Corporate Governance Report

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The corporate governance of Sompo Holdings, Inc. (the õCompanyö) is described below.

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

1. Basic Views

(1) Management Philosophy etc.

Sompo Holdings Group (hereinafter õthe Groupö) has established the following Group Management Philosophy, Group Action Guidelines, and Group Vision.

Group Management Philosophy

We will at all times carefully consider the interests of our customers when making decisions that shape our business. We will strive to contribute to the security, health, and wellbeing of our customers and society as a whole by providing insurance and related services of the highest quality possible.

Group Action Guidelines

To provide the highest possible quality of service to our customers we will:

- 1. treat each and every customer with sincerity, and act in the knowledge that our every action as an individual shapes our entire reputation as a company;
- 2. act with initiative, set ourselves the highest goals, and always learn from our actions;
- 3. strive to be both prompt and clear in our dealings and activities; and,
- 4. act with the utmost integrity.

Group Vision

Our goal is to always be the best customer service provider both at home and abroad.

(2) Basic Views on Corporate Governance

Following the principles of the Group management philosophy, the Group considers value creation for stakeholders in the administration of its business and maintains and enforces the Group Action Guidelines as the standard of behavior for the Group employees in Japan and worldwide with the business objectives of realizing sustainable business growth to increase corporate value and fulfilling its mission to be the best customer service provider both at home and abroad.

The Group considers continually improving the transparency and fairness of the Group corporate governance and fulfilling its corporate social responsibility as essential to maintaining strong relations of trust with stakeholders. The Board of Directors has accordingly established the Corporate Governance Policy to

clarify basic policies regarding the formation of the overall vision for the governance structure and the governance framework. We continue to improve our corporate governance and aim the best. Further information on the Group& Corporate Governance Policy may be viewed on the Company website at http://www.sompo-hd.com/en/company/governance/overview/policies/

The Group has elected to be a company with *Kansayaku* Board and maintains and promotes effective oversight and auditing functions using a system of corporate governance comprising the Board of Directors, which makes important management decisions and oversees business execution, and *Kansayaku* and a *Kansayaku* Board that are independent from the Board of Directors. The Group also utilizes the business owner system, Group Chief Officer (hereinafter õGroup CxOö) system, and the executive officer system under the under the supervision of the Group CEO to enable agile and flexible decision-making and operation as well as ensuring the clarity of authority and responsibility.

The Board of Directors sets the Basic Policy on Internal Controls, which serves as the foundation for the Basic Policy for Group Management. These policies provide the framework for a highly transparent governance structure for the Company and Group companies. To ensure transparency in the appointment and treatment of directors, the chairman and a majority of the members of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, an advisory organ to the Board of Directors, are outside directors.

(3) View on the Corporate Governance Code

We understand that the Corporate Governance Code (the õCodeö) is established in order to contribute to company sustainable corporate growth and the increase of corporate value in the medium term by improving the system for transparent, fair, prompt, and decisive decision-making based on the perspective of all stakeholders, including the company shareholders, customers, employees and local communities.

In the spirit of the Code, the Group constantly seeks to improve its corporate governance to promote the Groups ongoing growth and the enhancement of corporate value in the medium term.

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

The Group complies with all principles of the Code.

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

Principle 1.4 Cross-Shareholdings

Policy on Cross-Shareholdings

- -The Company subsidiary Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Insurance Inc. engages in cross-shareholdings for the purposes of receiving investment return in the form of dividend income and share price appreciation, fortifying relations with the insurance sales channels and business partners, and maintaining and strengthening insurance transactions with corporate clients.
- -The Board of Directors annually examines the rationale for continuing to maintain the primary cross-shareholding accounts. The examination considers the future use of the shares based on the cross-shareholding objectives, such as supporting insurance transactions and strengthening alliances, reviews the long-term outlooks for unrealized gains from value appreciation and the share value, and sets quantitative risk and return assessment benchmarks for the associated insurance transactions and share values.
- -As part of the Group's capital policy, the Company implements a management policy of allocating a portion of the capital buffer realized from the continuous selling of cross-shareholdings to growth business investment, such as overseas M&A, to support the maintenance of financial soundness and improve capital efficiency. These activities are conducted in accordance with the midterm and annual retention and disposal plans for cross-shareholdings established by the Board of Directors.

Exercising voting rights for cross-shareholdings

- -The Company's subsidiary Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Insurance Inc. maintains a Policy for Conformance to the Japanese version of the Stewardship Code. The Policy for the Exercise of Voting Rights is as follows.
- <Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Insurance Inc.: Policy for Conformance to the Japanese version of the Stewardship Code (abridged)>
- 1. Basic Policy on Exercise of Voting Rights

Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Insurance Inc. exercises its voting rights following a basic policy of supporting the sustainable growth of the invested company and as deemed appropriate in consideration of the invested company activities to address environmental issues, corporate governance status, compliance structure, and other areas.

2. Policy on Discussions

The discussion of items considered as requiring careful examination from various perspectives, such as the significance related to raising corporate value, includes a thorough examination of the purpose and objectives. Final decisions for such discussion items are determined based on the dialogue with the invested company and other information. Items given special attention include the following.

- (1) Transfer of important assets
- (2) Share transfers related a merger or wholly owned subsidiary
- (3) Provision of retirement benefits to officers of companies with a capital deficiency or poor business performance
- (4) Capital increase from a third-party allocation with an advantageous placement
- (5) Introduction of hostile acquisition defensive measures
- (6) Posting net losses consecutively for a certain period of time
- (7) Design of corporate governance
- 3. Disclosure of voting records

The Company considers it important to contribute to the enhancement of corporate value, damage prevention, and sustainable growth of invested companies through such activities as constructive dialogues and provision of risk management with investee companies in order to fulfill its stewardship responsibilities.

Positioning the exercise of voting rights as part of these activities, the Company discloses aggregate voting records, examples of dialogues held with investee companies, and cases of exercising the right of dissent for a more accurate understanding of its activities.

Upon comprehensive consideration of the impact on the overall activity mentioned above of the Company to fulfill its stewardship responsibilities, the Company does not disclose voting records on an individual agenda item basis.

Principle 1.7 Related Party Transactions

When the Company engages in transactions or other dealings defined as a related party transaction, the Company conducts proper oversight, which shall include consulting with experts as considered necessary and presenting the transaction for approval and/or reporting the transaction at the Board of Directors Meeting attended by outside directors and outside *kansayaku* in compliance with all laws, regulations, and Company internal rules. The execution of such a transaction shall be properly disclosed as a material fact base as stipulated by law.

Principle 3.1 Full Disclosure

The Company has established the Group Management Philosophy, Group Action Guidelines, and Group Vision and publically communicates its management strategy and medium-term management plans to realize the vision for the corporate group. The Companyøs management strategy and medium-term management plans are presented on the Company website.

http://www.sompo-hd.com/en/ir/strategy/

The basic philosophy on corporate governance is based on the principles of the Corporate Governance Code, which are presented in the section õ1. Basic Views, (2) and (3)ö of this report.

As the decision-making policy and process for setting director remuneration amounts, the Company makes the policies on decisions pertaining to remuneration for officers and describes in section õ9. Policies on Decisions pertaining to Compensation for Officersö of the Corporate Governance Policy on the Company website.

http://www.sompo-hd.com/en/company/governance/overview/policies/

The reasons for selecting a candidate for director are presented in the reference materials provided with the õNotice of Convocation of the General Meeting of Shareholdersö for discussion and election at the Meeting. The Company & õNotice of Convocation of the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholdersö is available on the Company website.

http://www.sompo-hd.com/en/ir/stock/meeting/

<u>Supplementary Principle 4.1.1 Roles and Responsibilities of the Board (Scope and content of matters delegated to management)</u>

The roles and responsibilities of the Company® Board of Directors are stipulated by law and the Articles of Incorporation, and matters to be resolved the Board of Directors Meeting are stipulated in the Company® õRules and Regulations for the Board of Directors.ö Decisions regarding other matters of business execution are delegated to management under the Group CEO and business owners, and the content of such matters is

clearly stipulated in the internal rules, including the basic policies and the managerial decision rules.

