

March 3, 2017

Notice of the 79th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders

Dear Shareholders,

HORIBA, Ltd. (“the Company”) would hereby like to inform you that the 79th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders (“the Meeting”) will be held as set forth below. We would be grateful if you could attend the Meeting.

If you are unable to attend the Meeting you can still exercise your voting rights in writing or by electronic means (over the Internet, etc.). Please read the Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders that are described below, and exercise your voting rights by 5 p.m. on Friday, March 24, 2017.

1. **Date and Time:** Saturday, March 25, 2017, from 9 a.m.
2. **Location:** Auditorium of the Company, 2 Miyanohigashi-cho, Kisshoin, Minami-ku, Kyoto-shi
3. **Objectives of the Meeting:**
Items to be Reported:
 1. The Business Report, the Consolidated Financial Statements, and the audit results of the Consolidated Financial Statements by the Accounting Auditors and the Board of Corporate Auditors for the 79th Fiscal Term (from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016)
 2. The Non-Consolidated Financial Statements for the 79th Fiscal Term (from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016)

Items to be Resolved:

Agenda Election of seven (7) Directors

Exercise of voting rights by postal mail

Please indicate your approval or disapproval for each of the proposals in the space provided on the ballot and return it to the Company so it is received by 5 p.m., Friday, March 24, 2017.

Exercise of voting rights by electronic means (such as Internet)

Please access the website (<http://www.web54.net>) which the Company has designated for exercising voting rights and enter your approval or disapproval for each proposal by following the instructions on the screen, using the “voting rights exercise code” and “password” printed on the enclosed ballot. We would ask you to do this by 5 p.m. on Friday, March 24, 2017.

With regard to the exercise of voting rights over the Internet, please be advised to read “Guide for the Exercise of Voting Rights via the Internet” in the last page.

If you exercise your voting rights by the ballot and by electronic means, only the exercise of voting rights conducted by electronic means will be valid.

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1. When you attend the Meeting, please hand in the enclosed voting card at the reception.
 2. Please note that non-shareholders such as proxies or those who accompany shareholders are not allowed to attend the Meeting. You may exercise your voting right by designating one proxy who is another shareholder of the Company with a voting right in accordance with the articles of incorporation. In this case, however, please submit a document to prove the proxy voting right.
 3. Among the documents provided by the Company on the occasion of this meeting notice are the Statement of Changes in Consolidated Shareholders’ Equity and the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements in the consolidated financial statements; and the

Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity and the Notes to Non-Consolidated Financial Statements in the non-consolidated financial statements, all of which are posted on the Company's website,

(<http://www.horiba.com/jp/investor-relations/shareholders-meeting/>), pursuant to applicable laws and regulations and Article 18 of the articles of incorporation.

Accordingly, these materials are not among the documents attached to this meeting notice. Moreover, the Statement of Changes in Consolidated Shareholders' Equity and the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements in the consolidated financial statements, as well as the Statement of Changes in Shareholders' Equity and the Notes to Non-Consolidated Financial Statements in the non-consolidated financial statements have collectively undergone audits as one part of the preparation of the Consolidated Financial Statements by the Accounting Auditors, and the preparation of the Non-Consolidated Financial Statements by the Corporate Auditors.

4. Upon occurrence of circumstances resulting in the need for amendment of General Shareholders' Meeting reference materials, business reports, consolidated financial statements or financial statements, the items of amendment shall be posted on the Company's website, (<http://www.horiba.com/jp/investor-relations/shareholders-meeting/>), following the said revisions.

Invitation to the Shareholders Gathering

Please also attend the Shareholders Gathering which we will be held after the General Meeting of Shareholders.

Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders

Agenda and Reference Information

Agenda : Election of seven (7) Directors

The terms of office of all eight (8) Directors will expire at the conclusion of this Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders. We would like to ask you to elect seven (7) Directors.

Candidate s for Directors are as follows.

