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To Our Shareholders:

1-9-2, Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo
Hitachi Chemical Co., Ltd.
Director and President & Chief Executive Officer
Kazuyuki Tanaka

Notice of the 66th Annual General Shareholders' Meeting

You are cordially invited to attend the Company's 66th Annual General Shareholders' Meeting (the "AGM") to be held in accordance with the details listed below.

If you are unable to attend the AGM, please exercise your voting rights through a voting form or the Internet, after referring to the reference materials set out at the end of this Notice, and in accordance with the "Information on Exercising Voting Rights" set out on page 3.

1. Date and time: 10:00 A.M., Friday, June 19, 2015

2. Location: Mandarin Oriental Tokyo, 3F Grand Ballroom
Nihonbashi Mitsui Tower, 2-1-1, Nihonbashi Muromachi, Chuo-ku
Tokyo

3. Purpose of meeting:

Items to be Reported:

Report on the contents of the business report, the consolidated financial statements, and the non-consolidated financial statements for the 66th business term (from April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015), and on the contents of the audit reports of the Independent Auditor and the Audit Committee for the consolidated financial statements.

Please note that the business report, the consolidated financial statements, and the non-consolidated financial statements, as well as the audit reports relating thereto, are contained in the "66th Report" as enclosed.

Items to be Resolved:

No. 1: Partial amendments to Articles of Incorporation
No. 2: Election of nine Directors

4. Matters determined regarding exercise of voting rights

(1) If you do not indicate your vote for each proposal when you exercise your voting rights through the enclosed voting form or the Internet, the Company will assume you have indicated your vote in favor of the proposal as proposed.

(2) If you exercise your voting rights via the Internet, the Company will treat the voting made via the Internet as valid even if you indicate otherwise by returning a voting form by mail.

(3) In the event that a voting right is exercised more than once via the Internet or other method, the most recent vote will be treated as valid.

(4) If using postal mail, please send the completed voting form so that it arrives at the Company before 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, June 18, 2015 (Japan Time).

(5) If exercising voting rights via the Internet, please do so before 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, June 18, 2015 (Japan Time).

Information for and Request to Shareholders

- The reception desk will open at **9:00 A.M.** You are advised to arrive at the venue early as the reception area is expected to become crowded close to the AGM start time.
- Please note that there will be no shareholders lounge or complimentary beverages.
- Before the start of the AGM, the Company plans to screen a film on the birth and growth of the Company (with a runtime of approximately 22 minutes).
- If you attend the AGM on the day, please bring along the enclosed voting form and be sure to submit it at the reception desk.
- Please note that the exercise of your voting rights by a proxy is only allowed if you mandate one of the shareholders of the Company who holds a voting right. Please note further that you may mandate one proxy only.
- Any corrections required to be made to the business report, the consolidated financial statements, the non-consolidated financial statements, or to the reference materials, during the period from the day on which this Notice was sent out and to the day immediately before the meeting date, will be posted on the Company's website on the Internet (http://www.hitachi-chem.co.jp).

Information on Exercising Voting Rights

Please carefully read and agree to the following information before exercising your voting rights if you choose to exercise them through the enclosed voting form or the Internet.

Details

If exercising voting rights through the enclosed voting form

Please indicate your approval or disapproval for each proposal on the enclosed voting form and send the completed voting form by postal mail. Please note that you are not required to affix your seal to the form.

If exercising voting rights via the Internet

You may access the website from your computer, cellular phone, or smartphone.

(1) Please access the online voting website: http://www.tosyodai54.net

You may use the two-dimensional barcode here to access the website if your cellular phone or smartphone is equipped with a barcode reader.

(2) Enter the code and password for exercising voting rights as indicated in the "Requests to shareholders" on the voting form.

(3) Follow the instructions on the screen and exercise your voting rights.

(4) Please note that the Company will not bear any telecommunication fees such as telephone bills or Internet service provider connection fees required upon accessing the online voting website.