- <Main items for resolution by the Board of Directors Meeting other than items stipulated by law and the Articles of Incorporation>
- -Important matters concerning Group management policy
- -Matters related to the exercise of voting rights at the General Meeting of Shareholders of Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Insurance, Inc. and Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Himawari Life Insurance, Inc.
- -Important matters concerning business administration activities
- -Other important matters, such as the establishment or dissolution of subsidiaries

Principle 4.8 Effective Use of Independent Directors

The Company maintains a structure comprising eight internal directors involved in the execution of business and appoints an additional four outside directors. At present, the number of independent outside directors is more than one-third of the total.

The Company appoints outside directors with experience as corporate managers, academicians, lawyers, and other professions and with extensive knowledge in such areas as information and communications technology, overseas operations, compliance, CSR, and retail (practical experience) to provide active and meaningful guidance for the execution of the Group& management strategies.

Principle 4.9 Independence Standards and Qualification for Independent Directors

The Company has established õStandards regarding Independence of Outside Directors / Kansayakuö based on the recommendations of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee and by resolution of the Board of Directors in accordance with the standards required for Financial Instruments Exchange.

The Company selects individuals with experience as corporate managers, academicians, and lawyers and with extensive knowledge in a wide range of fields with the aim of enabling valuable discussion incorporating objective and multiple viewpoints and perspectives on the Group management strategy and management issues. The independent outside directors contribute to frank, active, and constructive deliberations and discussions at meetings of the Board of Directors and meetings of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee.

<u>Supplementary Principle 4.11.1 Policy and Procedure regarding the Board of Directors Skillset and the Appointment of Directors</u>

The Companyøs views on the overall balance of knowledge, experience, and capabilities and the diversity and scope of the Board of Directors as well the policy and procedure for selecting a candidate for director are presented in sections õ3. Directors and Board of Directorsö and õ7. Policies for Appointments of Officersö of the Corporate Governance Policy on the Company website.

http://www.sompo-hd.com/en/company/governance/overview/policies/

Supplementary Principle 4.11.2 Concurrent Positions of Directors and Kansayaku

In the event a director or *kansayaku* would be holding a concurrent position at another company, the Board of Directors determines the appropriateness of the appointment upon verifying the appropriateness of such positions as stipulated by law and by verifying the business content, volume of duties, and other conditions of the concurrent position. The Company seeks candidates with minimum of concurrent positions.

Supplementary Principle 4.11.3 Evaluation of the Effectiveness of the Board of Directors

The Company conducts õEvaluations of the Effectiveness of the Board of Directors.ö

In order to fully exercise the "supervisory function" and "the function to encourage appropriate risk taking in the execution of business", the Company has adopted õholding integrated Board of Directors meeting and preliminary briefing sessionö and õholding meetings with open and unrestricted discussionsö, "exchanging opinions only with group CEO and outside directors", "exchange opinions among outside directors and *kansayaku*", and realize to build the governance structure that has transparency and objective decision-making processes and supervisory functions.

Under such a governance framework, in fiscal 2016, the Board of Directors has made timely and appropriate decisions on large frameworks and growth strategies like õformulation of a Mid-Term Management Plan", "formulation of a strategy to build a theme park for the security, health, and wellbeing of customers", "overseas M & A".

The Company conducts evaluations of the effectiveness of the Board of Directors from the perspective "whether its actions are functioning to promote the Company's healthy and sustaining growth and increase

corporate value in the medium-term" and the Company evaluates õthe Board of Directors fulfills its function fully and improves effectivenessö.

Going forward, the Company will continue to implement efforts to further enhance the effectiveness of the Board of Directors and respond to the expectations of our shareholders and other stakeholders.

Supplementary Principle 4.14.2 Policy on Director and Kansayaku Training

The Company¢s policy on training directors and *kansayaku* is presented in section õ8. Officers Training Policyö of the Corporate Governance Policy on the Company website. http://www.sompo-hd.com/en/company/governance/overview/policies/

Principle 5.1 Policy for Constructive Dialogue with Shareholders

The Company, to a reasonable extent, proactively responds to requests from shareholders and engages in positive and constructive dialogue.

To further promote constructive dialogue with shareholders, the Board of Directors decides the matter for carrying out the Investor Relations framework and Investor Relations activities. The Company sets an Investor Relations Action Plan and reports to the Board of Director in addition to the summary of last year.

2. Capital Structure

Foreign Shareholding Ratio More than 30%

[Status of Major Shareholders]

Name / Company Name	Number of Shares Owned	Percentage (%)
STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY	26,531,272	6.39
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trust account)	21,731,800	5.23
The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust account)	21,510,000	5.18
Sompo Holdings Employee Shareholders Association	9,335,675	2.25
The Dai-ichi Life Insurance Company, Limited	8,181,600	1.97
Nippon Express Co., Ltd.	8,001,221	1.93
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trust account 5)	7,580,700	1.83
GOVERNMENT OF NORWAY	6,759,249	1.63
STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY 505225	5,919,295	1.43
Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trust account 1)	5,625,800	1.35

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

Supplementary Explanation

Major Shareholders mentioned above are based on the shareholder is list as of March 31,2017.

^{*1} In addition to the above, the Company holds 21,340 thousand shares of treasury stock.

^{*2} The number of shares held by The Dai-ichi Life Insurance Company, Limited includes 4,492 thousand shares contributed by that company as trust assets for a retirement benefit trust (In the shareholder register, the shares are listed in the name of Mizuho Trust & Banking Co., Ltd., Dai-ichi Life Insurance Retirement

3. Corporate Attributes

Listed Stock Market and Market Section	Tokyo Stock Exchange First Section
Fiscal Year-End	March
Type of Business	Insurance
Number of Employees (consolidated) as of the	More than 1000
End of the Previous Fiscal Year	More than 1000
Sales (consolidated) as of the End of the	More than ¥1 trillion
Previous Fiscal Year	More than #1 trimon
Number of Consolidated Subsidiaries as of the	From 100 to less than 300
End of the Previous Fiscal Year	Profit 100 to less than 300

4.	Policy on Measures to Protec	t Minority	Shareholders	in C	Conducting	Transactions	with (Controlling
	Shareholder							

None			

5. Other Special Circumstances which may have Material Impact on Corporate Governance

None			

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

1. Organizational Composition and Operation

Organization Form	Company with Kansayaku Board
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[Directors]

Maximum Number of Directors Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	15
Term of Office Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	1 year
Chairperson of the Board	President
Number of Directors	12
Number of Outside Directors	4
Number of Independent Directors	4

Outside DirectorsøRelationship with the Company (1)

Name	Attribute	Relationship with the Company*										
Name	Autoute	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k
Sawako Nohara	From another company											
Isao Endo	From another company											
Tamami Murata	Lawyer											
Scott Trevor Davis	Academic											

- * Categories for õRelationship with the Companyö
- * öOö when the director presently falls or has recently fallen under the category;
 - $\tilde{o}\Delta \ddot{o}$ when the director fell under the category in the past
- - õ▲öwhen 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 company 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 listed 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/*kansayaku*
- g. Major shareholder of the Company (or an executive of the said major shareholder if the shareholder is a legal entity)
- h. Executive of a client or supplier company of the Company (which does not correspond to any of d, e, or f) (the director himself/herself only)
- i. Executive of a company, between which and the Company outside directors/kansayaku are mutually appointed (the director himself/herself only)
- j. Executive of a company or organization that receives a donation from the Company (the director himself/herself only)
- k. Others

