Independent Directors/Auditors (Audit & Supervisory Board Members) Notification

1. Basic Information

| Company Name | NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORPORATION Code 9432 | | | | | | | |
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| Date of Filing | | 5/15/2020 Date of change 6/23/2020 | | | | | | |
| Reasons for Filing this Notification "Attributes of the Directors/Auditors" have been changed. | | | | | | | | |
| NTT has designated all candidates who meet the Independence standards as Independent Directors/Auditors. ** 1 | | | | | | | | |

2. Information Regarding Independence of Independent Directors/Auditors and Outside Directors/Auditors

| I No I Name I | Outside | Independent Directors/ Auditors | Attributes of the Directors/Auditors ※ 2, 3 | | | | | | | | | | | Consent of the | | | | |
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| | Directors/Auditors | | а | b | С | d | е | f | g | h | ï | j | k | I | N/A | Change | Director/Auditor | |
| 1 | Katsuhiko Shirai | Outside Director | 0 | | | | | | | | | | 4 | | Δ | | Modified | Yes |
| 2 | Sadayuki Sakakibara | Outside Director | 0 | | | | | | | | | | Δ | | Δ | | Modified | Yes |
| 3 | Ken Sakamura | Outside Director | 0 | | | | | | | | | | 0 | | 0 | | Modified | Yes |
| 4 | Keiko Takegawa | Outside Director | 0 | | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | | Modified | Yes |
| 5 | Takashi Iida | Outside Auditor | 0 | | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | | Modified | Yes |
| 6 | Hideki Kanda | Outside Auditor | 0 | | | | | | | | | | 0 | | Δ | | Modified | Yes |
| 7 | Kaoru Kashima | Outside Auditor | 0 | | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | | Modified | Yes |

3. Description of Attributes of Independent Directors/Auditors and Reasons for Appointment

| No. | Supplementary Explanation of the Relationship ^{※4} | Reasons for Appointment ^{※5} | | | | | | | |
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| | is designated as an independent Outside Director, served as President, and The Foundation for the Open University of Japan, where he served as Chairperson, as described in the "Reasons for Appointment" column, the Company has determined that there is no possibility of this having any effect on the judgments of shareholders and investors, so a summary of this relationship has been omitted | Mr. Katsuhiko Shirai has a wealth of experience as operational director of an educational institution and has a high level of integrity and insight. The Company believes that he will help strengthen the supervisory function for business execution and expects to incorporate the advice he provides from his wide-ranging managerial perspective. In addition, although the Company and its major subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions and donations with Waseda University, where Mr. Shirai served as President, and The Foundation for the Open University of Japan, where he served as Chairperson, as shown in the table below, Mr. Shirai fulfills the independence criteria stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange, on which the Company is listed, and the Company's own independence standards for independent officers. <att "4.="" (see="" 3="" and="" explanation")="" fiscal="" its="" last="" major="" note="" subsidiaries="" supplementary="" the="" three="" under="" within="" years=""></att> | | | | | | | |
| 1 | | Transaction counterparty | Content | Comparison basis | Comparative size | | | | |
| | | Waseda University, at which Mr. Shirai served as President | Total annual amount of transactions | Total annual operating revenues of the Company and its major subsidiaries | Less than 1% | | | | |
| | | | | Total annual income of the university | Less than 1% | | | | |
| | | (resigned in November, 2010) | Total annual amount of donations | Total annual income of the university | Less than 1% | | | | |
| | | The Foundation for the Open University of Japan, at which Mr. Shirai served as Chairman | Total annual amount of | Total annual operating revenues of the Company and its major subsidiaries | Less than 1% | | | | |
| | | (resigned in March, 2017) | transactions | Total annual income of the university | Less than 1% | | | | |
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Although the Company and its major subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions and donations with Toray Industries, Inc., where Mr. Sadayuki Sakakibara, who is designated as an independent Outside Director, served as Chairman of the Board, and the Japan Business Federation (Keidanren), where he served as Chairperson, as described in the "Reasons for Appointment" column, the Company has determined that there is no possibility of this having any effect on the judgments of shareholders and investors, so a summary of this relationship has been omitted here.

