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

## 1. Basic Information

Company Name	NIPE	PON TELEGRAPH AND TEL	Gode 9432						
Date of Filing		5/10/2024	Date of change		6/20/2024				
	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. <sup>36</sup>									

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

	Outside	Independent	Attributes of the Directors/Auditors ※ 2, 3												Consent of the			
No.	Name	Directors/Auditors	Directors/ Auditors	а	b	С	d	е	f	g	h	i	j	k	-1	N/A	Change	Director/Auditor
1	Ken Sakamura	Outside Director	0										0		0		Modified	Yes
2	Yukako Uchinaga	Outside Director	0										0				Modified	Yes
3	Koichiro Watanabe	Outside Director	0										0				Modified	Yes
4	Noriko Endo	Outside Director	0										0		0		Modified	Yes
5	Natsuko Takei	Outside Director	0										Δ				New	Yes
6	Kensuke Koshiyama	Outside Auditor	0										Δ					Yes
7	Hideki Kanda	Outside Auditor	0										0				Modified	Yes
8	Kaoru Kashima	Outside Auditor	0										Δ					Yes

No.	Supplementary Explanation of the Relationship $^{ m 384}$	Reasons for Appointment **5					
	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 Head of Collaboration Hub, 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.	Company provide as In addition Tokyo, wh Hub, as sl the Comp	akamura has a wealth of experience in to expects that he will contribute to the st dvice from his wide-ranging perspective. In although the Company and its major s here Mr. Sakamura previously served as nown in the table below, both of these c. any is listed, and the Company's own in tions with NTT and its major subsidiaries	trengthening of the si ubsidiaries have rela a Professor, and Toy ases fulfill the independence standar	upervisory function for business ex- cionships involving transactions and to University, where he currently sendence criteria stipulated by the To ds for independent officers.	donations with the Universe as Head of Colla bkyo Stock Exchange,	im to niversit aboratio on whi
			Transaction counterparty	Content	Comparison basis	Comparative size	
			The University of Tokyo, where Mr. Sakamura previously served as a	Total annual amount of transactions	Total annual operating revenues of the Company and its major subsidiaries	Less than 1%	
		Professor (resigned in March, 2017)	Total annual amount of donations	Total annual income of the university  Total annual income of the university	Less than 1% Less than 1%		
			Toyo University, where Mr. Sakamura	Total annual amount of transactions	Total annual operating revenues of the Company and its major subsidiaries	Less than 1%	
			currently serves as Head of Collaboration Hub		subsidiaries  Total annual income of the university	Less than 1%	
				Total annual amount of donations	-	10 million yen or less	
	Although the Company and its major subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions with IBN Japan, Ltd., where Ms. Yukako Uchinaga, who is designated as an independent Outside Director, previously served as a Director and Senior Executive Officer, and Globalization Research Institute Co., Ltd., where she currently serves as President and CEO, as described in the "Reasons for	integrity a and exped	to Uchinaga has a wealth of experience and insight. The Company expects that sets her to provide advice from her wide-	she will contribute to	the strengthening of the supervisor		s execi
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Ithough the Company and its major subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions with The Mr. Koichiro Watanabe has a wealth of experience as a corporate executive, and has a high level of integrity and insight. The Company Dai-ichi Life Insurance Company, Limited, where Mr. Koichiro Watanabe, who is designated as an Independent Outside Director, previously served as Director and Chairman of the Board, and Dai xpects that he will contribute to the strengthening of the supervisory function for business execution and expects him to provide advice om his wide-ranging perspective chi Life Holdings, Inc., where he previously served as a Director, as described in the "Reasons for Appointment" column, the Company has determined that there is no possibility of this having any n addition, although the Company and its major subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions with The Dai-ichi Life Insurance Jompany, Limited, where Mr. Watanabe previously served as Director and Chairman of the Board, and Dai-iohi Life Holdings, Inc., where I reviously served as a Director, as shown in the table below, both of these cases fulfill the independence orteria stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange, on which the Company is listed, and the Company's own independence standards for independent officers. ffect on the judgments of shareholders and investors, so a summary of this relationship has been (Transactions with NTT and its major subsidiaries within the last three fiscal years (see Note 3 under "4. 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Outside Director, proviously served. Keio University, where she currently serves as a Project Professor, and Waseda University, where she currently serves as a Professor, 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. The Company expects that she will contribute to the strengthening of the supervisory function for business execution and expects her to ovide advice from her wide-ranging perspective. addition. although the Company and its major subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions and donations with DIAMOND. Inc., here Ms. Endo previously served, Keio University, where she currently serves as a Project Professor, and Waseda University, where s urrently serves as a Professor, as shown in the table below, all of these cases fulfill the independence criteria stipulated by the Tokyo ock Exchange, on which the Company is listed, and the Company's own independence standards for independent officer (Transactions with NTT and its major subsidiaries within the last three fiscal years (see Note 3 under "4. 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The Company expects that she will contribute to the strengthening of the supervisory function for business execution and expects her to provide advice om her wide-ranging perspective n addition, although the Company and its major subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions with Sony Group Corpora ts. Takei previously served as an Executive Vice President, as shown in the table below, this case fulfills the independence cri tipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange, on which the Company is listed, and the Company's own independence standards for independent officers. (Transactions with NTT and its major subsidiaries within the last three fiscal years (see Note 3 under "4. 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The Company expects that he will conduct future audits based on the knowledge and insight he has gained throughout his career. n addition, although the Company and its major subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions with the Board of Audit of Japan, where Mr. Koshiyama previously served as Secretary-General, as shown in the table below, this case fulfills the independence criteria tipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange, on which the Company is listed, and the Company's own independence standards for idependent officers. (Transactions with NTT and its major subsidiaries within the last three fiscal years (see Note 3 under "4. 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In addition, although the Company and its subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions and donations with the University of Tokyo, where Mr. Kanda previously served as a Professor, and Gakushuin University, where he previously served as a Professor, as shown in the table below, both of these 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. (Transactions with NTT and its major subsidiaries within the last three fiscal years (see Note 3 under "4. 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Ithough the Company and its subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions with Ernst & oung ShinNihon LLC, where Ms. Kaoru Kashima, who is designated as an independent Outside Auditor, previously served, 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 hareholders and investors, so a summary of this relationship has been omitted here.

