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(Securities Code: 8370) May 30, 2025

To Shareholders with Voting Rights:

Hiroyuki Haraguchi President The Kiyo Bank, Ltd. 1-35, Honmachi, Wakayama City Wakayama, Japan

# NOTICE OF CONVOCATION OF THE 215TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

We are pleased to inform that the 215th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of The Kiyo Bank, Ltd. (the "Bank") will be held for the purposes as described below.

In convening this General Meeting of Shareholders, the Bank has taken measures for the provision in electronic format of information, namely the contents of Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, etc. (Electronic Provision Measures Matters). You are kindly asked to review those matters that are posted on the following website of the Bank on the Internet.

[Website of the Bank] https://www.kiyobank.co.jp/english/s meeting.html

The Electronic Provision Measures Matters are also posted on the website of the Tokyo Stock Exchange (TSE), in addition to the above website of the Bank. Please access the TSE website shown below (TSE Listed Company Search), enter "Kiyo Bank" in the field of "Issue name (company name)" or the Bank's securities code "8370" in half-width characters in the field of "Code" to search, and then select "Basic information" and "Documents for public inspection/PR information" in this order to review the information.

[Website of Tokyo Stock Exchange (TSE)] https://www2.jpx.co.jp/tseHpFront/JJK020010Action.do?Show=Show

If you do not wish to attend the meeting in person, you may exercise your voting rights in writing, or via the Internet. In that case, please review the Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, follow the directions as described on page 3, and exercise your voting rights by 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 26, 2025 Japan time.

1. Date and Time: Friday, June 27, 2025 at 10 a.m. Japan time

**2. Place:** 4F Grande, Daiwa Roynet Hotel Wakayama,

26-1, Shichibancho, Wakayama City, Wakayama, Japan

3. Meeting Agenda:

Matters to be reported: 1. The Business Report and Non-consolidated Financial Statements for the

Bank's 215th Fiscal Year (from April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025)

2. Consolidated Financial Statements for the Bank's 215th Fiscal Year (from April 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025) and results of audits of the Consolidated Financial Statements by the Accounting Auditor and the Audit and

Supervisory Committee

Proposals to be resolved:

**Proposal No. 1:** Appropriation of Surplus

Proposal No. 2: Election of Six (6) Directors (Excluding Directors Serving as Audit and

**Supervisory Committee Members**)

**Proposal No. 3:** Election of Six (6) Directors Serving as Audit and Supervisory Committee

Members

<Pre>recautions relating to the General Meeting of Shareholders>

- Please note that a person who is not a shareholder such as a proxy or an accompanying person cannot attend the General Meeting of Shareholders. (With regard to disabled shareholders, companions such as a carer who is not a shareholder or an assistance dog may be permitted to enter with them.) If exercising voting rights via proxy in accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation, please submit a document certifying the authority of proxy.
- In convening a General Meeting of Shareholders this year, we send a paper copy that states the Electronic Provision Measures Matters to all shareholders who have voting rights, including shareholders who have made a request for delivery of materials in paper form. This paper copy does not include the following documents in accordance with laws and regulations as well as the Articles of Incorporation of the Bank. The Audit and Supervisory Committee and the Accounting Auditor have audited documents, including the following items.
  - 1) (2) Status of the Property and the Profits and Losses of the Corporate Group and the Bank, (3) Status of Employees of the Corporate group and the Bank, and (4) Status of Principal Offices of the Corporate Group under "1. Matters concerning the Current Status of the Bank," and (3) Agreement on Limitation of Liability, (4) Indemnity Agreement, and (5) Directors' and Officers' Liability Insurance Contract under "2. Matters concerning Company Officers (Directors)," "5. Matters concerning the Bank's Share Acquisition Rights, etc.," "6. Matters concerning the Accounting Auditor," "7. Basic Policy concerning Persons who control the Bank's Decisions on Financial and Business Policies," "8. Systems for Ensuring the Properness of Business Activities and the Operation of the Systems," "9. Matters concerning specified Wholly-Owned Subsidiary company," "10. Matters concerning Transaction between the Stock Company and its Parent Company, etc.," "11. Matters concerning Accounting Advisor(s)" and "12. Others" in the Business Report
  - 2) Balance Sheet, Statement of Income, and Non-consolidated Statement of Changes in Net Assets and Notes to the Non-consolidated Financial Statements
  - 3) Consolidated Balance Sheet, Consolidated Statement of Income, and Consolidated Statement of Changes in Net Assets and Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements
- If the Electronic Provision Measures Matters require any revisions, we will post a notice to that effect, as well as the versions before and after the revisions, on each of the websites where the Electronic Provision Measures Matters are posted.
- © If there is no indication of your vote for or against any of the proposals on the returned Voting Rights Exercise Form, you will be deemed to have approved that proposal.

If not attending the General Meeting of Shareholders

### **Exercise of Voting Rights by Mail**

Please indicate your vote for or against the proposals on the Voting Rights Exercise Form and return it so that it is received by the following deadline.

Deadline for Exercise of Voting Rights: 5:30 p.m., Thursday, June 26, 2025, Japan time

### **Exercise of Voting Rights via the Internet**

Please follow the instructions on the voting website, and indicate your vote for or against the proposals by the following deadline.

Deadline for Exercise of Voting Rights: 5:30 p.m., Thursday, June 26, 2025, Japan time

• If attending the General Meeting of Shareholders

Please bring the Voting Rights Exercise Form with you and submit it at the reception desk.

Meeting Date and Time: 10:00 a.m., Friday, June 27, 2025, Japan time

### [Handling of Duplicate Voting]

- (1) If you vote both in writing on the Voting Rights Exercise Form and via the Internet, only your vote placed via the Internet will be valid.
- (2) If you submit your vote multiple times via the Internet, only the last vote will be valid.

End

### Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders

### **Proposals and References**

### Proposal No. 1: Appropriation of Surplus

As a basic policy, in light of its public nature as a regional financial institution, the Bank aims to secure both a stable management foundation over the long term, accumulating appropriate internal reserves with the intent of strengthening its financial structure, as well as strengthening returns to shareholders, and as a management index to indicate profitability and capital efficiency, work to improve the stock price.

Based on this basic policy, it is proposed that the surplus be appropriated as follows, giving comprehensive consideration to factors such as the result of the 215th term as well as an internal reserve provided for future business development.

