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The corporate governance of SG Holdings Co., Ltd. (the “Company”) is described below.

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

1. Basic Views

The SG Holdings Group (“the Group”) has presented “Stakeholder Management” as the basis for its view of management and is conducting business activities to meet the expectations of a variety of stakeholders through:

- (i) sustained improvement of the level of service to customers;
- (ii) stabilization and improvement of the foundation of living of employees and their families;
- (iii) contribution to the local community through safety, the environment and a variety of business activities and social activities;
- (iv) improvement of enterprise value for shareholders; and
- (v) equal and fair transactions with business partners.

Furthermore, in order to realize management for these stakeholders, the Group has established systems based on the awareness that the creation of a highly transparent business administrations system by enhancing and strengthening corporate governance is one of the most important issues.

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

The Company has implemented all principles of the Corporate Governance Code.

Disclosure Based on the Principles of the Corporate Governance Code

[Principle 1.4 Cross-Shareholdings]

The Group holds some shares (cross-shareholdings) of business partner companies for which the purpose of holding is deemed to be necessary and rational, such as maintaining and developing mid- to long-term business relationships and creating synergies.

The cross-shareholdings held are specifically examined regarding the purpose of holding them, the existence of any synergies, and whether the benefits and risks from each holding cover the Company’s cost of capital, and the Board of Directors annually assesses whether or not to continue holding them.

The voting rights of the shares held are handled based on the determination of whether each proposal contributes to mid- to long-term corporate value of the relevant company and the improvement of shareholder interests in light of factors such as the significance of the holding by the Company.

[Principle 1.7 Related Party Transactions]

With regard to procedures related to ascertaining and constraining related party transactions, the “Related Party Transaction Management Regulations” (the “Regulations”) have been established for the purpose of preventing inappropriate outflows of profit to related parties and contributing to the protection of the Company’s shareholders.

When conducting transactions with related parties, the necessity of the transactions and the appropriateness of the terms of the transactions are carefully checked from the perspective of protecting the interests of general shareholders.

Further, legitimacy of transactions involving conflict of interest are also supervised based on the Regulations. Specifically, by a thorough operation stipulated under the Companies Act, the transactions are implemented by gaining prior approval from the Board of Directors and the results are reported to the Board of Directors after the transactions are implemented.

[Supplementary Principle 2.4.1 Ensuring diversity in hiring key personnel]

1-1. Approach towards ensuring diversity in hiring key personnel

The SG Holdings Group has worked to promote D&I as a way to grow as a company with a competitive edge that respects diverse values, with a flexible decision-making process and a variety of perspectives. We want to create a workplace environment where diverse personnel feel comfortable and enthusiastic about working without divisions by gender, age, disability or nationality.

In particular, the high proportion of male employees has been a characteristic of the logistics industry as a whole until now, and the SG Holdings Group recognizes that promoting the active participation of women is one of the most important issues it faces. The Group has established WakuWaku Diversity Committees to engage in Group-wide initiatives promoting D&I. In each Group company, the President serves as the chairperson (D&I Manager) and the Administration Department Manager serves as the vice chairperson, working with committee members within the company to draft and implement measures to promote D&I according to the conditions in each company. We are also accelerating the promotion of D&I throughout the Group as a whole by promoting coordination such as the exchange of information between Group companies facing the same issues.

The SG Holdings Group conducts Women’s Career Support Training led by external instructors for female employees who are management candidates. The aim is to move away from an unvaried corporate culture and develop a culture that accepts and makes the most of diversity. Ultimately, the goal of the training is to equip participants with the necessary skills and mindsets to move up to decision-making levels in the company. Furthermore, in order to develop and promote diverse personnel with capability and motivation, we are engaged in the development of key personnel by establishing an environment for gaining knowledge and accumulating experience such as the Manager Development Program, Next-generation Leader Training, the Challenge system providing early challenges and opportunities for growth, and Internal Recruitment enabling anyone to embrace challenges.

1-2. Ensuring diversity in hiring key personnel: status update and objectives

<Women>

We have set targets of a 35% percentage of women among employees and a 10% percentage of women among managers in FY2024 (33.1% percentage of women among employees and 10.3% percentage of women among managers in FY2022), and will particularly implement measures for promoting women to positions of manager or higher.

<Foreign national employees>

In FY2022, there were 2,196 foreign national employees in Japan (including six managerial personnel) working in appropriate locations. In addition, we are proceeding to hire foreign nationals as specialized personnel who have experience and knowledge for “development of global personnel,” which is a key measure in the Group’s Mid-term Management Plan.

<Mid-career recruits>

Approximately 80% of employees are mid-career recruits. Approximately 85% of managerial positions are held by mid-career recruits, and some have also been appointed as officers.

2. Human resources development policy, internal work environment policy, and status update on efforts to ensure diversity

2-1. Human resources development policy

- The Group is strategically automating employee recognition to ensure that all employees are highly motivated and participate actively with a sense of fulfilment from their work, so that the organization grows as individuals grow.
- We hope to ensure diversity by fostering a climate in which everyone recognizes and appreciates each other, so that we work together (respecting each other's views).

2-2. Internal work environment policy

We aim to create a work environment in which people from diverse backgrounds work enthusiastically, regardless of gender, age, disability, or nationality.

2-3. Status update

- The following are examples of our efforts to promote understanding of D&I
 - Distributing group-wide internal web-based newsletter on D&I
 - Presenting diversity awards, an internal recognition program
 - Convening "SGH Diversity Day" D&I seminars for executives and department managers
- To promote understanding of LGBT issues, we are holding study sessions and we have established an advice desk.
- We are creating workplaces where people with disabilities can play an active role, and we are establishing a conducive environment for working seniors.

[Principle 2.6 Roles of Corporate Pension Funds as Asset Owners]

The Company has introduced a defined contribution pension scheme, and there are no situations where the Company has a role as an asset owner of corporate pension funds.

The Company periodically assesses and selects investment products and provides education, etc. to members with the awareness that the defined contribution pension scheme plays an important role in asset formation for each employee.

[Principle 3.1 Full Disclosure]

1. The management environment surrounding the Company is undergoing significant changes such as the decline in the domestic working population, advances in technology, the goal of carbon neutrality by 2050, and response to the new normal, and it is believed that the speed of such changes in the socioeconomic environment will increase further in future. Based on this environment, the Company has established “Grow the new Story. New logistics, nurturing a new society together.” as its long-term vision aimed at FY2030. The capitalized “S” symbolizes the name of the Group and Sagawa Express, which is the core company, in addition to indicating the Group’s resolve to engage in important themes starting with “S” such as Solution, Social, Smart, Share and Sustainable. With a target of 2.2 trillion yen in consolidated operating revenue by FY2030, the Company aims for stable growth while capturing the growth of the market with the express package delivery as the foundation of business, in addition to increasing the Company’s scale by expanding businesses other than express package delivery as the engine to drive growth. Furthermore, the Company will promote initiatives to reduce CO2 emissions with a target to reduce CO2 emissions by 46% in FY2030 using FY2013 as a baseline as a milestone aimed at the realization of carbon neutrality in 2050. The boundary is Scope 1 and 2 for domestic Group companies, and consideration is being given to following with a response for overseas Group companies. This is based on the precondition of the realization of the power generation mix under the Sixth Strategic Energy Plan, and the emission reduction targets may be reviewed if there are any changes in the government’s reduction levels or preconditions due to social conditions.

