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### **Corporate Governance Report**

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The corporate governance of Fullcast Holdings Co., Ltd. is described below.

## I. Basic Views on Corporate Governance, Capital Structure, Corporate Profile and Other Basic Information

### 1. Basic Views

Our Group considers the basic principles and aims of corporate governance to ensure transparent management for all concerned interested parties including shareholders as well as to improve the efficiency of management in order to realize the "sustained improvement of corporate value."

As of March 28, 2022, Fullcast Holdings Co., Ltd. is a company with a Board of Directors, which is comprised of 7 Directors, including 4 Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and 3 Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members, and also a company with an Audit & Supervisory Committee, which is comprised of 3 Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members.

To achieve the aforementioned basic principles and goals of corporate governance, it is our policy for the composition of the Board of Directors to consist of at least one-third Outside Directors and to report all Outside Directors as Independent Directors as stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange. We have chosen Outside Directors to serve as 3 of our 7 Directors, and in so doing we aim to strengthen the supervisory function of overall enforcement from an external perspective.

Regarding Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members, by appointing all 3 as Outside Auditors (one of them being a fulltime Audit & Supervisory Committee Member), we perform effective and appropriate oversight of business execution by Directors, and have put in place a system that ensures objectivity and neutrality.

We believe that these systems allow our corporate governance to function properly.

#### [Reason for Non-Compliance with the Principles of the Corporate Governance Code]

This information is provided based on the Corporate Governance Code after its revision in June 2021 (including the principles for the Prime Market which will apply from April 4, 2022.)

# Supplementary Principle 1-2-2 [Early Sending of Convocation Notices and Publication on Website before Sending]

The Company recognizes that shareholders must be given sufficient time to review the proposals for the General Meeting of Shareholders, but at the present the Company is unable to send the convocation notice at an earlier date. The Company will review a schedule that makes it possible to send out the convocation notice earlier in the future, including completing the settlement of accounts and audits at an earlier point in time.

Starting from the 24th General Meeting of Shareholders (for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016), the Company has begun disclosing the convocation notice on its website and the website of the Tokyo Stock Exchange 7 days prior to sending it.

#### [Disclosures Based on the Principle of the Corporate Governance Code]

## Principle 1-4 [Cross-Shareholdings]

Our Group acquires and holds cross-shareholdings of publicly listed stocks when it is determined to contribute to the improved medium to long-term corporate value of our Group from the perspective of maintaining and strengthening cooperative business relations and maintaining and strengthening stable, long-term transactional relationships between our Group and its business partners, restricted to alliance relationships, transactional relationships or other business relationships. The Company plans to sell and reduce shares of subsidiaries and associates and investment securities for which these business synergies are not expected to materialize.

In addition, every year the Company has examined the medium- to long-term economic rationality and future outlook of main cross-shareholdings taking into account risks and returns, and reported the findings to the Board of Directors as necessary. However, beginning from the fiscal year ended December 2018, the Board of Directors has examined whether these holdings are needed or not. For the fiscal year ended December 2021, the Board of Directors scrutinized in detail whether it is appropriate for our Group to retain cross-shareholdings (5 stocks) and examined whether these holdings are needed or not. As a result of this examination, it was determined that continuing to hold these cross-shareholdings is appropriate at the current point in time.

With regard to exercising the voting rights of cross-shareholdings, our Group determines whether it approves or disapproves of a proposal and exercises its voting rights after comprehensively determining, based on individual scrutiny, whether the proposal contributes to the enhancement of the corporate value of the Company and our Group and whether there is a possibility the proposal will damage shareholder value, for each individual proposal, taking into account the purpose of each individual holdings and referencing the criteria for exercising voting rights of the voting advisory company.

#### **Principles 1-7** [Related Party Transactions]

Matters stipulated in laws and regulations, and the scope of major shareholders and subsidiaries considered as stakeholders, the Company's Regulations on the Board of Directors stipulate that competitive transactions with the subsidiary of a Director and transactions involving a conflict of interest between a Director or major shareholder and

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subsidiary must be approved by the Board of Directors, and the Board of Directors must be reported to with regard to when an approved transaction is executed and on a semiannual basis for transactions with blanket approval are executed. In addition, the results of a survey on the existence of related party transactions are reported to the Board of Directors every year and disclosed appropriately pursuant to laws and regulations.

The development of these procedures and supervision of the Board of Directors ensures system is in place that does not damage the interests of the Company or its shareholders and that prevents such concerns from arising.

