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The corporate governance of Lion Corporation is described below.

I. Basic Views on Corporate Governance, Capital Structure, Corporate Profile and Other Basic Information

1. Basic Views

Lion's top priorities for corporate governance are to increase management transparency, strengthen supervisory functions, accelerate decision making and ensure compliance. By strengthening and enhancing its corporate governance system, Lion aims to increase its corporate value.

*Please refer to the Lion Corporation Basic Corporate Governance Policy, which sets forth the Company's basic approach to corporate governance and its basic policies, posted on Lion's website. <u>https://www.lion.co.jp/en/company/pdf/cg_policy_e.pdf</u>

[Reasons for Non-compliance with the Principles of the Corporate Governance Code] Updated

The Company complies with all the principles of the Corporate Governance Code.

*The implementation status of each principle is confirmed by the executive department and verified by the Audit & Supervisory Board. These initiatives will continue to be implemented regularly, such as when the Corporate Governance Code is revised.

[Disclosure Based on the Principles of the Corporate Governance Code] Updated

(Principle 1.4 Cross-Shareholdings)

Lion may maintain cross-shareholdings with other companies only when it has judged that they are strategically important for such purposes as maintaining and strengthening trade relationships. The Board of Directors examines the economic rationality of cross-shareholdings on an annual basis, checking the investment profitability, capital cost and other factors for each stockholding. Based on the results of these examinations and such factors as the importance of the relevant trade relationships, shareholdings determined to be unnecessary are then sold as appropriate, reducing Lion's cross-shareholdings.

The voting rights associated with strategically held shares may be exercised based on comprehensive consideration that includes the improvement of Lion's corporate value over the medium to long term and the common interest of Lion's fellow shareholders.

*Please refer to the securities report for information on "Shareholding Status." <u>https://www.lion.co.jp/ja/ir/library/securities/</u> (Japanese only)

(Principle 1.7 Related Party Transactions)

When a director engages in a transaction on behalf of himself or a third party with Lion that presents a potential conflict of interest, the transaction must be approved by the Board of Directors, in accordance with the Companies Act and the rules of the board. Furthermore, transactions between Lion and directors, major shareholders or other related parties are disclosed in line with the Companies Act, the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act and the Tokyo Stock Exchange's timely disclosure rules.

(Supplementary Principle 2.4.1 Ensuring Diversity in the Promotion of Core Human Resources) Please refer to "*III* Implementation of Measures for Shareholders and Other Stakeholders: 3. Measures to Ensure Due Respect for Stakeholders: Other."

(Principle 2.6 Role of Corporate Pension Fund as Asset Owner)

To ensure the payment of pension payments and lump-sum payments into the future, Lion's corporate pension fund manages its pension assets with the aim of securing the necessary total returns over the long-term. To ensure the sound management of the pension fund, Lion assigns personnel from accounting, finance and other relevant divisions who have the appropriate qualities to manage corporate pensions to monitor the entrusted assets.

Furthermore, the membership of the board of representatives that serves as the decision-making body for the corporate pension fund is divided equally between Company appointees and representatives of the corporate pension fund beneficiaries elected from among themselves, thereby creating a framework for appropriately managing any conflict of interest that may arise between the corporate pension fund beneficiaries and the Company.

(Principle 3.1 Enhancement of Disclosure)

(1) Corporate Philosophy, Management Strategy and Management Plan

Lion will strive to disclose the progress of its management vision, basic strategies and medium-term management plan in an easy-to-understand manner to all stakeholders, including shareholders and investors.

(i)Basic Management Policies

Lion Group has maintained a commitment to "Fulfilling a Spirit of Love" since its founding. With this motto and its purpose, "Make a difference in everyday lives by redesigning habits," as the foundation of Group management, the Lion Group provides customers with superior products and services that are useful in realizing health, comfort and cleanliness in daily living. The Group sees contributing to the realization of a sustainable society through such efforts as its mission.

(ii)Medium- to long-Term Management Strategies

The Lion Group's has designated "Becoming an advanced daily healthcare company" as its management vision for 2030. To achieve this vision, the Lion Group is reinforcing management base on purpose and aims to contribute to the realization of a sustainable society and achieve business growth. To this end, Lion has formulated the Vision2030 long-term strategic framework with the aim to create both social and economic value through the creation of healthy habits with a focus on people across Asia.

Furthermore, from 2025, under the new medium-term management plan "Vision2030 2nd STAGE," with the theme of "Strengthening Profitability," we will swiftly implement measures focusing on reforming the profit structure of Consumer Products business and accelerating the growth of overseas business, aiming to enhance corporate value by achieving profitable growth.

< Indicator Targets for 2030> </r>
Creation of economic value
[Sustainably improve profitability]
•EBITDA margin*¹: 16% or higher
•ROIC*²: 10–12%
[Continued overseas growth]
•Share of overseas net sales to total: 50%

♦Creation of social value

[Contribute to improving the quality of life for every consumer]

•Oral healthcare habits: 500 million people

•Cleaning and hygiene habits: 500 million people

[Contribute to a decarbonized and resource circulating society]

•Petroleum-derived plastics use rate: 70% or less

•Reduction in water usage throughout product lifecycles: reduce by 30% (compared to 2017, rate of use)

*1 EBITDA margin is as compared to consolidated net sales. EBITDA is an indicator of profitability on a cash basis calculated as the sum of core operating income and depreciation and amortization (excluding depreciation and amortization of right-of-use assets).

*2 Calculated as net operating profit after tax (NOPAT) divided by the average invested capital (total equity plus interest bearing liabilities) during the period.

< Overview of Vision2030 2nd STAGE>

In the "2nd STAGE," we will implement measures based on the following three basic policies aimed at "Strengthening Profitability," while promoting efforts to address the Sustainability Material Issues through business activities.

1. Three Basic Policies

(1) Strengthen Business Portfolio Management

By clarifying each business's role and positioning within the Group, Lion will sharpen management resource allocation, strengthen the profitability of each business and optimize business structures within the Group.

In particular, in the oral healthcare field, which we have positioned as a top priority, we will expand the scope of value we provide through traditional oral hygiene to the support of oral function (such as ensuring the ability to chew, swallow and enjoy conversation), with the goal of developing an integrated business of products and services that support overall health starting from the mouth.

(2) Strengthen Management Base

We will endeavor to strengthen our management base to realize sustainable business growth as well as highly efficient operations. We will clarify the roles of the global R&D system at each center with the aim of enhancing innovation capabilities and accelerating product development. In both Japan and China, we will concentrate on enhancing and

innovating our core technologies, while our local centers in each country will accelerate product development to meet consumer needs.

(3) Generate Dynamism

Lion will leverage its brand assets and enhance its human capital to generate dynamism as the foundation of its strategic driving force. In particular, with regard to enhancing human capital, we will strengthen both individual and organizational capabilities through the development and focused allocation in alignment, and build an environment that encourages diverse employees to thrive and thus realize new value through a dynamic organization.

2. Reinforcing Initiatives to Address the Sustainability Material Issues

Through business activities, we will address Sustainability Material Issues such as "Creating Healthy Living Habits" and "Promoting Environmental Initiatives for a Sustainable Planet."

In "Creating Healthy Living Habits," we aim to provide products, services, and information that contribute to "Oral Healthcare Habit Creation" and "Cleanliness and Hygiene Habit Creation" to 500 million people each, totaling 1 billion people by 2030. Additionally, in "Promoting Environmental Initiatives for a Sustainable Planet," we aim to achieve a petrochemical-based plastic usage rate of 70% or less and a 30% reduction in water usage throughout the life cycle, contributing to the realization of a sustainable society through habit creation.

3. Key Management Indicators and Consolidated Performance Targets

In promoting measures based on the three basic policies aimed at "Strengthening Profitability," we set the following as key management indicators.

Key Financial Indicators and 2nd STAGE Targets for 2027 [Sustainable Profitability Improvement]

•EBITDA margin: 13% or higher

•ROIC: 8-9%

•EPS CAGR*: 11% or higher

*Compound annual growth rate of basic earnings per share

4. Approach to Cash Allocation

We anticipate generating approximately ¥150 billion in cash over three years, with about ¥90 billion expected to be invested in strategic investments for future growth.

For dividends, we aim for 12 consecutive years of increases, based on a progressive dividend* policy. Additionally, we will flexibly conduct the acquisition and cancellation of treasury stock, taking into account the progress of investments. *In principle, dividends will not be reduced, and will be maintained or increased.

*For details on Vision2030 2nd STAGE, please refer to pages 14 to 48 of the "Supplementary Materials of Financial Results for Fiscal 2024."

https://www.lion.co.jp/en/ir/pdf/fs/2024/24_fr.pdf

[Corporate slogan]: "life.love."

(2) Basic Stance and Basic Policy on Corporate Governance Please refer to "1. Basic Views" above.

(3) Policies and Procedures for Determining Corporate Officer Compensation

The Company maintains a corporate officer compensation system designed to provide the sound and appropriate incentives necessary to retain outstanding management talent in order to realize the Company's management policies and continuously increase its corporate value over the medium and long term.

For details, please refer to "1. Organizational Composition and Operation" and "Disclosure of Policy on Determining Remuneration Amounts and Calculation Methods" in "II. Business Management Organization and Other Corporate Governance Systems regarding Decision-making, Business Execution and Management Oversight."

(4) Composition of the Board of Directors, Policies and Procedures for Nominating Candidates for Director and Audit & Supervisory Board

To ensure speedy decision making, the Articles of Incorporation specify that the Board of Directors shall comprise no more than 11 members. To improve the effectiveness of the board's oversight function, at least one third of its members are external directors.

To ensure a good balance of candidates for directors and Audit & Supervisory Board members who possess the diverse knowledge, experience and abilities needed to increase Lion's corporate value, Lion has established Director/Audit & Supervisory Board Member Candidate Selection Standards^{*1} as well as Standards Regarding the Independence of External Directors/Audit & Supervisory Board Members.*¹ The Board of Directors selects candidates who meet the criteria of the above standards and consults with the Nomination Advisory Committee^{*2} on these candidates. Based on the committee's response, the board selects candidates to propose for appointment to the Shareholders Meeting.

*1. Please refer to the Lion Corporation Basic Corporate Governance Policy (Reference 2 and Reference 3).

https://www.lion.co.jp/en/company/pdf/cg_policy_e.pdf

*2. The Board of Directors consults the Nomination Advisory Committee regarding the necessary qualities, reasons for selection or dismissal and related processes for nominating directors, Audit & Supervisory Board members and executive officers as well as hiring individuals who have previously served in these roles as consultants. The committee considers the matters in question and provides a response to the Board of Directors (or, for matters regarding Audit & Supervisory Board members, to the Audit & Supervisory Board). The committee also exchanges opinions on the development of future Group presidents. The committee consists of Representative Directors predetermined by the Chairman of the Board of Directors and external officers. The committee's chairperson is elected from among the external officers within the committee.

(5) Reasons for Selection of Candidates for Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members Based on the deliberations of the Nomination Advisory Committee, which consists mainly of external directors and external Audit & Supervisory Board members, and the resolutions of the Board of Directors, the reasons for each director or Audit & Supervisory Board member candidate's selection are provided in the convocation notice of each Shareholders Meeting and discussed at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

(Supplementary Principle 3.1.3 Initiatives on Sustainability and Investments in Human Capital and Intellectual Properties)

(1)Initiatives on Sustainability

Lion group will continue to address sustainability material issues such as "Creating Healthy Living Habits" and "Promoting Environmental Initiatives for a Sustainable Planet" through business activities in the new medium-term management plan "Vision2030 2nd STAGE".

For details on "Initiatives on Sustainability", please refer to our website and Lion Integrated Report. https://www.lion.co.jp/en/sustainability/

https://www.lion.co.jp/en/ir/library/report/

(2) Investments in Human Capital

In the new medium-term management plan "Vision2030 2nd STAGE", our group has set "Creating Dynamism" as one of the three basic policies, aiming to create new value across the group through individual growth and strengthening organizational management.

For individual growth, we aim to enhance human capital value by providing education and career development support for nine occupational groups (specialized fields) and offering overseas training programs to gain experience in solving global challenges.

For strengthening organizational management, we aim to enhance organizational capabilities to execute strategies by strengthening personnel placement and development in strategic focus areas and selecting and nurturing nextgeneration leaders domestically and internationally.

Through these initiatives, we will enhance individual and organizational capabilities through strategic human resource development and focused placement, create an environment where diverse talents can demonstrate their abilities, and connect to the creation of new value by a vibrant organization.

