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### To Shareholders with Voting Rights

Tatsuro Nakamura Chairman and Representative Director **Hirose Electric Co., Ltd.** 5-23, Osaki 5-chome, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo

# NOTICE OF THE 68TH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

You are cordially invited to attend the 68th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of Hirose Electric Co., Ltd. (the "Company"). The meeting will be held as described below. If you are unable to attend the meeting, you may exercise your voting rights in writing by submitting the Voting Rights Exercise Form or via the Internet. Please read the Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders and exercise your voting rights by 5:00 p.m. on June 25, 2015 (Thursday) in accordance with the guidance below.

1. Date and Time:	June 26, 2015 (Friday), 10:00 a.m.			
2. Venue:	1-1, Shirokanedai 1-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo			
	HAPPO-EN, 2F SUNLIGHT			
3. Agenda of the Meeting	:			
Matters to be reported:	<ol> <li>Business Report, Consolidated Financial Statements for the Company's 68th Fiscal Year (from April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015) and Audit Reports for the Consolidated Financial Statements by the Accounting Auditor and the Audit &amp; Supervisory Board</li> <li>Non-consolidated Financial Statements for the Company's 68th Fiscal Year (from April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015)</li> </ol>			
Proposals to be resolved:				
Proposal No. 1	Dividends of Surplus			
Proposal No. 2	Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation			
Proposal No. 3	Election of Eight (8) Directors			

#### 4. Guidance for Exercising Voting Rights:

(1) Exercise voting rights in writing

Please indicate your approval or disapproval on the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form, and return the form to us to arrive no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 25, 2015 (Thursday).

(2) Exercise voting rights via the Internet

If you exercise your voting rights via the Internet, please exercise them no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 25, 2015 (Thursday).

(3) If you exercise your voting rights twice, once in writing and once via the Internet, your Internet vote shall be deemed to be valid. If you exercise your voting rights more than once via the Internet or exercise them twice, once using a personal computer and once using a mobile phone, the last exercise shall be deemed to be valid.

#### 5. Other Matters Related to This Convocation:

Among the documents that have to be provided along with the convocation of this meeting of shareholders, the Notes to the Consolidated and Non-consolidated Financial Statements are posted on the Company's website (http://www.hirose.co.jp/) pursuant to the provisions of the relevant laws and regulations and Article 15 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation, therefore these are not included in this Notice. The Consolidated and Non-consolidated Financial Statements included in this Notice are part of the Consolidated and Non-consolidated Financial Statements that the Accounting Auditor audited to prepare the Audit Reports.

For those attending, please present the enclosed Voting Rights Exercise Form at the reception desk on arrival at the meeting.

If there are any amendments to the Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders, the Business Report and/or the Consolidated and Non-consolidated Financial Statements, these amendments will be posted on the Company's website (http://www.hirose.co.jp/).

## **Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders**

#### **Proposals and References**

### Proposal No. 1: Dividends of Surplus

Regarding year-end dividends, comprehensively taking into account the business results and operating environment of the Company and based on the policy of stable dividend distribution to shareholders, we propose year-end dividends as follows:

- (1) Type of dividend property: Cash
- (2) Matters related to the allocation of dividends and total amount thereof:

¥115 per share of the Company's common shares

Total amount of dividends: ¥3,899,997,875

Because an interim dividend of ¥115 per share was paid, the annual dividend for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2015 is ¥230 per share.

(3) Effective date of dividends of surplus: June 29, 2015

### Proposal No. 2: Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation

1. Reasons for amendments

In order to establish a corporate management system that can respond swiftly to changes in the business environment, the Company proposes to make necessary amendments to Article 13 of the current Articles of Incorporation to newly provide for a Director determined in advance by the Board of Directors to convene the general meeting of shareholders and to serve as chairperson at such meeting.

Moreover, in accordance with revisions to laws, the Company proposes to make partial amendments to Article 28 of the current Articles of Incorporation to newly enable the conclusion of agreements limiting liability with Directors who do not execute business and Audit & Supervisory Board Members, so that they can fully perform the roles expected of them.

Note that consent has been obtained from each Audit & Supervisory Board Member for the amendments to Article 28 of the Articles of Incorporation.

## 2. Details of amendments

Details of amendments are as follows:

(Underlined portions indicate amendments.) Current Articles of Incorporation Proposed Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation CHAPTER III. CHAPTER III. General Meeting of Shareholders General Meeting of Shareholders (Person having authority to convene and to serve as (Person having authority to convene and to serve as chairperson) chairperson) Article 13. General meetings of shareholders shall be Article 13. General meetings of shareholders shall be convened and chaired by the Chairman and convened and chaired by a Director determined Director, unless otherwise provided for by laws in advance by the Board of Directors, unless and regulations. otherwise provided for by laws and regulations. 2. If the Chairman and Director is unable to so act, 2. If the Director in the preceding paragraph is another Director, in accordance with the order unable to so act, another Director, in accordance determined in advance by the Board of with the order determined in advance by the Directors, shall act in his/her place. Board of Directors, shall act in his/her place.

Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation	
CHAPTER VI. Exemption from Liability of Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members	CHAPTER VI. Exemption from Liability of Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members	
(Partial exemption from liability for damages)	(Partial exemption from liability for damages)	
Article 28. The Company may, by resolution of the Board of Directors, exempt Directors (including former Directors) and Audit & Supervisory Board Members (including former Audit & Supervisory Board Members) from their liability for damages to the Company to the extent prescribed by laws and regulations.	Article 28. (Same as the present)	
2. The Company may enter into agreements with <u>Outside Directors</u> and <u>Outside Audit &amp;</u> <u>Supervisory Board Members</u> regarding their liability for damages to the Company; provided, however, that the maximum amount of the liability under such agreements shall be the amount prescribed by laws and regulations.	2. The Company may enter into agreements with <u>Directors excluding Executive Directors, etc.</u> and <u>Audit &amp; Supervisory Board Members</u> regarding their liability for damages to the Company; provided, however, that the maximum amount of the liability under such agreements shall be the amount prescribed by laws and regulations.	

## **Proposal No. 3: Election of Eight (8) Directors**

The term of office of all nine (9) Directors will expire at the close of this Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders, therefore, the Company proposes the election of eight (8) Directors.

No.	Name	ry, positions and responsibilities in the Company	Number of	
110.	(Date of birth)	and significant concurrent positions at other organizations		shares owned
1	Tatsuro Nakamura (February 26, 1947)	March 1969 October 1991 June 1992 June 1995 June 1999 June 2000 June 2012 (Significant con Chairman and R ELECTRIC CO Chairman and R ELECTRIC CO Chairman and R ELECTRIC CO	Joined the Company General Manager–Presidential Staff Office of the Company Director of the Company, Delegated to act as General Manager–Presidential Staff Office Managing Director of the Company, Delegated to act as General Manager–Production; concurrently responsible for Engineering Division, SB Department and Quality Assurance Department Senior Managing Director of the Company President and Representative Director of the Company Chairman and Representative Director of the Company (to present) current positions at other organizations) Representative Director of TOHOKU HIROSE D., LTD. Representative Director of ICHINOSEKI HIROSE D., LTD.	3,700
		Representative 1	Director of HIROSE KOREA CO., LTD.	

The candidates are as follows:

No.	Name (Date of birth)		y, positions and responsibilities in the Company nt concurrent positions at other organizations	Number of shares owned
		April 1982 July 2007	Joined the Company Deputy General Manager–Engineering of the Company	
		November 2008	Deputy General Manager–Sales & Marketing of the Company	
		June 2009	Operating Officer of the Company	
		November 2009	Acting General Manager–Sales & Marketing of the Company	
		June 2010	Director of the Company, Delegated to act as General Manager–Corporate Innovation Office	
	Kazunori Ishii	June 2011	Senior Managing Director of the Company, Delegated to act as General Manager–Sales &	
2	(January 4, 1960)		Marketing; concurrently General Manager–Corporate Innovation Office	1,000
		June 2012	President and Representative Director of the Company	
			(to present)	
			current positions at other organizations) presentative Director of TOHOKU HIROSE	
			presentative Director of KORIYAMA HIROSE	
			presentative Director of ICHINOSEKI HIROSE	
		Representative D	Director of HIROSE KOREA CO., LTD.	
		April 1980	Joined the Company	
		July 2007	Deputy General Manager–Engineering of the Company	
		June 2009	Operating Officer of the Company	
	Mitsuo Nakamura	June 2010	Director of the Company	
3	(February 23,		(to present)	500
	1958)		Delegated to act as Deputy General	
			Manager-Engineering	
		June 2013	Delegated to act as General	
			Manager–Engineering	
		April 1977	(to present) Joined Sony Corporation	
		March 2004	General Manager, Management Planning	
			Department, Mobile Network Company,	
			Energy Company of Sony Corporation	
		January 2005	Joined the Company	
		July 2007	Deputy General Manager-Sales & Marketing	
	Makoto Kondo		of the Company	
4	(October 5, 1952)	June 2009	Operating Officer of the Company	0
		June 2010	Director of the Company	
			(to present) Delegated to act as Deputy General	
			Manager–Sales & Marketing	
		June 2012	Delegated to act as General Manager–Sales &	
			Marketing	
			(to present)	