Furthermore, in Mid-term Management Plan “SGH Story 2024” from the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023 to March 31, 2025, the Company has a basic policy is “expansion of management resources leading to the creation of competitive advantages” for the first three years of the above long-term vision, and is focusing on the following management strategies.

- Enhancement of comprehensive logistics solutions (GOAL)
- Expansion of management resources leading to the creation of competitive advantages
- Further advancement of governance

Details of the management plan are published on the Company’s website below.

<https://www.sg-hldgs.co.jp/en/ir/management/plan/>

2. The Company has presented “Stakeholder Management” as the basis for its view of management and is conducting business activities to meet the expectations of a variety of stakeholders through:

- (i) sustained improvement of the level of service to *customers*;
- (ii) stabilization and improvement of the foundation of living of *employees* and their families;
- (iii) contribution to the *local community* through safety, the environment and a variety of business activities and social activities;
- (iv) improvement of enterprise value for *shareholders*; and
- (v) equal and fair transactions with *business partners*. Furthermore, in order to realize management for these stakeholders, the Company has established systems based on the awareness that the creation of a highly transparent business administrations system by enhancing and strengthening corporate governance is one of the most important

issues.

3. The remuneration of Directors is determined based on a resolution of the Board of Directors and within the limit determined by the General Meeting of Shareholders, with consideration for factors such as the advice of the voluntary Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee, which is the advisory committee of the Board of Directors that is comprised of three Directors (including two Outside Directors), and the economic environment and performance. The remuneration of Audit & Supervisory Board Members is determined through deliberation by the Audit & Supervisory Board.
4. When appointing senior management, comprehensive consideration is given to factors such as abundant operational experience and expertise inside and outside the Company, qualifications as management.
Furthermore, in accordance with internal rules, the Board of Directors recommends the resignation of any Directors suspected to have performed an act such as fraud or breach of faith. For Audit & Supervisory Board Members, consideration is given to factors such as qualifications as Audit & Supervisory Board Members and specialized knowledge.
5. The reasons for individual nominations of Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members are disclosed in the notice of the General Meeting of Shareholders, etc. Furthermore, the appointment and dismissal of senior management are disclosed in a timely manner.

[Supplementary Principle 3.1.3 Sustainability initiatives]

<Sustainability>

The SG Holdings Group's New Long-term Vision discloses its view on growth of operating revenue, in addition to medium- to long-term greenhouse gas emission cap targets aimed at carbon neutrality in 2050, and sets a target of reducing CO2 emissions by 46% in FY2030 using FY2013 as a baseline. The boundary is Scope 1 and 2 for domestic Group companies, and consideration is being given to following with a response for overseas Group companies. This is based on the precondition of the realization of the power generation mix under the Sixth Strategic Energy Plan, and the emission reduction targets may be reviewed if there are any changes in the government's reduction levels or preconditions due to social conditions.

The Mid-term Management Plan (SGH Story 2024) sets targets on greenhouse gas emissions along with operating revenue and income as KPIs, and establishes "promotion of services aimed at solving social and environmental issues such as decarbonization" as a priority strategy, and is consistent with the "SG Holdings Group Decarbonization Vision" outlining the policy on climate change issues.

Furthermore, Company conducts scenario analysis of medium- to long-term climate change risks and opportunities in line with the TCFD framework to assist future management decisions and has prepared a report of the results, which is disclosed on the website. The scenario analysis uses two scenarios (1.5°C and 4°C) to perform qualitative analysis and quantitative analysis. Qualitative analysis was performed by identifying risks and opportunities anticipated due to climate change by referring to forecasts of socioeconomic trends related to business. Quantitative analysis estimated the financial impact of the identified climate change risks and opportunities that have a large impact and are quantifiable.

<Investment in human capital and intellectual property, etc. >

Regarding human capital and intellectual property, in SG Holdings Group's Mid-term Management Plan "SGH Story 2024", raises "investment in human capital and improvement of employee engagement" and "creation of new value through open

innovation” and are working on this as an important management strategy.

In particular, with regard to human capital, we have set the target of 2.2 trillion yen in operating revenues in 2030 through strengthening of our business foundation by maintaining profitability and strengthening productivity of the express package delivery services business, and expanding of the size of the company with expansion of business other than express package delivery services such as TMS, 3PL and global business serving as growth drivers. To achieve this, we have formulated strategies with personnel such as Sales Drivers who handle maintaining profitability and strengthening productivity of the express package delivery services business as our business foundation while supporting operations on site as “Operation Personnel” and personnel handling the expansion of growth drivers of TMS, 3PL and global businesses (other than express package delivery services) as “Solution Personnel,” and aim to grow, maintain and retain human capital.

These initiatives related to sustainability and human capital are also disclosed in documents such as the Annual Securities Report.

Details of the management plan are also posted on the Company's website below.

<https://www.sg-hldgs.co.jp/en/ir/management/plan/>

[Supplementary Principle 4.1.1 Matters Determined by the Board of Directors]

The Board of Directors makes decisions on matters specified by laws, regulations and the Articles of Incorporation, in addition to basic management policies such as business plans specified in the Board of Directors’ Regulations and other important matters in management. Authority over other business decisions and the execution thereof is clarified in internal rules such as Duty and Authority Regulations, which clearly specify the scope of delegation to management.

[Principle 4.9 Independence Standards and Qualification for Independent Outside Directors]

The Company has established criteria for determining the independence of outside officers which can be referred to in [Independent Officers] under section II.1. of this report.

[Supplementary Principle 4.10.1 Appropriate involvement and advice from independent outside directors through establishment of an independent nomination committee and remuneration committee]

The Board of Directors is currently comprised of eight directors, three of whom are independent Outside Directors. The voluntary Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee has been established as an advisory body to the Board of Directors. This committee deliberates the selection of director candidates, including the CEO, as well as director remuneration, and submits its reports to the Board of Directors. As a committee that is comprised of one Internal Director and two Outside Directors (including female representation), its fairness, independence, and objectivity are ensured, and it is able to provide appropriate advice from multiple perspectives, such as insights from their experience in corporate management and academic fields.