*For details on "Investments in Human Capital", please refer to the securities report and our website. https://www.lion.co.jp/ja/ir/library/securities/ (Japanese only)

https://www.lion.co.jp/en/sustainability/employee/

(3) Investments in Intellectual Properties

Lion's basic policy regarding intellectual property is set forth in its Behavioral Guidelines. These stipulate that the Company will strive to create, properly protect and actively utilize intellectual property, and that it will respect the intellectual property of others and not seek to improperly acquire or use it. Moreover, Lion has established a dedicated intellectual property department to coordinate investment in intellectual property with its management strategy under the supervision of the Board of Directors and ensure the proper use of intellectual property rights. Since its founding, Lion has pioneered marketing focused on sound as a form of branding that is memorable to customers. Today, Lion boasts the most sound trademarks of any company in Japan. This level of organizational effectiveness is what enables the Company to contribute to the creation of better living habits.

Please refer to our website for details about the initiatives related to intellectual property. <u>https://www.lion.co.jp/en/company/governance/ip/</u>

(4) Disclosure Based on the TCFD Framework

From October 2019 to January 2020, our company undertook an evaluation of the financial impact of climate-related risks and opportunities on our business, and in 2022, expanded the scope of analysis to include business, regions, product groups, and supply chains, conducting a full-scale scenario analysis assuming 4°C and 1.5°C.

< Analysis Results >

4°C Scenario

- The Company recognizes that increased cost of fossil fuel-derived raw materials is a major risk. Lion is already advancing efforts to replace such raw materials with plant-based materials and reinforcing other efforts aimed at decarbonization.
- To address rising physical risks, such as those of floods and water stress, we are advancing such efforts as reinforcing business continuity planning and supply chain data coordination.

• In terms of opportunities, the markets in such areas as products related to infection prevention and laundry are expected to grow, so we are working to develop related products and reinforce related services.

1.5°C Scenario

- The increased cost of plastic-, aluminum- and palm oil-derived raw materials and packaging is a major risk. Lion is already advancing initiatives to reduce such risk, including reducing the use of petroleum-derived plastic and procuring RSPO-certified palm oil and palm kernel oil derivatives.
- In terms of opportunities, we expect substantial expansion in demand for environmentally friendly products, presenting the potential for business expansion by increasing offerings of products that meet the Lion eco-standard.

Our group will continue to explore and acquire growth opportunities to contribute to a decarbonized and resource circulating society. We have been addressing each scenario, but we will continue to focus our management efforts on further strengthening our ability to respond to changes.

*For details on "Lion Group's Response to the TCFD", please refer to our website. https://www.lion.co.jp/en/sustainability/env/tcfd/

(Supplementary Principle 4.1.1 Overview of the Scope of Delegation to Management)

The Board of Directors carries out the duties specified by law and the Articles of Incorporation, decides important matters related to the Group's business execution and oversees the execution of the duties of directors and executive officers. Such important matters as Group-wide management policy and strategy are considered by the Executive Management Board, which determines their general outline, before being taken up by the Board of Directors for a final decision. Important matters related to business execution by individual departments are delegated to the Executive Management Board and the Executive Committee for more speedy decision making. To clarify responsibility and authority for decision making, Lion has established standards of authority that lay out which items are decided by the Board of Directors, which are decided by the Executive Management Board and which are decided by the Executive Committee.

(Principle 4.9 Independence Requirements for Independent External Directors)

In order to further enhance management supervision and oversight functions, increase transparency and strengthen and enhance its system of corporate governance, Lion has established Standards Regarding the Independence of External Directors/Audit & Supervisory Board Members. In combination with the stipulations of the Companies Act, these standards are used to ensure that external directors and external Audit & Supervisory Board members have no special interest in the Group and are independent.

* Please refer to the Lion Corporation Basic Corporate Governance Policy (Reference 3). https://www.lion.co.jp/en/company/pdf/cg_policy_e.pdf

(Supplementary Principle 4.10.1 Views on the Independence of the Members of Nominating and Compensation Committees) Please refer to "*II* Business Management Organization and Other Corporate Governance Systems Regarding Decision-making, Business Execution and Management Oversight: 1. Organizational Composition and Operation: Voluntary Establishment of Committee(s) Corresponding to Nomination Committee or Remuneration Committee: Committee's Name, Composition, and Attributes of Chairperson" and "Supplementary Explanation."

(Supplementary Principle 4.11.1 Views on the Balance of Knowledge, Experience, and Ability, Diversity, and Size of the Board of Directors as a Whole and the Combination of Skills Possessed by Directors)

Please refer to "(Principle 3.1 Full Disclosure) (4) Composition of the Board of Directors, Policies and Procedures for Nominating Candidates for Director and Audit & Supervisory Board" above. Also, please refer to the notice of convocation of the General Meeting of Shareholders or our website for the Company's views on skills that must be possessed by its Board of Directors as a whole in order to secure candidates equipped with diverse knowledge, experience and abilities in a balanced manner.

https://www.lion.co.jp/en/ir/shareholders/meeting/ https://www.lion.co.jp/en/company/officer/

(Supplementary Principle 4.11.2 Status of Concurrent Positions Held by External Directors and External Audit & Supervisory Board Members at Other Listed Companies)

Any concurrent positions held at other listed companies by an external director or external Audit & Supervisory Board member are stated in the reference documents for the Annual Meeting of Shareholders and the Business Report.

(Supplementary Principle 4.11.3 Evaluations of the Board of Directors)

In accordance with the Lion Corporation Basic Corporate Governance Policy, the Company strives to ensure the effectiveness of the Board of Directors. Every fiscal year, the board conducts evaluations related to such areas as the board's operating methods and the content and status of the proposals it considers. These evaluations include examinations of each director. A summary of the results of these evaluations is disclosed in the Corporate Governance Report.

An anonymous self-assessment survey regarding the Board of Directors was conducted among all directors and Audit & Supervisory Board members as well as executive officers who regularly attended Board of Directors meetings held in 2024. Please refer to Reference 1 ("Decisions Reached and Information on Financial Results Pertaining to the Company") for a summary of their assessment of the effectiveness of the Board of Directors.

(Supplementary Principle 4.14.2 Training Policy for Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members)

After directors and Audit & Supervisory Board members are appointed, Lion provides them with information and opportunities for training and learning in such areas as law, business, finance and company organization as necessary to sustainably carry out the roles and responsibilities expected of them. If this includes participation in external seminars, Lion covers related costs.

Lion conducts ongoing compliance education, which serves to both confirm the status of compliance with the Lion Group Charter for Corporate Behavior and renew participants' commitment to the charter. In addition, Lion invites outside instructors to provide training related to corporate governance as needed.

When external directors and external Audit & Supervisory Board members take office, Lion sets up opportunities to explain such matters as its corporate motto, corporate philosophy, business content, organizational structure and system of corporate governance, and these learning opportunities are made continually available thereafter.

(Principle 5.1 Policy for Constructive Dialogue with Shareholders)

Recognizing its shareholders and investors as important stakeholders, Lion strives to foster constructive dialogue in order to improve corporate value. Lion has designated the IR and SR Office within the Corporate Planning Department as responsible for shareholder relations and works to enhance the Shareholders Meeting. In addition, the officer responsible for the Corporate Planning Department holds meetings with domestic and overseas institutional investors, among other activities. The General Affairs Department and Investor Relations Office of the Corporate Planning Department are each managed by a designated responsible director and coordinate as needed with other related divisions, including those of other departments. Input garnered from dialogue with shareholders and investors is organized and reported to Lion's president as needed.

Lion actively implements investor relations activities. These include providing opportunities for meetings with institutional and individual investors attended by the president and directors, including the director responsible for the Corporate Planning Department, as well as external directors, in addition to Audit & Supervisory Board members. Regarding the management of insider information in dialogue with shareholders and investors, Lion maintains strictly appropriate, timely disclosure in line with its IR Information Disclosure Policy.*

Lion works to understand the composition of its shareholders by implementing annual identification surveys of the beneficial shareholders who cannot be identified by the names listed in the shareholder registry, such as institutional investors that hold shares under the name of a trust bank. In the event that such institutional investors or other beneficial shareholders request to exercise their voting rights at a Shareholders Meeting, Lion considers its response utilizing such resources as the Zenkabukon's Guideline on Attendance at the General Shareholders Meetings of Japanese Listed Companies by Global Institutional Investors.

*Please refer to the Lion Corporation Basic Corporate Governance Policy (Reference 5). https://www.lion.co.jp/en/company/governance/policies/pdf/cg_policy.pdf

(Measures to Realize Management with Awareness of Cost of Capital)

To realize management with awareness of cost of capital and stock prices, Lion has set targets for ROIC within the medium- to long-term management strategy framework "Vision2030," aiming for a performance image by 2030. Additionally, in the new medium-term management plan "Vision2030 2nd STAGE," we have established targets for 2027 as key management indicators and disclose annual results in financial statement materials and other documents. Regarding "Vision2030 2nd STAGE," please refer to the disclosures based on each principle of the Corporate Governance Code, specifically "Principle 3.1 Full Disclosure," as well as our company's website.

https://www.lion.co.jp/en/company/vision/

2. Capital Structure

Foreign Shareholding Ratio Updated From 20% to less than 30%

[Status of Major Shareholders] Updated

Name/Company Name	Number of shares owned	Percentage (%)
The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account)	38,757,900	13.99
Custody Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account)	26,334,800	9.50
JAPAN ACTIVATION CAPITAL I L.P.	12,450,200	4.49
Custody Bank of Japan, Ltd. As trustee for Mizuho Bank, Ltd. Retirement Benefit Trust Account re-entrusted by Mizuho Trust and Banking Co., Ltd.	8,282,000	2.99
STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY 505001	6,781,097	2.44
STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY 505103	4,644,401	1.67
Meiji Yasuda Life Insurance Company	3,690,558	1.33
JP MORGAN CHASE BANK 385781	3,364,884	1.21
STATE STREET BANK WEST CLIENT - TREATY 505234	3,170,200	1.14
Dai Nippon Printing Co., Ltd.	3,140,665	1.13

Controlling Shareholder (except for Parent Company)	
Parent Company	None
Supplementary Explanation	

3. Corporate Attributes

Listed Stock Market and Market Section	Tokyo Stock Exchange First Section
Fiscal Year-End	December
Type of Business	Chemicals
Number of Employees (consolidated) as of the End of the Previous Fiscal Year	More than 1,000
Sales (consolidated) as of the End of the Previous Fiscal Year	From ¥100 billion to less than ¥1 trillion
Number of Consolidated Subsidiaries as of the End of the Previous Fiscal Year	From 10 to less than 50

4. Policy on Measures to Protect Minority Shareholders in Conducting Transactions with Controlling Shareholder

5. Other Special Circumstances That May Have Material Impact on Corporate Governance

II. Business Management Organization and Other Corporate Governance Systems Regarding Decision-making, Business Execution and Management Oversight

1. Organizational Composition and Operation

Organization Form Co	npany with Audit & Supervisory Board
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[Directors]

Maximum Number of Directors Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	11
Term of Office Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	1 year
Chairperson of the Board Updated	External Director
Number of Directors	11
Appointment of External Directors	Appointed
Number of External Directors Updated	5

External Directors' Relationship with the Company (1) **Updated**

	Attribute		Relationship with the Company*									
Name			b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k
Masatoshi Matsuzaki	From another company											
Kazunari Uchida	Scholar											
Takashi Shiraishi	Scholar											
Takako Sugaya	Attorney											
Reiko Yasue	From another company								0			

* Categories for "Relationship with the Company"

- * "O" when the director presently falls or has recently fallen under the category;
- " Δ " when the director fell under the category in the past
- * "•" when a close relative of the director presently falls or has recently fallen under the category;
- " \blacktriangle " when a close relative of the director fell under the category in the past
- a. Executive of the Company or its subsidiaries
- b. Non-executive director or executive of a parent company of the Company
- c. Executive of a fellow subsidiary of the Company
- d. A party whose major client or supplier is the Company or an executive thereof
- e. Major client or supplier of the Company or an executive thereof
- f. Consultant, accountant or legal professional who receives a large amount of monetary consideration or other property from the Company besides compensation as a director/Audit & Supervisory Board member (*kansayaku*)
- g. Major shareholder of the Company (or an executive of said major shareholder if the shareholder is a legal entity)
- h. Executive of a client or supplier company of the Company (other than d, e or f above), but not including close relatives (only the director himself/herself)
- i. Executive of a company with external directors/Audit & Supervisory Board member (*kansayaku*) that are mutually appointed at the Company as well (only the director himself/herself)
- j. Executive of a company or organization that receives a donation from the Company (only the director himself/herself)
- k. Others

External Directors' Relationship with the Company (2) Updated

Name	Designation as Independent Director	Supplementary Explanation of the Relationship	Reasons for Appointment and Designation as External Director
Masatoshi Matsuzaki	0		In addition to his managerial experience as the president and representative executive officer of an IT-related listed company that has global operations, Masatoshi Matsuzaki possesses advanced expert knowledge in corporate governance he gained through his service as the vice chairman of the Japan Association of Corporate Directors, as well as experience as an external director and the chairman of the board at other companies. Since March 2023, he has also been contributing to effective Group-wide audit as external Audit & Supervisory Board member of the Company. The Company expects that he will use his knowledge and extensive experience to lead the effort to enhance the effective supervision of management from an independent and objective perspective. [Designation as External Director] The Company has determined that he meets the requirements set forth in the "Lion Corporation Standards Regarding the Independence of External Directors/Audit & Supervisory Board Members" as well as the requirements for independent directors set forth by the Tokyo Stock Exchange. He is, therefore, deemed sufficiently independent from management and has been duly appointed as an independent external director.