Mr. Sadayuki Sakakibara has a wealth of experience as a corporate manager and has a high level of integrity and insight. The Company believes that he will help strengthen the supervisory function for business execution and expects to incorporate the advice he provides from his wide-ranging managerial perspective.

In addition, although the Company and its major subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions and donations with Toray Industries, Inc., where Mr. Sakakibara served as Chairman of the Board, and the Japan Business Federation (Keidanren), where he served as Chairperson, as shown in the table below, Mr. Sakakibara fulfills the independence criteria stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange, on which the Company is listed, and the Company's own independence standards for independent officers.

<NTT and its major subsidiaries within the last three fiscal years (see Note 3 under "4. Supplementary Explanation") >

| Transaction counterparty | Content | Comparison basis | Comparative size | |
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| Toray Industries, Inc., at which Mr. Sakakibara served as Chairman of the Board | Total annual amount of | Total annual operating revenues of the Company and its major subsidiaries | Less than 1% | |
| (resigned in June, 2015) | transactions | Total sales of Toray Industries, Inc. | Less than 1% | |
| Japan Business Federation (Keidanren), at which Mr. Sakakibara served as | Total annual amount of transactions | Total annual operating revenues of the Company and its major subsidiaries | Less than 1% | |
| Chairperson (resigned in May, 2018) | Total annual amount of donations | _ | 10 million yen or less | |

Although the Company and its major subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions and donations with the University of Tokyo, where Mr. Ken Sakamura, who is designated as an independent Outside Director, previously served as a professor, and Toyo University, where he currently serves as a dean, as described in the "Reasons for Appointment" column, the Company has determined that there is no possibility of this having any effect on the judgments of shareholders and investors, so a summary of this relationship has been omitted here.

Mr. Ken Sakamura has a wealth of experience in the research and development fields, and has a high level of integrity and insight. The Company expects that he will contribute to the strengthening of the supervisory function for business execution and expects him to provide advice from his wide-ranging perspective.

Although the Company and its major subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions and donations with the University of Tokyo, where Mr. Ken Sakamura previously served as a professor, and Toyo University, where he currently serves as a dean, as shown in the table below, both cases fulfill the independence criteria stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange, on which the Company is listed, and the Company's own independence standards for independent officers

<NTT and its major subsidiaries within the last three fiscal years (see Note 3 under "4. Supplementary Explanation") >

| Transaction counterparty | Content | Comparison basis | Comparative size | |
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| The University of Talest at which Mr. Kon | Total annual amount of | Total annual operating revenues of the Company and its major subsidiaries | Less than 1% | |
| The University of Tokyo, at which Mr. Ken Sakamura served as a professor (resigned in March, 2017) | transactions | Total annual income of the university | Less than 1% | |
| (resigned in Plateir, 2017) | Total annual amount of donations | Total annual income of the university | Less than 1% | |
| | Total annual amount of | Total annual operating revenues of the Company and its major subsidiaries | Less than 1% | |
| Toyo University, at which Mr. Ken Sakamura serves as a Dean | transactions | Total annual income of the university | Less than 1% | |
| | Total annual amount of donations | - | 10 million yen or less | |