(5) Please be advised that you may not be able to use the online voting website depending on the type of cellular phone or smartphone you use.

(6) Should you have any questions regarding technical matters, please contact the following.

Transfer Agent: Tokyo Securities Transfer Agent Co., Ltd.
Tel: 0120-88-0768 (toll free only within Japan)
Inquiries are accepted 7 days a week from 9:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. (Japan Time)

Reference Materials for General Shareholders' Meeting

Item to be Resolved No. 1 Partial amendments to the Articles of Incorporation

1. Reasons for partial amendments

The Company proposes to amend its Articles of Incorporation in accordance with the proposed amendments mentioned below given that the Act for the Partial Revision of the Corporation Law (No. 90 of 2014) (the "Revised Corporation Law") has taken effect on May 1, 2015.

(1) The Revised Corporation Law allows the Company to enter into an agreement for limitation of liability not only with Outside Directors but also with other Directors who do not serve concurrently as Executive Officers. The Company proposes to adopt this revision so that the Directors can fully perform their expected roles (the proposed amendments to Article 24 of the Articles of Incorporation).

(2) The Company proposes to change the language of provisions based on the pre-revised Corporation Law to those based on the Revised Corporation Law (proposed amendments to Article 4, item 2, and Article 25). Please note that, due to the transitional measures prescribed in the Supplementary Provisions of the Revised Corporation Law, the provision in the articles of incorporation regarding a company with a nominating committee and other committees (Article 4) is deemed already amended as of May 1, 2015, the date on which the Revised Corporation Law became effective. The Company's proposals are intended to reflect the deemed amendment to the Articles of Incorporation.

The proposal to amend Article 24 of the Articles of Incorporation has been approved by each of the Audit Committee members.

2. Content of the amendments to the Articles of Incorporation

The amendments to be made are as follows.

(The proposed amendments are underlined.)

Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed amendments
(Organs) Article 4. In addition to the general meeting of shareholders and directors, the Company shall have the following organs: 1. The Board of Directors 2. Committees 3. Independent Auditors	*(Organs)* Article 4. In addition to the general meeting of shareholders and directors, the Company shall have the following organs: 1. The Board of Directors 2. Nominating and other committees (meaning the nominating committee, compensation committee, and audit committee; the same applies below) 3. Independent Auditors
(Exemption of Directors' Obligation) Article 24. Under the provisions of Article 426 paragraph 1 of the Corporation Law, the Company may, by resolution of the board of directors, exempt directors (including a person who used to be the director) from obligation under Article 423 paragraph 1 of the Corporation Law, provided that such exemption is up to the amount set forth inapplicable laws and ordinances. 2. Under the provisions of Article 427 paragraph 1 of the Corporation Law, the Company may enter into an agreement with an outside director limiting the obligation of such outside director under Article 423 paragraph 1 of the Corporation Law; provided, however, that the amount of obligation under such agreement shall be limited to (i) the amount stipulated in such agreement that is no less than twelve (12) million yen, or (ii) the amount set by applicable laws and ordinances, whichever is greater.	*(Exemption of Directors' Obligation)* Article 24. Under the provisions of Article 426 paragraph 1 of the Corporation Law, the Company may, by resolution of the board of directors, exempt directors (including a person who used to be the director) from obligation under Article 423 paragraph 1 of the Corporation Law, provided that such exemption is up to the amount set forth inapplicable laws and ordinances. 2. Under the provisions of Article 427 paragraph 1 of the Corporation Law, the Company may enter into an agreement with directors (excluding those who serve concurrently as executive directors, etc.) limiting the obligation of such directors under Article 423 paragraph 1 of the Corporation Law; provided, however, that the amount of obligation under such agreement shall be limited to (i) the amount stipulated in such agreement that is no less than twelve (12) million yen, or (ii) the amount set by applicable laws and ordinances, whichever is greater.
(Regulations of Committees) Article 25. Matters concerning the committees of Article 4 item 2 of these Articles of Incorporation shall be governed by the Regulations of Committees set by each committee, in addition to what is provided by applicable laws, ordinances, these Articles of Incorporation or the resolutions of the board of directors.	*(Regulations of Committees)* Article 25. Matters concerning the nominating and other committees of Article 4 item 2 of these Articles of Incorporation shall be governed by the Regulations of Committees set by each committee, in addition to what is provided by applicable laws, ordinances, these Articles of Incorporation or the resolutions of the board of directors.