Candidate Number	Name (Date of birth)	Career Summary [Positions, assignment and representation of other corporations]	Number of Shares of the Company Held
1	Atsushi Horiba (February 5, 1948)	<p>September 1972 Entered the Company December 1977 General Manager of Overseas Technology Department of the Company March 1981 General Manager of Overseas Headquarters June 1982 Director of the Company June 1988 Senior Managing Director of the Company June 1989 Director of STEC Co., Ltd. (present HORIBA STEC, Co., Ltd.) January 1992 President of the Company June 1995 President of STEC Co., Ltd. (present HORIBA STEC, Co., Ltd.) August 2002 Chairman of HORIBA INSTRUMENTS (SHANGHAI) Co., Ltd. June 2005 Chairman, President & CEO of the Company (to present) April 2016 Chairman of HORIBA STEC, Co., Ltd. (to present)</p> <p>[Representation of other corporations] Chairman of HORIBA STEC, Co., Ltd. Outside Director of Rock Field, Co., Ltd. Outside Director of Wacoal Holdings Corporation</p>	1,128,900
<p>[Reason for Recommendation as Candidates for Corporate Director Positions] The candidate served as the Company's President from 1992, during which he played a leading role in spearheading the global growth of the overall HORIBA Group and otherwise accumulating rich management experience. In view of this solid background, the candidate is judged to be highly qualified for continuing to function as a Director, leading to the request for his reappointment to that position.</p>			

2	Juichi Saito (February 10, 1958)	March 1982	Entered the Company	16,363
		March 1997	General Manager of the Engine Measurement Planning & Development Department of the Company	
		February 2002	President of HORIBA Instruments Incorporated	
		June 2002	Corporate Officer of the Company	
		June 2004	Director of STEC, Co., Ltd. (present HORIBA STEC Co., Ltd.)	
		June 2005	Director of the Company (to present) Managing Director of HORIBA STEC Co., Ltd.	
		June 2008	Executive Vice President of HORIBA STEC, Co., Ltd.	
		January 2012	General Manager of Corporate & Segment Strategy Division of the Company (to present)	
		March 2013	Executive Vice President of the Company	
		March 2016	Executive Vice President and Representative Director of the Company (to present)	
[Reason for Recommendation as Candidates for Corporate Director Positions] As General manager of the Corporate & Segment Strategy Division, the candidate compiled extensive experience in promoting operations with the focus on business strategies, corporate acquisition and other sectors. He also built up an impressive overseas track record through management duties of the Company's U.S. subsidiary and other assignments, further contributing to the conclusion that he is fully capable of advancing programs of renewed global development. In view of this, we request his continued appointment to the post of Director.				
3	Masayuki Adachi (November 1, 1962)	March 1985	Entered the Company	11,597
		March 1999	General Manager of Emission Analysis R&D Department of the Company	
		March 2003	General Manager of Engine Measurement Systems Division of the Company	
		September 2005	General Manager of Automotive Test Systems Division of the Company	
		June 2006	Corporate Officer of the Company	
		January 2007	President of HORIBA International Corporation	
		April 2010	Senior Corporate Officer of the Company	
		January 2011	General Manager of Research & Development Division & R & D Steering Committee of the Company (to present)	
		March 2014	Director of the Company	
		April 2014	President of HORIBA Jobin Yvon SAS. (present HORIBA FRANCE SAS)	
		January 2016	Chairman of supervisory board of HORIBA Jobin Yvon SAS. (present HORIBA FRANCE SAS) (to present)	
		March 2016	Senior Managing Director of the Company (to present)	
[Representation of other corporations] Chairman of supervisory board of HORIBA FRANCE SAS				
[Reason for Recommendation as Candidates for Corporate Director Positions] The candidate has accumulated rich experience in the Research & Development Division, while likewise excelling in overseas management assignments at the Company's subsidiaries in the United States and France. These and other contributions support the judgment of his aptitude to play a pivotal role in advancing programs of renewed global development, leading to the request for his continued appointment to the position of Director.				