[Supplementary Principle 4.11.1 Balance and Diversity of the Board of Directors as a Whole]

The Board of Directors selects director candidates by considering the main skills, career path, and professional qualifications of

each director, as well as the combination these individuals, in terms of their numbers and areas of specialization, as they relate to the organizational structure of the company.

We believe that the Board of Directors as a body is an organization that ensures a balance and diversity of knowledge, experience and skills. In selecting director candidates, based on the deliberations of the voluntary Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee (an advisory body to the Board of Directors), in addition to directors from within the Group who have expertise and skills in our areas of business, independent outside directors with management experience are selected with an awareness their experience and original fields, such finance, accounting, risk management, and sustainability.

For a skills matrix listing the areas of professional experience needed within the Board of Directors, especially those areas where members are expected to contribute, please refer to the Skills Matrix under "V. Other."

[Supplementary Principle 4.11.2 Concurrent Positions of Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members]

Positions concurrently held by Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members as officers in other listed companies are disclosed in notices of the General Meeting of Shareholders and the Annual Securities Reports. These concurrently held positions are believed to be within an extent that does not impede duties as Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members of the Company, such as attending Board of Directors meetings and Audit & Supervisory Board meetings.

[Supplementary Principle 4.11.3 Analysis and Evaluation of the Overall Effectiveness of the Board of Directors]

The Company endeavors to ensure the effectiveness of the Board of Directors as a whole by conducting surveys of all Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members every fiscal year on the state of implementation of corporate philosophy and management vision, and of the composition, operation and supervisory functions, etc. of the Board of Directors, and by sharing and discussing the results thereof in the Board of Directors for the purpose of verifying the effectiveness of the Board of Directors.

A third party was employed to review the survey items and tally results of the surveys.

Based on the results of the survey for FY2023/3, it was confirmed that the effectiveness of the Company's Board of Directors as a whole was ensured. Specifically, it was confirmed that systems leading to active discussion in the Board of Directors were established by continuously providing opportunities for the exchange of opinions between Outside Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members and conducting briefings on important matters in advance.

Meanwhile, an ongoing issue was that there is room for improvement concerning the volume and quality of materials for meetings of the Board of Directors, and an issue to address in future was the format of matters for discussion in the Board of Directors based on the roles and functions of the Board of Directors. In future, we will work to make improvements such as utilizing summarized materials and reviewing the criteria for discussion by the Board of Directors, in addition to ensuring the effectiveness of the Board of Directors while taking steps aimed at the realization of more advanced corporate governance.

[Supplementary Principle 4.14.2 Training Policy for Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members]

The Company conducts workshops according to the times as appropriate, such as seminars on diversity, insider trading regulations and economics, for the purpose of providing the knowledge required of Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members of a listed company. Furthermore, when a new outside officer is appointed, sufficient explanations on the state of the Company's business and finances and the organizational structure are provided along with tours of offices, etc., in addition to

hearings of the Directors in charge as required.

[Principle 5.1 Policy for Constructive Dialogue with Shareholders]

When requests for meeting are received from shareholders and investors, the Company's policy is to accommodate these requests to a reasonable extent, and the Company has created a system for promoting more constructive dialogue with shareholders and investors such as establishing a department responsible for IR.

[Principle 5.2 Formulation and Publication of Management Strategies and Plans]

The measures we are taking to achieve management that is conscious of capital costs and stock prices are disclosed on the following website: <https://www.sg-hldgs.co.jp/en/ir/management/value-based/>

2. Capital Structure

Foreign Shareholding Ratio	10% or more and less than 20%
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Status of Major Shareholders

Name or Company Name	Number of Shares Owned	Percentage (%)
Shinsei Kosan Co., Ltd.	107,771,600	17.23
The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account)	57,072,700	9.12
SGH Culture and Sports Promotion Foundation	48,400,362	7.73
Sumitomo Life Insurance Company	25,200,000	4.02
Mitsui Sumitomo Insurance Company, Limited	25,200,000	4.02
Custody Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account)	25,058,200	4.00
Sagawa Printing Co., Ltd.	22,816,400	3.64
MUFG Bank, Ltd.	20,750,000	3.31
Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation	20,750,000	3.31
Tanaka Industry Co., Ltd.	19,990,700	3.19

Name of Controlling Shareholder, if applicable (excluding Parent Company)	—
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Name of Parent Company, if applicable	None
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Supplementary Explanation

The percentages of shares held in relation to the total number of shares issued (excluding treasury stock) are rounded down to two decimal places. (As of September 30, 2023)

3. Corporate Attributes

Listed Stock Exchange and Market Segment	Prime Market
Fiscal Year-End	March
Business Sector	Land Transportation
Number of Employees (Consolidated) as of the End of the Previous Fiscal Year	1,000 or more
Net Sales (Consolidated) as of the End of the Previous Fiscal Year	¥1 trillion or more
Number of Consolidated Subsidiaries as of the End of the Previous Fiscal Year	100 or more and fewer than 300

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

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

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

1. Organizational Composition and Operation

Corporate Governance System	Company with Audit and Supervisory Board*
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*Referred to in the Corporate Governance Code reference translation as "Company with *Kansayaku* Board"

Directors

Number of Directors Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	12
Directors' Term of Office Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	1 year
Chairperson of the Board	President
Number of Directors	8
Election of Outside Directors	Elected
Number of Outside Directors	3
Number of Independent Directors	3

Outside Directors' Relationship with the Company (1)

Name	Attributes	Relationship with the Company*										
		a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k
Mika Takaoka	Academic											
Osami Sagisaka	Other											
Masato Akiyama	From another company											

*Categories for "Relationship with the Company".

(Use "○" when the director presently falls or has recently fallen under the category; "△" when the director fell under the category in the past; "●" when a close relative of the director presently falls or has recently fallen under the category; and "▲" when a close relative of the director fell under the category in the past.)