Item to be Resolved No. 2 Election of Nine Directors

As the term of office of all nine of the Company's Directors will expire at the conclusion of the AGM, it is proposed to elect nine Directors.

The candidates for Directors determined by the Nominating Committee are as follows, and of these, Mr. Takashi Kawamura, Mr. Shigeru Azuhata, Mr. Yoshio Osawa, Mr. Takemoto Ohto, Mr. George Olcott, and Ms. Chieko Matsuda (six candidates in total) are candidates for Outside Director.

No.	Name (Date of birth)	Position and assignment in Company and significant concurrent positions	Career summary		Number of Company shares held
1	Takashi Kawamura (December 19, 1939) 	Outside Director, Chairman of the Board, Nominating Committee Member, and Compensation Committee Member of the Company Advisor of Hitachi, Ltd. Outside Director and Chairman of the Board of Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd. Outside Director of Mizuho Financial Group, Inc.	April 1962 June 1995 June 1997 April 1999 April 2003 June 2003 June 2005 June 2006 June 2007 April 2009 June 2009	Joined Hitachi, Ltd. Director of Hitachi, Ltd. Executive Managing Director of Hitachi, Ltd. Representative Director and Executive Vice President of Hitachi, Ltd. Director of Hitachi, Ltd. (retired from office in June 2007) Chairman of the Board and Representative Executive Officer of Hitachi Software Engineering Co., Ltd. Chairman of the Board of Hitachi Plant Engineering & Construction Co., Ltd. (retired from office in June 2009) Chairman of the Board of Hitachi Software Engineering Co., Ltd. (retired from office in June 2007) Chairman of the Board of Hitachi Maxell, Ltd. (retired from office in June 2009) Representative Executive Officer, Chairman & Chief Executive Officer, and President & Chief Executive Officer of Hitachi, Ltd. Representative Executive Officer, Chairman & Chief Executive Officer, President & Chief Executive Officer, and Director of Hitachi, Ltd.	3,000

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No.	Name (Date of birth)	Position and assignment in Company and significant concurrent positions	Career summary		Number of Company shares held
			April 2010	Representative Executive Officer, Chairman & Chief Executive Officer (retired from office in March 2011), and Director of Hitachi, Ltd.	
			April 2011	Chairman of the Board of Hitachi, Ltd.	
			June 2012	Outside Director, Chairman of the Board (to present), Nominating Committee Member (to present), and Compensation Committee Member (to present) of the Company	
			April 2013	Chairman of the Board of Hitachi Research Institute (retired from office in March 2015)	
			April 2014	Director of Hitachi, Ltd.	
			June 2014	Advisor of Hitachi, Ltd. (to present)	
			June 2014	Outside Director and Chairman of the Board of Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd. (to present)	
			June 2014	Outside Director of Mizuho Financial Group, Inc. (to present)	
	Reason for nomination as a candidate for Outside Director Having being involved in management in a wide range of areas including power systems business and software, this candidate possesses abundant experience and wide-ranging insight. It is expected that the functions of the Board of Directors will be enhanced by this candidate applying such experience and insight to the management of the Hitachi Chemical Group from a broad perspective. The candidate has therefore been nominated as a candidate for Outside Director. The number of years since this candidate took office as an Outside Director of the Company is three.				