Matters concerning year-end dividends

- 1) Type of dividend property Cash
- 2) Matters concerning the allotment of dividend property and the total amount 65 yen per share of common stock, for a total of 4,164,179,760 yen
  - \* As 45 yen per share has already been paid as interim dividends in December last year, the annual dividends for the term under review will amount to 110 yen per share, an increase of 60 yen per share compared to the previous fiscal year.
- 3) Effective date of distribution of surplus Monday, June 30, 2025

[Reference] The shareholder return policy was revised in November, 2024.

| Prior to change  |   | After change   |
|--|---|--|
| Total return ratio: 40% or more for dividends and acquisition of treasury shares combined. | • | Targets: Approximately 40% of a dividend payout ratio Progressive dividends with profit growth while executing flexible and intermittent share buybacks. |

## **Proposal No. 2:** Election of Six (6) Directors (Excluding Directors Serving as Audit and Supervisory Committee Members)

The terms of office of all six (6) Directors (excluding Directors serving as Audit and Supervisory Committee Members; hereinafter, the same shall apply in this proposal) will expire at the conclusion of this Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. We therefore propose the election of six (6) Directors.

Furthermore, the selection of candidates for Director has been determined following the deliberation of the Nomination Advisory Committee (Note).

Additionally, upon deliberation on this Proposal, the Audit and Supervisory Committee determined that each candidate was suitable as Director of the Bank in view of factors such as their status of business execution and business results during the fiscal year under review.

The candidates for Directors are as follows.

(Note) The Nomination Advisory Committee is a voluntary advisory body that deliberates on matters about which it has been consulted by the Board of Directors, in order to enhance transparency in the appointment of Directors, etc.; majority of its members are Independent Outside Directors, and its Chairperson is also an Independent Outside Director.

| No. |      | Name               |               | Current position at the Bank  |
|-----|------|--------------------|---------------|---|
| 1   | Male | Yasuyuki Matsuoka  | Reappointment | Chairman and Representative Director                                      |
| 2   | Male | Hiroyuki Haraguchi | Reappointment | President and Representative Director,<br>President and Executive Officer |
| 3   | Male | Norio Maruoka      | Reappointment | Director, Managing Executive Officer                                      |
| 4   | Male | Sakae Mizobuchi    | Reappointment | Director, Managing Executive Officer                                      |
| 5   | Male | Morihisa Mukai     | Reappointment | Director, Senior Executive Officer  |
| 6   | Male | Hiroyuki Sando     | New candidate | Senior Executive Officer  |

| No. | Name<br>(Date of birth)   | (D.   | . aiti a.m. | Past experience  | Number of shares of the |
|-----|---------------------------|-------|-------------|--|-------------------------|
|     | (Date of offili)          | (PC   |             | s, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions)   | Bank held               |
|     |                           | Apr.  |             | Joined the Bank and served as Deputy Manager of Head<br>Office Marketing Department and General Manager of<br>Shirahama Branch, etc. |                         |
|     |                           | Jun.  | 2002        | General Manager, Secretarial Office, Management Planning<br>Department   |                         |
|     | Reappointment             | Oct.  | 2002        | General Manager, Reform Project Promotion Office;<br>General Manager, Secretarial Office   |                         |
|     | Yasuyuki Matsuoka         | Apr.  | 2003        | Deputy General Manager, Management Planning Division   |                         |
|     | Oct. 18, 1955             | Apr.  | 2004        | General Manager, Management Planning Division  |                         |
|     | (69 years old)            | Jun.  | 2005        | Director; General Manager, Business Promotion Division   |                         |
| 1   | Term of office as         | Jun.  | 2009        | Managing Director; General Manager, Head Office<br>Marketing Department  | 49,003                  |
| 1   | Director                  | Jun.  | 2012        | Managing Director  | shares                  |
|     | 20 years                  | Jun.  |             | Senior Managing Director   |                         |
|     |                           | Jun.  |             | President and Representative Director  |                         |
|     |                           | Jun.  |             | President and Representative Director, President and   |                         |
|     |                           |       |             | Executive Officer  |                         |
|     | FD 0 :                    | Jun.  |             | Chairman and Representative Director (current position)  |                         |
|     | [Reasons for nomina       |       |             | -  |                         |
|     | •                         |       |             | Director since June 2005, served as President and Representative Director from   |                         |
|     |                           | _     |             | Director from June 2021, and has knowledge and experience to precisely,  |                         |
|     |                           | -     | _           | ement of banks, and as the Bank has judged that he can continue to contribute  |                         |
|     | to management, he has bee |       |             |  |                         |
|     |                           | Apr.  | 1983        | Joined the Bank and served as General Manager, Kibi<br>Branch; General Manager, Sumiyoshi Branch, etc.                               |                         |
|     |                           | Jun.  | 2010        | General Manager, Computer Systems Department   |                         |
|     |                           | Oct.  |             | General Manager, Tanabe Branch   |                         |
|     |                           | Jun.  |             | Executive Officer; General Manager, Tanabe Branch  |                         |
|     |                           | Jun.  |             | Executive Officer; General Manager, Marketing  |                         |
|     |                           | Juii. | 2013        | Supervisory Department, Business Promotion Division  |                         |
|     |                           | Jun.  | 2016        | Executive Officer; General Manager, Business Promotion   |                         |
|     |                           |       | _010        | Division; General Manager, Marketing Supervisory   |                         |
|     |                           |       |             | Department; General Manager, Marketing Planning  |                         |
|     | Reappointment             |       |             | Department   |                         |
|     | TT:                       | Oct.  | 2016        | Executive Officer; General Manager, Business Promotion   |                         |
|     | Hiroyuki Haraguchi        |       |             | Division; General Manager, Marketing Supervisory   |                         |
|     | Nov. 25, 1962             |       |             | Department   |                         |
|     | (62 years old)            | Apr.  |             | Executive Officer  |                         |
| 2   | Term of office as         | Jun.  |             | Director, Senior Executive Officer   | 25,300                  |
| -   | Director                  | Apr.  | 2018        | Director, Senior Executive Officer; General Manager,   | shares                  |
|     | 8 years                   | _     |             | General Administration Division  |                         |
|     | o years                   | Jun.  | 2019        | Director, Managing Executive Officer; General Manager,<br>Planning Division  |                         |
|     |                           | Apr.  | 2020        | Director, Managing Executive Officer; General Manager,   |                         |
|     |                           | _     |             | Management Planning Division; General Manager, Human   |                         |
|     |                           |       |             | Resources Department   |                         |
|     |                           | Oct.  | 2020        | Director, Managing Executive Officer; General Manager,   |                         |
|     |                           | _     | • • •       | Management Planning Division   |                         |
|     |                           | Jun.  | 2021        | President and Representative Director, President and   |                         |
|     |                           |       |             | Executive Officer (current position)   |                         |
|     | ED 3                      |       | 4.          | (Current responsibilities) Audit Department  |                         |
|     | [Reasons for nomina       |       |             | =  |                         |
|     |                           |       |             | Director from June 2017, served as President and Representative Director from  |                         |
|     |                           |       |             | to precisely, fairly, and efficiently execute corporate management of banks, and   |                         |
|     |                           | 4 1   | t           | contribute to management, he has been selected as a candidate for Director.  |                         |