Outside DirectorsøRelationship with the Company (2)

	Designation as	Supplementary	
Name	Independent	Explanation of	Reasons of Appointment
	Director	the Relationship	
Sawako Nohara	Director	Representative Director, President of IPSe Marketing, Inc. Project Professor, Keio University Graduate School of Media and Governance Board Member of Nissha Printing Co., Ltd. Director of Japan Post Bank Co., Ltd.	Nominated with the expectation of providing Company management with pertinent advice from a diverse and expert perspective based on the experience as a business manager and abundant experience in the IT industry, as well as deep insight gained through participation in policy-making during her term as an officer in government-related committees including as a private sector member of the Industrial Competitiveness Council. Appointed as an independent director as concern is judged not to exist for a conflict of interest with general shareholders from the perspectives of a personal, capital, transaction, or other

		interests or relationships.
Isao Endo	Chairman of Roland Berger Ltd. Director of Ryohin Keikaku Co., Ltd. Director of Nisshin Steel Co., Ltd.	Nominated with the expectation of providing Company management with pertinent advice from his broad insight based on his practical experience at a global consulting firm and academic knowledge as a graduate school professor, as well as abundant experience as a company manager. Appointed as an independent director as concern is judged not to exist for a conflict of interest with general shareholders from the perspectives of a personal, capital, transaction, or other interests or relationships.
Tamami Murata	Lawyer	Nominated with the expectation of providing Company management with pertinent advice from a knowledgeable and experienced professional perspective based on the abundant knowledge and experience in the legal field. Appointed as an independent director as concern is judged not to exist for a conflict of interest with general shareholders from the perspectives of a personal, capital, transaction, or other interests or relationships.
Scott Trevor Davis	Director of Seven & I Holdings Co., Ltd. Professor of the Department of Global Business, College of Business, Rikkyo University Director of Bridgestone Corporation	Nominated with the expectation of providing Company management with pertinent advice from the wide-ranging knowledge as an academician, gained particularly through university research in strategic management and CSR, and from global perspective. Appointed as independent director as concern is judged not to exist for a conflict of interest with general shareholders from the perspectives of a personal, capital, transaction, or other interests or relationships.

Voluntary Establishment of Committee(s)	
Corresponding to Nomination Committee or	Established
Remuneration Committee	

Committee® Name, Composition, and Attributes of Chairperson

	Committee Corresponding to		Committee	Corre	sponding	to		
	Nomination C	tee	Remuneration	Comm	ittee			
Committees Name	Nomination Committee	and	Remunera	tion	Nomination Committee	and	Remunera	ition
All Committee Members	5				5			

Full-time Members	0	0
Inside Directors	1	1
Outside Directors	4	4
Outside Experts	0	0
Other	0	0
Chairperson	Outside Director	Outside Director

Supplementary	Explanation
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None

[Kansayaku]

Establishment of Kansayaku Board	Established
Maximum Number of Kansayaku Stipulated in	7
Articles of Incorporation	7
Number of Kansayaku	5

Cooperation among Kansayaku, Accounting Auditors and Internal Audit Departments

Relationship of Kansayaku and internal audit department

Kansayaku formulate auditing programs and implement audits and endeavor to conduct efficient audits by working closely with internal audit department and regularly exchanging opinions and information.

For sharing recognitions, the Internal Audit Department attends the meeting of reporting the audit results to *kansayaku* by the accounting auditor.

All of the results of audit department audits are reported to *kansayaku* and, as deemed necessary, the *kansayaku* request audits and other measures as part of the auditor audits.

Kansayaku and accounting auditor collaboration

Kansayaku regularly meet with the accounting auditors to mutually deepen understanding of the content of the audits, including risk awareness and auditing programs, and exchange opinions after receiving the details of the audit implementation status.

The quality of the audits by the accounting auditors is maintained by consenting to the decision for the accounting auditorsøaudit fee after verifying that adequate time will be able to be provided for the audits.

Steps have also been taken to provide a supportive environment for the accounting auditor, including enabling access to senior management personnel and promoting collaboration with the internal audit and other departments.

The *Kansayaku* Board sets standards to ensure appropriate assessments of the accounting auditors. The board evaluates the auditors for quality control, including evaluating the independence and expertise required of the accounting auditors, and also, as the primary unit responsible for the Companyos corporate governance, evaluates for the functioning and execution status of the auditors operations.

Relationship between the internal control department and the kansayaku, internal audit department, and accounting auditors

During the audits and other activities, the *kansayaku*, internal audit department, and accounting auditors exchange opinions and information with the internal control departments, including the executive management department, accounting department, and other departments. The internal control departments use the results of the opinion and information exchanges and the audits to strengthen the internal controls.

Appointment of Outside Kansayaku	Appointed
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Number of Outside Kansayaku	3
Number of Independent Kansayaku	3

Outside Kansayakuøs Relationship with the Company (1)

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Name	Attribute	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	1	m
Naoki Yanagida	Lawyer													
Hideyo Uchiyama	CPA													
Atsuko Muraki	Other													

- Categories for õRelationship with the Companyö
- * öOö when the director presently falls or has recently fallen under the category;
 - $\tilde{o}\Delta \ddot{o}$ when the director fell under the category in the past
- * õ o ö when a close relative of the director presently falls or has recently fallen under the category;
 - õ▲öwhen a close relative of the director 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. 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 a *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 (which does not correspond to any of f, g, or h) (the *kansayaku* himself/herself only)
- k. Executive of a company, between which and the Company outside directors/kansayaku are mutually appointed (the kansayaku himself/herself only)
- 1. Executive of a company or organization that receives a donation from the Company (the *kansayaku* himself/herself only)
- m. Others

Outside Kansayakuøs Relationship with the Company (2)

	Designation as	Supplementary	
Name	Independent	Explanation of	Reasons of Appointment
	Kansayaku	the Relationship	
		Attorney at law	Nominated with the expectation of
		Director of Alpine	effectively performing the duties as an
		Electronics, Inc.	outside kansayaku based on the
		(Outside Director, Audit	specialized knowledge and experience
		and Supervisory	as a lawyer.
Naoki Yanagida		Committee Member)	Appointed as an independent kansayaku
		Audit and Supervisory	as concern is judged not to exist for a
		Board Member of YKK	conflict of interest with general
		Corporation	shareholders from the perspectives of a
		(External Audit &	personal, capital, transaction, or other
		Supervisory Board	interests or relationships

	Member)	
Hideyo Uchiyama	Executive Advisor of ASAHI Tax Corporation Audit & Supervisory Board Member of OMRON Corporation (Independent Audit & Supervisory Board Member)	Nominated with the expectation of effectively performing the duties as an outside <i>kansayaku</i> based on the abundant experience as a manager at one of Japanøs leading auditing corporations and a global consulting firm in addition to his professional knowledge and experience as a certified public accountant. Appointed as an independent <i>kansayaku</i> as concern is judged not to exist for a conflict of interest with general shareholders from the perspectives of a personal, capital, transaction, or other interests or relationships
Atsuko Muraki	Member of the Board of ITOCHU Corporation (Outside Director)	Nominated with the expectation of effectively performing the duties as an outside <i>kansayaku</i> based on the high level of knowledge and abundant experience based on having held important posts such as Vice-Minister, Deputy Director-General, and Director-General of Equal Employment, Children and Families Bureau in the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare, as well as Director-General for Policies of the Cabinet Office. Appointed as an independent <i>kansayaku</i> as concern is judged not to exist for a conflict of interest with general shareholders from the perspectives of a personal, capital, transaction, or other interests or relationships

[Independent Directors/Kansayaku]

Number of Independent Directors/Kansayaku	7
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Matters relating to Independent Directors/Kansayaku

The Company will determine the independence from the Company of outside directors and outside *kansayaku* based on the matters set forth below:

- 1.Personal Relationships: A kinship between the candidate and any officer or employee of the Group, status of mutual appointments of officers between the Company and the company which the candidate is originally from.
- 2. Capital Relationships: The holding of shares in the Company by the candidate and the status of shareholding by the Group.
- 3. Business Relationships: Business transactions or donations between the Group and the candidate.
- 4. Significant interests other than the above.

