The Monogatari Corporation

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#### The corporate governance of The Monogatari Corporation is described below.

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

#### **1. Basic Views**

We have established five basic policies for corporate governance: prompt decision-making and pursuit of management efficiency, clarification of management responsibilities, enhancement of management transparency and compliance systems, strengthening of the audit function by auditors for the status of business execution by directors, and realization of risk management philosophy. By committing to this management stance, we believe that we can earn the trust of our shareholders and all other stakeholders, increase corporate value over the long term, and enable sustainable growth.

#### [Reasons for not Implementing Each Principle of the Corporate Governance Code]

We have implemented all the principles set forth in the Corporate Governance Code and have posted them on our website as "Our Initiatives Regarding the Corporate Governance Code" below. (only available in Japanese) http://www.monogatari.co.jp/ir/c\_g.html

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

The status of implementation of each principle of the Corporate Governance Code is described in the "Initiatives Related to Japan's Corporate Governance Code" posted on our website below. http://www.monogatari.co.jp/ir/c\_g.html

[Action to Implement Management that is Conscious of Cost of Capital and Stock Price] It is described in Principle 5-2 of "Our Initiatives Regarding the Corporate Governance Code". Please refer to the following for the Company's financial results presentation materials and medium-term management plan. https://www.monogatari.co.jp/ir/library/lib07/

#### [Status of Dialogue with Shareholders]

It is described in Principle 5-1 (ii) of "Our Initiatives Regarding the Corporate Governance Code". During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, the Company's management team dialogues with a total of 273 domestic and foreign institutional investors.

#### 2. Capital Structure

Foreign Shareholding Ratio

10% or more but less than 20%

#### [Status of Major Shareholders] (Updated)

Name / Company Name	Number of Shares Owned	Percentage (%)
The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account)	3,676,400	10.30
Yoshio Kobayashi	1,746,342	4.89
Yusuke Kobayashi	1,588,800	4.45
Custody Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account)	1,265,800	3.54
NORTHERN TRUST CO. (AVFC) RE FIDELITY FUNDS (Standing proxy: The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited, Tokyo Branch)	1,017,888	2.85
Sanae Kobayashi	778,440	2.18
JPMorgan Securities Japan Co., Ltd.	769,193	2.15
Toyohashi Shinkin Bank	660,000	1.85
Yohei Kobayashi	621,810	1.74
KANEMATSU CORPORATION	600,000	1.68

Controlling Shareholder (except for Parent Company)	
Parent Company	NA

### Supplementary Explanations (Updated)

The Company conducted a 3-for-1 stock split of its common stock on March 1, 2023.

Although the Company holds 694,396 shares of treasury stock, it is not included in the above Status of Major Shareholders.

The percentage of shareholding is calculated excluding treasury stock (694,396 shares).

Of the above number of shares owned, the number of shares related to the trust business is as follows.

The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account): 3,676,400 shares

Custody Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account): 1,265,800 shares

Although the Reports of Possession of a Large Volume released for public inspection states that the following companies own the Company's shares as follows, the Company is unable to confirm the number of shares actually held by these companies as of December 31, 2023; therefore they are not included in the above Status of Major Shareholders.

The Change Report for the Report of Possession of Large Volume as of July 24, 2023, released for public inspection, states that SMBC Nikko Securities Inc. and its two joint holders hold 636.2 thousand shares (shareholding ratio: 1.75%) as of July 14, 2023.

The Change Report for the Report of Possession of Large Volume as of November 7, 2023, released for public inspection, states that Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Asset Management Co., Ltd. and its two joint holders hold 1851.3 thousand shares (shareholding ratio: 5.09%) as of October 31, 2023.