| Apr. 1988 Joined the Bank and served as General Manager of Osaka Chuo Branch and General Manager of Hirano Branch, etc.  Jun. 2013 General Manager, Risk Management Department  Jun. 2014 General Manager, Strategy Planning Department,  Management Planning Division  Jun. 2015 General Manager, Loan Department,  Apr. 2016 Executive Officer; General Manager, Loan Department  Apr. 2017 Executive Officer; General Manager, Loan Department  Apr. 2018 Executive Officer; General Manager, Loan Department  Sept. 23, 1964 (60 years old)  Term of office as  3 Director  5 years  Mar. 2021 President and Representative Director, Kiyo Capital  Management Co., Ltd.  Jun. 2022 Director, Managing Executive Officer; General Manager,  Business Promotion Division  Apr. 2023 Retired from President and Representative Director, Kiyo  Capital Management Co., Ltd.  Apr. 2023 Director, Managing Executive Officer; General Manager,  Management Planning Division (current position)  (Current responsibilities) Tokyo Headquarters, Loan  Division  [Reasons for nomination as a candidate for Director] | No. | Name<br>(Date of birth)   | (  | Past experience (Positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions)  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|-----|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Mr. Norio Maruoka has served as General Manager of Hirano Branch and General Manager of Loan Department, etc., and served as Director from June 2020. He has also served as President and Representative Director of Kiyo Capital Management Co., Ltd. for two years from March 2021, and has knowledge and experience to precisely, fairly, and efficiently execute corporate management of banks, and as the Bank has judged that he can continue to contribute to management, he has been selected as a candidate for Director.  | 3   | Norio Maruoka Sept. 23, 1964 (60 years old)  Term of office as Director 5 years  [Reasons for nomin Mr. Norio Maruoka has se served as Director from Ju Co., Ltd. for two years fro corporate management of | Jun. Jun. Oct. Apr. Apr. Jun. Mar. Jun. Apr. Apr. ation as erved as Come 2020. m March banks, an | 2013<br>2014<br>2015<br>2015<br>2017<br>2018<br>2020<br>2020<br>2021<br>2022<br>2023<br>2023<br>2023<br>s a candid<br>General Mana<br>He has also<br>2021, and h | Chuo Branch and General Manager of Hirano Branch, etc. General Manager, Risk Management Department General Manager, Strategy Planning Department, Management Planning Division General Manager, Loan Department, Loan Division General Manager, Loan Department Executive Officer; General Manager, Loan Department Executive Officer; General Manager, Sakai Operations Department; General Manager, Minami-Osaka Operations Department Executive Officer; General Manager, Business Promotion Division Director, Senior Executive Officer; General Manager, Business Promotion Division President and Representative Director, Kiyo Capital Management Co., Ltd. Director, Managing Executive Officer; General Manager, Business Promotion Division Retired from President and Representative Director, Kiyo Capital Management Co., Ltd. Director, Managing Executive Officer; General Manager, Management Planning Division (current position) (Current responsibilities) Tokyo Headquarters, Loan Division ate for Director] ager of Hirano Branch and General Manager of Loan Department, etc., and served as President and Representative Director of Kiyo Capital Management as knowledge and experience to precisely, fairly, and efficiently execute |  |  |  |  |

| No. | Name<br>(Date of birth)   | Past experience (Positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions)  | Number of shares of the Bank held |
|-----|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| 4   | Reappointment Sakae Mizobuchi Dec. 21, 1964 (60 years old) Term of office as Director 5 years  [Reasons for nomina Mr. Sakae Mizobuchi has and General Manager of E Credit & Guaranty Service | Apr. 1988 Joined the Bank and served as Manager, Head Office Marketing Department and General Manager, Yao-Minami Branch, etc.  Oct. 2010 Deputy General Manager, Marketing Supervisory Department, Business Promotion Division  Jun. 2011 Deputy General Manager, Loan Department, Loan Division  Jun. 2013 General Manager, Hirano Branch  Apr. 2015 General Manager, Regional Development Department,  Business Promotion Division  Jun. 2016 General Manager, Higashi-Wakayama Branch  Oct. 2016 General Manager, Higashi-Wakayama Branch in charge of  Associate Branches  Apr. 2018 General Manager, Higashi-Wakayama Branch in charge of  Associate Branches; General Manager, Wakayama-Higashi  Corporate Sales Department  Apr. 2019 Executive Officer; General Manager, Loan Department  Jun. 2019 Executive Officer; General Manager, Loan Division;  General Manager, Loan Department  Jun. 2019 President and Representative Director, The Hanwa Credit & Guaranty Service Co., Ltd.  Jun. 2020 Director, Executive Officer; General Manager, Loan Division  Oct. 2020 Director, Executive Officer; General Manager, Loan Division  Apr. 2022 Retired from President and Representative Director, The Hanwa Credit & Guaranty Service Co., Ltd.  Apr. 2022 Director, Executive Officer; General Manager, Conn Division  Apr. 2022 Director, Executive Officer; General Manager, General Administration Division  Apr. 2024 Director, Senior Executive Officer; General Manager,  General Administration Division  Apr. 2024 Director, Senior Executive Officer; General Manager,  General Administration Division  Apr. 2024 Director, Senior Executive Officer; General Manager,  General Administration Division  Apr. 2024 Director, Senior Executive Officer; General Manager,  Business Promotion Division (current position)  Jun. 2024 Director, Senior Executive Officer; General Manager,  Business Promotion Division (current position)  Jun. 2024 Director, Managing Executive Officer; General Manager,  Business Promotion Division (current position)  Jun. 2024 Director, Manager, Head and Repre | Bank held  14,633 shares          |
|     | has judged that he can con  | ntinue to contribute to management, he has been selected as a candidate for Director.  |                                   |