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Kazunari Uchida	ο		 Kazunari Uchida possesses managerial experience as the Japan representative of an international management consulting group and also has advanced knowledge in corporate management gained mainly from giving lectures on corporate strategy and marketing as a business school professor. Furthermore, he has experience at other companies both as an external director and an external corporate auditor. He has actively participated in meetings of the Board of Directors, and suitably carried out his role as an external director for the Company, including supervising business execution. The Company expects that he will utilize his experience and knowledge to conduct highly effective supervision of management from an independent and objective perspective. [Designation as External Director] The Company has determined that he meets the requirements set forth in the "Lion Corporation Standards Regarding the Independence of External Directors/Audit & Supervisory Board Members" as well as the requirements for independent directors set forth by the Tokyo Stock Exchange. He is, therefore, deemed sufficiently independent external director.
Takashi Shiraishi	O		 appointed as an independent external director. Takashi Shiraishi possesses managerial experience as the president of a national university, has served as the president of the Japan External Trade Organization's Institute of Developing Economies and possesses broad-ranging expert knowledge in such areas as politics, economics and social issues in Asia, where the Group conducts business. He has actively participated in meetings of the Board of Directors by utilizing his experience and knowledge, and suitably carried out his role as an external director for the Company, including supervising business execution. The Company expects that he will utilize his experience and knowledge in business development in the Asian region, which is strategically important to the Company, and conduct highly effective supervision of management from an independent and objective perspective [Designation as External Director] The Company has determined that he meets the requirements set forth in the "Lion Corporation Standards Regarding the Independence of External Directors/Audit & Supervisory Board Members" as well as the requirements for independent directors set forth by the Tokyo Stock Exchange. He is, therefore, deemed sufficiently independent from management and has been duly appointed as an independent external director.
Takako Sugaya	O		 Takako Sugaya is not involved in corporate management outside the roles of external director and external Audit & Supervisory Board member, but she possesses a wealth of experience and expertise as an attorney in corporate legal work, especially in the area of compliance and harassment. Furthermore, she possesses experience as an external director and external Audit & Supervisory Board member at other companies. She has actively participated in meetings of the Board of Directors and suitably carried out her role as an external director for the Company, including supervising business execution. Amid growing demands for corporate social responsibility, the Company expects that she will utilize her experience and knowledge to conduct highly effective supervision of management from an independent and objective perspective. [Designation as External Director] The Company has determined that she meets the requirements set forth in the "Lion Corporation Standards Regarding the Independence of External Directors/Audit & Supervisory Board Members" as well as the requirements for independent directors set forth by the Tokyo Stock Exchange. She is, therefore, deemed sufficiently independent external director.

Reiko Yasue	Ο	Ms. Reiko Yasue retired from the position of president and executive officer of Cybernet Systems Co. Ltd. on March 14, 2024. Lion conducts transactions related to software maintenance with Cybernet Systems, and the amount of such transactions is less than 0.1% of the Company's consolidated net sales for the most recent fiscal year.	In addition to her managerial experience as president and representative director of a domestic IT company, Reiko Yasue possesses a wealth of experience and knowledge in international business. Furthermore, she has experience as an external director of other companies, and has actively participated in the Board of Directors meetings and suitably carried out her role as an external director for the Company, including supervising business execution. DX is indispensable for the evolution of the Company's existing businesses and the creation of new businesses. The Company expects that she will utilize her experience and knowledge to conduct highly effective supervision of management from an independent and objective perspective. [Designation as External Director] The Company has determined that she meets the requirements set forth in the "Lion Corporation Standards Regarding the Independence of External Directors/Audit & Supervisory Board Members" as well as the requirements for independent directors set forth by the Tokyo Stock Exchange. She is, therefore, deemed sufficiently independent from management and has been duly appointed as an independent external director.
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Voluntary Establishment of Committee(s) Corresponding to Nomination Committee or Remuneration Committee
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Committee's Name, Composition, and Attributes of Chairperson Updated

	Committee's Name	All Committee Members	Full-time Members	Internal Directors	External Directors	External Experts	Other	Chairperson
Committee Corresponding to Nomination Committee	Nomination Advisory Committee	9	0	1	5	0	3	External director
Committee Corresponding to Remuneration Committee	Compensation Advisory Committee	8	0	0	5	0	3	External director
Supplementary Ex	planation Updated							

The three members in the "Other" category of both committees are external Audit & Supervisory Board members.

<Nomination Advisory Committee>

On June 30, 2016, the Company established the Nomination Advisory Committee, which consists of external directors and representative directors determined in advance, in order to enhance objectivity and transparency in the selection process of the Company's directors, Audit & Supervisory Board members, executive officers and advisors who have previously served in these roles.

The Board of Directors consults the Nomination Advisory Committee, which deliberates on inquiries from the Board of Directors regarding the necessary qualities, reasons for selection or dismissal and related processes for nominating directors, executive officers and advisors. For Audit & Supervisory Board member inquiries, the committee consults with the Audit & Supervisory Board. The committee also exchanges opinions on the development of future Group presidents.

The committee consists of 9 members: external directors Mr. Takashi Shiraishi (committee chairman), Mr. Masatoshi Matsuzaki, Mr. Kazunari Uchida, Ms. Takako Sugaya and Ms. Reiko Yasue; as well as external Audit & Supervisory Board members Ms. Akemi Sunaga, Mr. Akihiro Ito and Ms. Yumiko Hirai ; in addition to Mr. Masayuki Takemori, Representative Director.

<Compensation Advisory Committee>

On December 27, 2006, the Company established the Compensation Advisory Committee, which consists solely of external directors and external Audit & Supervisory Board members who qualify as independent, in order to increase the objectivity and transparency of director, Audit & Supervisory Board member, executive officer and advisor compensation.

The committee deliberates on the compensation system, standards and bonus assessment methods for directors, Audit & Supervisory Board members, executive officers and advisors upon consultation from the Board of Directors, and reports to the Board of Directors (or to the Audit & Supervisory Board regarding Audit & Supervisory Board member compensation). Based on the committee's report,

The committee deliberates on the compensation structure, levels, and bonus assessment methods for officers, based on inquiries from the Board of Directors, and provides recommendations to the Board of Directors (or the Audit & Supervisory Board for auditors). Based on the committee's recommendations, the officer compensation structure was revised starting from the fiscal year ending December 2025, following a resolution at the 164th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 28, 2025. For the 2024 officer compensation, the monthly fixed compensation was decided at the Board of Directors meeting held in March 2024, based on the recommendations of the Compensation Advisory Committee held in February 2024. The performance-linked compensation was decided at the Board of Directors meeting held in March 2025, based on the recommendations of the Compensation generation and the second of Directors meeting held in March 2025, based on the recommendations of the Compensation Advisory Committee held in February 2024.

The committee consists of 8 members: external directors Mr. Kazunari Uchida (committee chairman), Mr. Masatoshi Matsuzaki, Mr. Takashi Shiraishi, Ms. Takako Sugaya and Ms. Reiko Yasue; as well as external Audit & Supervisory Board members Ms. Akemi Sunaga, Mr. Akihiro Ito and Ms. Yumiko Hirai.

[Audit & Supervisory Board Members]

Establishment of Audit & Supervisory Board	Established
Maximum Number of Audit & Supervisory Board Members Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	5
Number of Audit & Supervisory Board Members	5

Cooperation among Audit & Supervisory Board Members, Accounting Auditors and Internal Audit Departments

The Audit & Supervisory Board members receive reports from Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC on each of the following matters, and engage in question-and-answer sessions and exchange opinions from a risk management perspective in order to collaborate effectively.

- 1. Status of systems to ensure that accounting auditors perform their duties properly, audit plan and audit system based on the Companies Act and the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act
- 2. Auditor compensation
- 3. Quarterly review results
- 4. Accounting audit results (including internal controls implemented as part of the accounting audit process)
- 5. Results of audits of the Securities Report and report on internal control over financial reporting
- 6. Reason for the selection of Key Audit Matters, and auditing procedures

The Audit & Supervisory Board members exchange information and collaborate with the Internal Audit Department, which is the Company's internal auditing division, on each of the following matters from a risk management perspective.

- 1. Respective audit plans of the Internal Audit Department and the Audit & Supervisory Board members
- 2. Results of legality, validity, and efficiency audits conducted by the Internal Audit Department on business execution status in each department and affiliated company regarding internal controls, and audit results on status of compliance promotion
- 3. Status and results of assessment conducted by the Internal Audit Department of internal control over financial reporting based on the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act
- 4. Results of audits conducted by Audit & Supervisory Board members as part of their operational audits of directors' performance of duties related to the establishment and operation of internal control over financial reporting In addition, the Company strives to enhance audit effectiveness by regularly holding audit liaison meetings, composed of the Audit & Supervisory Board, internal auditing division (Internal Audit Department) and the accounting auditors. These meetings promote information sharing.

Appointment of External Audit & Supervisory Board Members	Appointed
Number of External Audit & Supervisory Board Members	3
Number of External Audit & Supervisory Board Members Who Are Independent Audit & Supervisory Board Members	3

		Relationship with the Company*												
Name	Attribute	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	1	m
Akemi Sunaga	Certified public accountant, certified tax accountant													
Akihiro Ito	From another company										Δ			
Yumiko Hirai	From another company													

* Categories for "Relationship with the Company"

- * "0" when the member presently falls or has recently fallen under the category;
- " Δ " when the member fell under the category in the past
- * "•" when a close relative of the member presently falls or has recently fallen under the category;
- " \blacktriangle " when a close relative of the member fell under the category in the past
- a. Executive of the Company or its subsidiary
- b. Non-executive director or accounting advisor of the Company or its subsidiaries
- c. Non-executive director or executive of a parent company of the Company
- d. Audit & Supervisory Board member (kansayaku) of a parent company of the Company
- e. Executive of a fellow subsidiary company of the Company
- f. A party whose major client or supplier is the Company or an executive thereof
- g. Major client or supplier of the Company or an executive thereof
- h. Consultant, accountant or legal professional who receives a large amount of monetary consideration or other property from the Company besides compensation as an Audit & Supervisory Board member (*kansayaku*)
- i. Major shareholder of the Company (or an executive of the said major shareholder if the shareholder is a legal entity)
- j. Executive of a client or supplier company of the Company (other than f, g, or h), but not including close relatives (only himself/herself)
- k. Executive of a company with external directors/Audit & Supervisory Board members (*kansayaku*) that are mutually appointed at the Company as well (only himself/herself)
- 1. Executive of a company or organization that receives a donation from the Company (only himself/herself)
- m. Others

External Audit & Supervisory Board Members' Relationship with the Company (2) Updated

Name	Designation as Independent Audit & Supervisory Board Member	Supplementary Explanation of the Relationship	Reasons for Appointment and Designation as Independent
Akemi Sunaga	ο		In addition to corporate experience as representative of a consulting company, Akemi Sunaga possesses a wealth of knowledge and experience related to accounting and taxes cultivated over many years as a certified public accountant and a tax accountant as well as experience as an external Audit & Supervisory Board member at other companies. The Company judges that her understanding of these areas is necessary to achieve effective auditing of the Company. [Designation as Independent Audit & Supervisory Board Member] The Company has determined that she meets the requirements set forth in the "Lion Corporation Standards Regarding the Independence of External Directors/Audit & Supervisory Board Members" as well as the requirements for independent Audit & Supervisory Board members set forth by the Tokyo Stock Exchange. She is, therefore, deemed sufficiently independent from management and has been duly appointed as an External Audit & Supervisory Board Members.