#### 3. Corporate Attributes

Listed Stock Market and Market Section	Tokyo Stock Exchange Prime Market
Fiscal Year-End	June
Type of Business	Retail trade
Number of Employees (consolidated) as of the End of the Previous Fiscal Year	More than 1,000
Sales (consolidated) as of the End of the Previous Fiscal Year	From ¥10 billion to less than ¥100 billion
Number of Consolidated Subsidiaries as of the End of the Previous Fiscal Year	Less than 10

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

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

# <u>*I*</u>. 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 Corporate Auditors

### [Directors]

Maximum Number of Directors Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	13
Term of Office Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	1 year
Chairperson of the Board	President
Number of Directors	8
Appointment of Outside Directors	Appointed
Number of Outside Directors	3
Number of Independent Directors out of Outside Directors	3

#### Relationship with the Company (1)

			R	elati	ons	hip v	vith	the (	Com	pan	у*	
Name	Attribute	а	b	С	d	е	f	g	h	i	j	k
Yukitaka Nishikawa	From another company											
Kana Yasuda	Certified Public Accountant											
Kaoru Kurashima	From another company											

\* Categories for "Relationship with the Company"

\* "o" when the director presently falls or has recently fallen under the category; "△" when the director fell under the category in the past

past \* "●" when a close relative of the director presently falls or has recently fallen under the category; "▲" when 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 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/corporate auditor

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 only)

i Executive of a company, between which and the Company outside directors/corporate auditor are mutually appointed (the director only)

j Executive of a company or organization that receives a donation from the Company (the director only)

k Others

Relationship with the Company (2)

Name	Independent Director	Supplementary Explanation of the Relationship	Reasons of Appointment
Yukitaka Nishikawa	o	Not applicable	With extensive experience in the Toyohashi Chamber of Commerce & Industry and as a hands-on management consultant, he has a deep understanding of human resources and labor management. In addition, based on his track record as a manager, including having held several outside directors, the Company appointed him as an outside director based on the judgment that he could utilize his wide- ranging knowledge and experience in making management decisions for the Group.
			[Reason for appointing him as an independent executive] He concurrently serves as a representative director of Business Link Co., Ltd., an outside director of Honda Plus Co., Ltd., an outside director (audit and supervisory committee member) of Kaitori Okoku Co., Ltd., and an outside director of Sanshin Mining Ind. Co., Ltd. However, there is no special relationship between our company and any of these companies. Accordingly, it was concluded that there would be no conflict of interest with general shareholders, so he was designated as an independent executive.
			She has a wealth of knowledge from her experience as an accounting and tax expert. The company appointed her as an outside director based on the judgment that she could make use of her expertise in strengthening the governance of the Group and in making management decisions for our group from an objective and professional perspective.
Kana Yasuda	0	Not applicable	She concurrently serves as head of Yasuda Tax & Accountant Office, an outside auditor of Sugi Holdings Co., Ltd., an outside director of Geo Holdings Corporation, an outside director of Chuo Spring Co., Ltd., and an outside director (audit and supervisory committee member) of Kondotec Inc. However, there is no special relationship between our company and this office and any of these four companies. Accordingly, it was concluded that there would be no conflict of interest with general shareholders, so she was designated as an independent executive.
Kaoru Kurashima	0	Not applicable	He has extensive experience in corporate management, having served as a director and senior managing executive officer of a global food company both domestically and internationally. He also has a high degree of insight and extensive management experience in corporate management, global business, and overseas business development. The company appointed him as an outside director as the Company believes that he will apply his insight and experience to the management decisions of the Group.
			[Reason for appointing her as an independent executive] He concurrently serves as Chairman of the Ajinomoto Foundation and Chairman of the Japan Umami Seasonings Association, but there is no special relationship between the Company and each of the entities where he concurrently serves. Accordingly, it was concluded that there would be no conflict of interest with general shareholders, so she was designated as an independent executive.

#### State of establishment of Voluntary Committee(s) Corresponding to Nomination Committee or Compensation Committee

Committee's Name, Composition, and Attributes of Chairperson

	Committee's Name	All Committee Members	Full-time Members (Name)	Inside Directors (Name)	Outside Director (Name)	Outside Experts (Name)	Other (Name)	Chairperson
Voluntary Committee Corresponding to Nomination Committee	Nomination and Compensation Committee	7	0	3	3	0	1	Outside Director
Committee Corresponding to Compensation Committee	Nomination and Compensation Committee	7	0	3	3	0	1	Outside Director

Yes

#### Supplementary Explanations

In order to increase the transparency and objectivity of the process of deciding candidates for Directors and Auditors, as well as the process of determining compensation for Directors, we have established the Nomination and Compensation Committee, which is composed of a majority of independent outside directors and independent outside auditors. The Nomination and Compensation Committee deliberates on the following matters and reports to the Board of Directors.