| Na  | Name  |       |                            | Past experience  | Number of |  |
|-----|---|-------|----------------------------|--|-----------|--|
| No. | (Date of birth)   | (P    | shares of the<br>Bank held |  |           |  |
|     |   | Apr.  |                            | Joined the Bank and served as Assistant to Director, Head Office Marketing Department and General Manager, Kawachinagano Branch, etc.  |           |  |
|     |   | Jun.  |                            | Deputy General Manager, Computer Systems Department  |           |  |
|     |   | Jun.  |                            | General Manager, Audit Department  |           |  |
|     |   | Oct.  |                            | General Manager, Marketing Planning Department   |           |  |
|     |   | Apr.  |                            | General Manager, Marketing Strategy Department   |           |  |
|     |   | Apr.  | 2019                       | General Manager, Higashi-Wakayama Branch in charge of Associate Branches; General Manager, Wakayama-Higashi  |           |  |
|     | Reappointment  Morihisa Mukai   | Apr.  | 2020                       | Corporate Sales Department Executive Officer; General Manager, Higashi-Wakayama Branch in charge of Associate Branches; General Manager, Wakayama-Higashi Corporate Sales Department |           |  |
|     | Dec. 25, 1965<br>(59 years old)   | Jun.  | 2021                       | Executive Officer; General Manager, Computer Systems Division  |           |  |
| 5   | Term of office as<br>Director   | Jun.  | 2021                       | President and Representative Director, Kiyo Information Systems, Ltd.  | 13,789    |  |
|     | 1 year  | Jun.  | 2023                       | Senior Executive Officer; General Manager, Computer Systems Division   | shares    |  |
|     |   | Apr.  | 2024                       | Retired from President and Representative Director, Kiyo Information Systems, Ltd.   |           |  |
|     |   | Apr.  | 2024                       | Senior Executive Officer; General Manager, General Administration Division; General Manager, Computer  |           |  |
|     |   | Jun.  | 2024                       | Systems Division   |           |  |
|     |   | Juii. | 2024                       | Director, Senior Executive Officer; General Manager,<br>General Administration Division (current position)   |           |  |
|     |   |       |                            | (Current responsibilities) Computer Systems Division   |           |  |
|     | [Reasons for nominal  |       |                            | -  |           |  |
|     |   |       |                            | nager of Kawachinagano Branch and General Manager of Higashi-Wakayama  |           |  |
|     | _   |       |                            | s well as President and Representative Director of Kiyo Information Systems,   |           |  |
|     |   |       |                            | has served as Director since June 2024. He has knowledge and experience to   |           |  |
|     | - · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·                                       | -     | _                          | ate management of banks, and as the Bank has judged that he can continue to  |           |  |
|     | contribute to management, he has been selected as a candidate for Director. |       |                            |  |           |  |

| No. | Name<br>(Date of birth)         | (Po           | Past experience (Positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions)  |  |                  |  |  |  |
|-----|---------------------------------|---------------|--|--|------------------|--|--|--|
|     |                                 | Apr.          | 2016   | Joined the Bank and served as Acting General Managers of<br>Human Resources Department, Loan Department, and<br>Computer Systems Department<br>General Manager, Izumi-Terada Branch in charge of<br>Associate Branches |                  |  |  |  |
|     | New candidate                   | Oct.          |  | Deputy General Manager, Computer Systems Department  |                  |  |  |  |
|     | Hiroyuki Sando<br>Jan. 24, 1970 | Apr.<br>Apr.  | <ul> <li>2018 General Manager, Computer Systems Department</li> <li>2020 Executive Officer; General Manager, Computer Systems</li> <li>Division; General Manager, Computer Systems Depart</li> </ul> |  |                  |  |  |  |
|     | (55 years old)                  | Feb.          | 2021   | Executive Officer; General Manager, Management Planning Department; General Manager, Related Business Office   |                  |  |  |  |
| 6   | Term of office as Director –    | Jun.          | 2023   | Senior Executive Officer; General Manager, Management<br>Planning Department; General Manager, Related Business<br>Office  | 12,841<br>shares |  |  |  |
|     |                                 | Apr.          | 2024   | Senior Executive Officer; General Manager, Sakai<br>Operations Department; General Manager, Minami-Osaka<br>Operations Department  |                  |  |  |  |
|     | Apr. 202                        | 2025          |  |  |                  |  |  |  |
|     | [Reasons for nomina             |               |  |  |                  |  |  |  |
|     | Mr. Sando Hiroyuki has se       | rved as Gene  | eral Man   | ager of Izumi-Terada Branch in charge of Associate Branches and General  |                  |  |  |  |
|     |                                 | _             |  | e. and served as Executive Officer from April 2020. He has knowledge and   |                  |  |  |  |
|     |                                 | -             | -  | secute corporate management of banks, and as the Bank has judged that he can   |                  |  |  |  |
|     | contribute to management,       | , he has been | selected   | as a candidate for Director.   |                  |  |  |  |

#### (Notes)

- 1. There are no special interests between each candidate and the Bank.
- 2. Terms of office as Director stated above are those as at the end of this Annual General Meeting of Shareholders.
- 3. The Bank has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance contract with an insurance company as set forth in Article 430-3, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act.

An overview of the contents of this insurance contract is as follows:

- This insurance contract covers damages that may arise due to the insured directors and executive officers being liable for performance of duties or receiving a claim related to the pursuit of such liability.
- However, there are certain exclusions, such as no coverage of liability resulting from actions with the knowledge that they violate laws and regulations.

Insurance premiums shall be borne by the Bank, including the special provisions. If this Proposal is approved, the Bank plans to renew the insurance policy to insure each candidate.

**Proposal No. 3:** Election of Six (6) Directors Serving as Audit and Supervisory Committee Members

Of the six (6) Directors serving as Audit and Supervisory Committee Members, Mr. Shinji Watari resigned as of November 25, 2024. The term of office of all five (5) Directors, excluding Mr. Shinji Watari, serving as Audit and Supervisory Committee Members, will expire at the conclusion of this Annual General Meeting of Shareholders. We therefore propose the election of six (6) Directors serving as Audit and Supervisory Committee Members.

Furthermore, the selection of the candidate for Director serving as Audit and Supervisory Committee Member has been determined following the deliberation of the Nomination Advisory Committee.