#### Supplementary Principle 2-4-1 [Ensuring Diversity in Promotion to Core Human Resources]

<View and Goals on Ensuring Diversity>

Our Group will promote diversity not tied to attributes such as gender, nationality, age, and work history, not only in core human resources, but also among its regular employees, temporary employees, and jobseekers via dispatching or placement through our Group.

As of December 31, 2021, the ratio of female employees, including regular and temporary employees working for our Group, was 64.6%, and we will maintain a minimum ratio of 50.0%.

The ratio of female managers at our Group was 15.3% as of December 31, 2021. We have set a goal of raising the ratio to 15.0% by December 31, 2025, and have strived to enhance recruitment, personnel systems, and training programs. We will make efforts to maintain and increase this level going forward.

As we do not anticipate any differences in the promotion of foreign nationals and midcareer hires to management positions in terms of nationality or recruitment period, we have not set or disclosed goals for promotion to management positions at the current time.

<Policy on Human Resource Development and Development of Internal Environment>

For our Group to achieve sustained enhancement of corporate value, it is essential for new graduates and midcareer hires to become competitive quickly after joining, and we have a full menu of training programs with a focus on practical training for employees up to their third year. In addition to increasing the precision and opportunities offered under our menu of training programs, we will consider gradually expanding the menu for each level of upper management and establishing training programs aimed at increasing awareness of sustainability among officers and employees.

#### Principle 2-6 [Roles of Corporate Pension Funds as Asset Owners]

The Company does not have a corporate pension fund as of the date this report was updated.

#### Principle 3-1 [Full Disclosure]

#### 1. The Company's future vision (management philosophy, etc.), management strategy and management plan

Our Group considers the "sustained improvement of corporate value" to be one of its most important management issues.

Our Group will endeavor to maximize corporate value by striking a balance between profitability and growth. At the same time, our management will endeavor maintain a solid financial standing and implement strategies that focus upon capital efficiency. Also, we maintain a goal of realizing a debt-to-equity ratio target of no more than 1.0 time to maintain appropriate debt levels that will enable us to make investments necessary to secure growth, while at the same time maintaining financial soundness. The Fullcast Group also seeks to achieve an ROE of over 20% as a target indicator of

"improvement of corporate value." In addition, we maintain a policy of enhancing returns of profits to shareholders with a target of achieving total return ratio of 50%.

Our Group has established "Medium-Term Management Plan 2024." Based on "Medium-Term Management Plan 2024," we will work toward achieving the target of a "new record high consolidated operating profit of 10 billion yen in the final year of the plan."

An outline of "Medium-Term Management Plan 2024" is presented below.

#### a) Applicable period

Three years from the fiscal year ending December 2022 to the fiscal year ending December 2024

#### b) Corporate philosophy

Management philosophy: "Providing the best place for people to bring out their best" Target: "Aiming to achieve record-high profits in the final year of the medium-term management plan."

#### c) Numerical Targets

Consolidated operating profit of 10 billion yen in the fiscal year ending December 2024

#### d) Main Management Indicators (KPI)

Indicators for achieving "sustained improvement of corporate value"	: ROE of 20% or higher
Indicators related to shareholder returns	: Total return ratio of 50%
Indicators supporting "basic capital policy"	: D/E ratio upper limit 1.0

#### e) Summary of Business Strategy

- Short-Term Operational Support Business
  - Integrate online and real-life using DX to further improve the service level provided to both staff and clients alike resulting in business growth
- New Businesses and M&A
  - · Expand businesses established under the previous Medium-Term Management Plan
  - · Actively invest in M&A to take our business portfolio to the next stage of growth
- Sales Support Business
  - Expand the business by strengthening sales capabilities, diversifying product offerings, and horizontal expanding the entertainment business
- Security, Other Businesses
  - Increase the number of stable permanent security projects, increase collaboration with other companies, and expand Group synergies

### Medium-Term Management Plan 2024

 $https://www.fullcastholdings.co.jp/dcms\_media/other/mediumtermmanagementplan2024\_eng.pdf$ 

Notice of Establishment of "Medium-Term Management Plan 2024"

https://www.fullcastholdings.co.jp/dcms\_media/other/timelydisclosure\_20220210\_4\_eng.pdf

Consolidated Business Results for the Fiscal Year Ended December 2021 (Jan.-Dec. 2021) (P. 23-25)

https://www.fullcastholdings.co.jp/dcms\_media/other/presentation\_20214Q\_eng.pdf

#### 2. Basic philosophy and policy concerning corporate governance

<Basic philosophy>

Our Group considers the basic principles and aims of corporate governance to ensure transparent management for all concerned interested parties including shareholders as well as to improve the efficiency of management in order to realize the "sustained improvement of corporate value."