- a. Person who executes business of the Company or a subsidiary
- b. Person who executes business or a non-executive director of a parent company
- c. Person who executes business of a fellow subsidiary
- d. Person/entity for which the Company is a major client or a person who executes business for such person/entity
- e. Major client of the Company or a person who executes business for such client
- f. Consultant, accounting expert, or legal expert who receives large amounts of cash or other assets in addition to director/Audit and Supervisory Board Member compensation from the Company
- g. Major shareholder of the Company (in cases where the shareholder is a corporation, a person who executes business of the corporation)
- h. Person who executes business for a client of the Company (excluding persons categorized as any of d, e, or f above) (applies to self only)
- i. Person who executes business for another company holding cross-directorships/cross-auditorships with the Company (applies to self only)
- j. Person who executes business for an entity receiving contributions from the Company (applies to self only)
- k. Other

Outside Directors' Relationship with the Company (2)

Name	Designation as Independent Director	Supplementary Explanation of the Applicable Relationship	Reasons for Appointment
Mika Takaoka	○	—	She has expert knowledge and insight into business administration, etc. as a university professor, and it was determined that her broad knowledge developed through her background could be utilized in the Company's management in general.
Osami Sagisaka	○	—	It was determined that his broad insight developed as a national government employee and through activities related to environmental law, fire and emergency services after retiring could be utilized in the Company's CSR activities and BCM.
Masato Akiyama	○	—	He has been involved in the logistics industry for many years and has extensive knowledge of logistics and

			experience in corporate management, such as serving as the representative director of multiple companies in the same industry. It was determined that his broad knowledge developed through his background can contribute to the Company's management in general.
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Voluntary Establishment of Committee(s) equivalent to Nomination Committee or Remuneration Committee	Established
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Status of Voluntarily Established Committee(s), Attributes of Members Constituting the Committee and the Committee Chair (Chairperson)

	Committee's Name	All Members	Full-time Members	Inside Directors	Outside Directors	Outside Experts	Other	Chairperson
Voluntarily Established Committee Equivalent to Nomination Committee	Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee	3	0	1	2	0	0	Inside Director
Voluntarily Established Committee Equivalent to Remuneration Committee	Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee	3	0	1	2	0	0	Inside Director

Supplementary Explanation

A voluntary Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee is comprised a total of three persons: two Outside Directors and one Inside Director. The Committee takes on the function of both a nomination committee and a remuneration committee.

Audit and Supervisory Board Member*

*Referred to in Corporate Governance Code reference translation as "*kansayaku*"

Establishment of Audit and Supervisory Board	Established
Number of Audit and Supervisory Board Members Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	5
Number of Audit and Supervisory Board Members	4

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

Audit & Supervisory Board Members endeavor to implement efficient audits by closely working with the internal audit divisions of the Company and its subsidiaries, along with the Audit & Supervisory Board Members of subsidiaries when conducting audit duties. Furthermore, in the relationship with the Accounting Auditors, points for discussion concerning accounting audits are shared through regular meetings.

Appointment of Outside Audit and Supervisory Board Members	Appointed
Number of Outside Audit and Supervisory Board Members	3
Number of Independent Audit and Supervisory Board Members	3

Outside Audit and Supervisory Board Members' Relationship with the Company (1)

Name	Attributes	Relationship with the Company*												
		a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m
Satoshi Tajima	CPA													
Kenichiro Okamura	CPA													
Yoshitaka Ooshima	Lawyer													

*Categories for "Relationship with the Company".

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- Person who executes business of the Company or a subsidiary
- A non-executive director or an accounting advisor of the Company or its subsidiaries
- Person who executes business or a non-executive director of a parent company
- An Audit and Supervisory Board Member of a parent company of the Company
- Person who executes business of a fellow subsidiary
- Person/entity for which the Company is a major client or a person who executes business for such person/entity
- Major client of the Company or a person who executes business for such client
- Consultant, accounting expert, or legal expert who receives large amounts of cash or other assets in addition to director/Audit and Supervisory Board Member compensation from the Company
- Major shareholder of the Company (in cases where the shareholder is a corporation, a person who executes business of the corporation)
- Person who executes business for a client of the Company (excluding persons categorized as any of f, g, or h above) (applies to self only)
- Person who executes business for another company holding cross-directorships/cross-auditorships with the Company (applies to self only)
- Person who executes business for an entity receiving contributions from the Company (applies to self only)
- Other

Outside Audit and Supervisory Board Members' Relationship with the Company (2)

Name	Designation as Independent Officer	Supplementary Explanation of the Applicable Relationship	Reasons for Appointment
Satoshi Tajima	○	—	It was determined that he could conduct audits from an expert

			position and fulfill the role of ensuring the validity and appropriateness of the Company's management based on his extensive experience and knowledge as a certified public accountant, U.S. certified public accountant and a certified tax accountant.
Kenichiro Okamura	○	—	It was determined that his abundant experience and high level of knowledge as a certified public accountant, along with his past experience as an Audit & Supervisory Board Member in other companies could be utilized in audits within the Company.
Yoshitaka Ooshima	○	—	He has abundant knowledge and experience as an attorney at law, and it was determined that his specialized viewpoint based on this knowledge and experience could be utilized in audits within the Company.

Matters Concerning Independent Directors and Independent Audit and Supervisory Board Members

Number of Independent Directors and Independent Audit and Supervisory Board Members	6
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Other Matters Concerning Independent Directors and Independent Audit and Supervisory Board Members

The Company has nominated all outside officers who qualify as independent officers to be independent officers.

[Criteria for Determining the Independence of Outside Officers]

The Company determines the independence of Outside Directors and Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members stipulated under the Companies Act by checking whether any of the following items apply based on the determination criteria set by Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc., and deems them to be independent if none of the items apply.

1. A Major shareholder (a person directly or indirectly holding 10% or more of voting rights) of the Company, or a business

executive thereof

2. A person whose major business partner is the Company and its subsidiaries (hereinafter referred to as “the Group”), or a business executive thereof
3. A major client of the Group, or a business executive thereof
4. A person providing professional services such as a consultant, attorney or certified public accountant who obtains a large sum of money or other financial gain from the Group other than officer remuneration
5. A person who has received the donation of a large sum of money or other financial gain from the Group, or a business executive thereof
6. A Director (excluding Outside Directors), Audit & Supervisory Board Member (other than Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members), Executive Officer or employee of the Group
7. A person to whom any of the items in 1 through 6 above have applied during the past three years
8. If a person to whom any of the items in 1 through 7 above applies is in an important position, the spouse and relatives within the second degree of kinship thereof
9. In addition to the preceding items, a person for whom there may be special circumstances preventing the fulfillment of duties as an independent outside officer, such as the possibility of a conflict of interest

Incentives

Implementation Status of Measures related to
Incentives Granted to Directors

Introduction of Performance-linked Remuneration Scheme

Supplementary Explanation for Applicable Items

On July 1, 2018, the Company introduced a company performance-linked share-based remuneration program for the purpose of clarifying the link between compensation for Directors and the Company’s stock value and increasing motivation to contribute to improving mid- to long-term business performance and enhancing corporate value.

(1) Overview of the Program

The Program is a scheme paying remuneration for delivering the Company’s common shares, etc. to the Company’s Directors, etc. when Directors, etc. leave office according to the level of achievement of company performance indicators, etc. The calculation period of the Scheme is the three continuous fiscal years corresponding to the Company’s mid-term management plan.