Akihiro Ito	o	Mr. Akihiro Ito was an executive officer at Kirin Holdings Company, Limited until March 2018. Lion sells Living Care products used for sales promotion to the said company, and the transaction amount accounts for less than 0.1% of our consolidated	Akihiro Ito has served as director and chief financial officer and standing Audit & Supervisory Board member of a domestic beverage manufacturer that has global operations, and has a wealth of expertise in finance, accounting and audit. Furthermore, he possesses experience and expertise in management of overseas subsidiaries, while having experience as an external Audit & Supervisory Board member at other companies. The Company judges that his experience and knowledge are necessary for effective audit for the Company, which is focusing on growing its overseas business [Designation as Independent Audit & Supervisory Board Member] The Company has determined that she meets the requirements set forth in the "Lion Corporation Standards Regarding the Independence of External Directors/Audit & Supervisory Board Members" as well as the requirements for independent Audit & Supervisory Board members set forth by the Tokyo Stock Exchange. She is, therefore, deemed sufficiently independent from management and has been duly appointed as an External Audit & Supervisory Board Members.
		sales in the most recent fiscal year.	
Yumiko Hirai	O		Yumiko Hirai possesses managerial experience as the representative director, president & chief executive officer of a food manufacturer formed through a joint venture between a global company and a domestic manufacturer. She also possesses experience as the officer responsible for human resource/HR development for a major domestic food manufacturer, as well as a wealth of expertise in human capital management. Increasing human capital consistent with the management strategy is also an important issue for the Company. The Company judges that her experience and knowledge are necessary for effective audit for the Company [Designation as Independent Audit & Supervisory Board Member] The Company has determined that she meets the requirements set forth in the "Lion Corporation Standards Regarding the Independence of External Directors/Audit & Supervisory Board Members" as well as the requirements for independent Audit & Supervisory Board members set forth by the Tokyo Stock Exchange. She is, therefore, deemed sufficiently independent from management and has been duly appointed as an External Audit & Supervisory Board Members.

[Independent Directors/Audit & Supervisory Board Members]

Number of Independent Directors/Audit & Supervisory Board Members Updated	8
Matters relating to Independent Directors/Au	dit & Supervisory Board Members

The Company has designated as independent its four external directors and three external Audit & Supervisory Board members as they meet the qualifications for independent directors.

[Incentives]

Incentive Policies for Directors	Performance-Linked Compensation, Stock Options					
Supplementary Explanation						
The supplementary explanation is described in the following "Director Remuneration" section						

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Recipients of Stock Options

Internal Directors, Employees

Lion previously used a stock option scheme for its stock-linked compensation plan, but it was replaced with the performance-linked stock-based compensation system at the 156th Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on March 30, 2017. Therefore, the only recipients are those who qualified for the scheme in prior years when it was implemented.

[Director Remuneration]

Disclosure of Individual Directors' Remuneration	Individual compensation not disclosed

Supplementary Explanation Updated

Total Compensation for Director and Audit & Supervisory Board Members

Total compensation of directors (excluding external directors): \$509 million (fixed compensation of \$232 million, bonuses of \$145 million, stock-based compensation of \$132 million), 7 recipients

Total compensation of Audit & Supervisory Board members (excluding external Audit & Supervisory Board members): ¥60 million (fixed compensation of ¥60 million), 2 recipients

Total amount of external director and Audit & Supervisory Board member compensation: ¥84 million (fixed compensation of ¥84 million), 7 recipients

(Notes)

- 1. There are no individuals serving concurrently as employees and corporate officers.
- 2. The above compensation amounts are for the fiscal year 2024, and the corresponding resolutions at the shareholders' meeting are as follows.
- 3. An upper limit on directors' fixed compensation of ¥300 million per fiscal year was set by resolution of the 156th Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on March 30, 2017.
- 4. An upper limit on Audit & Supervisory Board members' fixed compensation was set at ¥110 million per fiscal year by resolution of the 156th Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on March 30, 2017.
- 5. Within performance-linked compensation, bonuses are amounts calculated and determined on the basis of the core operating income and the profit attributable to the owners of parent for each fiscal year. By resolution of the 156th Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on March 30, 2017, an upper limit for bonuses was set at ¥250 million per fiscal year.
- 6. Within performance-linked compensation, stock-based compensation is the amount obtained by converting the share granting points awarded to persons eligible under the system at the acquisition price, depending on the Group's business attainment level for the period under review. By resolution of the 160th Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on March 30, 2021, an upper limit was set at ¥200 million on the amount of contributions for stock-based compensation per fiscal year, with an upper limit on the total number of shares set at 120,000 shares per fiscal year.
- 7. The amounts shown are rounded down to the nearest million yen.

cy on Determining Remuneration Amounts Calculation Methods Updated Established

Disclosure of Policy on Determining Remuneration Amounts and Calculation Methods

<Basic Policy on Compensation of Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members>

Lion has designed a corporate officer compensation system to provide sound and appropriate incentives necessary for retaining outstanding management talent that will achieve the Company's management policies and continuously increase its corporate value over the medium to long term. Director and Audit & Supervisory Board member compensation is decided by the Board of Directors and the Audit & Supervisory Board, respectively, based on consultations with the Compensation Advisory Committee. Compensation is set within the limits decided by resolution of the General Meeting of Shareholders.

Compensation for directors (excluding external directors) consists of fixed monthly compensation and performance-linked compensation (bonuses and stock-based compensation). Compensation for external directors and Audit & Supervisory Board members consists only of fixed monthly compensation. Total compensation is determined for directors and Audit & Supervisory Board members based on their individual roles and responsibilities using survey data from specialized external institutions as an objective benchmark.

The compensation of each director (excluding external directors) comprises approximately 50% fixed compensation and 50%

performance-linked compensation (30% bonus and 20% stock-based compensation). The proportion of performance-linked compensation is increased in step with the individual's rank and revised as needed. Performance-linked compensation is calculated based on the degree to which performance targets are met in each fiscal year and paid out individually in a designated period after the end of the relevant fiscal year.

The bonus for performance-linked compensation is calculated by multiplying the sum of 50% of 0.03% of core operating income and 50% of 0.05% of profit attributable to owners of parent for the relevant business year (amounts less than one thousand yen are rounded down) by a position-specific coefficient to determine the position-specific bonus base amount, and adding 30% of individual performance assessment (evaluated based on each person's management oversight function, performance in executing assigned duties, and contribution to the Sustainability Material Issues) for individual payment. However, if any of the above profits are losses, the profit amount is calculated as 0.

Performance-linked stock-based compensation consists of a fixed portion granted each fiscal year and a performance-linked portion granted based on the degree to which earnings targets outlined in the medium-term management plan have been achieved for each fiscal year during the period of said plan. The fixed portion and the performance-linked portion form equal halves of the stock-based compensation base amount specified for each rank.

With regard to stock-based compensation, in the event that a director commits a serious breach of duty or violation of internal regulations, the Company may seize share granting points already granted or require the return of cash in an amount equivalent to the value of the Company's shares, etc., already granted.

The above basic policy on director and Audit & Supervisory Board member compensation and a summary of its contents are approved by the Board of Directors following consultation with the Compensation Advisory Committee and disclosed in the Company's Business Report and Securities Report.

<Indicators Used to Calculate Performance-Linked Compensation>

The bonus for performance-linked compensation is calculated using two indicators. The first is core operating income, which the Company uses to measure regular business performance and is one of the most highly prioritized income indicators under the medium-term management plan. The second is profit for the period attributable to owners of the parent, which is the final result of business activities and is directly linked to shareholder value. Additionally, the indicators related to performance-linked stock compensation include "core operating income" and "ROIC," which measure the profitability and efficiency of invested capital and are set as important financial indicators in the medium-term management plan, as well as the progress in addressing the Sustainability Top-priority Material Issues.

<Calculation method of bonuses to corporate officers for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2025>

Bonuses to corporate officers will be paid in an amount calculated and determined based on the following method. (1) Corporate officers eligible for payment

Only those directors that are "Executive Officers" as defined by the Corporation Tax Act Article 34 Section 1 No. 3 are eligible. Bonuses are not paid to external directors or Audit & Supervisory Board members.

(2) Individual payment amount

The position-specific bonus base amount is calculated by multiplying the sum of 50% of 0.03% of core operating income and 50% of 0.05% of profit attributable to owners of parent for the relevant business year (amounts less than one thousand yen are rounded down) by a position-specific coefficient.

(Core operating income is calculated by deducting selling and general administrative expenses from gross profit, and is our company's profit indicator for measuring the performance of ongoing business. If any of the above profits are losses, the profit amount is calculated as 0.)

70% of the position-specific bonus base amount is designated as the company-wide performance payment amount and paid individually.

30% of the position-specific bonus base amount is adjusted with individual performance assessment (evaluated based on each person's management oversight function, performance in executing assigned duties, and contribution to the Sustainability Material Issues) and paid individually.

The maximum amount of bonuses was resolved at the 164th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 28, 2025, to be 400 million yen per business year.

<Position-Specific Coefficients and Their Numbers>

Representative Director, President and Executive Officer : 4.3 :Number 1

Representative Director, Vice President and Executive Officer : 3.0 :Number 2

Director, Senior Executive Officer : 1.5 :Number 2

Director, Executive Officer : 1.3 :Number 1

The above is calculated based on the number of directors appointed at the 164th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 28, 2025.

<Calculation of Performance-Linked Stock-Based Compensation>

By resolution of the 156th Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on March 30, 2017, a performance-linked stock-based

compensation system was introduced for directors (excluding external directors), and a partial resolution of the amounts and content of compensation was approved at the Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on March 30, 2021 and March 28, 2025. In this system, the number of points (number of shares) to be granted to directors per fiscal year is determined via a calculation made by the method below. In principle, shares are issued to directors upon retirement from office in a number equivalent to the number of points they have accumulated.

a) Corporate officers eligible for payment

Only directors who are "executive officers" as defined in Article 34, Section 1 of the Corporation Tax Act are eligible, and external directors or Audit & Supervisory Board members are not paid.

b) Total payment level

The upper limit for the total number of points granted to corporate officers eligible for payment per fiscal year is

270,000 points (one share of Lion stock per point).

c) Calculation method and individual payment level

The number of points for each corporate officer eligible for payment is determined individually using the following formula.

<Calculation Formula>

Fixed and Performance-Linked Points* = (① Fixed Base Amount + ② Performance-Linked Base Amount × ③ Performance-Linked Coefficient α) / ④ Acquisition Price

Sustainability Points* = (2) Performance-Linked Base Amount \times 3) Performance-Linked Coefficient β) / 4) Acquisition Price *Decimal points are rounded down

① Fixed Base Amount

The fixed base amount is calculated based on the following coefficients set for each position, using the fixed base amount for directors and executive officers as the standard. The fixed base amount is set at \$4,000 thousand when the coefficient for directors and executive officers is 1.

<Coefficients for Each Position>

Representative Director, President and Executive Officer: 3.625

Representative Director, Vice President and Executive Officer: 2.225

Director, Senior Executive Officer: 1.625

Director, Managing Executive Officer: 1.375

Director, Senior Executive Officer: 1.250

Director, Executive Officer: 1.000

2 Performance-Linked Base Amount

The performance-linked base amount is set at the same amount as the above fixed base amount.

③ Performance-Linked Coefficient

The performance-linked coefficient is determined according to the following calculation formula.

<Calculation Formula>

• Performance-Linked Coefficient α (*1) = Performance-Linked Coefficient related to Core Operating Income (*2) × 35% + Performance-Linked Coefficient related to ROIC (*3) × 35%

•Performance-Linked Coefficient β (*1) = Coefficient calculated based on the progress in addressing the Sustainability Toppriority Material Issues \times 30%

(*1) Decimal points below the second place are rounded down

(*2) Core operating income is calculated by deducting selling and general administrative expenses from gross profit, and is our company's profit indicator for measuring the performance of ongoing business

(*3) ROIC is calculated by dividing NOPAT (net operating profit after tax) by the average invested capital during the period (total capital + interest-bearing debt), and is an indicator for measuring the efficiency and profitability of invested capital

The performance-linked coefficient related to core operating income and the performance-linked coefficient related to ROIC are determined based on the achievement rate (*5) against the target values (*4) for each indicator in the fiscal year ending December 2025.