(1) Matters concerning the election of candidates for directors and auditors

(2) Matters concerning the policy for determining director compensation, etc.

(3) Matters concerning determination of individual compensation, etc. for directors

(4) Matters concerning dismissal of directors and auditors

(5) Matters concerning the appointment and dismissal of representative director

(6) Matters concerning the succession plan

The selection of the chairperson of the Nomination and Compensation Committee is elected by resolution of the Nomination and Compensation Committee. The Growth Strategy Office is in charge of the committee's secretariat.

#### [Corporate Auditors]

Establishment of a Board of Auditors	Established
Maximum Number of Auditors Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	5
Number of Auditors	4

Cooperation among Auditors, Accounting Auditors and Internal Audit Office

The auditors will exchange information with the accounting auditors and the Internal Audit Office and work together to ensure the effectiveness of the Company's audits. We will create an environment in which corporate auditors can cooperate with lawyers, certified public accountants, and other outside experts when deemed necessary in the execution of their duties. In addition, in the event the auditor request advance payment or reimbursement of expenses incurred in the performance of his/her duties, such expenses or liabilities shall be promptly disposed of unless deemed unnecessary for the performance of duties by such auditor.

Employees of the Internal Audit Office, which reports directly to the President and Representative Director, assist the auditors as needed. The appointment and dismissal of these directors will also be decided upon prior consultation with the Board of Auditors. In order to ensure the independence from directors of the employees assisting the corporate auditors as described above, we establish a system that enables them to perform their duties under the direction and orders of the corporate auditors, and will consult with the Board of Auditors to determine the personnel evaluation of the employees.

Appointment of Outside Auditors	Appointed
Number of Outside Auditors	4
Number of Independent Directors out of Outside Auditors	4

Relationship with the Company (1)

Name	Attribute		I	Rela	atio	nsh	ip w	vith	the	Со	mpa	any'	ł	
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Yasunari Imamura	From another company													
Takeharu Amagi	Certified Public Accountant													
Ayako Nakagawa	Lawyer													
Megumi Yasuda	Certified Public Accountant													

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when 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 Corporate auditor 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 corporate auditor

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 corporate auditor only) k Executive of a company, between which and the Company outside directors/corporate auditors are mutually appointed (the corporate auditor only) auditor only)

I Executive of a company or organization that receives a donation from the Company (the corporate auditor only) m Others

Relationship with the Company (2)

Name	Independent Director	Supplementary Explanation of the Relationship	Reasons of Appointment
Yasunari Imamura	0	Not applicable	He has profound knowledge of business administration with plenty of experience working in sections of management, audit, business administration, etc. at business companies. The Company appointed him as an outside auditor and supervisory board member as we believe that he will utilize his knowledge and experience to strengthen the overseeing function from the viewpoints of business administration and risk control of our corporate group.
			[Reason for appointing him as an independent executive] It was concluded that there would be no conflict of interest with general shareholders, so he was designated as an independent executive.
Takeharu Amagi	0	Until 1999, he worked as an executive of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu (currently Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu LLC), our accounting auditor.	<ul> <li>He is a certified public accountant and tax accountant and possesses adequate knowledge of tax, finance, and accounting, so the Company appointed him as an outside audit and supervisory board member to secure the function of overseeing the finance, compliance system, and internal control of our corporate group with his broad knowledge, experience, etc. nurtured in his accounting office.</li> <li>[Reason for appointing her as an independent executive]</li> <li>He concurrently serves as representative director of</li> </ul>
			Hiraishi Accounting Consulting Co., Ltd. However, there is no special relationship between our company and the company. In addition, he had been an accounting auditor of our company, but it has been already 20 years since he retired, so he won't be influenced by the intentions of our company. Accordingly, it was concluded that there would be no conflict of interest with general shareholders, so she was designated as an independent executive.
			As an attorney, she has a wide range of knowledge and experience through her work at a law firm. The Company appointed her as an outside corporate auditor because we believe that she will utilize her objective and professional viewpoint to help the