In addition, we have obtained the approval of the Audit and Supervisory Committee for this Proposal. The candidates for Directors serving as Audit and Supervisory Committee Members are as follows.

| No. |        | Name               |   | Current position at the Bank                                     |
|-----|--------|--------------------|---|--|
| 1   | Male   | Hiroyuki Kurahashi | Reappointment                             | Director (Audit and Supervisory<br>Committee Member) (Full-time) |
| 2   | Male   | Ryosuke Maeda      | New candidate                             | General Manager, Sakai Branch                                    |
| 3   | Female | Megumi Nishida     | Reappointment Outside Independent Officer | Director (Audit and Supervisory<br>Committee Member)             |
| 4   | Female | Tomoko Hori        | Reappointment Outside Independent Officer | Director (Audit and Supervisory<br>Committee Member)             |
| 5   | Male   | Motohiro Adachi    | Reappointment Outside Independent Officer | Director (Audit and Supervisory<br>Committee Member)             |
| 6   | Male   | Toshimasa Fujiwara | New candidate Outside Independent Officer |  |

| No.  | Name   |   |  | Past experience  | Number of shares of the |
|------|--|---|--|--|-------------------------|
| 1,0, | (Date of birth)  | (Position   |  | onsibilities, and significant concurrent positions)  | Bank held               |
| 1    | Reappointment  Hiroyuki Kurahashi Mar. 12, 1969 (56 years old)  Term of office as Director 4 years  Term of office as Director serving as Audit and Supervisory                                | Apr. Apr. Jun. Jul. Oct. Apr. Jun.  | 2012<br>2013<br>2017<br>2018<br>2019<br>2021<br>2021 | Joined the Bank and served as Manager, Head Office Marketing Department, etc. General Manager, Kita-Hanada Branch Acting General Manager, Loan Department Deputy General Manager, Loan Department Deputy General Manager, Audit Department   | 7,677 shares            |
|      | Committee Member   |   |  |  |                         |
|      | 4 years  |   |  |  |                         |
|      | positions of General Manager<br>Manager of Audit Department<br>2021. Since he possesses adeq<br>making function and supervise  | een involved<br>of Kita-Han<br>, etc., and se<br>uate experie<br>ory function | in the baada Bran rved as I nce and i                | anking business for over 30 years. He successively took the ch, Deputy General Manager of Loan Department, and General Director (Audit and Supervisory Committee Member) since June insights for strengthening the effectiveness of the decision-pard of Directors from an independent viewpoint from andidate for Director (Audit and Supervisory Committee |                         |
|      | New candidate  Ryosuke Maeda  Jul. 3, 1970   | Apr. Oct.   | 1994<br>2014   | Joined the Bank and served as Assistant to<br>Director, Loan Department and Deputy General<br>Manager, Hirano Branch, etc.<br>General Manager, Shin-Osaka (currently Esaka)  |                         |
| 2    | (54 years old)  Term of office as Director  Term of office as Director serving as Audit and Supervisory Committee Member  —  | Apr.<br>Apr.<br>Jun.<br>Apr.<br>Oct.  | 2017<br>2020<br>2021<br>2023<br>2024                 | Branch General Manager, Sumiyoshi Branch Deputy General Manager, Loan Department General Manager, Audit Department General Manager, Loan Department General Manager, Sakai Branch (current position)   | 200<br>shares           |
|      | [Reasons for nomination Mr. Ryosuke Maeda has been positions of General Manager versed in the overall operation effectiveness of the decision-nindependent viewpoint from n Committee Member). |   |  |  |                         |

| No.  | Name                            | Number of shares of the  |                           |  |   |
|------|---------------------------------|--|---------------------------|--|---|
| 110. | (Date of birth)                 | Bank held  |                           |  |   |
|      | Reappointment                   | Oct.   | 2003                      | Registered as Attorney at Law (Osaka Bar   |   |
|      | Outside                         |  |                           | Association)   |   |
|      | Independent Officer             |  |                           | Joined Yodoyabashi & Yamagami Legal  |   |
|      |                                 |  |                           | Professional Corporation   |   |
|      | Megumi Nishida                  | Apr.   | 2011                      | Partner, Yodoyabashi & Yamagami Legal  |   |
|      | Dec. 25, 1975                   |  |                           | Professional Corporation (current position)  |   |
|      | (49 years old)                  | Jun.   | 2017                      | Outside Director (Audit and Supervisory  |   |
|      |                                 |  |                           | Committee Member) of the Bank (current   |   |
|      | Term of office as               |  |                           | position)  |   |
|      | Outside Director                | May  | 2021                      | Outside Corporate Auditor, AEON KYUSHU   |   |
|      | 8 years                         |  |                           | Co., Ltd.  |   |
|      | TI C CC                         | May  | 2023                      | Retired from Outside Corporate Auditor,  |   |
|      | Term of office as               | (C::C:-  | 4                         | AEON KYUSHU Co., Ltd.  |   |
|      | Director serving as Audit and   |  |                           | current positions)   |   |
|      | Supervisory                     |  |                           | bashi & Yamagami Legal Professional  |   |
|      | Committee Member                | Corpora  | uon                       |  |   |
|      | 8 years                         |  |                           |  |   |
|      |                                 | 1  |                           |  |   |
| 3    |                                 |  |                           | for Outside Director and expected roles, etc.] insights as an attorney at law and possesses adequate | _ |
|      |                                 |  |                           | veness of the decision-making function and supervisory   |   |
|      |                                 |  |                           | ent viewpoint from management. The Bank expects her to   |   |
|      |                                 |  | _                         | corporate management and lead the promotion of compliance  |   |
|      |                                 | -  |                           | Outside Director (Audit and Supervisory Committee  |   |
|      | -                               |  |                           | her to contribute to strengthening the supervisory function of                                       |   |
|      | the overall management main     |  |                           |  |   |
|      | Although she has not been inv   |  |                           |  |   |
|      | Outside Corporate Auditor in    | ges that she is able to adequately execute the duties of Outside |                           |  |   |
|      | Director (Audit and Superviso   | ory Committ  | r) for the above reasons. |  |   |
|      | [Supplementary explan           |  |                           |  |   |
|      | Although the Bank has deposit   |  |                           |  |   |
|      | Bank's total deposit balance is |  |                           |  |   |
|      | The Bank has not made any pa    |  |                           |  |   |
|      | She is a partner of Yodoyabas   |  |                           |  |   |
|      | agreement with the Legal Pro    |  |                           |  |   |
|      | the Legal Professional Corpor   |  |                           |  |   |
|      | 0.1%.                           |  |                           |  |   |
|      |                                 | _  | ependence                 | e of Outside Directors of the Bank, and therefore does not have                                      |   |
| L    | any issues on her independence  | e.   |                           |  |   |