(*4) The target values are the core operating income of ¥30,000 million disclosed in the "Forecast of Consolidated Financial Results for the Fiscal Year Ending December 2025 (January 1, 2025 - December 31, 2025)" published in the summary of consolidated financial statements on February 13, 2025, and the ROIC of 6.1% disclosed in the " 2025 Consolidated Financial Forecast " published in the supplementary materials of financial results for fiscal 2024 on the same day. (*5)

<Performance-Linked Coefficient (*7) Based on Achievement Rate of Target Values (*6)>

Achievement of less than 100%: 0

100% to less than 140 %:(Achievement rate against target value) $\times\,2.5$ - 1.5

140% or more : 2.00

(*6) If 100% or more, round off to the first decimal place

(*7) Decimal points below the second place are rounded down

(4) Acquisition Price

The acquisition price of shares used in this system is ¥2,078 per share (*8).

(*8) The acquisition price is calculated by taking the weighted average of the total acquisition value of company shares acquired by the trust after extension and the total value of remaining shares within the trust before extension. The calculation formula is as follows.

Stock acquisition price = (Pre-extension stock acquisition price (\$2,130) × remaining shares (242,459 shares) + post-extension stock acquisition price (\$2,039) × additional acquired shares (309,200 shares)) / (remaining shares (242,459 shares) + additional acquired shares (274,100 shares))

When a director transfers residency outside of Japan during their eligibility for this system, their accumulated points shall be voided and the director shall be paid separately at the time of retirement in a cash amount determined by multiplying the share price at the time of retirement by the number of shares equivalent to their accumulated points.

[Support System for External Directors and/or Audit & Supervisory Board Members]

The General Manager-Board of Directors in the Corporate Planning Department, which is the administrative office of the Board of Directors, explains the agenda items to the external directors and external Audit & Supervisory Board members in advance of meetings. In addition, the General Manager strives to provide sufficient information to the external directors, such as reporting to them on the content of deliberations at the M Executive Management Board.

[Status of Persons who have Retired from the Company as Representative Director and President, etc.]

Name of Consultants, Advisors, etc. who have retired from the Company as Representative Director and President, etc.

Name	Title/ Position	Description of Tasks	Form and Conditions of Services (Full-time, Part- time, Paid or Unpaid, etc.)	Date of Retirement from the Company	Term
Sadayoshi Fujishige	Senior General Consultant	Industry organization board member, chairman of a public interest incorporated foundation, etc. (not involved in management)	Part-time/Paid	March 30, 2016	Ending March 29, 2026
Itsuo Hama	Executive Advisor	Industry organization board member, chairman of a public interest incorporated foundation, etc. (not involved in management)	Full-time/Paid	March 30, 2023	Ending March 29, 2028
	of Consultants, Adviso Representative Director	rs, etc. who have retired from the and President, etc.	2		
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Others

The consultant and advisor, who previously served such roles as president, are engaged in the activities of industry organizations, among others, utilizing their experience and knowledge of the Company's management over many years, but are not involved in any part of the Company's decision-making process or management. The Nomination Advisory Committee, which consists of all external directors, all external Audit & Supervisory Board members and one Representative Director, was consulted in their appointment to ensure transparency and objectivity.

2. Matters on Functions of Business Execution, Auditing, Oversight, Nomination and Remuneration Decisions (Overview of Current Corporate Governance System) Updated

The Company supervises management under the Audit & Supervisory Board system. Lion adopted its executive officer system in March 2004 to separate the functions that the Board of Directors previously performed. The Board of Directors is responsible for management decision making and supervision, and the Executive Committee is responsible for business execution.

To reinforce the Board of Directors' management oversight function and speedy decision making, the number of directors has been reduced (from 19 before the executive officer system to 11 currently). There are also 8 external officers (5 external directors and 3 external Audit & Supervisory Board members) who meet the requirements for independent directors. The Company strives to increase management transparency and further enhance corporate governance through regular (in principle, once a month) information exchanges between Representative Directors and all external directors.

In addition, to reflect the opinions and advice of third parties with regard to legal compliance and management policies, we have set up an Advisory Committee consisting of external experts.

< Directors, Board of Directors and Executive Management Board, etc. >

The Board of Directors is composed of 11 directors. The Board of Directors regularly meets once a month and holds extraordinary meetings as necessary. In addition to matters stipulated by laws and regulations or the Articles of Incorporation, the Board determines important matters related to the business execution of the Company and supervises the business execution of directors and executive officers. In addition to the regular Board of Directors meetings, resolutions of the Board of Directors may be made in writing in accordance with laws and regulations. For important corporate strategies such as the basic policies of medium- to long-term management plans, a system is established that enables the Board of Directors to make appropriate decisions upon deliberation by the Executive Management Board. Additionally, the Executive Management Board and the Executive Committee have systems in place to discuss and examine, from various angles, measures related to the execution of duties that directly impact business.

Please refer to "Notice of the164th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders." <u>https://www.lion.co.jp/en/ir/pdf/meeting/na_fy24.pdf</u>

< Nomination Advisory Committee >

Please refer to "Committee's Name, Composition, and Attributes of Chairperson" in 1. Organizational Composition and Operation.

< Compensation Advisory Committee >

Please refer to "Committee's Name, Composition, and Attributes of Chairperson" in 1. Organizational Composition and Operation.

In accordance with the provisions of Article 427, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act and the Articles of Incorporation, the Company has entered into an agreement limiting liability with each external director and external Audit & Supervisory Board member to limit their liabilities under Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act to the amount of ¥10 million or the amount stipulated by law, whichever is higher.

< Advisory Committee >

An Advisory Committee comprising knowledgeable people from outside of the Company is held twice a year to reflect in management the opinions of the committee members on general management issues, such as the corporate governance system, the direction of business and product development, and approaches to sustainability. The committee currently has 6 members.

< Audit & Supervisory Board Members and Audit & Supervisory Board >

There are 5 Audit & Supervisory Board members, 3 of whom are external Audit & Supervisory Board members (independent Audit & Supervisory Board members) and 2 of whom are standing Audit & Supervisory Board members from within the Company. 2 of the external Audit & Supervisory Board members and one of the standing Audit & Supervisory Board members possesses knowledge regarding finance and accounting. In addition, 3 dedicated staff members are designated to assist the Audit & Supervisory Board members.

Each Audit & Supervisory Board member attends meetings of the Board of Directors and other important meetings, conducts interviews with directors regarding the status of the execution of their duties (including the status of the execution of the duties of directors pertaining to the development and operation of internal control over financial reporting), performs site visits to Lion's headquarters and major offices and plants, and conducts audits of subsidiaries in accordance with the Audit & Supervisory Board members' standards, audit policy, audit plans and other stipulations of the Audit & Supervisory Board.

The Audit & Supervisory Board regularly meets once a month and holds extraordinary meetings as necessary. During the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024, the Audit & Supervisory Board met a total of 17 times, deliberating over 16 matters to be resolved, 30 matters to be discussed and 46 matters to be reported, including the audit policy and audit plan, preparation of audit report, evaluation related to dismissal or non-reappointment of accounting auditors, compensation for accounting auditors and closing of accounts. The Company and its consolidated subsidiaries coordinate with each other by exchanging information, opinions and views from a risk management perspective and facilitates coordination upon receiving audit reports (including the status of development and operation of internal controls related to financial reporting based on the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act and evaluation results) from the Internal Audit Department, which is the Company's internal auditing division. Furthermore, the opinions of external directors are used to inform the opinions of Audit & Supervisory Board members as they relate to each proposal from the Board of Directors. Moreover, meetings to exchange information, opinions and views are regularly conducted with the representative directors two times a year.

< Accounting Audits >

Lion has formed an audit agreement with Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC, based on which the latter provides accounting audits as well as audits of Lion's internal control reports based on the Companies Act and Financial Instruments and Exchange Act.

The certified public accountants who performed these duties during the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024 were Miki

Hayashi and Masayuki Tada, with the support of 17 certified public accountants and 32 other assistants involved in the audit work. The compensation to the certified public accountants, etc. was ¥147 million for auditing services and ¥0 million for non-auditing services related to the Group (amounts are rounded down to the nearest million yen).

< Internal Audits >

The Internal Audit Department reports directly to the president and audits the status of business execution by each department and affiliated companies. It conducts these audits based on the annual internal audit plan, including audits related to internal controls from the perspectives of legality, appropriateness, and efficiency, as well as its current compliance status. The results of internal audits are reported to the president, directors with related responsibilities, the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, as well as to Audit & Supervisory Board members. In addition, the Company monitors and evaluates the status of development and operation of internal control over financial reporting based on the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, and reports to the president and the Audit & Supervisory Board.

3. Reasons for Adoption of Current Corporate Governance System Updated

The following measures have been taken under the current system, and the Company believes that the supervision and monitoring functions of the directors and Audit & Supervisory Board members have been enhanced.

- 1. Enhancement of supervisory functions by appointing 5 external directors (independent directors)
- 2. Enhancement of oversight functions by appointing three external Audit & Supervisory Board members (independent directors) and two standing corporate auditors
- 3. Understanding of management stance and improvement of effectiveness of supervision and monitoring functions through regular exchange of information between independent directors and president
- 4. Separation of supervisory and executive functions through the executive officer system
- 5. Improvement of the effectiveness of audits through coordination between the Audit & Supervisory Board, the internal auditing division and accounting auditors
- 6. Improvement of the effectiveness of oversight functions through regular exchange of opinions between the Audit & Supervisory Board and the Representative Director
- 7. Utilization of opinions of external directors to inform the opinions of Audit & Supervisory Board members as they relate to each proposal from the Board of Directors
- 8. Supervision of management from the perspective of generally accepted social mores by an Advisory Committee consisting of external experts

III Implementation of Measures for Shareholders and Other Stakeholders

1. Measures to Vitalize the General Shareholder Meetings and Smooth the Exercise of Voting Rights Updated

	Supplementary Explanations
Early Notification of General Shareholder Meeting	The Company began publishing electronic convocation notices for the 164th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders (held on March 28, 2025) on February 27, 2025, and written notices were sent on March 5, 2025.
Scheduling AGMs to Avoid the Peak Day	The Shareholders Meeting is held near the end of March in order to ensure ample time for the Board of Directors' closing of accounts meeting, auditing, and smooth preparation for the Shareholders Meeting.
Allowing Electronic Exercise of Voting Rights	The Shareholders Meeting convocation notice informs shareholders that they can exercise their voting rights electronically. Shareholders can do so by reading a QR code on the voting form or through the voting website (https://evote.tr.mufg.jp/).
Participation in Electronic Voting Platform and Other Efforts to Improve Exercise of Voting Rights by Institutional Investors	The Company participates in the platform for exercising voting rights operated by ICJ, Inc.
Providing Convocation Notice in English	The English and Japanese version of the convocation notice and the omitted items of the delivery document are released simultaneously on the Lion website.

Preparation and Publication of Disclosure Policy	The Company has established the following basic policy, disclosure standards and other IR information disclosure policies. 1. Basic Policy Based on the Lion Group Charter for Corporate Behavior, Lion actively works to disclose corporate information such as that concerning business strategy and the Company's financial status in a fair, accurate and timely manner in order to secure the trust and understanding of shareholders, investors and all other stakeholders. 2. Information Disclosure Standards Lion discloses information in line with the timely disclosure rules of the Tokyo Stock Exchange (TSE), on which the Company's shares are listed. In addition, Lion proactively discloses information that, although not specified by the TSE's rules of timely disclosure, it believes may be of relevance to the investment decisions of shareholders and investors. 3. Method of Disclosure In accordance with the above information disclosure standards, Lion discloses information via the Timely Disclosure of such information. Furthermore, Lion releases news and updates its website to promote the fair and timely disclosure of such information. Furthermore, Lion releases news and updates its website to disclose other information in a fair and timely manner. 4. Forward-Looking Statements In addition to the results forecasts that Lion provides to the TSE, Lion provides forward-looking information reflects judgments made based on the information available at the time of compilation, and actual results may differ significantly due to a number of factors. 5. Silent Period To prevent leaks of information concerning business results and to ensure fairness, Lion maintains a silent period from the day following the closing of accounts for each fiscal period, including for each fiscal quarter, until that period's results briefing. During this period, the Company does not, in principle, disclose information about or answer questions pertaining to its business results.	
	https://www.lion.co.jp/en/ir/policy/ Although the Company did not hold any briefing sessions for individual investors in 2024, it made afforts to enhance	
Regular Investor Briefings for Individual Investors	 individual investors in 2024, it made efforts to enhance information disclosure on its website. *Our website: For individual investors (https://www.lion.co.jp/en/ir/investor/) 	No
Holding Regular Briefings for Analysts and Institutional Investors	After the announcement of the financial results for the full fiscal year and the first half, the Company holds a financial results briefing for analysts and institutional investors. For the first and third quarters, the Company holds briefings via conference call.	YES

Posting Investor Relations Materials on the Company Website	The Company has established an IR Information Corner (https://www.lion.co.jp/en/ir/) on its website. This section includes financial information (including the Summary of Consolidated Financial Statements), videos of financial results briefings, timely disclosure materials other than financial information, securities reports (in Japanese) and semi-annual reports, convocation notices for Shareholders Meetings, business reports, integrated reports, and presentation materials. The Company also provides an IR email service that sends notifications of updates to this section and IR-related press release information with titles and links.
Establishment of Department and/or Manager in Charge of IR	The IR and SR Office of the Corporate Planning Department has been established with Executive Officer Masahide Arai serving as the responsible executive officer.
Other	At occasional intervals, the Company holds briefings for individual investors, individual business-related briefings and factory tours for analysts and institutional investors as well as briefings for overseas investors.