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No.	Name (Date of birth)	Position and assignment in Company and significant concurrent positions	Career summary		Number of shares of Company held
2	Shigeru Azuhata (November 21, 1949) 	Outside Director, Nominating Committee Member, and Compensation Committee Member of the Company Fellow of Hitachi, Ltd. Outside Director of Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd.	April 1975	Joined Hitachi, Ltd.	1,000
			April 2009	Vice President and Executive Officer of Hitachi, Ltd. (General Manager of Research & Development Division)	
			April 2009	Chairman of the Board of Hitachi (China) Research & Development Corporation (retired from office in March 2014)	
			June 2010	Outside Director, Nominating Committee Member, Audit Committee Member, and Compensation Committee Member of the Company	
			April 2011	Senior Vice President and Executive Officer of Hitachi, Ltd. (Hitachi Group CTO and General Manager of Research & Development Division)	
			April 2012	Representative Executive Officer and Executive Vice President of Hitachi, Ltd. (Hitachi Group CTO and General Manager of Research & Development Group)	
			October 2013	Representative Executive Officer and Executive Vice President of Hitachi, Ltd. (CTO and General Manager of Research & Development Group) (retired from office in March 2014)	
			April 2014	Fellow of Hitachi, Ltd. (to present)	
			April 2014	Outside Director of Hitachi Medical Corporation	
			June 2014	Outside Director (to present), Nominating Committee Member (to present), and Compensation Committee Member (to present)of the Company	
			June 2014	Outside Director of Hitachi Construction Machinery Co., Ltd. (to present)	

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No.	Name (Date of birth)	Position and assignment in Company and significant concurrent positions	Career summary	Number of shares of Company held
	Reason for nomination as a candidate for Outside Director This candidate possesses abundant operational experience and specialist knowledge in research and development. It is expected that the functions of the Board of Directors will be enhanced by this candidate applying such experience and knowledge to the management of the Hitachi Chemical Group from a broad perspective. The candidate has therefore been nominated as a candidate for Outside Director. The number of years since this candidate took office as an Outside Director of the Company is one.			

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No.	Name (Date of birth)	Position and assignment in Company and significant concurrent positions	Career summary		Number of shares of Company held
3	Yoshio Osawa (February 23, 1941) 	Outside Director, Nominating Committee Member, and Audit Committee Member of the Company Chairman of the Board of Konomi, Inc. Outside Corporate Auditor of YKK Corporation	April 1964 June 1995 June 1997 June 2002 April 2005 June 2005 June 2005 June 2007 September 2007 June 2009 June 2010	Joined The Industrial Bank of Japan, Limited Executive Managing Director of The Industrial Bank of Japan, Limited Executive Vice President & Director of IBJ Securities Co., Ltd. President & Director of Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd. (retired from office in March 2005) Director of Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd. (retired from office in March 2005) Consultant of Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd. (retired from office in March 2007) Outside Corporate Auditor of Nippon Suisan Kaisha, Ltd. Outside Corporate Auditor of YKK Corporation (to present) Chairman of Konomi, Inc. (to present) Outside Director of Nippon Suisan Kaisha, Ltd. Outside Director (to present), Nominating Committee Member (to present), and Audit Committee Member (to present) of the Company	2,000

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	Reason for nomination as a candidate for Outside Director This candidate possesses abundant specialist knowledge relating to finance and securities, as well as wide-ranging insight cultivated as a manager and as an outside corporate auditor and outside director of other companies. It is expected that the functions of the Board of Directors will be enhanced by this candidate applying such knowledge and insight to the management of the Hitachi Chemical Group from a standpoint that is independent of the Hitachi Group. The candidate has therefore been nominated as a candidate for Outside Director. Please note that there are no special interests between the Company and Konomi, Inc. or YKK Corporation, where Mr. Osawa holds significant concurrent positions. The number of years since this candidate took office as an Outside Director of the Company is five.