(2) Method of calculation and upper limit of the number of the Company’s common shares to be granted

The Directors, etc. subject to the Scheme are granted points calculated by multiplying the number of base points calculated using the base monthly remuneration of each Director by the performance-linked multiplier (varying within the range of 0 to 200%) according to the level of achievement of the Company’s performance indicators (indicators specified by the Board of Directors such as consolidated operating income) at the prescribed time every year.

Furthermore, the maximum number shall be 125,000 shares per fiscal year, and 375,000 shares per calculation period (three fiscal years).

When a Director, etc. leaves office, the number of the Company’s common shares, etc. are delivered according to the cumulative number of points granted and a number of the Company’s common shares equivalent to 70% of this is delivered, while an

equivalent amount of money is paid in lieu of the Company's common shares for the remainder.

Please note that if a Director, etc. is found to have performed an illegal act after the vesting date or found to have been employed by a rival company without the Company's permission, the Company may claim compensation for the monetary remuneration claim granted and the total amount of money paid.

*The Company implemented a two for one stock split of its common shares with the effective date of November 1, 2020, and the upper limit of the above common stock is the number of shares after considering the stock split.

For other details, please see the latest Annual Securities Report.

Persons Eligible for Stock Options

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Supplementary Explanation for Applicable Items

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Director Remuneration

Status of Disclosure of Individual Directors' Remuneration

Disclosure for Selected Directors

Supplementary Explanation for Applicable Items

The total amount of remuneration is disclosed for Directors, Audit & Supervisory Board Members and outside officers, respectively. Furthermore, persons who receive a total amount exceeding 100 million yen are disclosed individually on the Annual Securities Report and the Company's website.

Policy on Determining Remuneration Amounts and the Calculation Methods Thereof

Established

Disclosure of Policy on Determining Remuneration Amounts and the Calculation Methods Thereof

(i) Policy on determining the content of the remuneration, etc. of individual Directors

The policy on determination of the content of remuneration, etc. of individual Directors was resolved in the regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on February 26, 2021 to create a remuneration system that adequately functions as an incentive for sustained enhancement of corporate value, is linked to the interests of shareholders and is based on the Medium-term Management Plan.

(ii) Overview of the content of the determination policy

Remuneration of the Company's Directors shall be determined with consideration for the economic environment and business performance, etc. to ensure it functions adequately as an incentive for the sustained enhancement of corporate value, and the basic policy when determining the remuneration of individual Directors is that it shall be at an appropriate level based on their respective duties, etc. Specifically, the remuneration of Directors who execute business is made up of base remuneration as fixed

remuneration and performance-linked share-based remuneration as non-monetary remuneration, and the remuneration of Outside Directors who serve in a supervisory capacity is only made up of base remuneration in light of their duties.

The base remuneration of individual Directors of the Company shall be monthly fixed remuneration (monetary remuneration), and policy is that it shall be determined based on comprehensive consideration taking into account the individual's position, duties, performance and ability, and also the level at other companies, the performance of the Company and the level of employee wages. The overview of the content and the calculation method of performance-linked remuneration, etc. and performance-linked share-based remuneration as non-monetary remuneration, etc. are described in the aforementioned "[Incentives] State of implementation of measures concerning granting incentives to Directors"

Furthermore, the remuneration of Directors of the Company is made up of base remuneration and performance-linked share-based remuneration (only base remuneration for Outside Directors), and is provided for results and performance based on the expected duties. With regard to specific distribution, the percentage linked to performance, etc. is higher for higher positions in a system that requires higher accountability for results and performance according to the position.

The original proposals of the specific details of the remuneration, etc. of individuals (amount of base remuneration and the number of shares granted under performance-linked share-based remuneration) are deliberated in the Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee, which is a voluntary advisory body to the Board of Directors, and determined at the sole discretion of the Chairperson and CEO pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Directors based on the content of deliberation in the Committee.

Support System for Outside Directors and/or Outside Audit and Supervisory Board Members

A support system for Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members has been created for Directors by the General Affairs Department that serves as the secretariat of the Board of Directors and for Audit & Supervisory Board Members by the Corporate Audit & Supervisory Board Members' Office.

Statuses of Persons who have Retired as Representative Director and President, etc.

Information on Persons Holding Advisory Positions (*Sodanyaku, Komon*, etc.) after Retiring as Representative Director and President, etc.

Name	Job title/ position	Responsibilities	Terms and Conditions of Employment (Full/part time, with/without remuneration, etc.)	Date when former role as president/ CEO ended	Term
Hideo Araki	Honorary Advisor	Advice on the Group's business	Part-time/ paid	June 25, 2021	One year

Number of Persons Holding Advisory Positions (*Sodanyaku, Komon*, etc.)
After Retiring as Representative Director and President, etc.

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Other Related Matters

- The Company has not provided for the position of honorary advisor in the Articles of Incorporation or internal rules, but it may

appoint an honorary advisor, etc. as needed.

- An honorary advisor has no authority extending an impact on management decisions of the Company or the Group, and is not involved in any decision making in management.

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

(i) Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is made up of eight Directors (including three Outside Directors), and reports are made on decisions on the general business execution of the Group and the state of Directors' execution of management in accordance with internal rules such as the Board of Directors' Regulations and the Duty and Authority Regulations.

In principle, regular meetings of the Board of Directors are held every month, and extraordinary meetings are held when there are urgent matters to be decided.

(ii) Audit & Supervisory Board

The Audit & Supervisory Board is made up of all Audit & Supervisory Board Members, and meetings are held regularly once every month. In the Audit & Supervisory Board meetings, the full-time Audit & Supervisory Board Member reports on the auditing of operations, and proposals to the Board of Directors are discussed in advance.

Extraordinary meetings are also held as required.

(iii) Other Meetings

A voluntary Nomination and Remuneration Advisory Committee, which is comprised of three Directors (including two Outside Directors), confirms the appropriateness of nominating candidates for Directors and remuneration for Directors.

Further, the Group has established meetings and committees such as "SGH Group Management Strategy Meetings" and "SGH Group Risk Management Meetings" as organs for prior deliberation of matters to be resolved by the Board of Directors and specialized examination of important matters in accordance with the internal rules of Group companies.

The Directors, Executive Officers, full-time Audit & Supervisory Board Members responsible attend each meeting in an effort to achieve more efficient business operations.

3. Reasons for Adoption of Current Corporate Governance System

The Company's Audit & Supervisory Board has a four-member structure (including three Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members), and the Audit & Supervisory Board Members attend meetings of the Board of Directors in addition to constantly auditing and monitoring the state of business execution by Directors, such as stating their opinions as required from their position. Furthermore, the full-time Audit & Supervisory Board Member participates in various meetings other than the Board of Directors meetings as an observer to gain a deeper understanding of the state of the Company and management, actively endeavors to establish the audit environment and collect information within the Company, in addition to constantly monitoring the creation and state of operation of internal control systems, and providing objective opinions and advice. As a result, it has been determined that

the appropriateness of management is adequately ensured.