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Although the Company and its major subsidiaries have a relationship involving Ms. Keiko Takegawa has a wealth of experience in public relations and diversity promotion within transactions with Showa Women's University, where Ms. Keiko Takegawa, who is the government and has a high level of integrity and insight. The Company expects that she will designated as an independent Outside Director, currently serves as a dean of contribute to the strengthening of the supervisory function for business execution and expects faculty, as described in the "Reasons for Appointment" column, the Company has her to provide advice from her wide-ranging perspective. determined that there is no possibility of this having any effect on the judgments of shareholders and investors, so a summary of this relationship has been omitted Although the Company and its major subsidiaries have a relationship involving transactions with Showa Women's University, where Ms. Keiko Takegawa currently serves as a dean of faculty, as shown in the table below, this case fulfills the independence criteria stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange, on which the Company is listed, and the Company's own independence standards for independent officers. <NTT and its major subsidiaries within the last three fiscal years (see Note 3 under $^{\prime\prime}4$. 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Office, where he currently serves as a representative, as described in the Although the Company and its major subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions with Reasons for Appointment" column, the Company has determined that there is no possibility of this having any effect on the judgments of shareholders and investors, Mori Hamada & Matsumoto, where Mr. Takashi Iida previously served, and Kowa Law Office, so a summary of this relationship has been omitted here. where he currently serves as a representative, as shown in the table below, this case fulfills the independence criteria stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange, on which the Company is listed, and the Company's own independence standards for independent officers. NTT and its major subsidiaries within the last three fiscal years (see Note 3 under "4. Supplementary Explanation") > 5 Comparison basis Comparative size Transaction counterparty Content Mori, Hamada and Matsumoto, at which Total annual Total annual operating revenues of the Company and Mr. Takashi Iida served amount of Less than 1% (resigned in December, 2011) transactions its major subsidiaries Total annual Total annual operating Kowa Law Office, at which Mr. Takashi Less than 1% $^{(\ast)}$ amount of revenues of the Company and Iida serves as a representative transactions its major subsidiaries (Note) Applicable transactions only include those related to common communication services. Although the Company and its subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions Mr. Hideki Kanda is an expert with a wealth of experience in the legal sector and has served as and donations with the University of Tokyo, where Mr. Hideki Kanda, who is a university professor specializing in law for many years. The Company expects that he will designated as an independent Outside Auditor, previously served as a professor, conduct future audits based on the knowledge and insight he has gained throughout his career. and Gakushuin University, where he currently serves as a professor, as described in the "Reasons for Appointment" column, the Company has determined that there is Although the Company and its subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions and no possibility of this having any effect on the judgments of shareholders and donations with the University of Tokyo, where Mr. Hideki Kanda previously served as a investors, so a summary of this relationship has been omitted here. professor, and Gakushuin University, where he currently serves as a professor, as shown in the table below, both cases fulfill the independence criteria stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange, on which the Company is listed, and the Company's own independence standards for independent officers. <NTT and its major subsidiaries within the last three fiscal years (see Note 3 under "4. Supplementary Explanation") > Transaction counterparty Content Comparison basis Comparative size 6 Total annual operating Less than 1% revenues of the Company and Total annual its major subsidiaries amount of The University of Tokyo, at which Mr. transactions Total annual income of the Hideki Kanda served as a Professor Less than 1% university (resigned on March, 2016) Total annual Total annual income of the Less than 1% amount of donations Total annual operating revenues of the Company and Less than 1% Total annual Gakushuin University, at which Mr. Hidek its major subsidiaries amount of Kanda serves as a Professor transactions Total annual income of the Less than 1% university Although the Company and its subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions Ms. Kaoru Kashima is an expert with a wealth of experience as a certified public accountant. with Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC, where Ms. Kaoru Kashima, who is designated as The Company expects that she will conduct future audits based on the knowledge and insight an independent Outside Auditor, previously served, as described in the "Reasons she has gained throughout her career. for Appointment" column, the Company has determined that there is no possibility of this having any effect on the judgments of shareholders and investors, so a Although the Company and its subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions with Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC, where Ms. Kaoru Kashima previously served, as shown in the table below, summary of this relationship has been omitted here. this case fulfills the independence criteria stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange, on which the Company is listed, and the Company's own independence standards for independent 7 <NTT and its major subsidiaries within the last three fiscal years (see Note 3 under "4. $\mathsf{Supplementary}\;\mathsf{Explanation}'')>$ Comparative size Transaction counterparty Content Comparison basis Total annual operating Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC, at Less than 1% Total annual revenues of the Company and its major subsidiaries which Ms. Kashima served amount of (resigned on June, 2019) transactions Total annual income of the Less than 1% corporation

4. Supplementary Explanation

[Independence Standards for the Independent Directors/Auditors]

NTT designates outside Directors and outside Auditors that fulfill both the independence criteria stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange as well as NTT's own independence standards.