4	Takashi Nagano (April 13, 1962)	<p>March 1985 Entered the Company</p> <p>March 1999 General Manager of the Engine Measurement Planning & Development Department of the Company</p> <p>March 2001 General Manager of Engine Measurement Systems Division of the Company</p> <p>December 2003 President of HORIBA Europe GmbH</p> <p>June 2005 Corporate Officer of the Company</p> <p>June 2006 Senior Corporate Officer of the Company</p> <p>January 2011 General Manager of Sales Division(to present)</p> <p>April 2011 President & CEO of HORIBA Europe GmbH</p> <p>April 2013 CEO of HORIBA Europe GmbH</p> <p>April 2014 President of HORIBA KOREA Ltd.</p> <p>March 2016 Director of the Company(to present)</p> <p>April 2016 Chairman of HORIBA KOREA Ltd. (to present)</p> <p>[Representation of other corporations] Chairman of HORIBA KOREA Ltd.</p>	11,845
<p>[Reason for Recommendation as Candidates for Corporate Director Positions]</p> <p>The candidate has accumulated broad-based experience at the Sales Division, along with management positions at HORIBA German and South Korean subsidiaries and other familiarity with the Company's overseas operations. This background speaks highly of his qualifications to continue to provide outstanding service in the capacity of Director, leading to the request for his reappointment to that position.</p>			
5	Masahiro Sugita (October 20, 1944)	<p>April 1967 Entered Bank of Japan</p> <p>April 1989 General Manager of Matsumoto Branch, Bank of Japan</p> <p>May 1996 Director-General of International Department, Bank of Japan</p> <p>June 1998 Retired from Bank of Japan</p> <p>June 1998 Director of Overseas Investment Research Institute, the Export-Import Bank of Japan</p> <p>September 1999 Retired from the Export-Import Bank of Japan</p> <p>September 1999 Auditor of Bank of Japan</p> <p>September 2003 Retired from Auditor of Bank of Japan</p> <p>December 2003 Outside Corporate Auditor (full-time) of Banyu Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.</p> <p>June 2006 Director of the Company (to present)</p> <p>June 2007 Outside Corporate Auditor of the 77 Bank Ltd.</p> <p>October 2009 Outside Corporate Auditor of Banyu Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.</p> <p>October 2010 Auditor of MSD K.K.(to present)</p> <p>June 2013 Retired from Outside Corporate Auditor of the 77 Bank Ltd. Outside Director of the 77 Bank Ltd. (to present)</p> <p>[Representation of other corporations] MSD K.K. Auditor Outside Director of the 77 Bank Ltd.</p>	1,100
<p>[Reason for Recommendation as Candidates for Outside Director Positions]</p> <p>The candidate's plentiful experience in international economic and financial matters, penetrating knowledge and insights cultivated as a director and corporate auditor at two other companies and other assets are being put to valuable use in the Company's management. In consideration of these outstanding benefits, we request his continued appointment to the post of Outside Director.</p>			

6	Jiko Higashifushimi (June 21, 1942)	<p>April 1966 Entered Saitama Bank (present Resona Bank)</p> <p>April 1988 Higashi-Kurume Branch Manager, Saitama Bank</p> <p>March 1993 Retired from Asahi Bank (present Resona Bank)</p> <p>April 1993 Entered Shorenin Religious Corporation (Kyoto City)</p> <p>April 1994 Head Deacon, Shorenin Religious Corporation</p> <p>December 2003 Representative Presiding Director and Head Priest, Shorenin Religious Corporation (to present)</p> <p>March 2016 Director of the Company (to present)</p> <p>[Representation of other corporations] Representative Presiding Director and Head Priest, Shorenin Religious Corporation</p>	0
<p>[Reason for Recommendation as Candidates for Outside Director Positions]</p> <p>The candidate is renowned for his penetrating insight nurtured as Head Priest of Shorenin Religious Corporation. The counsel based upon this background, together with his work experience at a financial institution and other valuable personal assets have been effectively utilized in the Company's management operations to date. Taking these contributions into consideration, the appeal is hereby extended for an extension of his appointment as an Outside Director.</p>			
7	Sawako Takeuchi (July 9, 1952)	<p>April 1984 Visiting Researcher, Institute of Applied Mathematical and Economic Sciences, France</p> <p>October 1988 Deputy Director, Master of International Business (MIB) Graduate Program, Ecole Nationale des Ponts et Chaussées (France)</p> <p>September 1994 Senior Researcher, Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan Research Institute</p> <p>April 1998 Assistant Professor, School of Engineering, University of Tokyo Graduate School</p> <p>April 2002 Professor, Faculty of Economics, Toyo University Corporate Officer of the Company</p> <p>October 2004 Urban Development Sector (China Manager), Asia-Pacific Division, World Bank</p> <p>July 2005 Special Assistant to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs</p> <p>October 2005 Visiting Professor, Graduate School of Engineering, Kyoto University</p> <p>April 2011 Director, Japan Cultural Institute in Paris (Japan Foundation)</p> <p>March 2016 Director of the Company (to present)</p> <p>April 2016 Advisor to the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology (to present)</p> <p>[Representation of other corporations] Advisor to the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology.</p>	0
<p>[Reason for Recommendation as Candidates for Outside Director Positions]</p> <p>The candidate's knowledge and wisdom as an engineering PhD, her experience in France (an important base for HORIBA business operations) and other overseas assignments and additional achievements have been fruitfully utilized in the Company's management platform up to this time. To continue to benefit from this background and expertise, her appointment to continue to serve as an Outside Director is respectfully requested.</p>			

Notes:

1. In March 2016, the Company made a donation to Shorenin Religious Corporation, for which the candidate, Mr. Jiko Higashifushimi, serves as Head Priest. The amount of that contribution has not exceeded an annual average of 10 million yen for the past three business years, nor has it surpassed 2 percent of the value of the aggregate income of the said corporation during its most recent accounting year. Accordingly, insofar as the said donation satisfies the conditions pursuant to the “Independence Judgment Standards for Independent Outside Directors” stipulated by the Company, no issues are considered to exist with regard to the independence of Mr. Higashifushimi.
2. No special vested interests exist between the Company and any of the other candidates for the position of Director.
3. The candidates for Director, Mr. Masahiro Sugita, Mr. Jiko Higashifushimi and Ms. Sawako Takeuchi, are all being presented as candidates for the post of Outside Directors.
4. The Company has set forth its Policy for Nomination of Director Candidates, as well as Judgment Standards for the Independence of Independent Outside Directors (both of which are available on the Company’s website: (<http://www.horiba.com/jp/investor-relations/corporate-governance/>)). Each of the three (3) candidates for Outside Director presented in this motion satisfies all aspects these standards. Other matters pertaining to the said Outside Director candidates are as follows:
 - (1) Term of Service as HORIBA Outside Director
 - For Mr. Masahiro Sugita, the term of service as a HORIBA Ltd. Outside Director commenced with his appointment to that position at the 68th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders convened on June 17, 2006. Upon the conclusion of this latest general shareholders meeting, that period will have reached 10 years and 9 months.
 - For Mr. Jiko Higashifushimi, the term of service as a HORIBA Ltd. Outside Director commenced with his appointment to that position at the 78th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders convened on March 26, 2016. Upon the conclusion of this latest general shareholders meeting, that period will have reached 1 year.
 - For Ms. Sawako Takeuchi, the term of service as a HORIBA Ltd. Outside Director commenced with her appointment to that position at the 78th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders convened on March 26, 2016. Upon the conclusion of this latest general shareholders meeting, that period will have reached 1 year.
 - (2) Limited liability agreement
 - The Company and Mr. Masahiro Sugita, Mr. Jiko Higashifushimi and Ms. Sawako Takeuchi have signed an agreement to limit their liability under Article 423, paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, and based on this agreement their liability is limited to the minimum liability amount stipulated in laws and ordinances. If they are reappointed as Outside Director, the Company intends to continue this limited liability agreement with them.
 - (3) Notification of independent officer
 - In accordance with the provisions of the Tokyo Stock Exchange, the Company has notified these exchanges that Mr. Masahiro Sugita, Mr. Jiko Higashifushimi and Ms. Sawako Takeuchi are independent officers. If they are reappointed as Outside Director, the Company intends to have them continue serving as independent officers.
5. Mr. Masahiro Sugita serves concurrently in MSD K.K. on October 1, 2010, this company changed its trade name by changing the trade name of Schering-Plough Corporation which merged and absorbed Banyu Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.

“Guide to Exercising Voting Rights via the Internet”

(1) Notes

- Exercising your voting rights via the Internet can only be done on the website (<http://www.web54.net>) that the Company has designated. Further, this website cannot be accessed via mobile phones.
- If you exercise your voting rights multiple times via the Internet, the last vote cast will be deemed to be the valid one.
- You can set your own password for use in exercising your voting rights at this General Meeting of Shareholders when you first access the website. Please keep the part of the enclosed ballot on which the “voting rights exercise code” is printed. Also, please take care not to forget the password you have input.
In addition, if the wrong password is input more than a certain number of times the website will be locked and it will not be possible to access it. To request a new password please follow the on-screen instructions.
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In addition, if the wrong password is input more than a certain number of times the website will be locked and it will not be possible to access it. To request a new password please follow the on-screen instructions.
- Please note that our shareholders shall bear any costs incurred when accessing the dedicated voting website.

(2) Contacts

- For information concerning the operation of personal computers for the exercise of voting rights:
Web Support Help Desk of Securities Transfer Agency Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Limited
Telephone: 0120-652-031(Japan only) Opening hours: 9:00 - 21:00(Japan standard time)
- For any other information, please contact:
 - 1) Shareholder who has an account at a securities company:
Your securities company
 - 2) Shareholder who does not have an account at a securities company (shareholder who has a special account)
Securities Transfer Agency Administration Center, Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Limited
Telephone: 0120-782-031(Japan only)
Opening hours: 9:00 -17:00 excluding Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays
(Japan standard time)

To institutional investors

Institutional investors wishing to exercise their voting rights by electronic means at this General Meeting of Shareholders may do so by using the Electronic Voting Platform operated by ICJ, Inc.