Ayako Nakagawa	0	Not applicable	Company build a compliance system and internal controls.
			[Reason for appointing her as an independent executive] She concurrently serves as a lawyer at Shibata Law Office, an outside director (audit and supervisory committee member) of AUTO SERVER Co.,LTD., and an outside auditor of Yume Corporation Co., Ltd. However, there is no special relationship between our company and the office and the company. Accordingly, it was concluded that there would be no conflict of interest with general shareholders, so she was designated as an independent executive.
			She has a wide range of knowledge and experience as a certified public accountant through her work experience at an auditing firm and an accounting firm. The Company appointed her as an outside corporate auditor in the hope that she would utilize her objective and professional viewpoint to help the Company build a compliance system and internal controls.
Megumi Yasuda	0	Not applicable	[Reason for appointing her as an independent executive] She also serves as the head of the Yasuda Magumi Certified Public Accountants Office, an outside auditor of Soken Chemical & Engineering Co., Ltd., a bidding monitor committee member of the Weather Agency, and a visiting associate professor at the Department of Accounting and Finance, Faculty of Global Business, Showa Women's University. However, there is no special relationship between our company and these companies and organizations.

#### [Independent Directors]

Number of Independent Directors	7

Other Matters concerning Independent Directors

In appointing outside directors and outside auditors, our company does not have any specific standards or policies regarding independence. However, our election is based not only on the criteria of satisfying the externality requirements stipulated in the Companies Act, but also on the criteria for independent directors of the Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc.

#### [Incentives]

Status of Incentive Policies for Directors Introduction

Introduction of a performance-based compensation system, and others

Supplementary Explanation

Adoption of a stock-based compensation system with restriction on transfer

At the meeting of the Board of Directors held on August 17, 2020, we reviewed the compensation system for executives, and resolved to adopt a stock-based compensation system with restriction on transfer (hereinafter referred to as "this system"). The proposal for adoption of this system was discussed, approved, and adopted at the 51st annual meeting of shareholders (hereinafter referred to as "the shareholders meeting") held on September 24, 2020.

[Outline of this system]

Directors who are eligible for this system will pay all of the monetary compensation provided by our company based on this system as properties contributed in kind, and common shares of our company will be issued or disposed of.

The total amount of compensation for eligible directors is up to 90 million yen per year in addition to the current monetary compensation, and the total number of common shares of our company to be issued or disposed of in accordance with this system is up to 15,000 per year (provided, however, that it is possible to reasonably adjust the number of shares to be issued or disposed of, if there is a compelling reason for said adjustment, such as the split or reverse split of common shares of our company.)

So that the sharing of shareholder value, which is one of the purposes of the adoption of this system, will be realized in the medium/long term, the transfer restriction period is from the date of issuance of shares with restriction on transfer to the date of resignation or retirement of each eligible director as a director of our company or from other posts designated by the board of directors of our company. The exact date of payment and allocation to each eligible director will be determined at a meeting of the board of directors.

In addition, the paid-in amount per common share of our company to be issued or disposed of in accordance with this system will be determined by the board of directors within a range that is not advantageous to eligible directors, with reference to the closing price of common shares of our company at Tokyo Stock Exchange on the business day before the date of resolution regarding said issuance or disposal at a meeting of the board of directors (if shares are not traded on that date, the closing price on the preceding trading day).

When issuing or disposing of common shares of our company in accordance with this system, our company and eligible director will sign a contract for allocation of shares with restriction on transfer (hereinafter referred to as "the allocation contract"), which includes the following provisions:

(1) Eligible directors will not transfer or pledge common shares of our company allocated to them in accordance with the allocation contract or dispose of said shares for a predetermined period.

(2) If there is a reasonable reason, our company will acquire said common shares free of charge.