#### <Basic policy>

The Company is now working to strengthen corporate governance following the basic policy outlined below. (1) Secure shareholders' rights and equality

The Company will provide necessary information in a timely and accurate manner and respond appropriately following laws and regulations in order to effectively secure the rights of shareholders.

In addition, in light of the composition of shareholders, the Company will consider improvements in the environment so that foreign shareholders and minority shareholders can exercise their rights appropriately. (2) Appropriate cooperation with stakeholders other than shareholders

The Company strives to engage in appropriate cooperation with all stakeholders by implementing management that places top priority on compliance, given the awareness that the Company's staffing services have a highly social and public nature.

(3) Ensure appropriate information disclosures and transparency

The Company will disclose not only financial information, but also non-financial information, in an appropriate and proactive manner, with emphasis placed on fairness, equality, and speed. The Company will also ensure the transparency of this information.

(4) Duties of the Board of Directors, etc.

The Company will strive to make the decision making of management more efficient and streamlined by clearly demarcating the Board of Directors, the Audit & Supervisory Committee, and the roles and duties of the Audit & Supervisory Committee

(5) Constructive engagement with shareholders

The Company will engage with shareholders with the General Manager of the Finance and IR Department in charge and the President, Representative Director and CEO supervising, in order to contribute the sustained improvement of corporate value. These roles will be supplemented by the dedicated department in charge of investor relations. This structure will ensure constructive engagement takes place with shareholders.

## **3.** Policy and procedures for determining the remuneration of executive management and Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) by the Board of Directors

The relevant policy and procedures are provided in "II. Business Management Organizations and Other Corporate Governance Systems regarding Decision-making, Execution of Business, and Oversight in Management > 1. Organizational Composition and Operation > [Director Compensation] > Disclosure of Policy on Determining compensation amounts and calculation method" of this report.

## 4. Plans and procedures for the election and dismissal of management executives by the Board of Directors and nomination of candidates for Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members)

The nomination of candidates for Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members and the selection of executive management by the Board of Directors is made involving persons determined to have appropriate knowledge, experience and skills to fulfill their duties, irrespective of age, gender and nationality, from the perspective of contributing to sustainable growth and the enhancement of medium to long-term corporate value. The Board of Directors, comprised of 3 Independent Outside Directors, deliberates on proposals from the President, Representative Director and CEO and makes decisions only after ensuring objectivity and fairness. The Company has a policy to dismiss the President, Representative Directors, in cases where it is acknowledged the President, Representative Director and CEO did not fully exhibit his/her roles, taking into account an appropriate evaluation of business performance, etc.

## 5. Explanation of individual Elections, Nominations and Dismissals when Nominating Candidates for Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members and Electing Executive Management by the Board of Directors based on 4. Above

The reasons for nominating, electing or dismissing individual Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members is as follows: In addition, this information can be found in the convocation notice for the General Meeting of Shareholders.

#### ■ Reason for selection of Takehito Hirano

Takehito Hirano has sufficiently fulfilled his role in supervising business execution and the management of Board of Directors Meetings utilizing his wealth of experience as an entrepreneur and business owner as well as his broad scope of knowledge in the staffing services industry. Therefore, the Company has selected him as Director because it believes he will continue to fulfill an appropriate role as Director in supervising management and business execution.

#### Reason for selection of Kazuki Sakamaki

As a Director in charge of business execution, Kazuki Sakamaki has sufficiently fulfilled his role in supervising business execution and decision making regarding material matters of the Company's management, having provided appropriate explanations for resolutions and reports presented to the Board of Directors. He has also led management as the President, Representative Director and CEO and has contributed to sustained enhancement of corporate value by realizing further business growth. Given these qualifications, the Company have selected him as Director because it believes he is an ideal choice for leading management as President and Representative Director and CEO and for the Company to aspire toward sustainable growth by heading up the implementation its medium-term management plan.

#### Reason for selection of Takahiro Ishikawa

Takahiro Ishikawa possesses knowledge and experience as a business manager in the specialized short-term operational support service industry within the broader staffing services industry. He has played an important role in the

oversight management and business execution by the Board of Directors. Given these qualifications, the Company has selected him as Director because it is believed he is a suitable choice for continuing to carry out the oversight of management and business execution as Director.

