall be the minimum amount of liability stipulated in Article 425, Paragraph 1 of said Act.
  - 4. The Company has concluded a directors and officers liability insurance contract based on Article 430, Paragraph 3, Item 1 of the Companies Act with an insurance company to cover legal damages and litigation expenses in the event that a claim for damages is made against the insured parties. The insured parties under the insurance contract are Directors of the Company, Directors and Executive Officers of the Company's subsidiary bank. The insurance premiums are fully paid by the Company and its subsidiary bank, in proportion to their respective number of insured parties. If this proposal is approved and passed without alteration, then each of the candidates for Director serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Member will be insured under the contract.

The Company intends to renew the directors and officers liability insurance contract under the same terms when it comes due for renewal.

5. Ms. Miki Kuwahara satisfies the requirements for an independent director based on the regulations of the Tokyo Stock Exchange Inc. If her election is approved and passed, the Company plans to designate her as an independent director and notify the exchange to that effect.

End

### **Reference 1**

In addition to fulfilling the independence criteria established by the Tokyo Stock Exchange Inc. on the appointment of outside directors, the candidates must also satisfy the following "Independence Criteria."

### **Independence** Criteria

As a general rule, candidates for outside directors must not currently or recently<sup>\*1</sup> qualify in any of the following requirements listed below.

- (1) Major<sup>\*2</sup> customers of the Group or the executive officer of such customers;
- (2) Business operators whose major<sup>\*2</sup> customer is the Group, or the executive officer of such business operators;
- (3) Those who are either consultants, financial experts or legal experts who receive large monetary sums<sup>\*3</sup> or other assets from the Group other than a director's compensation (where the entity in receipt of such assets are legal entities or any other associations, those who are affiliated to such entities are also included);
- (4) Those who are in receipt of large sums<sup>\*3</sup> of donations from the Group or is the executive officer of such entities;
- (5) Major shareholder<sup>\*4</sup> of the Group or executive officer of such shareholders; and
- (6) Relatives<sup>\*6</sup> of the following (excluding those who are considered to be not important<sup>\*5</sup>)
  - A. Those who qualify under (1) to (5) above;
  - B. A director of the Group who is not an executive officer or an executive officer of a subsidiary.

Definitions:

- \*1 "recent" means a situation that can substantially mean current where, for instance, it would apply in the event of approving the resolutions at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders where a new outside director was appointed.
- \*2 "major" means recording 1% or more of the consolidated net proceeds (in the case of the Group, consolidated gross profits) of the most recent fiscal year.
- \*3 "large sums" means 10 million yen or more per year for the average of the previous three years.
- \*4 "major shareholders" means a shareholding equity of 10% or more.
- \*5 "those who are considered to be not important" means those who do not hold positions as directors or general managers of a company, and for individuals whose affiliations are with accounting or law firms, those individuals who are not qualified as accountants or lawyers.
- \*6 "relatives" mean an individual's spouse and relatives within a second degree of kinship.

# Reference 2

• The Company has identified twelve (12) items as knowledge, experience and ability the Board of Directors need to be equipped with, consisting of nine (9) items common to ordinary corporations and three (3) items special to the Company as a regional financial group.

	Knowledge, experience and ability to be equipped with
Common to ordinary	(1) Corporate management, (2) Management strategy and sustainability, (3) Risk
corporations	management, (4) HR management, (5) Sales, (6) Management theory, (7)
	Finance and accounting, (8) Legal affairs and (9) IT systems
Special to a regional	(10) Corporate audit, (11) Market operations and (12) System administration
financial group	

• The fields in which the internal candidates for Director have experience, and the fields in which Outside Directors (including candidates) are particularly expected to contribute, are shown below. The Board of Directors as a whole has secured necessary skills for the Company to practice management theory and realize the Medium-Term Management plan.

Fields in which the internal candidates for Director have experience (as a corporate officer, general manager, or group company president)							
Name	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(10)	(11)	(12)
Name	Management strategy and sustainability	Risk management	HR management	Sales	Corporate audit	Market operations	System administration
Directors not serving as Audi	it & Supervisory	Committee Mer	nbers				-
Fujio Namiki [Reappointment]	•	•		•	•		
Michiro Ueguri [Reappointment]	•		•	•			•
Makoto Takahashi [Reappointment]	•	•		•	•		•
Ken Shibata [Reappointment]	•	•				•	
Toshiyuki Maki [Reappointment]				•			
Takayoshi Tanaka [Reappointment]			•				
Takashi Ishizaka [Reappointment]				•			
Yoshiko Baba [Reappointment]			•				
Directors serving as Audit &	Supervisory Cor	nmittee Member	rs				•
Naruhito Hosaka [New appointment]				•			
Kazuaki Matsumoto [Outside]							
Tadashi Shirai [Outside]							
Hiroyuki Kikuchi [Outside]							
Akira Sato [Outside]							
Miki Kuwahara [New appointment] [Outside]							

	Fields in which the Company's Outside Directors (including candidates) are particularly expected to contribute						
Name	(1)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)		
	Corporate	Management	Finance and	Legal affairs	IT avatama		
	management	theory	accounting	Legal affairs	IT systems		
Directors serving as Audit &	& Supervisory Com	mittee Members					
Naruhito Hosaka							
[New appointment]							
Kazuaki Matsumoto							
[Outside]		•					
Tadashi Shirai							
[Outside]			•		•		
Hiroyuki Kikuchi							
[Outside]				•			
Akira Sato							
[Outside]	•						
Miki Kuwahara							
[New appointment]							
[Outside]							

[Outside]

Notes: 1. [Outside] indicates an Outside Director who fulfills the independence criteria established by the Tokyo Stock Exchange Inc.

2. The table above does not represent all of the expertise possessed by the Company's Outside Directors.

3. Mr. Kazuaki Matsumoto, Mr. Tadashi Shirai, Mr. Hiroyuki Kikuchi, and Mr. Akira Sato are incumbent Directors serving as Audit & Supervisory Committee Members.