| No.  | Name                               | Past experience  | Number of shares of the |
|------|------------------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| 110. | (Date of birth)                    | (Positions, responsibilities, and significant concurrent positions)                    | Bank held               |
|      | Reappointment                      | Mar. 1993 Registered as Certified Public Accountant                                    |                         |
|      | Outside                            | Jan. 1994 Registered as Certified Tax Accountant                                       |                         |
|      | Independent Officer                | Oct. 1995 Representative, Hori Certified Public  |                         |
|      | -                                  | Accountant Office (current position)   |                         |
|      | Tomoko Hori                        | Jun. 2019 Outside Director (Audit and Supervisory                                      |                         |
|      | Apr. 5, 1962                       | Committee Member) of the Bank (current   |                         |
|      | (63 years old)                     | position)  |                         |
|      |                                    | May 2024 Auditor (part-time), Momoyama Gakuin  |                         |
|      | Term of office as                  | (current position)   |                         |
|      | Outside Director                   | (Significant concurrent positions)   |                         |
|      | 6 years                            | Representative, Hori Certified Public Accountant Office                                |                         |
|      |                                    | Auditor (part-time), Momoyama Gakuin   |                         |
|      | Term of office as                  |  |                         |
|      | Director serving as                |  |                         |
|      | Audit and Supervisory              |  |                         |
|      | Committee Member                   |  |                         |
|      | 6 years                            |  |                         |
|      | =                                  | n as a candidate for Outside Director and expected roles, etc.]                        |                         |
| 4    | -                                  | onal knowledge and abundant experience and insights on finance and accounting as a     | 2,100                   |
| 4    | _                                  | ace she has adequate experience and insights in strengthening the effectiveness of the | shares                  |
|      | _                                  | supervisory function of the Board of Directors from an independent viewpoint from      |                         |
|      | _                                  | d to be selected as a candidate for Outside Director (Audit and Supervisory            |                         |
|      |                                    | rappointment, the Bank expects her to contribute to strengthening the supervisory      |                         |
|      | knowledge as a certified publi     | ment mainly from finance and accounting perspective by utilizing her professional      |                         |
|      |                                    | olved in corporate management other than through serving as Outside Director in the    |                         |
|      | _                                  | s able to adequately execute the duties of Outside Director (Audit and Supervisory     |                         |
|      | Committee Member) for the a        |  |                         |
|      | [Supplementary explan              |  |                         |
|      | Although the Bank has deposi       |  |                         |
|      | total deposit balance is less that |  |                         |
|      | The Bank has not made any pa       |  |                         |
|      | She is a representative of a cer   |  |                         |
|      | office.                            |  |                         |
|      | Although the Bank has genera       |  |                         |
|      | Auditor, the percentage of the     |  |                         |
|      | =                                  | d Educational Institution for the past three years.                                    |                         |
|      | She satisfies the Criteria for A   | ssessing Independence of Outside Directors of the Bank, and therefore does not have    |                         |
|      | any issues on her independent      |  |                         |

| Νīα | Name   |  |           | Number of shares of the  |       |
|-----|--|--|-----------|--|-------|
| No. | (Date of birth)  | (Position  | ns, resp  | Bank held  |       |
|     |  | Apr.   | 1996      | Assistant, Faculty of Economics, Wakayama  |       |
|     | Reappointment  | •  |           | University   |       |
|     | Outside  | Oct.   | 1998      | Lecturer, Faculty of Economics, Wakayama   |       |
|     | Independent Officer  |  |           | University   |       |
|     | •  | Oct.   | 2000      | Associate Professor, Faculty of Economics,   |       |
|     | Motohiro Adachi  |  |           | Wakayama University  |       |
|     | Aug. 12, 1968  | Apr.   | 2010      | Professor, Faculty of Economics, Wakayama  |       |
|     | (56 years old)   |  |           | University   |       |
|     |  | Apr.   | 2011      | Associate Dean, Faculty of Economics,  |       |
|     | Term of office as  |  |           | Wakayama University  |       |
|     | Outside Director   | Apr.   | 2015      | Dean, Faculty of Economics, Wakayama   |       |
|     | 6 years  |  |           | University   |       |
|     |  | Apr.   | 2017      | Executive Director, Wakayama University  |       |
|     | Term of office as  |  |           | (current position)   |       |
|     | Director serving as  | Jun.   | 2019      | ` 1 5  |       |
|     | Audit and Supervisory  |  |           | Committee Member) of the Bank (current   |       |
|     | Committee Member   |  |           | position)  |       |
|     | 6 years  | (Signifi<br>Executi  |           |  |       |
|     | FD 0 : :   |  |           |  |       |
| 5   | -  |  |           | for Outside Director and expected roles, etc.]   | 2,100 |
|     | _  | zes in the fields of regional revitalization and community/urban development, and has shares |           |  |       |
|     | =  | _  | -         | e fields as a university professor. Since he has adequate  |       |
|     | 1  |  |           | reness of the decision-making function and supervisory function  |       |
|     |  | _  |           | point from management, he has continued to be selected as a  |       |
|     |  |  | -         | ory Committee Member). After his appointment, the Bank   |       |
|     | _  | -  | _         | visory function of the overall management mainly from a  |       |
|     | 1  |  | -         | y utilizing his professional knowledge as a university professor. nagement other than through serving as Outside Director in the |       |
|     | _  |  |           |  |       |
|     | past, the Bank judges that he i<br>Committee Member) for the a |  |           |  |       |
|     | [Supplementary explan  | -  |           |  |       |
|     | Although the Bank has deposi                                   |  |           |  |       |
|     | Bank's total deposit balance is                                |  |           |  |       |
|     | The Bank has not made any pa                                   |  |           |  |       |
|     | There are general deposit and                                  |  |           |  |       |
|     | Executive Director. However,                                   |  |           |  |       |
|     | party's ordinary income in the                                 |  |           |  |       |
|     | the University for the past three                              |  |           |  |       |
|     | -  | -  | ependence | of Outside Directors of the Bank, and therefore does not have  |       |
|     | any issues on his independenc                                  | _  |           | ,  |       |

