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4. Supplementary Explanation

<p>[Independence Standards for the Independent Directors/Auditors]</p> <p>NTT designates outside Directors and outside Auditors that fulfill both the independence criteria stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange as well as NTT's own independence standards.</p> <p>In order to meet the independence standards, a person may not fall under any of the categories below in the last three fiscal years:</p> <p>(1) A person who executes business in a partner company that exceeds NTT's standards*1 (2) A person who executes business in a lending company that exceeds NTT's standards*2 (3) A consultant, accountant, lawyer, or any other person providing professional services, who received monetary payments or any other gain in assets equal to or more than ¥10 million, excluding the Board Members' or Audit & Supervisory Board Members' compensation, from NTT or its major subsidiaries*3 in any of the last three fiscal years (4) A person who executes business in an organization that received donations exceeding NTT's standards</p> <p>Even if any of (1) through (4) above applies to a person, where it has been decided that a person meets the independence standards, the reasons shall be explained and disclosed at the time of the person's appointment as the Independent Member of the Board or Audit & Supervisory Board Member.</p> <p>*1 "A partner company that exceeds NTT's standards" is defined as a company that has had any business dealing with NTT and its major subsidiaries*3 in any of the last three fiscal years equal to or more than 2% of the total operating revenues of NTT and its major subsidiaries for the respective fiscal year. *2 "A lending company that exceeds NTT's borrowing standards" is defined as a company in which the total amount of borrowings on a consolidated basis in any of the last three fiscal years equals to or is more than 2% of the total operating revenues of NTT's consolidated total assets for the respective fiscal year. *3 The major subsidiaries are NTT DOCOMO, INC., NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE EAST CORPORATION, NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE WEST CORPORATION, NTT COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION, and NTT DATA Group Corporation. *4 An "organization that received donations exceeding NTT's standards" is defined as an organization which received donations from NTT and its major subsidiaries*3 in any of the last three fiscal years exceeding ¥10 million or 2% of the total income of the organization, whichever is larger, during the respective fiscal year.</p>
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※1 Check the box if all of the Outside Directors/Auditors who meet the standards for Independent Directors/Auditors have already been registered as Independent Directors/Auditors.

※2 Items to check regarding the attributes of each Director/Auditor:

- a. Executive of the listed company or its subsidiary
- b. Non-executive Director or accounting advisor of the listed company or its subsidiaries (in the case of an Outside Auditor)
- c. Non-executive Director or executive of a parent company of the listed company
- d. Auditor of a parent company of the listed company (in the case of an Outside Auditor)
- e. Executive of a fellow subsidiary company of the listed company
- f. A party whose major client or supplier is the listed company or an executive thereof
- g. Major client or supplier of the listed company or an executive thereof
- h. Consultant, accountant or legal professional who receives a large amount of monetary payments or other assets from the listed company besides compensation as Director/Auditor
- i. Major shareholder of the listed company (or an executive of such major shareholder if the shareholder is a legal entity)
- j. Executive of a client or supplier company of the listed company (which does not correspond to any of f., g., or h.) (the Director/Auditor himself/herself only)
- k. Executive of a company, between which and the listed company Outside Directors/Auditors are mutually appointed (the Auditor himself/herself only)
- l. Executive of a company or organization that receives donations from the listed company (the Director/Auditor himself/herself only)

Please note that the above items from a. to l. are brief descriptions of the items specified in the TSE regulations.

※3 Mark the box with "○" if the category presently applies to or has recently applied to the Director/Auditor or with "△" when the category applied to the Director/Auditor in the past.

Mark the box with "●" when the category presently applies to or has recently applied to a close relative or with "▲" when the category applied to a close relative in the past.

※4 If any of the items a. through l. apply to the Director/Auditor, describe the attributes in detail (outline).

※5 Describe the reasons for appointment as an independent Director/Auditor.