Recipients of Stock Options	Inside Directors
Supplementary Explanation	

On August 17, 2020, the Board of Directors reviewed the executive compensation system and decided not to issue new stock options to directors when adopting a resolution to introduce a restricted stock compensation plan.

ector Compensation]	
Disclosure of Individual Directors' Compensation	No Individual Disclosure
Supplementary Explanation	
Executive compensation for directors and auditors for the fiscal year	
Director: 214 million yen Auditor: 32 million yen	r ended June 2023 was as follows.
Director: 214 million yen	Yes

We regard the basic policy concerning the decision of compensation, etc. for directors and sustainable growth and the enhancement of corporate value over the medium to long term as top management priorities. We believe that the compensation system for directors should also contribute to our growth and the enhancement of corporate value. To this end, we have established the following basic policies: "Compensation to be able to recruit outstanding human resources who put our management philosophy into practice," "Compensation system to motivate sustainable increases in corporate value," and "Highly transparent and objective compensation decision-making process."

#### [Supporting System for Outside Directors and/or Outside Auditors]

Our company distributes materials to outside directors and outside auditors in advance of the Board of Directors meeting, and provides advance explanations of particularly important matters to be discussed at the Board of Directors meeting. The Internal Audit Office responds to external auditors as necessary. In addition, full-time auditors communicate information to part-time auditors by holding meetings of the Board of Auditors.

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

#### 1. Business execution and auditing structure

To ensure that directors execute their duties efficiently, we hold regular meetings of the Board of Directors once a month and extraordinary meetings as necessary to make decisions on important matters and supervise the status of execution of duties. In addition, the management meeting, consisting of full-time directors, shall be held once a week in principle to discuss individual management issues from a practical standpoint and supplement the system to ensure efficient execution of duties by directors.

#### 2. Status of Internal Audits and Audits by Corporate Auditors

The Internal Audit Office, which has seven personnel under the direct control of the president, conducts internal audits based on an annual audit plan approved by the president, with respect to operations stipulated in the rules for asset management, labor management, hygiene management, cash management, etc. for each store, mainly through on-site inspections. The Internal Audit Office also conducts internal audits of each division on the status of internal processing procedures (rules) and legal compliance, and provides advice and recommendations to improve operations. In addition, our company prepares audit reports on the results of audits and reports them to the directors and the heads of the divisions. We also require the divisions to submit improvement plans, and has a system in place for timely follow-up to determine whether improvements are being made in an appropriate manner.

Auditors audit the execution of duties by directors and audit the Internal Audit Office to determine whether the Company's decision-making and execution of duties are rational from the perspectives of laws and regulations, public service, and management efficiency. Audit results are reported to the Board of Auditors, the president and the Executive Committee. In addition, the Board of Auditors and the accounting auditors meet regularly once a quarter and exchange information and opinions as necessary.

#### 3. Status of Accounting Audit

Audits by certified public accountants are commissioned to Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu LLC, and accounting audits are regularly conducted during the fiscal year without being biased toward the end of the fiscal year. The auditing system for the fiscal year under review is as follows.

Continuous audit period: 18 years Certified public accountant who executed the audits: Yasuhiko Goto, Takashi Horiba

Composition of assistants for audit work: Certified public accountants: 13

Other: 16

#### 4. Determination of directors' compensation

Compensation for our directors and auditors is determined by the Board of Directors in accordance with the Executive Compensation System Policy, which was resolved in September 2019, within the limit of the amount of compensation for directors approved at the General Meeting of Shareholders. In addition, apart from the above monetary compensation, compensation in the form of restricted stock for transfer is determined by the Board of Directors within the limit approved by the General Meeting of Shareholders.

Compensation for auditors is determined by consultation at the Board of Auditors within the limits of auditors compensation, etc. approved at the General Meeting of Shareholders.

#### 3. Reasons for Adoption of Current Corporate Governance System

We have adopted a corporate audit system and have established the General Meeting of Shareholders, the Board of Directors, the Board of Auditors and the Independent Auditors as stipulated in the Companies Act.

As of the date of this report, the Board of Directors is composed of eight directors, including three outside directors. The Board of Directors holds regular meetings once a month and extraordinary meetings as necessary. In addition to matters stipulated by law or the Articles of Incorporation, the Board of Directors makes decisions on important matters related to basic management policies and plans, and reports on monthly and annual financial results.