No.	Name		y, positions and responsibilities in the Company	Number of
	(Date of birth)		nt concurrent positions at other organizations	shares owned
		May 1986 August 2000	Joined KORIYAMA HIROSE ELECTRIC CO., LTD. General Manager, Miyako Plant, TOHOKU	
5	Kazuhisa Nikaido (May 9, 1953)	June 2007	HIROSE ELECTRIC CO., LTD. Transferred to the Company Deputy General Manager–Production of the	700
		(May 9, 1953)	(May 9, 1953) June 2009	Company Director of the Company, Delegated to act as General Manager–Production; concurrently responsible for Quality Assurance Department (to present)
6	Kazuyuki Iizuka (December 19, 1953)	April 1979 August 1990 February 1997 February 2000 April 2006 April 2007 July 2007 June 2009 June 2010 June 2011	Joined Tokyo Shibaura Electric K.K. (currently TOSHIBA CORPORATION) Joined SRI International Joined Anderson Consulting (currently Accenture Japan Ltd) Joined NTT DATA INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT CONSULTING, Inc. Partner, Industrial Consulting Division, NTT DATA INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT CONSULTING, Inc. Joined the Company Deputy General Manager–Administration of the Company Operating Officer, Acting General Manager–Administration of the Company Director of the Company (to present) Delegated to act as Acting General Manager–Administration Delegated to act as General Manager– Administration (to present)	0
7	Hiroaki Okano (August 1, 1955)	April 1982 September 2003 April 2013 June 2014	Joined Hitachi Cable, Ltd. Joined the Company Deputy General Manager–Engineering of the Company Operating Officer of the Company, Delegated to act as Deputy General Manager–Engineering (to present)	0

No.	Name	Career summar	y, positions and responsibilities in the Company	Number of
INO.	(Date of birth)	and significa	shares owned	
	Kensuke Hotta (October 12, 1938)	April 1962	Joined The Sumitomo Bank, Limited (currently	
			Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation)	
		June 1987	Director of The Sumitomo Bank, Limited	
		June 1997	Representative Director and Executive Vice	
			President of The Sumitomo Bank, Limited	
		January 2001	Chairman of Morgan Stanley Japan Limited	
		2	(currently Morgan Stanley MUFG Securities	
			Co., Ltd.)	
		October 2007	Chairman and Representative Director of Hotta	
			Sogo Jimusho K.K.	
8			(to present)	0
		December 2008	Chairman and Representative Director of	
			Greenhill & Co. Japan Ltd.	
			(to present)	
		June 2011	Director of the Company	
			(to present)	
		(Significant concurrent positions at other organizations)		
		Chairman and Representative Director of Hotta Sogo Jimusho		
		K.K.		
		Chairman and Re	epresentative Director of Greenhill & Co. Japan	
		Ltd.		

Notes:

1. No conflict of interest exists between the Company and any of the above candidates.

- 2. Information on the candidates for Outside Director is as follows.
  - (1) Kensuke Hotta is a candidate for Outside Director.
    - The Company designates Mr. Hotta as an Independent Officer as stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange and reports him as such to the exchange.
  - (2) Reasons for the appointment of Mr. Hotta for Outside Director and his independency
    - 1) We ask that Mr. Hotta be elected as an Outside Director expecting him to utilize his managerial experience at other companies to enhance the management of the Company.
    - 2) Mr. Hotta's term of office as Outside Director will be four years at the closing of this General Meeting of Shareholders.
    - 3) Mr. Hotta is not an executive at business operators that have specific relations with the Company. Also, he has not been an executive at business operators that have specific relations with the Company in the past five years.
    - 4) Mr. Hotta does not plan to receive a large amount of money or other assets (other than remuneration paid for his service as Director of the Company) from the Company or business operators that have specific relations with the Company. Also, he has not received such in the past two years.
    - 5) Mr. Hotta is not a spouse or relative within the third degree of consanguinity or of similar status of anyone in a position to execute business at the Company or business operators that have specific relations with the Company.
    - 6) Mr. Hotta was not an executive at any corporation from which the Company assumed business rights and obligations through a corporate merger, an absorption-type corporate split, an incorporation-type corporate split or a business transfer immediately before such merger, etc., for the past two years.
  - (3) Liability limitation agreement with Outside Director

Pursuant to Article 427, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, the Company has entered into liability limitation agreement with Mr. Hotta, a candidate for the Outside Director, to limit his liability for damages under Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Act to the effect that if it is not resulting from serious negligence and his duties are conducted in good faith, the limit of liability under such agreement (minimum liability amount) shall be the total of the amount set forth in each item of Article 425, Paragraph 1 of the Act.