3. Measures to Ensure Due Respect for Stakeholders Updated

	Supplementary Explanations
Stipulation of Internal Rules for Respecting the Position of Stakeholders	The Company has established an IR information disclosure policy.
Implementation of Environmental Activities, CSR Activities etc.	The Company prepares an integrated report and publishes it on its website.
Development of Policies on Information Provision to Stakeholders	The Company has established an IR information disclosure policy.
	Lion respects the nationalities, genders, value systems and other attributes of Group employees and aims to empower them to earn success in a way that takes full advantage of their diverse personalities and abilities. With this in mind, Lion promotes such initiatives as the development of an inclusive workplace environment and the education of management-level employees. Lion also takes a proactive and constant approach to hiring and promoting diverse human resources, including women, foreign nationals and mid-career hires with diverse professional experience. Through these efforts, Lion seeks to be informed by diverse opinions while acquiring multifaceted perspectives and input to improve the quality of its management decision making.
Other	<recruitment and="" of="" promotion="" women=""> Lion considers the empowerment of women to be essential to achieving further improvement in corporate value. Accordingly, Lion takes proactive measures to support women's career success. To empower female employees to develop successful careers over the long term at the Company, Lion strives to help employees strike an enriching balance between work and private life by, for example, enhancing childcare-related programs, introducing a work-from-home system and otherwise assisting them in their efforts to play an essential part in both work duties and childcare. By doing so, Lion creates a workplace in which employees can work vibrantly while staying healthy.</recruitment>
	Thanks to a variety of initiatives discussed above, the percentage of women in Lion's managerial positions stood at 166% at the end of 2024. As a 2030 target, Lion aims to raise this ratio to 30% or more.
	<recruitment and="" employees="" foreign="" national="" of="" promotion=""></recruitment>
	Lion pays close attention to needs among people of Asia and aims to promote better living habits. In line with this aim, Lion seeks to promote

foreign national employees to empower them to act as a key part of its workforce.

At the end of 2024, the ratio of foreign nationals to the total number of Group employees amounted to 45.8%, with foreign national managers accounting for 28.0% of overall managerial positions. Lion mainly promotes locally hired individuals to officer positions at overseas Group companies to develop their operations. Also, on a non-consolidated basis, the ratio of foreign nationals to the total number of Lion employees amounted to 1.7%, while foreign national managers accounted for 0.5% of overall managerial positions. Lion aims to increase the ratio of foreign national managers so that they make up a proportion on par with the ratio of foreign nationals to overall employees by 2030.

<Recruitment and Promotion of Mid-Career Hires>

As Lion strives to proactively develop new businesses along with further developing its existing businesses, the Company is pushing ahead with the recruitment and promotion of mid-career hires equipped with experience, skill and specialist expertise that cannot be obtained within the scope of operations conventionally handled by the Lion Group.

As a result of recruitment activities under a medium-term recruitment plan, including the recruitment of new graduates and mid-career hires, the ratio of mid-career hires to the number of employees* hired over the latest three-year period (January 2022to December 2024) stood at 54.5%. In addition, Lion proactively rehires individuals who once resigned from the Company due to such reasons as the pursuit of personal career development and family responsibilities.

As of December 31, 2024, mid-career hires accounted for 27.4% of employees, while mid-career hires accounted for 12.5% of overall managerial positions. Lion strives to raise the ratio of mid-career hires in managerial positions so that they make up a proportion on par with the ratio of mid-career hires to overall employees by 2030.

* Employees hired by Lion (excluding temporary employees)

IV Matters Related to the Internal Control System

1. Basic Views on Internal Control System and the Progress of System Development Updated

< Basic Internal Control System Policy >

1. Structure to Ensure that the Execution of Duties of the Lion Group's Directors and Employees Complies with Legal Requirements and the Company's Articles of Incorporation

(1) Basic Stance

- a. The Lion Group Charter for Corporate Behavior and Behavioral Guidelines shall provide the platform for the Company's compliance structure.
- b. The president shall provide constant reinforcement regarding the basic spirit and essence of the Lion Group Charter for Corporate Behavior among directors, executive officers, Audit & Supervisory Board members and employees with the aim of increasing awareness and understanding of corporate ethics. Each and every member of the Lion Group shall adopt and pursue the credo that compliance underpins every facet of the Group's business activities.

(2) Compliance Structure

- a. The Company shall maintain a Corporate Ethics Committee chaired by the director responsible for corporate ethics, an appointee from the Board of Directors. Covering the entire Group, this committee shall formulate and implement specific initiatives to ensure greater awareness of and compliance with corporate ethics. In the event of a violation of the Lion Group Charter for Corporate Behavior or Behavioral Guidelines, if deemed necessary by the Corporate Ethics Committee, an Ethics Investigation Committee shall be established to work toward the resolution of the issue. The Ethics Evaluation Committee shall comprise specialists from outside the Group, including lawyers and certified public accountants.
- b. The Group shall designate the general manager corporate ethics who reports to the board director responsible for corporate ethics. The director of corporate ethics shall enhance and maintain the Group's compliance structure and work with the Human Resources Development Center to implement necessary training for the Group. Each department shall also formulate its own standards and manuals in line with relevant laws and regulations and operate in accordance with said rules and manuals.
- c. In an effort to reinforce the supervisory function of Lion's Board of Directors, external directors who do not engage

in any executive function within the Group shall be appointed to the board.

- d. The Group shall maintain an Advisory Committee, comprising outside experts, to provide third-party opinions and advice on matters relating to legal compliance and management policy.
- e. The Group shall maintain the Internal Audit Department as its internal auditing division.
- f. Lion's Internal Audit Department shall conduct internal audits of Group companies.
- g. Lion shall dispatch Audit & Supervisory Board members to Group companies. Audit & Supervisory Board members shall conduct audits in accordance with regulatory requirements.
- h. Members of the Internal Audit Department, the general manager corporate ethics, members of the Corporate Planning Department and the Legal Department, and the Audit & Supervisory Board members shall maintain close communications with each other. In this manner, Lion shall promptly identify issues and problems relating to compliance and the compliance structure.
- i. Lion shall refer to its work regulations to determine the course of action in the event an employee contravenes any law or the Company's Articles of Incorporation. The Corporate Ethics Committee shall prepare and submit its final decision to the Board of Directors in the event a director contravenes any law or the Company's Articles of Incorporation.
- j. Besides items (2) a. through i. above, the AL Heart Hotline has been established to provide direct contact with the general manager corporate ethics and external lawyers. This hotline forms a part of the Group's internal communications system designed to address any legal breach or matter concerning compliance. In addition, the Quality Information Hotline has been established. In cases of doubt about product quality, personnel responsible for product development may utilize this internal communications system to report directly to the general manager of the Reliability Assurance Department. These hotlines shall be managed based on separately prepared guidelines.
- k. In the event Audit & Supervisory Board members uncover an issue relating to the Group's compliance structure or the management of its internal communications system (identified in item (2) j. above), a report shall be presented to the board director responsible for corporate ethics and the necessary corrective measures formulated.

(3) Response in the Event of Emergency

- a. The Emergency Response System shall apply to any emergency relating to legal requirements and corporate social responsibility (CSR). Under the system, the general manager of the General Affairs Department shall report any such incident to the president, the director responsible for corporate ethics and the Audit & Supervisory Board members. The director of the relevant department or the Emergency Response Committee, chaired by the president, shall implement appropriate measures to resolve the situation, formulate measures to prevent recurrences and submit a report to the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors.
- b. The procedures outlined above in item (3) a. shall be adopted in the event a director or employee of a Group company uncovers a serious breach of any legal requirement or any significant matter relating to compliance by a Group company.
- c. In the event that Group companies recognize that management guidelines or instructions from Lion contravene the law or raise issues relating to compliance, the matter shall be immediately reported to the Company's president, the board director responsible for corporate ethics, and Audit & Supervisory Board members. The board director responsible for corporate ethics, in collaboration with the Audit & Supervisory Board members, shall resolve the situation and formulate measures to prevent recurrences.
- 2. Management Structure for Maintenance and Storage of Information Concerning the Execution of the Duties of Lion's Directors
 - a. Representative directors and executive directors shall report on the status of their own executive duties to the Board of Directors in accordance with legal requirements.
 - b. The representative director shall formulate information preparation, maintenance and storage rules relating to the execution of directors' duties as a part of the Company's Information Management Regulations.
 - c. Directors shall maintain and store information pertaining to the execution of their duties in accordance with the Information Management Regulations.
 - d. Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board members may view and copy this information at any time.
- 3. The Lion Group's Rules and Other Structures relating to the Management of Risk

(1) Response under Normal Conditions

- a. The director responsible for the Corporate Planning Department shall have overall responsibility for risk management for the Group. The Corporate Planning Department shall exhaustively and comprehensively manage the Group's risk.
- b. The Executive Management Board shall identify and evaluate management risks that have the potential to significantly impact business activities, and Company-wide efforts shall be made to reduce such risks. In addition, the responsible officer for risk will consider countermeasures for new management risks that arise during the fiscal year, and discuss them at the Executive Management Board.
- c. To control risks associated with the environment, quality assurance, accidents and disasters, appropriate countermeasures shall be formulated in advance by the Sustainability Promotion Council, Customer Satisfaction/Product Liability Committee, and Safety, Hygiene and Disaster Prevention Meeting, and, when necessary, deliberated by the Executive Management Board or the Executive Committee.
- d. The Company shall identify risks in every department and work to reduce them. In addition, each plant has acquired ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 accreditations and are actively engaged in quality assurance and environmental protection.
- e. The responsible officer for overall risk management shall report the progress and status of risk management to the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors. Also, the Internal Audit Department shall audit the

status of risk management for each department within the Group and report its findings to the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors.

- (2) Response in the Event of Emergency
 - a. In the event of an incident occurring due to a natural disaster or accident, in accordance with the Emergency Response System (the respective manuals for countermeasures again earthquakes or influenza and other infectious diseases), details of said incident shall be reported to the president and Audit & Supervisory Board members. At the same time, the director of the relevant department shall collect all relevant information, formulate response measures, clarify causes and determine countermeasures, submitting a report on these actions to the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors.

4. Structure to Ensure that Directors' Duties are Executed Efficiently

The following business management system shall be used to improve the efficiency of the execution of directors' duties.

(1) Decision-making Rules

- a. Board of Directors meetings shall be held regularly once a month, with extraordinary meetings convened when necessary, as the foundation for ensuring the efficient execution of directors' duties. With the exception of the regular Board of Directors meetings, the written approval of each director shall be deemed to constitute a resolution of the Board of Directors, pursuant to regulatory requirements.
- b. Executive Management Board meetings shall be held three times a month, and the Executive Committee meetings shall be held once a month. At each meeting, the committees shall make decisions on fundamental and other important matters in an agile manner. Through these means, Lion shall strive to promote speedy operations and strengthen the Board of Directors' functions.
- c. Matters of importance relating to the management policies and strategies of the overall Group shall be deliberated on in advance by the Executive Management Board. Thereafter, recommendations shall be ratified by the Board of Directors.
- d. The autonomy of each company within the Group shall be respected; however, each Group company shall regularly report on its business activities to Lion and discuss important matters with Lion before taking action. In addition, matters of significance that may substantially impact the assets and earnings of Group companies are subject to approval by Lion's Board of Directors or Executive Management Board.