In the event that a candidate for outside director falls within any of the categories listed below, the Nomination and Compensation Committee, a committee primarily constituted of outside directors, will examine his/her independence. Following the final determination by the Board of Directors, the proposal for appointment will be submitted to the General Meeting of Stockholders of the Company and the Company will

submit notification of such outside director as an independent director as prescribed by each financial instruments exchange.

In the case of a candidate for outside *kansayaku*, the *Kansayaku* Board will take into consideration these standards in determining whether to consent to a proposal being submitted to the General Meeting of Stockholders of the Company for the appointment of a *kansayaku*. Upon receiving this consent, the Board of Directors will submit the proposal for appointment to the General Meeting of Stockholders and submit notification of such outside *kansayaku* as an independent auditor as prescribed by each financial instruments exchange.

(1)Personal Relationships

- 1)The candidate is or was an executive director (Note 1), an executive officer or an employee of the Company or its subsidiary at present or in the past 10 years (in 10 years prior to his/her appointment if the candidate was an executive director or audit & supervisory board member).
- 2)The candidate is a relative (Note 3) of a person who is or was an executive director, an executive officer or an important employee (Note 2) of the Company or its subsidiary at present or in the past 5 years.
- 3)The candidate is a director, an audit & supervisory board member, an accounting advisor, an operating officer or an executive officer of (i) a company that accepts director(s) (full-time or independent) from the Company or its subsidiary, (ii) its parent company or (iii) its subsidiary.

(2) Capital Relationships

- 1)The candidate is a director, an audit & supervisory board member, an accounting advisor, an operating officer, an executive officer or an employee of a company in which the Company owns 10% or more of the voting rights.
- 2)The candidate is a relative of a person who is a director, an audit & supervisory board member, an accounting advisor, an operating officer or an executive officer of a company in which the Company owns 10% or more of the voting rights.
- 3)The candidate owns or owned 10% or more of the voting rights of the Company at present or in the past five years (if the shareholder is a corporation, the candidate is or was a director, an audit & supervisory board member, an accounting advisor, an operating officer, a board member, an executive officer or an employee of the subject company, its parent company or a significant subsidiary (Note 4) of the subject company).
- 4)The candidate is a relative of a person who owns or owned 10% or more of the voting rights of the Company at present or in the past five years (if the shareholder is a corporation, the candidate is a relative of the person who is or was a director, an audit & supervisory board member, an accounting advisor, an operating officer, a board member or an executive officer of the subject company).

(3) Business Relationships

- 1)The candidate makes or made payments of 2% or more of the Company consolidated gross annual sales (based on the current fiscal year or the average of the past three fiscal years) to the Company or its subsidiary (if the payer is a corporation, the candidate is or was an executive director, an operating officer, and executive officer or an employee of the subject company, its parent company or a significant subsidiary).
- 2)The candidate receives or received payments of 2% or more of the candidate consolidated gross annual sales (based on the current fiscal year or the average of the past three fiscal years) from the Company or its subsidiary (if the recipient is a corporation, the candidate is or was an executive director, operating officer, an executive officer or an employee of the subject company, its parent company or a significant subsidiary).
- 3)The candidate is a board member (should be limited to a person who executes business) or other member who executes business of a public interest incorporated foundation, a public interest incorporated association, or a non-profit corporation, etc. who receives donations or grants exceeding 10 million yen per year based on the average of the past three fiscal years from the Company or its subsidiaries.
- 4)The candidate is a director, an audit & supervisory board member, an accounting advisor, an operating officer, an executive officer or an employee of (i) a financial institution, (ii) other large creditor, (iii) its parent company or (iv) a significant subsidiary, from which the Company obtains or has obtained financing (the financing is indispensable, which the Company depends on to the extent that such financing has little or no substitute) at present or in the past three years.
- 5)The candidate is an employee, a partner or a staff member of a certified public accountant (or a tax accountant) or an audit corporation (or a tax accounting corporation), who serves as an accounting auditor of the Company or its subsidiary, or a person who was any of the above in the past three years, and who actually is or was engaged in auditing (excluding supplementary involvement) for the Company or its subsidiary

(including those who are currently retired).

6) The candidate is a relative of (i) a certified public accountant (or a tax accountant) or (ii) an employee or a partner of an audit corporation (or a tax accounting corporation), who serves as an accounting auditor of the Company or its subsidiary.

7)The candidate is a relative of a staff member of a certified public accountant (or a tax accountant) or an audit corporation (or a tax accounting corporation), who serves as an accounting auditor of the Company or its subsidiary, and who actually is engaged in auditing (excluding supplementary involvement) for the Company or its subsidiary, or a person who was an employee, a partner or a staff member of a certified public accountant (or a tax accountant) or an audit corporation (or a tax accounting corporation), who served as an accounting auditor of the Company or its subsidiary, in the past three years, and who actually was engaged in auditing (excluding supplementary involvement) for the Company or its subsidiary during the subject period of time.

8)The candidate is a consultant such as an attorney or a certified public accountant other than the above 5) who receives financial or other property benefits of 10 million yen or more per year (based on the average of the past three years) exclusive of officers compensation, and a person who is and was an employee, a partner, an associate or a staff member of a consulting firm or other specialized advisory firm such as a legal office or an audit corporation other than the above 5), who received payments of 2% or more of the firms consolidated gross annual sales (based on the average of the past three fiscal years) from the Company or its subsidiary.

(4) Significant Interests

A person who can be recognized to have significant interests other than the above (1) through (3).

Notes:

- 1. "Executive director" means the director as set forth in each item of Article 363, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act and other directors who executed business of the subject company (the same applies to the following).
- 2. õImportant employeeö means a person who falls under the õimportant employeeö as set forth in Article 362, Paragraph 4, Item 3 of the Companies Act (the same applies to the following).
- 3. õRelativeö refers to a spouse, a relative within the second degree of kinship or a relative who lives together (the same applies to the following).
- 4. õSignificant subsidiaryö refers to a subsidiary that is described as a significant subsidiary in (i) the items of e.g., õStatus of Significant Parent Company and Subsidiariesö in the business reports associated with the subject companyø most recent fiscal year (Article 120, Paragraph 1, Item 7 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Companies Act), or other materials that are generally published by the subject company (the same applies to the following).
- 5. The past tense as described in the above (2) 3) and 4), and (3) 1), 2) and 8) (e.g., a person who owaso) refers to within the past five years.

[Incentives]

Incentive Policies for Directors	Performance-linked Remuneration / Other

Supplementary Explanation

Remuneration for directors, executive officers, and *kansayaku* shall in the case of remuneration of directors and executive officers be determined by the Board of Directors after consultation with the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, and in the case of remuneration of *kansayaku* be determined through discussion between the *kansayaku*, in accordance with the policies on decisions pertaining to remuneration for officers. In the 6th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 27, 2016, the Company has decided to establish a new performance-linked stock remuneration plan, õBoard Benefit Trustö.

Recipients of Stock Options	None
Supplementary Explanation	

None

[Director Remuneration]

Disclosure of Individual DirectorsøRemuneration	Selected Directors
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Supplementary Explanation

Aggregate totals for director and *kansayaku* remuneration and totals by category of remuneration and other remunerations are reported in the financial statements and business reports.