We appoint and assign outside directors to strengthen management decision-making and supervisory functions and improve transparency. The assignment of outside directors is intended to enable personnel with broad knowledge and experience in management to express their opinions from an objective standpoint as management experts and to supervise the execution of business by directors.

As of the date of this report, the Board of Auditors has established a system that enables all four auditors, as outside auditors, to ensure objectivity and neutrality, and to audit the status of execution of duties. In addition to the Board of Directors, auditors also attend management meeting and other important meetings, freely expressing opinions from the standpoint of auditors, and auditing the status of the execution of duties by directors. The Company believes that they are functioning sufficiently from the perspective of the effectiveness of business management.

In the execution of business, we hold the management meeting in order to speed up decision-making and realize flexible management. The management meeting is a forum for discussions among senior management (full-time directors, executive officers, general managers and managers of each division), and is held once a week in principle. We discuss important matters, including matters to be submitted to the Board of Directors. Some employees other than senior executives may also participate as needed.

With regard to the executive officer system, the Company aims to clarify responsibilities and improve the fairness and transparency of management by separating the decision-making and supervisory functions for important management matters from the business execution functions, and to further strengthen the functions of the Board of Directors and accelerate and improve the efficiency of operations. In addition, we have established the Internal Control Promotion Committee with the aim of further observing laws and regulations within the Company, promoting the development of an internal control system, promoting the development of a risk management system, and ensuring thorough implementation of corporate ethics.

Our company has adopted the current corporate governance system based on the belief that appropriate corporate governance can be achieved by the management oversight function by auditors and the check and balance function by the internal control system described below.

# 1. Measures to Vitalize the General Meeting of Shareholders. and Smooth Exercise of Voting Rights

	Supplementary Explanations
Early Dispatch of Convocation Notice of General Meeting of Shareholders.	We send the convocation notice 20 days before the date of the General Meeting of Shareholders.
Scheduling of General Meeting of Shareholders to Avoid Peak Periods	Since the Company's fiscal year ends in June, we do no set the general meeting of shareholders on the peak period.
Allowing Electronic Exercise of Voting Rights	We have introduced the system for exercising voting rights via the Internet (including smartphones and mobile phones).
Participation in Electronic Voting Platform and other methods to improve the environment for exercise of voting rights by institutional investors	We participate in the Electronic Voting Platform for Institutional Investors operated by ICJ, Inc.
Providing Convocation Notice in English	Considering the composition of the Company's shareholders, we recognize the need to provide information in English to overseas shareholders, and have disclosed English translations of the convocation notice (convocation notice and reference documents in the narrow sense) on the website of the Financial Instruments Exchange.
Other	The PDF file of the convocation notice is posted on the Tokyo Stock Exchange and our website on the day before the date of dispatch of the convocation notice. In addition, at the General Meeting of Shareholders, presentation slides are used for visualization.

### 2. IR Activities

	Supplementary Explanations	Explanation by the representative himself/herself
Preparation and Publication of Disclosure Policy	The Company has formulated a disclosure policy and disclosed it on its website. https://www.monogatari.co.jp/ir/d_policy/	
Holding Regular Briefings for for Analysts and Institutional Investors	As a general rule, we consider the timing for holding briefings for analysts and institutional investors to be after the end of the fiscal year, the first half of the fiscal year, and each quarter, and our policy is to hold briefings on a regular basis.	Yes
Holding Regular Briefings for Overseas Investors	As a general rule, we consider the timing of briefings for analysts and institutional investors to be after the end of the fiscal year, the first half of the fiscal year and each quarter, and our policy is to hold briefings on a regular basis.	None
Posting of IR Materials on Website	We have set up a place on our website to post IR materials, including press releases, financial results, monthly information, and materials for financial results briefings.	
Establishment of Department and/or Manager in Charge of IR	The Public Relations & Investor Relations Office is in charge.	

## 3. Measures to Ensure Due Respect for Stakeholders

	Supplementary Explanations
Making Provisions for Respecting the Position of Stakeholders through Internal Rules and Regulations, etc.	In July 2023, the Company formulated the human rights policy and the multi-stakeholder policy.
Implementation of Environmental Preservation and CSR Activities, etc.	In July 2023, the Company formulated the environmental policy and the procurement policy. In September 2023, the Company agreed with TCFD's recommendations.
Other	The Basic Policy on Sustainability was formulated in June 2022. The Company also established an anti-bribery and corruption policy in July 2023.