(2) The Board of Directors

- a. The Board of Directors shall determine Companywide objectives and targets common to all directors and employees and promote understanding and awareness of and formulate management plans based on said objectives and targets.
- b. In order to make management plans more concrete, the Board of Directors shall establish business plans and set operating budgets on the basis of said management plans. Investments for marketing, research and development, capital expenditure and new businesses are also allocated on the basis of management plans.
- c. The Board of Directors shall determine the delegation of authority regarding important matters to organizations, the President, responsible officers and directors of each division or department.
- d. The Board of Directors shall review monthly business results. In the event of a discrepancy between established targets and actual performance, the director responsible for each division shall provide an analysis of the discrepancy and recommend measures to reduce or eliminate negative factors to the Board of Directors. When necessary, targets may be revised.
- (3) Business Operation Structure
 - a. The directors responsible for each department shall establish efficient business operation structures for their departments, including concrete measures to be implemented.
 - b. Monthly business results shall be collated for management accounting purposes in a timely fashion utilizing the Group's IT systems and submitted to the director responsible for the relevant department and the Board of Directors.
 - c. Subject to item (2) d. above, each director responsible for a department shall implement improvements to increase the efficiency of the department's business operation structure as needed.
- 5. Matters Relating to Employees Assigned to Support Audit & Supervisory Board Members and the Independence of Such Employees from Directors in the Case that Audit & Supervisory Board Members Request Such Employees (Including Items Related to Ensuring the Effectiveness of Audit & Supervisory Board Members' Directions)
 - a. At least one employee shall be allocated to the Audit & Supervisory Board Office to support the duties and functions of the Audit & Supervisory Board.
 - b. Employees allocated for this purpose to the Audit & Supervisory Board Office are subject to the instructions of the Audit & Supervisory Board and not to the instructions of board directors.
 - c. The aforementioned employees are independent of board directors. The personnel evaluation, transfer and disciplining of these employees are determined after agreement by the Audit & Supervisory Board.

6. Structure for Reporting to Audit & Supervisory Board Members by Directors and Employees and Other Matters Relating to Procedures for Reporting to Audit & Supervisory Board Members as well as Structure for Ensuring that Such Reporting Will Not Result in Disadvantage to the Reporter

(1) Lion Group directors and employees shall quickly report to the Audit & Supervisory Board any matters that may significantly impact the Group as well as any significant violations of legal statutes or the Articles of Incorporation. In addition, the directors

shall report the following matters to the Audit & Supervisory Board.

- a. Significant breaches of the law and other important compliance matters.
- b. Emergencies relating to natural disasters or accidents as well as emergencies concerning legal requirements or corporate social responsibility.
- c. The implementation status of Group internal audits.
- d. The status and details of communications reported through the Group's internal reporting hotline.
- e. Matters determined by the Executive Management Board and the Product Planning Executive Committee.
- f. Matters determined by directors and executive officers based on designated delegated authorities.
- g. The status of Group company activities, as well as activities by their Audit & Supervisory Board members.
- h. The details and impact of any change in important accounting policies or standards adopted by the Company and its Group companies.

(2) The reporting methods for the matters described above in (1) a. through h. (the reporter, recipient, timing and other matters) are determined through deliberations involving directors and the Audit & Supervisory Board members.

(3) Notwithstanding item 6. (1) above Audit & Supervisory Board members may request information from directors and employees as and when necessary.

(4) The Lion Group shall establish Behavioral Guidelines to protect those who report matters of concern to the Audit & Supervisory Board members from suffering any disadvantage as a result of making such a report, and organizationally ensure that this is enforced Groupwide.

7. Procedure for Pre-Payment and Reimbursement of Costs Arising in the Execution of the Official Duties of Audit & Supervisory Board Members and Policy for Processing Other Costs or Liabilities Arising from the Execution of Such Duties (1) Costs and liabilities necessary for the execution of Audit & Supervisory Board members' duties shall be promptly paid or otherwise processed in accordance with the request of the Audit & Supervisory Board member.

(2) In addition, Audit & Supervisory Board members may receive the advice of outside experts as required to execute their duties. Related payments or other processing shall be handled in accordance with 7. (1), above.

8. Structure to Ensure Effective Auditing by Lion's Audit & Supervisory Board Members

(1) At the request of the Audit & Supervisory Board, the Board of Directors shall ensure that the Audit & Supervisory Board is able to appoint legal, accounting or taxation specialists to receive advice relating to audit activities.

(2) Audit & Supervisory Board members may attend management meetings and discussions of the Company and Group companies as necessary.

(3) Audit & Supervisory Board members may review and copy important information concerning Group companies as necessary.
(4) Audit & Supervisory Board members may conduct individual interviews with the directors responsible for business execution and important employees regarding the status of the execution of their duties in accordance with audit plans formulated by the Audit & Supervisory Board.

(5) Audit & Supervisory Board shall periodically convene meetings with the representative directors and accounting auditors to promote the exchange of information, opinions and views.

9. Structure to Ensure the Reliability and Appropriateness of Financial Reporting

(1) For the purpose of ensuring the reliability of the financial reporting of Lion, its subsidiaries and affiliated companies that forms the Group's consolidated financial statements, the president shall develop, operate and evaluate internal control regarding financial reporting based on the "Internal Control Policies Regarding Financial Reporting" set forth by the Board of Directors. The president shall also report the status of internal control and submit an internal control report to the Board of Directors on a regular basis.

(2) The Internal Audit Department shall, through its internal auditing, understand and evaluate the status of the development and operation of the Company's internal control system (including any problems and the status of improvements made to address problems) regarding the financial reporting and report its findings to the president and Audit & Supervisory Board members. (3) As a part of their performance audits, Audit & Supervisory Board members shall audit the execution of directors' duties related to the development and operation of internal control regarding financial reporting. In addition, Audit & Supervisory Board members shall audit the status of development and operation of internal control regarding financial reporting through audits of the appropriateness of the methods and results of accounting audits conducted by accounting auditors.

< Development Status of the Internal Control System >

Lion has established the Lion Group Charter for Corporate Behavior and Behavioral Guidelines, centered on the reinforcement of legal compliance and corporate ethics. To ensure strict compliance with the charter and guidelines on the part of all directors, Audit & Supervisory Board members and employees, the Group has established a Corporate Ethics Committee chaired by the board director responsible for corporate ethics. The committee promotes concrete initiatives to ensure the penetration and entrenchment of corporate ethics awareness. In the event of a violation of the Lion Group Charter for Corporate Behavior or Behavioral Guidelines, the committee develops proposals to resolve the issue and prevent recurrences. The committee also works to strengthen the Group's compliance systems, including the internal reporting systems. In addition, the Group maintains various rules and procedures to ensure the efficiency and effectiveness of operations, including standards for delegating decision-making authority to the president or the responsible executive, operating processes for each stage of product development, and product management systems that specify quality assurance procedures.

The Audit & Supervisory Board members and Internal Audit Department conduct regular audits to monitor whether these systems are functioning appropriately.

Regarding the timely disclosure of corporate information, Lion seeks out the opinions of the standing Audit & Supervisory Board members regarding the necessity of disclosure, endeavoring to ensure appropriate disclosure.

With regard to the development status of internal control related to financial reporting, Lion has established the "Internal Control Policies Regarding Financial Reporting" and standards for determining the scope of evaluation and targets of evaluations. Furthermore, the Group has assigned responsible staff to take charge of each operational process.

< Operational Status of the Internal Control System >

The Board of Directors examines the operation of the internal control system as necessary. An outline of the operational status for each year is given in that year's annual Business Report.

2. Basic Views on Eliminating Anti-Social Forces

< Basic Approach >

In accordance with the Lion Group Charter for Corporate Behavior, the Company shall maintain a stance of staunch opposition to any antisocial forces that pose a threat to public order and safety.

< Status of Related Efforts >

Having positioned its General Affairs Department as its office for handling issues relating to antisocial forces, Lion has appointed a person responsible for the prevention of undue claims against the Company and strives to coordinate efforts between each operational site of the Group as well as external institutions. To facilitate coordination with the police and relevant authorities, Lion participates in and shares information through specialized outside institutions, such as public-private partnerships for the prevention of undue claims.

To define and ensure compliance with procedures for handling antisocial forces, Lion has established an Undue Claim Prevention Manual.

The person responsible for the prevention of undue claims implements the necessary training at each operating site of the Group. The person responsible for the prevention of undue claims and the persons in charge of the prevention of undue claims at each operating site shall execute their duties in accordance with the Undue Claim Prevention Manual.

VOther

1. Adoption of Anti-Takeover Measures

Adoption of Anti-Takeover Measures Not Adopted

Supplementary Explanation

< Outline of the Basic Policy Concerning Control over the Company and Details of Special Initiatives to Contribute to Its Implementation >

Lion believes that persons who control the Company's decision making over financial matters and business policies should fully understand Lion's corporate philosophy, sources of corporate value and the relationship of trust it has with stakeholders who support the Company in order to secure and improve corporate value and to act in the common interests of shareholders in a continuous and sustainable manner.

At the same time, Lion holds that final decisions concerning any proposal of acquisition that would involve a transfer of control of the Company must ultimately be based on the collective will of its shareholders. This is not meant to imply opposition to a large-scale acquisition of Lion's shares if such acquisition is to be to the benefit of corporate value and the common interests of shareholders.

Nevertheless, in some cases large-scale acquisitions are undertaken clearly for the purpose of undermining Lion's corporate value and the common interests of shareholders; are intended to force shareholders to sell their shares; or are pushed forward without provision of sufficient time and/or information to Lion's Board of Directors and shareholders so that they may examine suggestions regarding the acquisition proposal and alternatives. Thus, such cases can impair Lion's corporate value and the common interests of shareholders.

The Company resolved not to continue the anti-takeover measures against large-scale purchases of the Company's shares (anti-takeover measures) at the Board of Directors held on January 29, 2021. However, in the event of the emergence of a large-scale purchaser who may damage the corporate value or the common interests of shareholders, the Company will consult with the Corporate Governance Committee, which is composed solely of external directors and external Audit & Supervisory Board members, in order to enhance the objectivity and rationality of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors will respect the recommendations of the Committee to the maximum extent possible and, after thorough deliberation, will take necessary and appropriate measures in accordance with the Companies Act, Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, and other relevant laws and regulations. If a decision by the shareholders is necessary to ensure the corporate value of the Company and the common interests of the shareholders, the Company will vigorously promote the strategies to realize the management vision described in "I Current Conditions of the Lion Group 5. Management Issues" in the Business Report and work to enhance the Company's corporate value and the common interests of shareholders.

2. Other Matters Related to the Corporate Governance System

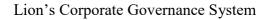
The status of the Company's internal system for timely disclosure of corporate information is as follows. In accordance with the rules on timely disclosure in the marketable securities listing regulations (timely disclosure rules), the Company's basic policy is to proactively disclose information on the Company's operations, management, or business performance that may have a material impact on investment decisions in a timely and appropriate manner. In order to realize this basic policy, the Company is implementing the following systems.

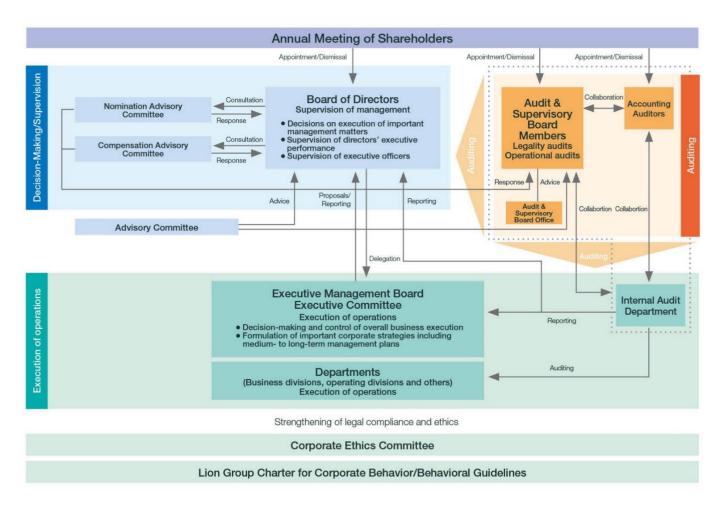
1. Decisions Reached and Information on Financial Results Pertaining to the Company (see Reference 2)

- 1. Since these are matters to be resolved by the Board of Directors, the Corporate Planning Department will confirm whether or not each agenda item falls under the category of "corporate information requiring disclosure" as stipulated in the timely disclosure rules prior to the Board of Directors meeting (hereinafter referred to as a "disclosure requirement").
- 2. The Corporate Communications Center (hereinafter referred to as the "CC Center"), which is responsible for managing the timely disclosure rules, will also confirm whether or not there is a disclosure requirement.
- 3. In the event that the perceived necessity of a disclosure requirement differs between the two sections, the Company will disclose the information.
- 4. The director in charge of the Corporate Planning Department will report the progress and results of the decision on the need for disclosure to the director in charge of the CC Center, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, and the President and Representative Director.
- 5. The director in charge of the Corporate Planning Department will report whether there is a disclosure requirement for the relevant matter to the Board of Directors upon its resolution. The Board of Directors will ask the opinion of the Audit & Supervisory Board members on the results determining whether there is a disclosure requirement and confirm the appropriateness of the results.