The Company discloses individually the amount of the remuneration of the director total consolidated remuneration is ¥100 million or more.

Kengo Sakurada and Keiji Nishizawa are applicable in fiscal 2016.

Policy on Determining Remuneration Amounts	Established
and Calculation Methods	25tto iisiicu

Disclosure of Policy on Determining Remuneration Amounts and Calculation Methods

The Group regards remuneration for officers as important matters from the viewpoints of improvement in business performance and corporate value, and sets policies on remuneration for officers as follows:

- (1) Basic policy on Remuneration for Officers (Common to Group Companies)
- ①The form and level of remuneration for officers shall enable recruiting and retaining superior human resources as management of the Group.
- ②Remuneration structure shall be consistent with business strategy and promote officers' incentive to improve performance for the sake of the Group's growth.
- ③Remuneration shall reflect medium to long-term results and initiatives by officers as well as single-year results.
- ④Objectiveness, transparency and fairness that can fulfill accountability to stakeholders shall be achieved in remuneration structure for the Company and major subsidiaries through deliberation process in the Nomination and Remuneration Committee inside the Group.
- (2) Remuneration structure for Officers

The Group sets policies on remuneration for officers as follows. However, in cases there are reasonable grounds to believe that those policies should not be applied, the amount and composition of remuneration are determined by the Board of Directors based on the recommendation of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee.

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee examines remuneration budget for all directors and executive officers and makes recommendations to the Board of Directors on an annual basis. The amount of remuneration for directors and executive officers are determined by the Board of Directors within the budget.

① Composition of remuneration for directors and how it is determined

Remuneration for directors shall consist of monthly remuneration, performance-linked remuneration and performance-linked stock remuneration.

With regard to monthly remuneration, performance-linked remuneration and performance-linked stock remuneration, fixed amount shall be determined for monthly remuneration, while a base amount and the number of standard point (one point = one common share) shall be determined for performance-linked remuneration and performance-based stock remuneration depending on whether the person in an outside or internal director, or does or does not have authority to represent the Company.

Nevertheless, performance-linked remuneration and performance-linked stock remuneration will not be paid to outside directors.

Remuneration as a director and remuneration as an executive officer shall be totaled and paid together to those directors who are serving concurrently as executive officers.

Overview of performance-linked remuneration and performance-linked stock remuneration are described in @and(5)below.

2 Composition of remuneration for executive officers and how it is determined

Remuneration for executive officers shall consist of monthly remuneration, performance-linked remuneration and performance-linked stock remuneration. The amount and composition of remuneration for the group CEO are examined and recommended by the Nomination and Remuneration Committee, and determined by the Board of Directors based on the business environment and market level of remuneration for executive officers, and group CEO's achievements and skills. The amount and composition of remuneration for executive officers other than group CEO are determined based on the business environment and market level of remuneration for executive officers and shall reflect the significance of duties, strategic positioning, achievements and skills. Fixed amount shall be determined for monthly remuneration, while a base amount and the number of standard point (one point = one common share) shall be determined for performance-linked remuneration and performance-linked stock remuneration

Overview of performance-linked remuneration and performance-linked stock remuneration are described in @and⑤below.

3 Composition of remuneration for *kansayaku* and how it is determined

The form and level of remuneration for *kansayaku* shall commensurate with their duties and responsibilities and determined at a fixed amount through discussion between the *kansayaku* depending on whether the *kansayaku* is full-time or part-time while giving due consideration to their independence.

4 Performance-linked remuneration

The Company has introduced performance-linked remuneration system in order to align remuneration for officers and business strategy and promote officer's incentive to improve performance for further growth of the Group. Below is overview of the system:

- Performance-linked remuneration shall be determined by reflecting single-year corporate performance and individual performance to the base amount of performance-linked remuneration.
- Performance metrics to evaluate corporate performance are adjusted consolidated profit and adjusted consolidated ROE, and coefficient is determined as a ratio of actual figures to targeted figures (projected figures in business plan). For performance metrics to evaluate individual performance, coefficient is determined depending on evaluation result in individual performance evaluation of officers.
- Coefficient for performance-linked remuneration is calculated by multiplying the above-mentioned coefficient for company performance by coefficient for individual performance, and the amount of payment is calculated by multiplying base amount of performance-linked remuneration by the coefficient for performance-linked remuneration.
- For officers who serve as business owners or in charge of those businesses, sales and profit of the business are used as performance metrics to evaluate corporate performance.
- 5 Performance-linked stock remuneration

The company had introduced performance-linked stock remuneration system in order to increase the linking between remuneration and increases in corporate value over the medium to long-term. Below is overview of the system:

- Performance-linked stock remuneration shall be determined by reflecting the medium to long-term stock value and consolidated performance to the number of performance-linked stock remuneration standard point in comparison to the market.
- Coefficient for stock value shall be determined by comparing 3-year growth rate of our stock value to the TOPIX growth rate.
- Coefficient for consolidated performance shall be determined by comparing our growth rate of consolidated net income over the past 3 business years to the growth rate of peer group (global companies centering around insurance companies).
- Coefficient for performance-linked stock remuneration is calculated by adding the above-mentioned coefficient for stock value to coefficient for consolidated performance, and the point to provide is calculated

by multiplying the number of performance-linked stock remuneration standard point by the coefficient for performance-linked stock remuneration.

[Supporting System for Outside Directors and/or Kansayaku]

The support system is structured for the Corporate Legal Department to assist the outside directors, and the Audit Department to assist outside *kansayaku*.

The Company maintains a system for the Corporate Legal Department overseeing the secretariat of the Board of Directors and departments with jurisdiction over issues to be covered at a Board of Directors meeting to hold preliminary briefings to the outside directors and outside *kansayaku* in advance of the meetings.

The Company provides a variety of information sources for the outside directors and outside *kansayaku*, including the Group Journal, Disclosure Magazine, White Paper of Customer Feedback, CSR Communication Report, and IR Briefing Materials.

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

The Group considers continually improving the transparency and fairness of the Group corporate governance as essential to maintaining strong relations of trust with stakeholders. The Board of Directors has accordingly established the Corporate Governance Policy and endeavors to clarify basic policies regarding the formation of the overall vision for the governance structure and the governance framework.

Directors and the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors performs its duties as stipulated by law, establishes important items for management, and serves a supervisory function overseeing the conditions of business execution. The Board of Directors meeting, in principle, convenes on a monthly basis and comprises an appropriate number of members to realize swift decision-making. Preliminary briefing sessions are held with outside directors to provide details about the discussion agenda with specific emphasis on the key agenda items. The integration of the Board of Directors meeting and preliminary briefing session, which includes communicating the opinions, questions, and other comments expressed by the outside directors at the preliminary briefing sessions to all attending directors before the Board of Directors meeting, is intended to facilitate constructive deliberations at the Board of Directors meeting and ensure the effectiveness of the Board of Directors operations. Steps including convening meetings of the outside directors and the Group CEO are implemented to facilitate open exchange of opinions between the independent directors and the chief executive.

The Company Board of Directors comprises 12 members, four of which are outside directors. Current members include 11 Japanese nationals and 1 non-Japanese, and 10 men and 2 women.

The directors apply their accumulated knowledge and experience to the key issues for the Company to realize the proper execution of fair and effective executive management.

To ensure full clarity of responsibility related to business matters in each fiscal year, a director's tenure ends at the close of the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held within the latest fiscal year that is within one year of the appointment.

Kansayaku and a Kansayaku Board

Kansayaku audit the work performance of the directors through such activities as auditing the construction and maintenance conditions of the Group internal control system and providing effective advice and recommendations to senior management that promotes the Group sustainable growth and increases the corporate value over the medium- and long-term.