| No. | Name<br>(Date of birth)  | (F  | Number of shares of the Bank held |   |           |  |  |  |  |
|-----|--|---|-----------------------------------|---|-----------|--|--|--|--|
|     |  | À   | 1001                              | Line Octor Co. Co. Ltd                                    | Bank neid |  |  |  |  |
|     |  | Apr.  |                                   | Joined Osaka Gas Co., Ltd.                                |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | NT 1'14  | Apr.  | 2012                              | Executive Officer; General Manager, Human Resources       |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | New candidate  |   | 2014                              | Department, Osaka Gas Co., Ltd.                           |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | Outside  | Apr.  |                                   | Executive Officer, Osaka Gas Co., Ltd.                    |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | Independent  | Apr.  | 2014                              | Representative Director and President, Osaka Gas Customer |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | Officer  | 3.6   | 2015                              | Relations Co., Ltd.                                       |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | T. 1:  | Mar.  | 2015                              | Retired from Representative Director and President, Osaka |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | Toshimasa  |   |                                   | Gas Customer Relations Co., Ltd.                          |           |  |  |  |  |
|     |  | Fujiwara Apr. 2015 Senior Executive Officer; Head, Residential Energy   |                                   |   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | Jul. 1, 1957   | _   | • • • •                           | Business Unit, Osaka Gas Co., Ltd.                        |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | (67 years old)   |   |                                   |   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     |  |   |                                   | Energy Business Unit, Osaka Gas Co., Ltd.                 |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | Term of office as  | Apr.  |                                   | Director, Senior Executive Officer, Osaka Gas Co., Ltd.   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | Outside Director   | Apr.  |                                   | Director, Osaka Gas Co., Ltd.                             |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | _  | Apr.  | 2018                              | Director, Chairman and Director, Osaka Gas Customer       |           |  |  |  |  |
|     |  |   |                                   | Relations Co., Ltd.                                       |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | Term of office as  | Jun.  |                                   | Advisor, Osaka Gas Co., Ltd.                              |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | Director serving as  | Mar.  | 2019                              | Retired from Director, Chairman and Director, Osaka Gas   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | Audit and  |   |                                   | Customer Relations Co., Ltd.                              |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | Supervisory  | Jun.  | 2019                              | Audit & Supervisory Board Member (Full-time), Osaka Gas   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | Committee  |   |                                   | Co., Ltd.   |           |  |  |  |  |
| 6   | Member   | Jun.  | 2023                              | Retired from Audit & Supervisory Board Member (Full-      | _         |  |  |  |  |
|     | _  |   |                                   | time), Osaka Gas Co., Ltd.                                |           |  |  |  |  |
|     |  |   |                                   |   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | May 2024 Auditor (Full-time), Momoyama Gakuin (current position) (Significant concurrent positions) Auditor (Full-time), Momoyama Gakuin  [Reasons for nomination as a candidate for Outside Director and expected roles, etc.]  |   |                                   |   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     |  |   |                                   |   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     |  |   |                                   |   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | Mr. Toshimasa Fujiwara served as Director and Senior Executive Officer of Osaka Gas Co., Ltd. and Representative Director and President of Osaka Gas Customer Relations Co., Ltd., etc., and has a wealth of experience and knowledge as a corporate executive. Since he possesses adequate experience and insights for strengthening the effectiveness of the decision-making function and supervisory function of the Board of Directors from an independent viewpoint from management, he has been selected as a candidate for Outside Director (Audit and Supervisory Committee Member). After his appointment, the Bank |   |                                   |   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     |  |   |                                   |   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     |  |   |                                   |   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     |  |   |                                   |   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     |  |   |                                   |   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     |  | expects him to contribute to strengthening the supervisory function of the overall management by utilizing his knowledge as a corporate executive. For the above reasons, the Bank judges that he is able to adequately execute the duties of Outside |                                   |   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | -  |   |                                   |   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | Director (Audit and Supervisory Committee Member).   |   |                                   |   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | Supplementary explanations on independence]  |   |                                   |   |           |  |  |  |  |
|     | Although the Bank has deposit transaction with Mr. Toshimasa Fujiwara, the percentage of the transaction to the Bank's total   |   |                                   |   |           |  |  |  |  |

Although the Bank has deposit transaction with Mr. Toshimasa Fujiwara, the percentage of the transaction to the Bank's total deposit balance is less than 0.1%.

Although the Bank has general deposit transaction with Momoyama Gakuin where he serves as a full-time Auditor, the percentage of the transaction to the Bank's total deposit balance is less than 0.1%. In addition, there is no donation to the Incorporated Educational Institution for the past three years.

He satisfies the Criteria for Assessing Independence of Outside Directors of the Bank, and therefore does not have any issues on his independence.

#### (Notes)

- 1. There are no special interests between each candidate and the Bank.
- 2. Terms of office as Director stated above are those as at the end of this Annual General Meeting of Shareholders.
- 3. Ms. Megumi Nishida, Ms. Tomoko Hori, Mr. Motohiro Adachi and Mr. Toshimasa Fujiwara are candidates for Outside Directors
- 4. In order to ensure independence of Outside Directors, the Bank has set forth its own criteria for independence of Outside Directors (please see page 22) in addition to the criteria for independence stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange. Since Ms. Megumi Nishida, Ms. Tomoko Hori and Mr. Motohiro Adachi satisfy both criteria, if this Proposal is approved, the Bank plans to continue to designate them as Independent Officers as stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange. In addition, since Mr. Toshimasa Fujiwara satisfies both criteria, if this Proposal is approved, the Bank plans to designate him as an Independent Officer as stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange.
- 5. Based on Article 427, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, the Bank has entered into a liability limitation agreement with Ms. Megumi Nishida, Ms. Tomoko Hori and Mr. Motohiro Adachi. If this Proposal is approved, the Bank intends to maintain the agreement with them. The Bank also intends to entered into a liability limitation agreement with Mr. Toshimasa Fujiwara. The overview of the agreement is as follows:
  - If Outside Directors are held liable for damages caused to the Bank due to negligence of duties, the Outside Directors will be held liable for such liability to the extent of the minimum liability amount set forth in Article 425, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, if the Outside Directors have acted in good faith and are not grossly negligent in performing their duties.
- 6. The Bank has entered into a directors and officers liability insurance contract with an insurance company as set forth in Article 430-3, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act.

An overview of the contents of this insurance contract is as follows:

- This insurance contract covers damages that may arise due to the insured directors and executive officers being liable for performance of duties or receiving a claim related to the pursuit of such liability.
- However, there are certain exclusions, such as no coverage of liability resulting from actions with the knowledge that they violate laws and regulations.

Insurance premiums shall be borne by the Bank, including the special provisions. If this Proposal is approved, the Bank plans to renew the insurance policy to insure each candidate.

## [Reference] Expertise, experience, and expected roles of the Directors after the conclusion of this Annual General Meeting of Shareholders (Plan)