# $I\!V\!$ . Matters Related to the Internal Control System

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

#### Basic Views on Internal Control System

Our company's main business is the direct management of restaurant chains and the development of franchise chains. Therefore, there are many laws to be complied with, such as the Food Sanitation Law, and the risk of loss due to food poisoning, fire, etc. is predicted. Based on these business characteristics, we believe that it is an important management issue to establish and appropriately operate an internal control system to achieve sound and sustainable development.

#### Overview of Status of Internal Control System

At the Board of Directors meeting held on July 18, 2023, our Group resolved to revise part of our basic policy on internal control systems as a basic policy for the development and operation of systems for the proper execution of business. The status of the development of our Group's internal control system is as follows.

We have established Compliance Rules to ensure that the execution of duties by directors and employees of the Group complies with laws and the Articles of Incorporation, and strive to ensure that they are implemented and thoroughly implemented. In addition, in accordance with the division of duties regulations, administrative authority regulations, and organizational regulations, our company shall disclose such information to directors and employees at all times for inspection in accordance with the duties and authorization of directors and employees and shall ensure that the execution of operations is conducted in compliance with the Articles of Incorporation.

The Internal Control Promotion Committee, chaired by the President and Representative Director, meets once every two months to verify the appropriateness and effectiveness of internal compliance and internal management controls, identify any problems, and take specific measures to address them. The committee is responsible for establishing and implementing overall internal controls. To ensure that the execution of our duties follows laws, regulations, and the Articles of Incorporation, we regularly conduct audits by Audit & Supervisory Board members and internal audits of each division by the Internal Audit Office, which reports directly to the President and Representative Director.

Moreover, we have established and operate an internal reporting system as a means for employees to directly provide information on suspicious acts under laws and regulations, in order to detect and rectify improprieties at an early stage. For more information, please visit the Company's website. (https://www.monogatari.co.jp/ir/c\_g/) \*only available in Japanese

#### 2. Basic Views on Excluding Antisocial Forces and State of Development of Related Measures

Our Group's "Basic Policy on Sustainability", "Compliance and Risk Management Rules", and "Basic Policy on Internal Control System" stipulate that we shall block any relationship with antisocial forces that threaten the order and safety of civil society, and we have formulated a "Manual for Exclusion of Antisocial Forces including Organized Crime Groups and Response to Unreasonable Requests," which clearly states our Group's blocking of any relationship with antisocial forces. In addition, the Company has established the following management system for the exclusion of antisocial forces.

#### a. Establishment of Response Departments and Countermeasures Committees

We make the department in charge of dealing with antisocial forces the general affairs planning department, and the general manager of the general affairs planning department acts as the person in charge of dealing with antisocial forces in an effort to block relationships with antisocial forces. When necessary, the General Manager of the General Affairs Planning Department, with the approval of the General Manager of the Administration Division, appoints appropriate human resources (both internal and external) and temporarily establishes an Antisocial Forces Countermeasures Committee to respond to antisocial forces.

#### b. Response to antisocial forces in stores

At stores, the person in charge of primary response for this matter is the store manager (or, if absent, a secondary employee). In addition, in accordance with the points to be noted, the person in charge shall make an oral emergency report in accordance with the procedures and prepare a document concerning the response as "Report on Response to Antisocial Forces including Organized Crime Groups".

c. Cooperation with External Specialized Institutions

Centered on the General Affairs and Planning Department, we work in close cooperation with the local police department, the Prefectural Council for the Elimination of Organized Crime Groups, and lawyers.

d. Survey with business partners

For new business partners, we have introduced a mechanism to conduct an Antisocial Forces Survey in advance in accordance with the "Manual for Response to New Business Partners." For existing business partners, we conduct an Antisocial Forces Survey once a year.

# V. Other

1. Adoption of Anti-Takeover Measures

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Supplementary Explanation

No anti-takeover measures have been established at present.