The *Kansayaku* Board establishes the audit standards, basic policy on audits, and auditing programs to make the above auditing activities functional and effective and systematically conduct auditing operations.

The *Kansayaku* Board sets an annual meeting schedule and endeavors to realize for full participation of all members and coordinates activities, such as distributing information materials before meetings, to ensure members are fully prepared to conduct thorough reviews and deliberations.

The Company & Kansayaku Board comprises 5 members, three of which are outside directors. Current members include 5 Japanese nationals ô 4 men and 1 woman. One of the kansayaku is a certified public accountant with extensive experience and an expert on finance, accounting, auditing, and international

accounting standards. This individual provides an outstanding amount of knowledge on financial and auditing.

The Company has also established the *Kansayaku* Boardos Office to enhance the effectiveness of the *kansayaku*'s audits and assigns exclusive personnel with the supplemental knowledge and experience required by the *kansayaku* to assist the *kansayaku* in carrying out their duties.

The *Kansayaku* Board additionally commissions an external legal expert to serve as an advisor who is independent from the execution of operations to protect the interests of the Company and shareholders.

Nomination and Remuneration Committee

The Nomination and Remuneration Committee is established as an advisory body to the Board of Directors intended to improve transparency and fairness regarding director and executive officer nomination and remuneration.

The committee sets director and executive officer appointment policy and appointment standards, determines individuals to propose as candidates, conducts director and executive officer evaluations and submits recommendations to the Board of Directors for director remuneration amounts and the remuneration structure, and contributes to the appointment and treatment of subsidiary directors based on the subsidiary business content and scope.

In addition, the committee conducts the Group CEO performance evaluation to improve the transparency of corporate governance.

The committee is comprised of members appointed from the Company directors with outside directors representing the majority of members in order to ensure the independence and neutrality of the members.

The committee chairperson is an outside director elected by the committee members. At the time of the submission of this report, the committee comprises five members with four outside directors and one internal director.

3. Reasons for Adoption of Current Corporate Governance System

The Company is a company with a *Kansayaku* Board and maintains and promotes effective oversight and auditing functions by maintaining corporate *kansayaku* and a *Kansayaku* Board that are independent from the important management decisions and business execution activities of the Board of Directors.

The Company also utilizes the business owner system, Group CxO system and the executive officer system under the under the supervision of the Group CEO to enable agile and flexible decision-making and operation as well as ensuring the clarity of authority and responsibility.

Through these and other efforts, the Company is seeking to construct a highly effective system of corporate governance.

III. Implementation of Measures for Shareholders and Other Stakeholders

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

	Supplementary Explanations
Early Notification of General	The Notice of Convocation of the 7th Ordinary General Meeting of
Shareholder Meeting	Shareholders was sent on June 2,2017.
Scheduling AGMs Avoiding	The 7th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders was held on June 26,
the Peak Day	2017.
Allowing Electronic Exercise	The Company enables the exercise of voting rights via the Internet.
of Voting Rights	
Participation in Electronic	Participation in the Electronic Voting Platform for Foreign and Institutional
Voting Platform	Investors for submission of voting rights.
Providing Convocation Notice	The Company provides an English-language version of the Notice of
in English	Convocation via the Company homepage.
Other	The Company provides the Notice of Convocation of the Ordinary General
- Cinci	Meeting of Shareholders, IR meeting materials, and other information via
	the Company homepage to promote participation in the General Meeting of

2. IR Activities

	Supplementary Explanations
Preparation and Publication of	The Board of Directors has established a Disclosure Policy, which is
Disclosure Policy	available from the Company website.
Regular Investor Briefings for	None
Individual Investors	
Regular Investor Briefings for	Briefings are held twice annually after announcing the midyear and full
Analysts and Institutional	fiscal year results.
Investors	
Regular Investor Briefings for	Briefings are held more than once annually for overseas institutional
Overseas Investors	investors in the United States, Europe, Asia, or other regions.
Posting of IR Materials on	Web page for investor relations materials
Website	English-language IR materials are available at
	www.sompo-hd.com/en/ir/
	Information for investors available on the web site:
	Stock market price quotes, stock market price historical data, share
	information, dividend information, credit ratings information, IR materials
	(including video), Disclosure Magazine, CSR Communications Report,
	Annual Report, financial data, financial results, financial statements,
	quarterly financial statements, Notice of Convocation of the Ordinary
	General Meeting of Shareholders, notices of resolutions, monthly business
	results reports, etc. (Many of the materials are also available in English.)
	In addition to providing information via the web site, the Company also
	distributes news releases and other communications to analysts, institutional
	investors, and other stakeholders.
Establishment of Department	IR Department: Officers are appointed from the Corporate Planning
and/or Manager in Charge of	Department
IR	IR Officer in Charge: Masahiro Hamada, Managing Executive Officer
	IR Operations Contact: Yukinori Kuroda, Corporate Planning Department
	TEL: +81-3-3349-3913
Other	IR Meetings are held twice annually with the Group CEO, CFO and senior
	management, in principle, in attendance and include presentations and
	question and answer sessions.
	The Company arranges for senior management, including the Group CEO,
	to visit and engage in dialogue with overseas investors several times a year.
	In Japan, the executive officer of the IR Department arranges for dialogue
	with shareholders as needed.
	These dialogues enable the Company to explain it management policies and
	other topics in a timely manner while also allowing the Company senior
	management to receive timely feedback on shareholder interests and
	concerns, which contributes to forming management strategy and executing
	operations.
	operations.

3. Measures to Ensure Due Respect for Stakeholders

	Supplementary Explanations
Stipulation of Internal Rules	The Group Basic Management Policy states that the Group will engage in
for Respecting the Position of	active dialogue with stakeholders to fulfill its social responsibility as a
Stakeholders	corporation and contribute to realizing a sustainable society.
Implementation of	The Company has established a Group CSR Vision for all Group companies

Environmental Activities, CSR Initiatives etc.

in Japan and worldwide to fulfill its corporate social responsibility. The Company recognizes that natural disasters are increasing, populations are aging, and traffic safety is a growing issue, and that these and other issues are rapidly becoming major concern. The Company is focusing its activities into the Groupos Six CSR Material Issues and achieving the Groupos CSR-KPI targets.

www.sompo-hd.com/en/csr/system/

The Group addresses global environmental issues following the precepts of the Group Environmental Policy and engages activities to reduce CO₂ emissions, while also developing and marketing such products as Weather Index Insurance to mitigate drought damage for farmers in developing countries. The Group provides information about these and other activities via its website.

<Group & CSR Materiality>

Based upon our CSR Group Vision, following Three Key Strengths are of critical importance for us.

<Our Key Strengths>

- 1.Developing and providing innovative products and services using financial expertise and digital technologies to provide innovative solutions for social issues.
- 2.Promoting the development of advanced human skills by fostering partnerships with stakeholders representative of broad sectors of civil society.
- 3. Promoting the quality of life and its enrichment by the application throughout all our operations of our expertise and resources in the arts and culture.

The Group has redefined its Five CSR Material Issues, the Group
øs framework for achieving its CSR Vision to realize a resilient and sustainable
society by providing products and services that contribute to security,
health, and wellbeing.

<Five Material Issues>

- 1. Providing Solutions for Disaster Preparedness
- 2. Contributing to Health and Welfare
- 3. Promoting the Manageability of Global Environmental Issues
- 4. Empowering Community and Society
- 5. Supporting Diversity and Inclusion in Private and Public Life

Development of Policies on Information Provision to Stakeholders The Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on Disclosure stipulates the Company shall actively endeavor to distribute information to stakeholders even when not stipulated by law or other regulation and that the information shall be relevant, accurate, easy to understand, and provided in a timely manner.