|                              |  | Skills Category                              |     |    |               |                    |                   |                         |                                |                    |
|------------------------------|--|--|-----|----|---------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| Name                         | Position   | Corporate Management,<br>Management Strategy | SME | DX | Human Capital | SX/Decarbonization | Market Investment | Regional Revitalization | Governance,<br>Risk Management | Specific Expertise |
| Yasuyuki Matsuoka<br>(Male)  | Chairman and Director  | 0  | 0   |    | 0             | 0                  | 0                 | 0                       | 0                              |                    |
| Hiroyuki Haraguchi<br>(Male) | President and Director,<br>President and Executive<br>Officer    | 0  | 0   | 0  | 0             | 0                  | 0                 | 0                       | 0                              |                    |
| Norio Maruoka<br>(Male)      | Director, Senior<br>Managing Executive<br>Officer                | 0  | 0   | 0  | 0             | 0                  | 0                 | 0                       | 0                              |                    |
| Sakae Mizobuchi<br>(Male)    | Director, Managing<br>Executive Officer                          |  | 0   | 0  |               | 0                  |                   | 0                       | 0                              |                    |
| Morihisa Mukai<br>(Male)     | Director, Managing<br>Executive Officer                          |  | 0   | 0  |               |                    |                   |                         | 0                              |                    |
| Hiroyuki Sando<br>(Male)     | Director, Managing<br>Executive Officer                          | 0  | 0   | 0  | 0             | 0                  | 0                 |                         |                                |                    |
| Hiroyuki Kurahashi<br>(Male) | Director, Audit and<br>Supervisory Committee<br>Member           |  | 0   |    |               |                    |                   |                         | 0                              |                    |
| Ryosuke Maeda<br>(Male)      | Director, Audit and<br>Supervisory Committee<br>Member           |  | 0   |    |               |                    |                   |                         | 0                              |                    |
| Megumi Nishida<br>(Female)   | Director, Audit and<br>Supervisory Committee<br>Member (Outside) |  |     |    |               |                    |                   |                         | 0                              | 0                  |
| Tomoko Hori<br>(Female)      | Director, Audit and<br>Supervisory Committee<br>Member (Outside) |  |     |    |               |                    |                   |                         | 0                              | 0                  |
| Motohiro Adachi<br>(Male)    | Director, Audit and<br>Supervisory Committee<br>Member (Outside) |  |     |    |               |                    |                   | 0                       | 0                              | 0                  |
| Toshimasa Fujiwara<br>(Male) | Director, Audit and<br>Supervisory Committee<br>Member (Outside) | 0  |     |    |               |                    |                   |                         | 0                              |                    |

### (Notes)

- 1. This skills table does not present all of the knowledge, experience, and insights possessed by the internal Directors.
- 2. With regard to internal Directors, experience at and above the levels of head of department, branch, and office of relevant departments, including as above officer in charge (for periods of 6 months or more, in principle) has been referenced as the basis for the skills and experience in the above table.
  - With regard to Outside Directors, the skills table reflects their respective skills and experience.
- 3. SX (sustainability transformation): The skill of management that balances the two aspects of sustainability of establishing and improving the bank's business model and business dominance from a medium- to long-term perspective, and building a society that is prepared to face climate change and other uncertainties.
- 4. The four (4) Outside Directors are Independent Officers as stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

| Skills Category                                    | Description (Rationale)   |
|--|---|
| Corporate<br>Management,<br>Management<br>Strategy | In order to respond to the dynamically changing environment and co-create customer value in a financial industry that is being buffeted by major changes, it is necessary to retain directors with management experience and a management track record demonstrating a vision for defining the Bank's long-term management strategy while taking ESG and SDGs into consideration. Further, in order to build a governance system that enhances the effectiveness of the decision-making and supervision functions, it is necessary that our directors have the know-how acquired through business management and equivalent experience. |
| SME  | The Bank's customers are the focus of our core customer strategy within Wakayama Prefecture and Osaka Prefecture, our base of operations. In order to strengthen our contact points with these customers, it is necessary to retain directors who possess the knowledge and experience for supporting regional business's core operations, improving their management, and facilitating their business renewal, acquired through experience as regional operations and/or branch general managers.  |
| DX   | As a bank that seeks to maximize its group functions with the goal of solving customers' problems and contributing to regional communities through DX, it is necessary to retain directors who possess tangible knowledge and experience of IT, one of our strengths, so it may become a core competency for the future.  |
| Human Capital                                      | In order to build an optimal human resource portfolio through a fusion of management strategy and human resource strategy and to effectively implement diversity and inclusivity, it is necessary to retain directors who possess knowledge and experience relating to human capital management.  |
| SX/Decarbonization                                 | In order to promote initiatives relating to SX and decarbonization for supporting sustainable local and regional growth, it is necessary to retain directors who are experienced with identifying risks and opportunities and planning and proposing management strategy.   |
| Market Investment                                  | In order to build suitable portfolios in market segments and make stable investments in securities to ensure profitability, it is necessary to retain directors with solid knowledge and experience with markets.   |
| Regional<br>Revitalization                         | As a regional financial institution, it is essential that we support regional business's core operations and engage in activities that make the lives of regional residents more convenient. In order to do so, it is necessary to retain directors with proven knowledge and experience in consulting and regional revitalization.   |
| Governance,<br>Risk Management                     | In order to implement suitable risk controls in the Board of Directors as the management decision-making body of a financial institution and build a governance system equipped with a risk management system, it is necessary to retain directors with know-how acquired through management and equivalent experience from within and outside the Bank.  |
| Specific Expertise                                 | It is necessary to retain directors with multifaceted knowledge based on an external track record and insight into the business, legal, financial, and other specialist issues pertinent to a financial institution, who are able to provide advice for strengthening the effectiveness of the Bank's decision-making and supervision functions from a position that is independent from the Bank's management.   |

### [Reference]

<Criteria for Assessing Independence of Outside Directors>

A candidate for Outside Director shall not fall under any of the following, both currently and, in principle, for the past three years:

- (1) A person whose major business partner (\*1) is the Bank, or in a case of a juridical person, its executing person;
- (2) A major business partner (\*2) of the Bank, or in a case of a juridical person, its executing person;
- (3) A person who is a consultant, accountant and legal specialist, etc. that receives the average of 10 million yen or more of cash or other assets annually from the Bank for the past three years other than remuneration as an Officer:
- (4) A person who is a partner, etc. of a consulting firm, accounting firm, and law firm, etc. whose major business partner (\*1) is the Bank;
- (5) A person who receives donation of 10 million yen or more annually from the Bank for the past three years, or in a case of a juridical person, its executing person;
- (6) A person who is a major shareholder (\*3) of the Bank, or in a case of a juridical person, its executing person;
- (7) A person who is a close relative (\*5) of the following (excluding a person who is not significant (\*4)):
  - A) A person who falls under any of the items (1) (6) above.
  - B) A person who is a Director, Corporate Auditor, Executive Officer, etc. and important employee, etc. of the Bank and its subsidiaries.
- \*1 A person who received 2% or more of consolidated annual net sales for the previous fiscal year from the Bank.
- \*2 A party that made payment to the Bank of 2% or more of the Bank's consolidated gross profit for the previous fiscal year.
- \*3 A shareholder who holds 10% or more of voting rights.
- \*4 A person whose rank is officer or general manager of a company, or if a person belongs to an accounting firm or law firm, certified public accountant or attorney-at-law.
- \*5 A close relative within the second degree of kinship.