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No.	Name (Date of birth)	Position and assignment in Company and significant concurrent positions	Career summary		Number of shares of Company held
4	Takemoto Ohto (January 3, 1945) 	Outside Director, Nominating Committee Member, and Audit Committee Member of the Company Outside Corporate Auditor of Imperial Hotel, Ltd.	April 1968	Joined Nihon Reizo K.K. (currently, Nichirei Corporation)	1, 000
			January 1995	Chief of Secretary's Office of Nichirei Corporation	
			April 1996	General Manager, Kyushu Sales Branch Office of Nichirei Corporation	
			April 1997	Manager of Human Resources Department and Chief of Secretary's Office of Nichirei Corporation	
			June 1997	Director of Nichirei Corporation (Manager of Human Resources Department and Chief of Secretary's Office)	
			April 1998	Director of Nichirei Corporation (Manager of Human Resources Department)	
			June 2001	Representative Director and Chairman of Nichirei Corporation (retired from office in June 2007)	
			June 2007	Advisor of Nichirei Corporation	
			June 2010	Outside Director (to present), Nominating Committee Member (to present), and Audit Committee Member (to present) of the Company	
			June 2011	Outside Corporate Auditor of Imperial Hotel, Ltd. (to present)	
			June 2013	Consultant of Nichirei Corporation	

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	Reason for nomination as a candidate for Outside Director This candidate possesses abundant specialist knowledge relating to human resources and general affairs, as well as wide-ranging insight cultivated as a manager and as an outside corporate auditor of other companies. It is expected that the functions of the Board of Directors will be enhanced by this candidate applying such knowledge and insight to the management of the Hitachi Chemical Group from a standpoint that is independent of the Hitachi Group. The candidate has therefore been nominated as a candidate for Outside Director. Please note that there are no special interests between the Company and Imperial Hotel, Ltd., where Mr. Ohto holds a significant concurrent position. The number of years since this candidate took office as an Outside Director of the Company is five.

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No.	Name (Date of birth)	Position and assignment in Company and significant concurrent positions	Career summary		Number of shares of Company held
5	George Olcott (May 7, 1955) 	Outside Director and Audit Committee Member of the Company Guest Professor, Faculty of Business and Commerce, Keio University Outside Director of DENSO Corporation	July 1986 November 1991 September 1993 April 1997 April 1998 February 1999 February 1999 June 2000 September 2001 March 2005 March 2008 June 2008 April 2010 September 2010 April 2014 June 2014 June 2014	Joined S.G. Warburg & Co., Ltd. Director of S.G. Warburg & Co., Ltd. Executive Director of Equity Capital Market Group of S.G. Warburg Securities London Head of Tokyo Branch of SBC Warburg Vice President of LTCB-UBS-Brinson Asset Management President of UBS Asset Management (Japan) President of Japan UBS Brinson Group Managing Director, Equity Capital Market, UBS Warburg Tokyo Judge Business School, University of Cambridge FME Teaching Fellow, Judge Business School, University of Cambridge Senior Fellow, Judge Business School, University of Cambridge Outside Director of Nippon Sheet Glass Co., Ltd. Outside Director of NKSJ Holdings, Inc. Project Professor, Research Center for Advanced Science and Technology, The University of Tokyo Guest Professor, Faculty of Business and Commerce, Keio University (to present) Outside Director (to present) and Audit Committee Member (to present) of the Company Outside Director of DENSO Corporation (to present)	400

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	Reason for nomination as a candidate for Outside Director This candidate possesses abundant experience and wide-ranging insight as an academic and as a manager. It is expected that the functions of the Board of Directors will be enhanced by this candidate applying such experience and insight to the management of the Hitachi Chemical Group from a standpoint that is independent of the Hitachi Group. The candidate has therefore been nominated as a candidate for Outside Director. Please note that there are no special interests between the Company and Keio University or DENSO Corporation, where Mr. Olcott holds significant concurrent positions. The number of years since this candidate took office as an Outside Director of the Company is one.