Other

Promoting diversity

The Group Personnel Vision states that promoting diversity is a key element to fulfilling the Group Management Philosophy to õprovide the highest possible quality of service to our customers.ö The Group respects and values the individuality and diversity of each employee and seeks to encourage all employees to fulfill their potential. The Diversity Promotion Headquarters is established with the aims of stepping up activities to promote diversity throughout the group and a workforce that value all personnel as individuals, regardless of gender, nationality, or other characteristics. Particular effort is given to empowering women in the workplace and measures are implemented to promote female advancement to managerial and executive positions. One of these measures is to provide role models and encourage the desire for career advancement among female employees. Accordingly, two outside directors and one outside *kansayaku* at the Company are women, and one executive officer and one outside director at Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Insurance Inc. are women.

The Group is also implementing specific measures to achieve targets for women in managerial positions. The Group has set targets for 10% of managerial positions to be held by women by the end of fiscal 2015 and 30% by the end of fiscal 2020.

The Group is creating a company culture that is supporting of career advancement for women through measures to cultivate female management personnel, including the Executive Management Preparatory Training and Career Advancement Training programs, as well as the Mentor System in which a superior other than a direct supervisor serves as a mentor providing career development support. As a result of these efforts, the number of women holding management position has risen from 305 women or 5.0% of managerial positions in July 2013 when the targets were set to 794 people or 18.7% as of April 1,2017.

In January 2015, the Company received the Tokyo Stock Exchange Corporate Activity Award in recognition of its efforts to promote the women empowerment in the workplace.

In December 2016, Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Insurance Inc. received the õPrime Minister¢s Award to Commend Leading Companies Where Women Shine,ö presented by the Cabinet Office, and the Grand Prize of the "Women's Participation Promotion Award," presented by the Tokyo Metropolitan Government. In March 2017, the Company won the second prize in Advancement Division at the 2017 J-Win Diversity Awards, presented by NPO J-Win. As mentioned above, the Company has received recognition from outside parties every year. The Company is also taking active steps to further advance diversity and globalization. The Company appointed its first non-Japanese executive director in July 2015, and an internal recruitment program was launched to bring employees from overseas Group companies to Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Insurance Inc. and other companies.

IV. Matters Related to the Internal Control System

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

The Company, by resolution of its Board of Directors, adopts the Basic Policy on Internal Controls to ensure the proper operations of the Sompo Holdings Group (hereinafter the õGroupö) and contribute to enhancement and quality improvement of corporate governance based on relevant laws and regulations and the Groupøs management philosophy. The Company shall strive to appropriately capture and validate the Groupøs control status based on the Basic Policy and enhance its systems.

1. System for Ensuring Proper Conduct of Operations of the Group

As set forth below, the Company shall establish the systems required to ensure that the operations of the Company Group are conducted properly.

- (1) The Company shall present the Group Management Philosophy, the Group Action Guideline, the Group Vision, the Group Basic Management Policies, the Group Personnel Vision, and the Group CSR Vision to its Group companies.
- (2) The Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on the Business Management of Group Companies and manage its Group companies appropriately, either directly or through Group companies, by such means as entering into business management agreements. The Company shall also exercise its shareholder rights appropriately.
- (3)The Company shall establish approval and reporting systems concerning Group companiesø business strategies and other important matters that affect Group operations.
- (4)The Company shall formulate various basic policies that prescribe the Company Group control framework and disseminate them to Group companies, requesting compliance therewith. The Company shall also have its Group companies establish systems based on these basic policies, such as by causing them to formulate their own rules according to their actual business operations.
- (5) The Company shall establish systems for information collection, inspections, and examinations required

for management decisions. The Company shall also seek to activate management discussions through such means as reliably providing information to independent directors and ensure the adequacy of management decisions on important matters regarding business management of the Company Group.

- (6) The Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on Management of Intra-Group Transactions, appropriately monitor and review material intragroup transactions and other such matters, and ensure the fairness and soundness of intragroup transactions.
- 2. System for Ensuring Execution of Duties of Directors, Executive Officers, and Employees in Compliance with Applicable Laws and the Company Articles of Incorporation
- As set forth below, the Company shall establish the systems required to ensure that the Company Group directors, executive officers, and employees (õOfficers and Employeesö) execute their duties in compliance with applicable laws and the firm Articles of Incorporation.
- (1) The Company shall verify that the Group Company officers and Employees are executing their duties in a legally compliant manner through such means as reporting on the state of directors execution of their duties at meetings of the Board of Directors.
- (2)The Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on Compliance and the Sompo Holdings Group Compliance Code of Conduct to establish compliance systems. The Company shall also issue a compliance manual with standards of conduct for Officers and Employees of the Company Group and conduct ongoing education and training based on compliance manual to disseminate these basic policies, the code of conduct, and the compliance manual.
- (3) The Company shall prescribe the Group Compliance Promotion Policy for each business year, systematically promote compliance related efforts, and monitor the status of compliance promotion.
- (4) The Company shall establish systems in the Company Group for internal reporting and internal whistle blowing for misconduct and other such incidents and properly rectify or otherwise respond to such matters.
- (5) The Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on Response to Customer Feedback and establish effective systems for responding to customer feedback, such as proactively analyzing customer feedback to improve operational quality.
- (6)The Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on Proper Management of Customer Services and establish systems to ensure proper customer services, such as maintaining and improving the quality of products and services provided to customers.
- (7) The Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on Customer Information Management and appropriately manage customer information, such as by appropriately obtaining and using customer information.
- (8) The Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Group Security Policy and establish appropriate management systems for information assets, such as clarifying basic measures to be taken to ensure the security of information assets in the Company Group.
- (9) The Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on Managing Conflict-of-Interest Transactions and establish systems for preventing conflict-of-interest transactions that unduly harm customer interests, such as managing transactions that are typically found to unduly harm customer interests.
- (10)The Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on Response to Antisocial Forces and establish systems for responding to antisocial forces, such as by dealing with antisocial forces resolutely to reject undue claims from and sever relationships with antisocial forces by cooperating with specialized agencies.
- 3. Strategic Risk Management Frameworks
- The Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on ERM and implement the Strategic Risk Management, i.e. an ERM designed to minimize unforeseen losses while effectively utilizing its capital, increasing its profits under appropriate control of risks, and maximizing the Company Group corporate value.
- (1)To ensure the effectiveness of Strategic Risk Management, the Company shall establish systems for Strategic Risk Management, such as the Group Risk Appetite Statement to work as a guideline for risk taking in capital budgeting.
- The Company shall also appropriately manage risks that may confront the Group as a whole through the adequate assessment of the risks inherent to a group structure and of the outline of various risk characteristics that exist within the Group.
- (2) The Company shall have its Group companies develop and implement the appropriate frameworks for strategic risk management, including assessment and evaluation of risks, according to their scope, scale, and characteristics of operations.
- 4. System to Ensure Effective and Accurate Execution of Duties

As set forth below, the Company shall delegate authority for the execution of job duties, prescribe rules regarding decision-making and reporting, establish a command and control structure, and effectively utilize management resources to ensure that the Company Group Officers and Employees execute their duties properly and efficiently.