Ms. Kaoru Kashima is an expert with a wealth of experience as a certified public accountant. The Company expects that she will conduct uture audits based on the knowledge and insight she has gained throughout her career

In addition, although the Company and its subsidiaries have relationships involving transactions with Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC, where Ms. Rashima previously served, 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.

(Transactions with 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	
Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC, at which Ms. Kashima previously served (resigned in June, 2019)	Total annual amount	Total annual operating revenues of the Company and its major subsidiaries	Less than 1%	
(resigned in June, 2019)		Total annual income of the firm	Less than 1%	

## 4. Supplementary Explanation

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[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.

n 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\*10 in any of the last three fiscal years
  (4) A person who executes business in an organization that received donations exceeding NTT's standards

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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

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  \*3 The major subsidiaries are NTT DOCOMO, INC., NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE EAST CORPORATION, NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE WEST CORPORATION, NITT COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION, and NTT DATA Group Corporation.

  \*4 An "organization that received donations exceeding NTT 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.
- 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. Check the box if all of the Outside Directors/Auditors who meet the standards for Independent Directors/Auditors have alread tlems 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
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- 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)
  l. 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 l. 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 "A" when the category applied to the Director/Auditor in the past.

  Mark the box with "O" when the category presently applies to or has recently applied to a close relative or with "A" when the category applied to a close relative in the past.

  If any of the items a. through l. apply to the Director/Auditor, describe the attributes in detail (outline).

  Describe the reasons for appointment as an independent Director/Auditor. Ж3
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