Furthermore, Outside Directors also attend important internal meetings other than meetings of the Board of Directors to supervise the Company's management decisions and decision-making processes from an objective and independent viewpoint outside the Company, and provide opinions and advice as needed based on their own experiences and knowledge.

The Company believes that corporate governance is functioning adequately under the current system in which business execution is supervised and audited by the Board of Directors including Outside Directors and the Audit & Supervisory Board.

III. Implementation of Measures for Shareholders and Other Stakeholders

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

	Supplementary Explanation
Early Posting of Notice of the General Shareholders Meeting	Sent no later than 14 days prior to the General Meeting of Shareholders.
Electronic Exercise of Voting Rights	Shareholders unable to attend the General Meeting of Shareholders may vote by electromagnetic means.
Participation in a Platform for the Electronic Exercise of Voting Rights and Other Initiatives to Enhance Environment for Institutional Investors to Exercise Voting Rights	The Company is participating in the platform for electronic voting operated by ICJ, Inc.
Provision of Notice (or Summary of Notice) of the General Shareholders Meeting in English	The Notice of the General Meeting of Shareholders (Summary) is prepared and published on the Company's website.
Other	—

2. Status of IR-related Activities

	Supplementary Explanation	Explanation by a representative director or a representative executive officer
Formulation and Publication of Disclosure Policies	The Company has prepared a disclosure policy and published it on its website.	
Regular Investor Briefings held for Analysts and Institutional Investors	Briefings for analysts and institutional investors are held after the announcement of results of the second quarter and the end of the fiscal year, and the Representative Director etc. provides an overview of performance and explain the Company's management policies, etc. In addition to the above briefings, earnings briefings conducted through telephone conferences along with small meetings, etc. are also held by the department	Held

	responsible for IR.	
Regular Investor Briefings held for Overseas Investors	We will periodically conduct roadshows for foreign investors to provide an overview of performance and explain the Company's management policies, etc.	Held
Online Disclosure of IR Information	We post quarterly earnings reports, mid-term management plans, Shareholders' Meeting Related Materials, Integrated Reports, ESG Book and news releases, etc. on the Company's website.	
Establishment of Department and/or Placement of a Manager in Charge of IR	The Investor Relations Office is responsible for IR activities.	

3. Status of Measures to Ensure Due Respect for Stakeholders

	Supplementary Explanation
Establishment of Internal Rules Stipulating Respect for the Position of Stakeholders	The Group has established the "Charter of Corporate Conduct of the SG Holdings Group" and "Code of Ethics and Conduct of the SG Holdings Group" based on our corporate philosophy to ensure a common policy of conduct is observed.
Implementation of Environmental Preservation Activities and CSR Activities, etc.	The Group conducts a variety of activities aimed at the creation of a sustainable society while fulfilling our corporate social responsibility. The Group's efforts such as activities to protect the environment and CSR activities are summarized and published on the Company's website.
Formulation of Policies, etc. on Provision of Information to Stakeholders	We are aware that it is our social responsibility as a company to ensure transparency of management by providing stakeholders with corporate information appropriately and in a timely manner, and information is actively provided by means such as publication on the Company's website to enable stakeholders to easily and fairly access information.
Other	The Company has appointed one female officer as an Outside Director. The "WakuWaku Diversity Committee" has been established in order to promote diversity management that evolves along with the changing times, based on securing a workforce and creating new business opportunities through diverse perspectives and values.

IV. Matters Concerning the Internal Control System

1. Basic Views on Internal Control System and Status of Development

The Company's basic policy on internal control and the progress status of internal control system development is as follows.

- (1) Systems related to ensuring that Directors and employees execute their duties in compliance with laws, regulations

and the Articles of Incorporation

(i) The Company shall prescribe the “Charter of Corporate Conduct” and “Code of Ethics and Conduct” of the SGH Group in order to establish a corporate culture in which Directors’ and employees’ business activities are conducted in compliance with laws, regulations and the Articles of Incorporation. It is the President and COO’s responsibility to consistently communicate the spirit of “Charter of Corporate Conduct” and “Code of Ethics and Conduct” to Directors and employees to instill these and educate them to place the utmost priority on compliance in every aspect of business operations.

(ii) The Company shall prescribe rules and procedures, etc. in accordance with related laws and regulations, and regularly review the basic policy, rules, procedures, etc. to ensure that they are workable by addressing the changes, etc. in the management environment.

(iii) The Company shall appoint Outside Directors to enhance the monitoring function over Directors’ execution of duties.

(iv) The Company shall prescribe “Internal Whistleblowing Regulations” in order to prevent or facilitate early detection of fraud, misconduct, etc., within the SGH Group and establish the “Compliance Hotline” – an internal whistleblowing system of the SGH Group. Furthermore, in order to make the system effective, the Company shall place contacts inside and outside the Company to encourage the use of the system. The Company shall take prompt and appropriate measures in response to reports made to these contacts according to the “Internal Whistleblowing Regulations.”

(v) In order to exclude anti-social forces that threaten the order and security of civil society, the Company shall prescribe the “Exclusion of Anti-Social Forces Regulations” and be fully committed to halting the development of any relationships with anti-social forces by rejecting acknowledgment of undue claims, secret deals, provision of funding, etc. Additionally, in cooperation with outside expert institutions, the Company shall address anti-social forces in an organized and legally-compliant manner and prioritize the security of Directors and employees.

(2) Systems related to retention and management of information related to the execution of duties by Directors

(i) The Company shall prescribe an “Information Security Basic Policy” and establish an information security management system in order to appropriately retain and manage information assets.

(ii) The Company shall appropriately retain and manage significant information and decisions, etc. related to the execution of duties by Directors in compliance with laws, regulations and related rules.

(iii) The information described in (ii) above shall be kept accessible for timely use when needed.

(iv) The Company shall appropriately manage personal information according to laws and regulations and the “Personal Information Protection Regulations.”

(3) Policies and other systems related to management of the risk of loss

(i) In order to manage risks appropriately and efficiently, the Company shall prescribe “Risk Management Regulations” and establish a risk management system for the SGH Group, as well as responding appropriately to events that may harm corporate management, business operations or corporate image, or that may have a significant impact on society as a whole.

(ii) The Company shall hold “SGH Group Risk Management Meetings” on a regular basis and enhance the risk management system to minimize and prevent realization of risks, and mitigate losses from the realization of the risks.

(iii) The Company shall set forth a Business Continuity Plan (BCP) to minimize business outages and fulfill its role in society even in emergency situations, and establish/operate a Business Continuity Management (BCM) system.