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No.	Name (Date of birth)	Position and assignment in Company and significant concurrent positions	Career summary		Number of shares of Company held
6	Chieko Matsuda (November 18, 1964) 	Outside Director and Audit Committee Member of the Company Professor, Graduate School of Social Science, Tokyo Metropolitan University Professor, Faculty of Urban Liberal Arts, Tokyo Metropolitan University Outside Director of AEON Financial Service Co., Ltd. Outside Director of S.T. CORPORATION Outside Corporate Auditor of SATO HOLDINGS CORPORATION	April 1987 October 1998 September 2001 November 2002 May 2006 October 2006 April 2011 April 2011 June 2012 June 2012 June 2013 June 2014	Joined The Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan, Limited Joined Moody's Japan, K.K. Joined Corporate Directions, Inc. (retired in May 2006) Senior Researcher of Japan Association for Chief Financial Officers (to present) Representative Director of Matrix, Inc. (retired from office in March 2011) Joined Booz & Company, Inc. (retired in March 2011) Professor, Graduate School of Social Science, Tokyo Metropolitan University (to present) Professor, Faculty of Urban Liberal Arts, Tokyo Metropolitan University (to present) Outside Director of S.T. CORPORATION (to present) Outside Corporate Auditor of SATO HOLDINGS CORPORATION (to present) Outside Director (to present) and Audit Committee Member (to present) of the Company Outside Director of AEON Financial Service Co., Ltd. (to present)	-

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	Reason for nomination as a candidate for Outside Director This candidate possesses abundant specialist knowledge relating to business administration, accounting, and finance, as well as wide-ranging insight cultivated as a university professor and as a manager. It is expected that the functions of the Board of Directors will be enhanced by this candidate applying such knowledge and insight to the management of the Hitachi Chemical Group from a standpoint that is independent of the Hitachi Group. The candidate has therefore been nominated as a candidate for Outside Director. Please note that there are no special interests between the Company and Tokyo Metropolitan University, AEON Financial Service Co., Ltd., S.T. Corporation, or SATO Holdings Corporation, where Ms. Matsuda holds significant concurrent positions. The number of years since this candidate took office as an Outside Director of the Company is two.

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No.	Name (Date of birth)	Position and assignment in Company and significant concurrent positions	Career summary		Number of shares of Company held
7	Kazuyuki Tanaka (April 29, 1953) 	Director, Nominating Committee Member, Compensation Committee Member and Representative Executive Officer, President & Chief Executive Officer of the Company (Oversight of all business affairs)	April 1977 April 2005 April 2006 June 2006 April 2008 April 2009 June 2009	Joined the Company Executive Officer of the Company (retired from office in March 2006) Senior Executive Director of Hitachi Media Electronics Co., Ltd. Representative Director and President & Director of Hitachi Media Electronics Co., Ltd. (retired from office in March 2008) Vice President and Executive Officer of the Company Representative Executive Officer, President & Chief Executive Officer of the Company (to present) Director of the Company (to present), Nominating Committee Member of the Company (to present), and Compensation Committee Member (to present) of the Company	26,100
	Reason for nomination as a candidate for Director Having being involved in management in the materials business and the automotive/electronic components business in the Company and other Hitachi Group companies, this candidate possesses abundant experience, a proven track record and excellent management talent. This candidate has been nominated as a candidate for Director as he is suitable for the important responsibility of managing the Hitachi Chemical Group. He is expected to pursue the sharing of information as a member of the Board of Directors and to enhance the decision-making function of the Board of Directors.				

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No.	Name (Date of birth)	Position and assignment in Company and significant concurrent positions	Career summary		Number of shares of Company held
8	Kazuyoshi Tsunoda (March 12, 1954) 	Director, and Audit Committee Member of the Company	October 1981 April 2005 April 2006 April 2009 April 2010 November 2010 April 2011 November 2011 June 2014	Joined the Company Executive Officer of the Company Vice President and Executive Officer of the Company President & Director and Chief Executive Officer of Hitachi Chemical Diagnostics, Inc. (retired from office in June 2011) Representative Director and President & Director of Hitachi Powdered Metals Co., Ltd. (retired from office in March 2013) Chairman of the Board of Hitachi Powdered Metals (Thailand) Co., Ltd. (retired from office in June 2013) Representative Executive Officer and Senior Vice President of the Company Chairman of the Board of Hitachi Chemical India Private Limited (retired from office in March 2013) Director of the Company (to present) and Audit Committee Member (to present) of the Company	20,400
	Reason for nomination as a candidate for Director Having being involved in the management of the Company's materials business and businesses of other Hitachi Chemical Group companies, this candidate possesses extensive business experience and knowledge. This candidate has been nominated as a candidate for Director as he is expected to pursue the sharing of information as a member of the Board of Directors and to enhance the decision-making function of the Board of Directors.				

