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AIN HOLDINGS INC.

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### Notice Regarding the Election of Candidates for Director and Corporate Auditor

AIN HOLDINGS INC. (the “Company”) hereby announces that its Board of Directors, at a meeting held today, has resolved the election of candidates for Director and Corporate Auditor to be proposed at the 55th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders scheduled to be held on July 30, 2024 (hereinafter “this General Meeting of Shareholders”) as described below. Each of the candidates will be formally elected following the resolution at this General Meeting of Shareholders.

#### 1. Candidates for Director

Name	Current positions and responsibilities in the Company	Candidate attributes
Kiichi Otani	President and Representative Director	Reelection
Shoichi Shudo	Representative Senior Managing Director in charge of Store Development and Dispensing Pharmacy Operations Management	Reelection
Toshihide Mizushima	Representative Senior Managing Director in charge of Cosmetic and Drug Store Operations Management, Operational Support and Digital Promotion	Reelection
Miya Oishi	Representative Senior Managing Director in charge of External Affairs	Reelection
Rieko Kimei	Director Division Manager of Personnel	Reelection

Name	Current positions and responsibilities in the Company	Candidate attributes
Nobuyuki Takakura	Director in charge of Risk Management	Reelection
Noriko Endo	Outside Director	Reelection Outside Independent
Hideki Kuriyama	Outside Director	Reelection Outside Independent
Mariko Watahiki	–	New election Outside Independent
Nobumichi Hattori	–	New election Outside Independent
Shigeki Kimura	–	New election Outside Independent

\* Ms. Noriko Endo, Mr. Hideki Kuriyama, Ms. Mariko Watahiki, Mr. Nobumichi Hattori and Mr. Shigeki Kimura are candidates for outside Director. The Company has submitted notification to the Tokyo Stock Exchange that Ms. Noriko Endo and Mr. Hideki Kuriyama have been designated as independent officers. If they are reelected, the Company plans for their designation as independent officers to continue. The Company also plans to submit notification to the Tokyo Stock Exchange that Ms. Mariko Watahiki, Mr. Nobumichi Hattori and Mr. Shigeki Kimura have designated as independent officers.

Ms. Noriko Endo, Mr. Hideki Kuriyama, Ms. Mariko Watahiki, Mr. Nobumichi Hattori and Mr. Shigeki Kimura fulfill the requirements for an independent officer as provided for by the Tokyo Stock Exchange, the independence criteria for outside Directors and outside Corporate Auditors set out by the Company, and also the immaterial criteria for the judgement that the relationship with the Company is unlikely to affect shareholder's decision concerning the exercise of voting rights.

\* Ms. Noriko Endo's name on her family register is Noriko Tsujihiro.

## 2. Career summary of the candidates for new Director

Name (Date of birth)	Career summary
Mariko Watahiki (May 2, 1955)	Apr. 1980 Assistant Judge of the Tokyo District Court
	Mar. 2009 Senior Judicial Research Official, the Supreme Court of Japan (civil affairs)
	Mar. 2012 Chief Judge of the Utsunomiya District Court
	July 2014 Chief Judge of the Yokohama Family Court
	June 2015 Judge of the Tokyo High Court (Presiding Judge)
	Apr. 2016 President of the Sapporo High Court
	Sept. 2018 President of the Nagoya High Court
	Aug. 2020 Registered as an attorney at law
	Aug. 2020 Joined Okamura Law Office (current post)
	June 2021 Outside Director of Toshiba Corporation
	June 2021 Outside Director, Member of Nomination Committee and Member of Governance Committee of LIXIL Corporation
	June 2022 Outside Director, Member of Nomination Committee, Member of Governance Committee and Member of Compensation Committee
	Oct. 2022 Chair of Expert Committee of Daiko Advertising Inc.
	June 2023 Outside Director, Chairperson of Compensation Committee, Member of Nomination Committee and Member of Governance Committee of LIXIL Corporation
	Aug. 2023 Chairperson of Third-party Investigation Committee of Nihon University
June 2024 Outside Director, Chairperson of Nomination Committee, Member of Compensation Committee and Member of Governance Committee of LIXIL Corporation (current post)	
June 2024 President of Family Problems Information Center (current post)	

Name (Date of birth)	Career summary
Nobumichi Hattori (December 25, 1957)	Apr. 1981    Joined Nissan Motor Co., Ltd.
	June 1989    Joined New York Headquarters of Goldman Sachs & Co.
	Nov. 1998    Managing Director of Goldman Sachs (Japan) Ltd. (now Goldman Sachs Japan Co., Ltd.)
	Oct. 2003    Visiting Associate Professor of School of International Corporate Strategy of Hitotsubashi University
	June 2005    Outside Director of Miraka Holdings, Inc. (now H.U. Group Holdings, Inc.)
	Nov. 2005    Outside Director of FAST RETAILING CO., LTD. (current post)
	Oct. 2006    Visiting Professor of School of International Corporate Strategy of Hitotsubashi University
	Apr. 2009    Visiting Professor of Graduate School of Finance, Accounting and Law (now Graduate School of Business and Finance) of Waseda University (current post)
	Mar. 2015    Outside Corporate Auditor of Frontier Management Inc.
	June 2015    Outside Director of Hakuholdo DY Holdings Inc. (current post)
	July 2016    Special Guest Professor of Graduate School of Business Administration of Keio University
Apr. 2017    Guest Professor of Graduate School of Business Administration of Keio University (current post)	