(4) Systems for ensuring that Directors' duties are efficiently executed

(i) Directors shall execute their duties based on the organizational structure and duties and authorities authorized by the Board of Directors, and the Board of Directors shall supervise the state of execution of the Directors' duties to ensure they are executed appropriately and efficiently.

(ii) The Company shall discuss management issues among its Directors and hold meetings of its Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members to share significant management information on a timely basis to make efficient management decisions in the Board of Directors meetings.

(iii) In order to improve management efficiency, the Company shall prescribe "Management Plan Administration Regulations" and "Group Management Plan Administration Regulations," and authorize a mid-term business plan and a single-year budget in meetings of the Board of Directors, and Directors shall execute their duties efficiently based on these.

(5) Systems for ensuring appropriateness of operations within the SGH Group

(i) The Company shall prescribe the SGH Group's "Charter of Corporate Conduct" and "Code of Ethics and Conduct" and be fully committed to complying with common conduct guidelines.

(ii) The Company shall prescribe "Business Corporations' Management and Operation Regulations" and "Overseas Corporations' Management and Operation Regulations" to support business management in every business corporation, paying due regard to their autonomy and independence.

(iii) The Company shall hold "SGH Group Management Strategy Meetings" and "SGH Group Administration Department Managers' Meetings" on a regular basis and share the SGH Group's management policies, significant decisions/reports, etc. to enhance the effectiveness of guidance and control over each corporation's management in general.

(iv) The company shall prescribe "Duty and Authority Regulations" as the SGH Group's unified standard, and manage each business corporation's significant decisions in their management activities to ensure they are made with all the necessary prior discussions and reporting to/approvals by the Board of Directors of the Company.

(v) In order to ensure reliability of financial reporting, the Company shall prescribe "Accounting Regulations" and related procedures, manuals, etc. as standard versions for the SGH Group. At the same time, the Company shall consult external experts for their opinions as necessary and establish a monitoring and auditing system.

(vi) In cooperation with the internal audit departments etc. of business corporations, the Internal Audit Department shall conduct internal audits on a regular basis and report the internal audit results to the Company's Board of Directors. When remedial actions are necessary, the Internal Audit Department shall instruct the business corporations to take actions and conduct subsequent monitoring to check the progress.

(6) Items related to the employees to assist the duties of Audit & Supervisory Board Members and their independence, etc. from Directors, etc.

The Company shall organize the Corporate Audit & Supervisory Board Members' Office and assign dedicated employees to assist the execution of duties of Audit & Supervisory Board Members. The number, qualifications, etc. of those employees shall be determined based on the discussions with the Audit & Supervisory Board. Additionally, in order to ensure independence from Directors, etc. and the effectiveness of instructions from Audit & Supervisory Board Members, personnel transfers, performance

appraisals, disciplinary actions, etc. for those employees shall require consent of the Audit & Supervisory Board.

(7) Systems for Directors and employees to report to Audit & Supervisory Board Members and other systems related to the reporting to Audit & Supervisory Board Members

(i) In addition to the items required by laws and regulations, directors, auditors, and employees of the SGH Group shall report following items to the Company's Audit & Supervisory Board Members without delay:

a. Facts that may cause significant losses to the Company;

b. Results of internal audits;

c. The status of reports made through the internal whistleblowing system; and

d. Other items related to the execution of operations that are requested to be reported on by Audit & Supervisory Board Members.

(ii) The Company shall treat Directors and employees appropriately so that they are not treated unfavorably for the reason that they have made reports through the internal whistleblowing system or to Audit & Supervisory Board Members.

(8) Other systems to ensure that audits by Audit & Supervisory Board Members are conducted effectively

(i) Audit & Supervisory Board Members shall execute their authority prescribed in laws and regulations, etc. and perform audits on the legality, validity and efficiency of the execution of duties by Directors, in cooperation with Accounting Auditors, the Internal Audit Department and other organizations within the Company.

(ii) Audit & Supervisory Board Members shall appoint external professionals such as lawyers, Certified Public Accountants and consultants when such professionals are found to be necessary for the execution of their duties.

(iii) Audit & Supervisory Board Members shall attend meetings of the Board of Directors, as well as other significant meetings deemed to be necessary.

(iv) Audit & Supervisory Board Members shall hold regular meetings with the President and COO and Accounting Auditors to exchange information and opinions.

(v) Upon request from Audit & Supervisory Board Members, the Company shall bear the expenses incurred for the execution of duties by the Audit & Supervisory Board Members, unless it is regarded as not required for their duties.

2. Basic Views on Measures for Eliminating Anti-Social Forces and Status of Development

The Group's "Charter of Corporate Conduct of the SG Holdings Group" states in "Chapter 4 Shareholders' & Business Partners' Expectations 5. Response to Anti-social Forces" that "we shall adopt a resolute stance against anti-social groups and individuals such as organized crime groups, and never establish relationships with anti-social organizations. If any undue requests are made, we shall absolutely refuse them and they shall be promptly reported to our superiors or the person in charge of prevention of undue requests, for the Company to respond in a legal and organizational manner. If appropriate steps are not taken, a report shall be made to the consultation desk for undue requests." Furthermore, it states "The Company shall prioritize the security of employees, and respond in an organized and legally-compliant manner in cooperation with outside expert institutions such as the police and legal counsel," providing instruction not to act based on individual decisions.

Based on this basic policy, the Group has established "Exclusion of Anti-Social Forces Regulations" and is establishing a system

aimed at blocking relationships with anti-social forces.