In order to meet the independence standards, a person may not fall under any of the categories below in the last three fiscal years:

- (1) A person who executes business in a partner company that exceeds NTT's standards*1
- (2) A person who executes business in a lending company that exceeds NTT's standards*2
- (3) A consultant, accountant, lawyer, or any other person providing professional services, who received monetary payments or any other gain in assets equal to or more than ¥10 million, excluding the Board Members' or Audit & Supervisory Board Members' compensation, from NTT or its major subsidiaries*3 in any of the last three fiscal years
- (4) A person who executes business in an organization that received donations exceeding NTT's standards

Even if any of (1) through (4) above applies to a person, where it has been decided that a person meets the independence standards, the reasons shall be explained and disclosed at the time of the person's appointment as the Independent Member of the Board or Audit & Supervisory Board Member.

- *1 "A partner company that exceeds NTT's standards" is defined as a company that has had any business dealing with NTT and its major subsidiaries*3 in any of the last three fiscal years equal to or more than 2% of the total operating revenues of NTT and its major subsidiaries for the respective fiscal year.
- *2 "A lending company that exceeds NTT's borrowing standards" is defined as a company in which the total amount of borrowings on a consolidated basis in any of the last three fiscal years equals to or is more than 2% of the total operating revenues of NTT's consolidated total assets for the respective fiscal year.
- *3 The major subsidiaries are NTT DOCOMO, INC., NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE EAST CORPORATION, NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE WEST CORPORATION, NTT COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION, and NTT DATA CORPORATION.
- *4 An "organization that received donations exceeding NTT's standards" is defined as an organization which received donations from NTT and its major subsidiaries*3 in any of the last three fiscal years exceeding ¥10 million or 2% of the total income of the organization, whichever is larger, during the respective fiscal year.
- X1 Check the box if all of the Outside Directors/Auditors who meet the standards for Independent Directors/Auditors have already been registered as Independent Directors/Auditors.
- X2 Items to check regarding the attributes of each Director/Auditor:
 - a. Executive of the listed company or its subsidiary
 - b. Non-executive Director or accounting advisor of the listed company or its subsidiaries (in the case of an Outside Auditor)
 - c. Non-executive Director or executive of a parent company of the listed company
 - d. Auditor of a parent company of the listed company (in the case of an Outside Auditor)
 - e. Executive of a fellow subsidiary company of the listed company
 - f. A party whose major client or supplier is the listed company or an executive thereof
 - g. Major client or supplier of the listed company or an executive thereof
 - h. Consultant, accountant or legal professional who receives a large amount of monetary payments or other assets from the listed company besides compensation as Director/Auditor
 - i. Major shareholder of the listed company (or an executive of such major shareholder if the shareholder is a legal entity)
 - j. Executive of a client or supplier company of the listed company (which does not correspond to any of f., g., or h.) (the Director/Auditor himself/herself only)
 - k. Executive of a company, between which and the listed company Outside Directors/Auditors are mutually appointed (the Auditor himself/herself only)
 - I. Executive of a company or organization that receives donations from the listed company (the Director/Auditor himself/herself only)

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

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

 Mark the box with "●" when the category presently applies to or has recently applied to a close relative or with "▲" when the category applied to a close relative in the past.
- *4 If any of the items a. through I. apply to the Director/Auditor, describe the attributes in detail (outline).
- 25 Describe the reasons for appointment as an independent Director/Auditor.