- (1) The Company shall formulate the Company Group of management plans and share these plans with its Group companies.
- (2)The Management Committee shall confer on matters pertaining to the performance of the Company Group key operations and seek to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of Board of Directors deliberations.
- (3)The Company shall clearly identify the Company Groups matters in which their Board of Directors is to be involved by designating matters over which their Board of Directors have decision-making authority and matters to be reported to their Board of Directors. The Company shall also determine executive officers and other personnels decision-making authority consistent with the matters thus designated.
- (4) The Company shall establish the Company Groups rules and clearly define their internal organizational units ø objectives and scope of responsibilities and shall determine for each organizational unit the division of its duties, executives, and scope of operational authority.
- (5) The Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on IT Strategy and establish adequate and accurate Group IT systems to achieve highly reliable, convenient, and effective business operations, such as by formulating IT system strategies and establishing Group IT system governance.
- (6) The Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on Outsourcing Management and ensure proper operations in association with outsourcing by the Company Group, such as by managing outsourced companies according to processes from the start to termination of outsourcing.
- (7) The Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Basic Policy on Asset Management and manage assets with sufficient consideration of risk management based on safety, liquidity, and profitability in light of the characteristics of the Company Group funds being managed.
- (8)The Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on Establishing Business Continuity Systems and ensure the stability and soundness of the Group operational foundation in times of emergency, such as by establishing systems to ensure the continuity or early restoration of the Group key operations during times of crisis, including major natural disasters.
- (9)In order to make improvements by inspecting the status of establishing and operating the Company Group internal control system, the Company shall set up the Internal Control Committee. The Company shall also establish Task-Specific Committees as advisory organs for the Group Chief Officer or the Business Owner in order to deliberate each task from expert and technical perspectives.
- 5. System for Ensuring the Financial Soundness and Adequacy of Financial Reporting
- (1) The Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on Managing Financial Soundness and Actuarial Matters and establish management systems to ensure financial soundness.
- (2)The Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy for Internal Controls over Financial Reporting and, to ensure adequacy and reliability of the Company Group financial reporting on a consolidated basis, determine a framework for establishment, operation, and evaluation of internal controls over the Company Group financial reporting and to establish requisite systems within the Company Group.
- 6. System for Ensuring Appropriate Information Disclosure
- The Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on Disclosure and set up a department that controls disclosure matters based on laws and regulations to establish systems for timely and appropriate disclosure of information concerning its business activities.
- 7. System for Retention and Management of Information Related to Directors and Executive Officersø Performance of Their Duties
- To appropriately retain and manage information related to the Company Groups directors and executive officersø performance of their duties, the Company shall prescribe rules dictating methods for retaining and managing information related to the Company Groups directors and executive officersø execution of their duties, including minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors and other important meetings and documentation related thereto. The Company shall also establish the system required to retain and manage such information.
- 8. System to Ensure Internal AuditsøEffectiveness

To ensure the effectiveness of the Company Group internal audits, the Company shall prescribe the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on Internal Audits, which shall define matters, such as securing independence concerning internal audits, establishing rules and developing plans, and establishing internal audit systems that are efficient and effective for the Group as a whole.

9. System Related to KansayakuøAudits

The Company shall establish the following systems to improve the effectiveness of the *kansayaku*øaudits:

9-1. Matters relating to employees who assist kansayaku in the performance of their duties

The Company shall establish an *kansayakuø* office and, at *kansayakuø* requests, appoint personnel with the requisite knowledge and experience to serve as Staff of the Audit & Supervisory Board (employees to assist with *kansayakuø* duties) assigned exclusively to audit duty. The Company shall also prescribe the Rules Regarding Staff of the Audit & Supervisory Board and ensure their independence from executive functions and the effectiveness of instructions issued by the *kansayaku* to the Staff of the Audit & Supervisory Board as follows

- (1) The Company shall ensure the Staff of the Audit & Supervisory Boardos independence from directors by making decisions regarding Staff appointments, dismissal, and remuneration subject to the approval of standing Members and by seeking a standing Membersøapproval for the Staffos personnel evaluations.
- (2)In conducting their duties, Staff of the Audit & Supervisory Board shall follow the instructions and orders of the *kansayaku* only and not receive instructions or orders from directors, executive officers, or other non-audit personnel.
- (3)Staff of the Audit & Supervisory Board shall have the authority to collect information required in relation to their duties ordered by *kansayaku*.
- 9-2. System for Reporting to *Kansayaku*
- (1)The Company shall, under the Audit & Supervisory Boardos approval, prescribe matters that are to be reported to *kansayaku* by Officers and Employees (including gross violations of laws or Articles of Incorporation or other improprieties in connection with execution of duties that potentially may cause a material loss for the company) and the timing of such reports. Officers and Employees shall unfailingly submit reports in accord with such prescriptions and other reports requested by *kansayaku*.
- (2) The Company shall not unfavorably treat such Officers and Employees who have submitted such reports to *kansayaku* because of such submission. The same shall apply to the Officers and Employees of Group companies.
- (3)When *kansayaku* express opinions on directors or executive officersø execution of their duties or recommend improvements thereof, the director or executive officer in question shall report back to the *kansayaku* on the progress in addressing the matter cited by the *kansayaku*.
- 9-3. Other Systems to Ensure that KansayakuøAudits are Conducted Effectively
- (1) *Kansayaku* may attend and express their opinions to the Board of Directors, Executive Management Meeting, and other important meetings.
- (2)The Company shall ensure that there are opportunities for *kansayaku* to appropriately and fully exchange opinions with directors, executive officers, internal audit sections, accounting auditors, and other persons required to appropriately perform the duties of the *kansayaku*. Officers and Employees shall submit reports on matters concerning the performance of their duties at the request of the *kansayaku*.
- (3)The Company shall respond to *kansayaku*ørequests concerning access to the minutes of important meetings and other important documents (including electromagnetic records).
- (4) The Company shall ensure that there are opportunities for *kansayaku* to cooperate with the *kansayaku* of Group companies and collect information from Officers and Employees of Group companies at the request of the *kansayaku*.
- (5) The internal audit section will cooperate with the *kansayaku* on the audit in accordance with the requests.
- (6) When *kansayaku* submit a request for the coverage of costs arising in connection with the execution of their duties, it shall be appropriately processed according to the request made by the *kansayaku*.

2. Basic Views on Eliminating Anti-Social Forces

The Company seeks to continually earn the trust of society and maintain sound corporate management and has established the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on Response to Antisocial Forces which stipulates maintaining an absolutely uncompromising stance on undue claims and other activities by antisocial forces that disrupt or threaten the safety of civil society, rejecting all overtures, and blocking all relations with antisocial forces.

V. Other

1. Adoption of Anti-Takeover Measures

2. Other Matters Concerning Corporate Governance System

Overview of the system for timely disclosure

1. Basic stance

The Company maintains a system for disclosure in line with its Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on Disclosure. The policy is to provide information to about the Group business conditions and various activities that is accurate, easy to understand, and provided in a timely manner as well as highly impartial and beneficial to various stakeholders including our shareholders, investors, and policyholders of subsidiary insurance companies.

The Company proactively complies with the Companies Act, Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, Insurance Business Act, and similar corporate laws (hereinafter õlawsö) as well as the regulations of the Financial Instruments Exchanges on which the Company is listed, and distributes information to stakeholders even when not stipulated by law or other regulation. The Company also endeavors to provide accurate, easy to understand, and timely information that is appropriate for the stakeholder that will be receiving the information.

- 2. Execution framework for disclosure operations
- (1) System for disclosure

As mandated by law, the Company maintains a Corporate Legal Department that serves as a supervisory office for disclosure compliance.

Each of the Company& departments immediately reports all important information (information that is potentially required to be disclosed) to the Corporate Legal Department. The Company& direct subsidiaries similarly report any important information they become aware of related to their company or their subsidiary and affiliate companies to the Corporate Legal Department and the departments with jurisdiction.

The Corporate Legal Department makes a decision whether or not to disclose and determines the actual contents.

(2) Disclosure system monitoring

The Company, as stipulated in the Sompo Holdings Group Basic Policy on Internal Audits, maintains an internal auditing system for the Company and Group companies. The Company Internal Auditing Department conducts internal audits to verify the appropriateness of business operations, including the disclosure of information, monitors the internal auditing activities of Group companies, and reports major issues to the Board of Directors.