V. Other

1. Adoption of Anti-Takeover Measures

Adoption of Anti-Takeover Measures	Not Adopted
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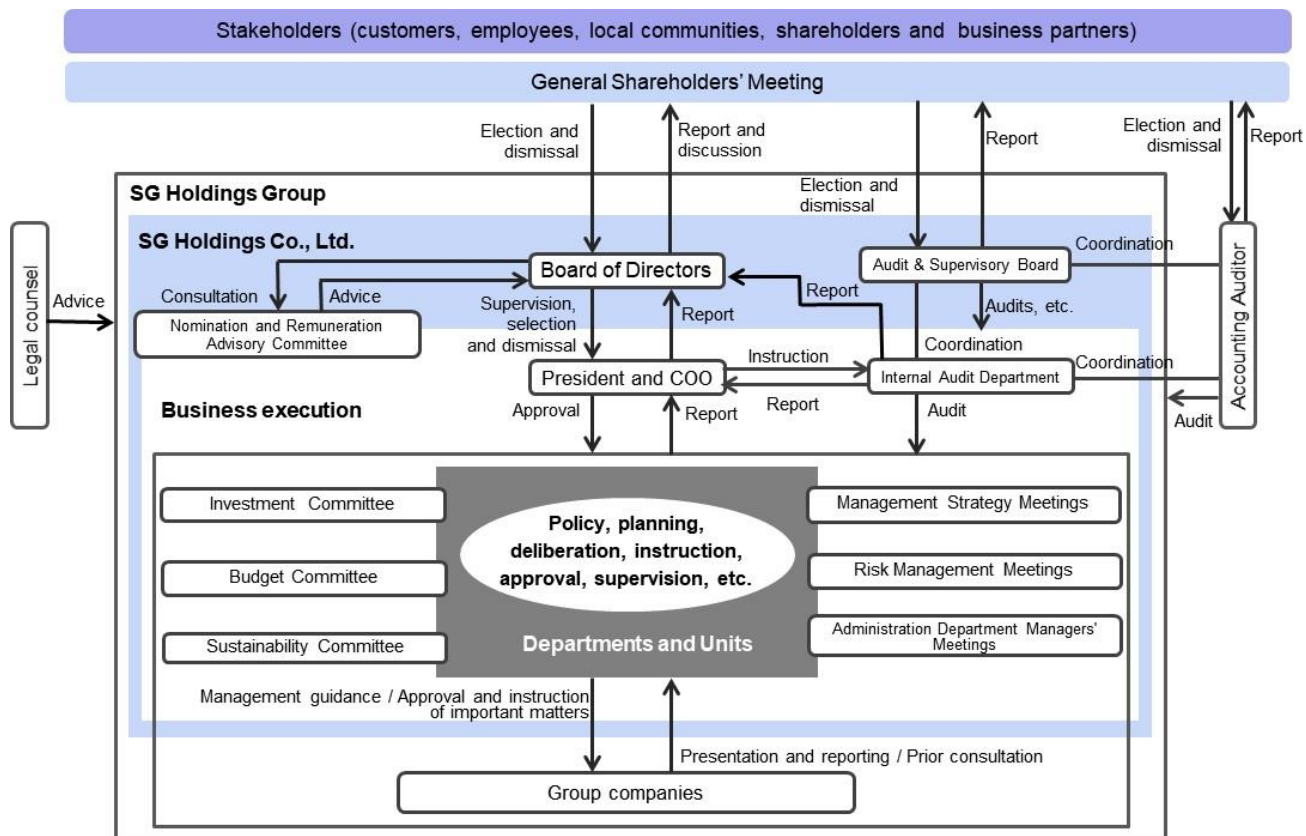
Supplementary Explanation for Applicable Items

The Company has not introduced any takeover defense measures.

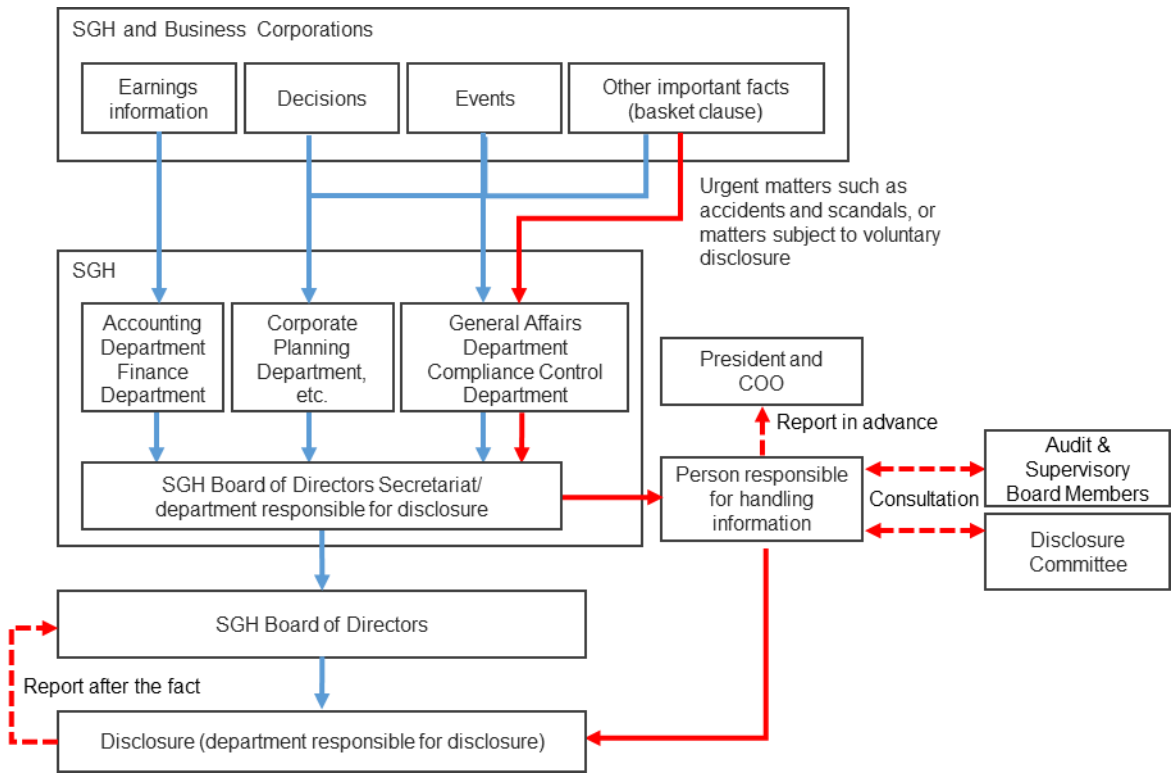
2. Other Matters Concerning the Corporate Governance System

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[Model diagram (Reference material)]



[Basic Flow until Timely Disclosure]



[Skills Matrix]

In light of the Company's mid- to long-term management direction and business strategy, the Board of Directors has identified the skills (knowledge, experience, and abilities) that are necessary to properly exercise its decision-making and management oversight functions.

The composition of the Board of Directors as of the date of the filing of this report and the skills of each director and auditor are presented below.

	Name	Independent outside	Corporate management	Business strategy	Finance/accounting	Legal/risk management	Sustainability	IT/digital	Global
Directors	Eiichi Kuriwada		○	○			○		
	Hidekazu Matsumoto		○	○		○	○		
	Masahide Motomura		○	○			○	○	○
	Katsuhiro Kawanago		○	○	○			○	○
	Kimiaki Sasamori		○	○		○	○	○	
	Mika Takaoka	○	○		○		○		
	Osami Sagisaka	○				○	○		
	Masato Akiyama	○	○	○					○
Auditors	Satoshi Tajima	○	○		○				○
	Tomonari Niimoto		○		○	○			○
	Kenichiro Okamura	○	○		○				○
	Yoshitaka Ooshima	○	○			○			

*In the table above the ○ symbol indicates areas in which an individual has professional skills, in light of factors including their experience, but this table does not show all skills.

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