Name (Date of birth)	Career summary
Shigeki Kimura (March 16, 1962)	Mar. 1986    Joined Seven-Eleven Japan Co., Ltd.
	May 2013    Division Manager of Financial Accounting and Division Manager of Corporate Behavior Promotion Office
	Mar. 2014    Executive Officer
	May 2016    Senior Officer of Secretary Office of Seven & i Holdings Co., Ltd.
	Dec. 2016    Executive Officer and Senior Officer of Corporate Development Department
	July 2017    Outside Director of the Company
	Mar. 2019    Division Manager of the Corporate Personnel Planning of Seven & i Holdings Co., Ltd. Director of Seven-Eleven Japan Co., Ltd.
	May 2019    Director of Seven & i Holdings Co., Ltd.
	July 2019    Retired as outside Director of the Company
	Mar. 2020    In charge of Affiliates Governance of Seven & i Holdings Co., Ltd. Director, Senior Managing Executive Officer and Division Manager of Management of Seven-Eleven Japan Co., Ltd.
	Apr. 2020    In charge of President Office and Group Liaison of Seven & i Holdings Co., Ltd.
	May 2022    Retired as Director of Seven & i Holdings Co., Ltd.
	Mar. 2024    Director, Executive Vice President and Division Manager of Management of Seven-Eleven Japan Co., Ltd. (current post)

### 3. Retiring Directors

Name	Current positions and responsibilities in the Company	Reason for retirement
Kaori Ishikawa	Director, Division Manager of Cosmetic and Drug Store Operations Management	To be retired at the conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders with the expiration of the term of office.
Junro Ito	Outside Director	
Shigeru Yamazoe	Outside Director	

\*Ms. Kaori Ishikawa is planned to be Senior Executive Officer after retiring Director.

### 4. Candidates for new Corporate Auditor

Name	Current positions in the Company	Candidate attributes
Koichi Kawamura	Standing Corporate Auditor	Reelection
Ayako Sano	–	New election Outside Independent
Minako Mizutani	–	New election Outside Independent

\*The consent of the Board of Corporate Auditors has been obtained for the election of candidates for corporate auditors.

\*Ms. Ayako Sano and Ms. Minako Mizutani are candidates for outside Corporate Auditor. Both candidates fulfill the requirements for an independent officer as provided for by the Tokyo Stock Exchange, the independence criteria for outside Directors and outside Corporate Auditors set out by the Company, and the immaterial criteria for the judgement that the relationship with the Company is unlikely to affect shareholder's decision concerning the exercise of voting rights, and the Company plans to register both candidates as independent auditors with the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

5. Career summary of the candidates for new Corporate Auditor

Name (Date of birth)	Career summary
<p style="text-align: center;">Ayako Sano (December 9, 1977)</p>	<p>Apr. 2001    Joined Goldman Sachs (Japan) Ltd. (now Goldman Sachs Japan Co., Ltd.)</p> <p>Dec. 2008    Registered as an attorney at law</p> <p>Jan. 2009    Joined Tokyo Nishi Law Office (now TNLAW Legal Professional Corporation)</p> <p>Oct. 2018    Civil Conciliator of the Tokyo District Court</p> <p>Dec. 2018    Representative of Aya Law Office (current post)</p> <p>Mar. 2019    Outside Director of SKYLARK HOLDINGS CO., LTD. (current post)</p> <p>Mar. 2021    Outside Director (Audit &amp; Supervisory Committee Member) of Metaps Inc. (now Metaps Holdings, Inc.)</p> <p>Mar. 2024    Outside Director of Sodick Co., Ltd. (current post)</p> <p>May 2024    Outside Corporate Auditor of CLAS Inc. (current post)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Minako Mizutani (September 24, 1969)</p>	<p>Apr. 1995    Joined Masanori Otsubo Tax Accountant Office</p> <p>June 1998    Joined Ishiwata, Nishimura &amp; Nakane Tax Office (now Moore Shisei Tax Corporation)</p> <p>Oct. 1998    Registered as a tax accountant</p> <p>Sept. 2011    Joined Tokyo Kyodo Accounting Office</p> <p>Apr. 2013    Joined Seishin Tax Accountant Office (now Moore Shisei Tax Corporation)</p> <p>Sept. 2016    Partner of Moore Shisei Tax Corporation</p> <p>June 2020    Outside Corporate Auditor of The Yamanashi Chuo Bank, Ltd. (current post)</p> <p>Sept. 2023    Representative Partner of Moore Shisei Tax Corporation (current post)</p>

## 6. Retiring Corporate Auditors

Name	Current positions in the Company	Reason for retirement
Akira Ibayashi	Outside Corporate Auditor	To retire at the conclusion of this General Meeting of Shareholders with the expiration of the term of office.
Osamu Muramatsu	Outside Corporate Auditor	