2. Information on Decisions Reached by Subsidiaries (see Reference 3)

- 1. Matters resolved by a subsidiary's board of directors will be reported to Lion's Corporate Planning Department, which is responsible for the overall management of affiliated companies.
- 2. The Corporate Planning Department will confirm whether or not there is a disclosure requirement.
- 3. The CC Center, which is responsible for managing the timely disclosure rules, will also confirm whether or not there is a disclosure requirement.
- 4. In the event that the perceived necessity for a disclosure requirement differs between the two sections, the Company will disclose the information.
- 5. The director in charge of the Corporate Planning Department will report to the director in charge of the CC Center, the Chairman of the Board of Directors and the president on the progress and results of determining the disclosure requirement. In addition, the director in charge of the Corporate Planning Department will ask the opinion of the Audit & Supervisory Board members on the results determining whether there is a disclosure requirement and confirm the appropriateness of the results.
- 3. Information Regarding the Occurrence of Material Incidents Pertaining to the Group (see Reference 4)
 - 1. The Group has established the Emergency Response System to prepare for emergencies related to major laws and regulations, the Group's social responsibility, and physical emergencies caused by natural disasters and accidents.
 - 2. Based on this system, in the event of an emergency, all information will be centralized in the General Affairs Department, which will immediately report to the director in charge of the General Affairs Department, the Chairman of the Board of Directors, the president and the standing Audit & Supervisory Board members, and discuss the response.
 - 3. The Corporate Planning Department and the CC Center will confirm whether or not there is a disclosure requirement regarding the incident concurrently with the discussion on the response.
 - 4. In the event that the perceived necessity for a disclosure requirement differs between the two sections, the Company will disclose the information
 - 5. The director in charge of the Corporate Planning Department will report to the director in charge of the General Affairs Department, the director in charge of the CC Center, the Chairman of the Board of Directors and the president on the progress and results of the disclosure requirement. In addition, the director in charge of the Corporate Planning Department will ask the opinion of the Audit & Supervisory Board members on the results determining whether there is a disclosure requirement and confirm the appropriateness of the results.





In accordance with the Lion Corporation Basic Corporate Governance Policy, the Company strives to ensure the effectiveness of the Board of Directors. Every fiscal year, the board conducts evaluations related to such areas as the board's operating methods and the content and status of the proposals it considers. These evaluations include examinations of each director. A summary of the results of these evaluations is disclosed in the Corporate Governance Report.

An anonymous self-assessment survey regarding the Board of Directors was conducted among all directors and Audit & Supervisory Board members as well as executive officers who regularly attended Board of Directors meetings held in 2024. Please refer to the following for a summary of their assessment of the effectiveness of the Board of Directors.

<Evaluation Results Summary>

- The number of persons on Lion's Board of Directors, including the number and proportion of external directors, is sufficient for deliberations. Board members have the knowledge, experience, capabilities and diversity necessary to enhance corporate value.
- The meeting frequency as well as the number of agenda items considered and amount of time allowed for deliberation by the Board of Directors are appropriate. The deliberations comprise open, constructive debate that does not hinder risk taking.

As described above, the composition and operation of the Board of Directors of the Company are appropriate, decisions on important matters concerning business execution and supervision of the execution of duties are adequately made, and the effectiveness of the Board of Directors of the Company is sufficient.

In the effectiveness evaluation, it was acknowledged that measures such as the flexible scheduling of deliberations and procedural improvements to enhance discussion on important matters have been effectively implemented. At the same time, there were also suggestions that discussions on key contemporary issues such as sustainability and human capital should be deepened to improve overall effectiveness. We will continue to promote initiatives aimed at enhancing board effectiveness.

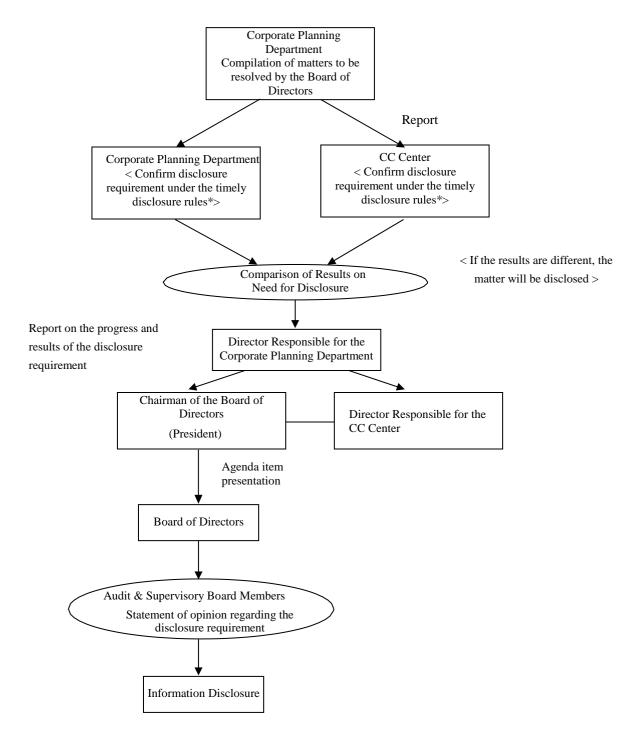
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Issues <enhancing deliberation="" important="" matters="" on=""> •We must set aside sufficient time for deliberations on the formulation of Vision2030 2nd STAGE, our mediumterm management plan that began in 2025, as well as our response to key contemporary issues such as sustainability and human capital. •The board must secure time for deliberating important matters by taking a flexible approach to adjusting meeting lengths and holding extraordinary meetings, as necessary.</enhancing>	Initiatives Narrowing Down the Number of Proposals by Delegating Authority to Executive Units> In April 2024, we revised the officers' meeting structure and approval authority standards to expand the delegation of authority from the board to executive units. As a result, the number of matters for resolution submitted to the board from April through December decreased by approximately 15%. These matters are now handled as reporting items, subject to board oversight. <sharing directors="" external="" information="" with=""> In 2024, we began allowing external directors to attend Executive Management Board meetings, where executive units deliberate on medium-term strategies and business plans, to further enhance information sharing on the Company's operational status. <flexible and="" deliberation="" meeting="" proceedings="" scheduling="" streamlined=""> In 2024, we held 15 informal and extraordinary board meetings to discuss 22 important themes in preparation for formulating Vision2030 2nd STAGE, our next medium-term management plan that began in 2025. We also introduced procedural improvements to ensure sufficient time for deliberating important matters. Depending on the agenda item, these included distributing materials in advance and providing explanatory videos from the proposing departments, allowing deliberations to proceed without in-meeting explanations. <enhancing dedicated="" external="" information="" of="" officers="" provision="" staff="" through="" to=""> In April 2024, the general manager in charge of board affairs began holding regular briefings for external directors to share information on proposals discussed at Executive M</enhancing></flexible></sharing>

Based on the issues identified in 2023, initiatives in 2024 were as follows.

Based on the opinions and suggestions in the 2024 evaluation, initiatives in 2025 are as follows.

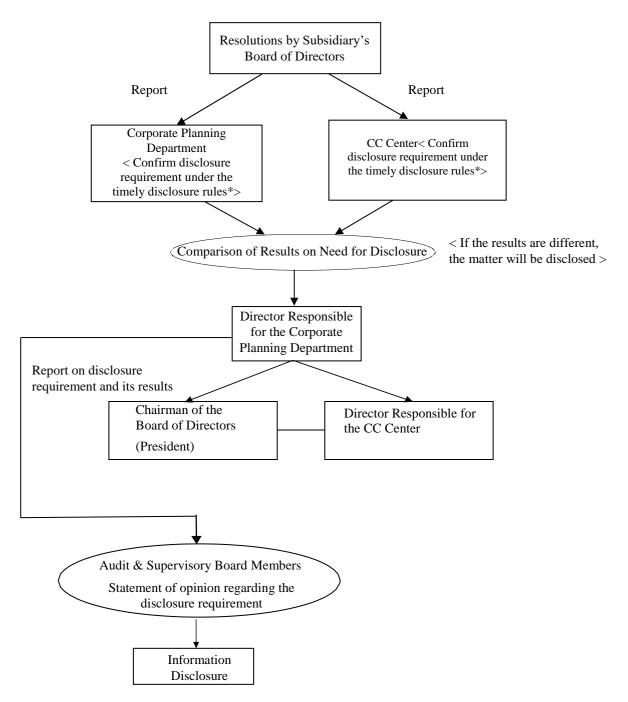
Opinions and Suggestions	Initiatives
• For the success of Vision2030 2nd	 Upon approval at the 164th Annual Meeting of Shareholders, we will increase
STAGE, the medium-term management	the number of external directors to strengthen board composition and appoint
plan that began in 2025, and the further	an external director as board chairperson, thereby further enhancing the
enhancement of corporate value, it is	objectivity and effectiveness of management supervision and the transparency
essential to strengthen the monitoring of	of decision-making. For important management issues such as sustainability and human capital,
progress against the KPIs and milestones	we will prepare an annual agenda—including informal board meetings—and
established at the time of the plan's	set the deliberation schedule in advance to ensure a reliable PDCA cycle, from
formulation. In addition, it is necessary to	discussion of overall direction to the monitoring of specific measures. For issues that require more in-depth board discussion—such as risk
maintain ongoing discussions on key	management and dialogue with capital markets—we will increase
contemporary issues such as sustainability	opportunities for such discussion following internal review of the relevant
and human capital, and to further enhance	organizational structures and related matters. To further enhance deliberation on key proposals, we will build on current
deliberations on the development of	efforts such as flexible deliberation scheduling and procedural improvements
internal control systems, including	by refining proposal materials to enable more focused and efficient discussion
compliance and risk management.	within a limited timeframe.

Decisions Reached and Information on Financial Results Pertaining to the Company



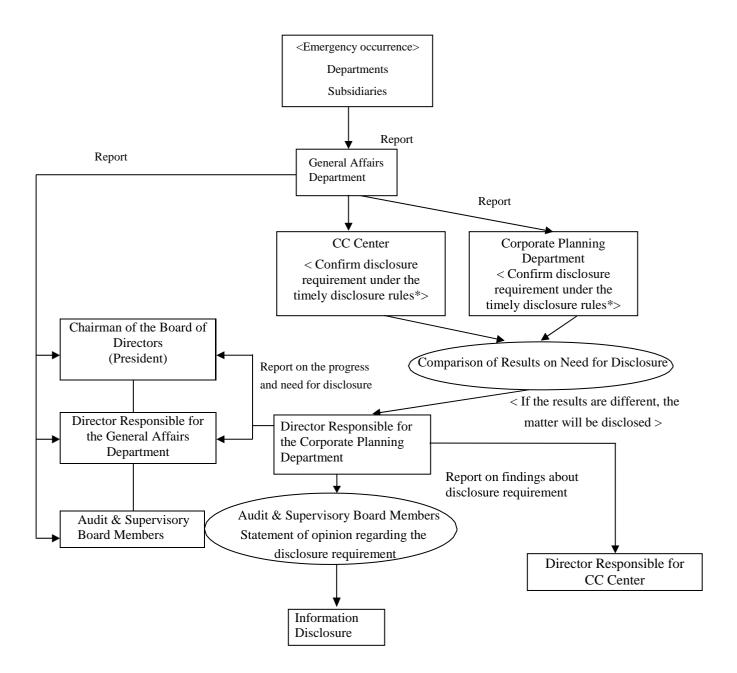
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Information on Decisions Reached by Subsidiaries



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Information Regarding the Occurrence of Material Incidents Pertaining to the Group



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