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No.	Name (Date of birth)	Position and assignment in Company and significant concurrent positions	Career summary		Number of shares of Company held
9	Yoshihiro Nomura (July 27, 1956) 	Director, and Representative Executive Officer, Executive Vice President and Executive Officer (Oversight of energy business, automotive products business and risk management (including corporate export regulation & control and internal control))	April 1980	Joined the Company	11,700
			April 2008	Executive Officer of the Company	
			April 2010	Vice President and Executive Officer of the Company	
			April 2011	Chairman of the Board and Managing Director of Hitachi Chemical (China) Co., Ltd. (retired from office in March 2013)	
			April 2011	Chairman of the Board of Hitachi Chemical (Nantong) Co., Ltd. (retired from office in March 2013)	
			February 2012	Chairman of the Board of Hitachi Chemical (Yantai) Co., Ltd. (retired from office in March 2013)	
			February 2012	Chairman of the Board of Hitachi Chemical (Shanghai) Co., Ltd. (retired from office in March 2013)	
			July 2012	Chairman of the Board of Hitachi Chemical (Chongqing) Co., Ltd. (retired from office in March 2013)	
			April 2013	Representative Executive Officer and Senior Vice President & Executive Officer of the Company	
			April 2013	Chairman of the Board of Hitachi Chemical India Private Limited (retired from office in March 2014)	
			June 2013	Director of the Company (to present)	
			April 2015	Representative Executive Officer and Executive Vice President & Executive Officer of the Company (to present)	
	Reason for nomination as a candidate for Director Having being involved in the management of the Company's materials business and businesses of overseas Hitachi Chemical Group companies, this candidate possesses extensive business experience and knowledge. This candidate has been nominated as a candidate for Director as he is expected to pursue the sharing of information as a member of the Board of Directors and to enhance the decision-making function of the Board of Directors.				

Notes:

1. Special remarks regarding candidates for Outside Director:

   Under the Articles of Incorporation and Article 427, paragraph 1, of the Corporation Law, the Company has entered into an agreement with six Directors, namely Mr. Takashi Kawamura, Mr. Shigeru Azuhata, Mr. Yoshio Osawa, Mr. Takemoto Ohto, Mr. George Olcott, and Ms. Chieko Matsuda to limit their liability under Article 423, paragraph 1, of the Corporation Law, and the Company intends to extend those agreements should these Directors be elected at this AGM. In addition, if the proposal to elect Mr. Kazuyoshi Tsunoda as a Director is approved, he will be a non-executive director, etc. under Article 427 of the Corporation Law. The Company intends to enter into a similar agreement with Mr. Tsunoda pursuant to Article 24 of the Articles of Incorporation, subject to approval of the proposal under Item to be Resolved No. 1 (Partial amendments to the Articles of Incorporation). The amount of liability under such agreement will be limited to (i) twelve (12) million yen, or (ii) the minimum amount set by Article 425, paragraph 1, of the Corporation Law, whichever is greater.

2. Special remarks regarding independent directors:

   The following four Directors, namely Mr. Yoshio Osawa, Mr. Takemoto Ohto, Mr. George Olcott, and Ms. Chieko Matsuda, satisfy the independence requirements set out by the Tokyo Stock Exchange, and the Company has notified the Tokyo Stock Exchange of the appointments of these four Directors as independent directors.

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Access to the Venue of the 66th Annual General Shareholders' Meeting