#### Reason for selection of Shiro Kaizuka

Shiro Kaizuka possesses knowledge and experience as a business manager in the specialized short-term operational support service industry within the broader staffing services industry. He has played an important role in the oversight management and business execution by the Board of Directors. Given these qualifications, the Company has selected him as Director because it is believed he is a suitable choice for continuing to carry out the oversight of management and business execution as Director.

#### Reason for selection of Kouji Sasaki

Kouji Sasaki possesses a wealth of experience in finance and accounting as a licensed tax accountant, and the Company expects that his knowledge and experience can be utilized to continue to enhance the Company's audit and risk management functions. In addition, he provides useful opinions and suggestions based on his past background, from the viewpoints of compliance and management. For this reason, the Company has selected him as Outside Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member.

#### Reason for selection of Masataka Uesugi

Masataka Uesugi possesses a wealth of experience as an Attorney-at-Law and as an Audit & Supervisory Board Member for other companies, and the Company expects that his knowledge and experience can be utilized to continue to enhance the Company's audit and risk management functions. For this reason, the Company has selected him as Outside Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member.

#### Reason for selection of Hideyuki Totani

Hideyuki Totani possesses a wealth of experience as an Accounting Auditor and as an Audit & Supervisory Board Member for other companies, and the Company expects that his knowledge and experience can be utilized to continue to enhance the Company's audit and risk management functions. For this reason, the Company has selected him as Outside Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member.

#### Supplementary Principle 3-1-3 [Initiatives, etc. on Sustainability]

<Initiatives on Sustainability>

As described in Supplementary Principle 4-2-2, our Group's basic policy on sustainability is contributing to solving sustainability issues and gaining the trust of all stakeholders involved in our business by realizing sustainable enhancement of corporate value. We will implement the following sustainability initiatives:

 Our Group will constantly offer employment opportunities to job seekers and a workforce to hiring companies by continually providing matching opportunities for short-term positions to job seekers and hiring companies. By doing so, we will contribute to job satisfaction for job seekers and economic growth for hiring companies. In particular, in Japan's labor market, which is experiencing a declining workforce, we will continually provide matching opportunities for short-term positions to both job seekers and hiring companies with a focus on young people, women, seniors, and foreign nationals as these are groups with room for labor force participation who can or want to work in short-term positions only, as well as through the growth of our Group, we will expand the opportunities for job seekers and hiring companies.

- We will contribute to the realization of gender equality by providing employment opportunities to job seekers not tied to age, gender or other attributes. In particular, women account for 48.6% (fiscal year ended December 31, 2021) of dispatched workers in the Short-Term Operational Support Business, our Group's mainstay segment, and through the growth of our Group, we will contribute to the expansion of employment opportunities for female job seekers. We will also contribute to expanding employment opportunities for seniors through Fullcast Senior Works Co., Ltd., a subsidiary providing staffing services specializing in older workers.
- We will contribute to eliminating inequalities among people and countries by providing employment opportunities to job seekers throughout Japan not tied to nationality. In particular, we will contribute to expanding employment opportunities for foreign nationals through Fullcast Global, Co., Ltd., a subsidiary providing staffing services specializing in foreign nationals with resident status in Japan, and Fullcast International, Co., Ltd., a subsidiary providing staffing services specializing in foreign nationals with specified skilled worker status.
- In response to Japan's labor environment, which is experiencing a declining workforce, we will contribute to
  industrial growth and building infrastructure for technological innovation by satisfying workforce needs through the
  provision of staff matching services to companies seeking growth or innovation. In particular, in providing staff
  matching services or job opportunities, it is essential to improve the convenience and efficiency of the core systems
  for human resource matching, and we will strive to make continuous improvements in this area to expand matching
  opportunities. In addition, there are increasing opportunities for digital transformation (DX), which we will actively
  implement.

#### <Investment in Human Capital and Intellectual Property>

With regard to investment in human capital, increasing the number of personnel is essential for our Group to achieve sustainable enhancement of corporate value, and we are making the necessary investments to enable us to continually recruit new graduates and midcareer hires, with an annual increase. Besides this, our Group will also increase the number of personnel by regularly providing the opportunity for our Group's temporary employees and staff dispatched and placed through our Group to become regular employees.

In addition, as described in Supplementary Principle 2-4-1, for our Group to achieve sustained enhancement of corporate value, it is essential for new graduates and midcareer hires to become competitive quickly after joining, and we have a full menu of training programs with a focus on practical training for employees up to their third year. In addition to increasing the precision and opportunities offered under our menu of training programs, we will consider gradually expanding the menu for each level of upper management and establishing training programs aimed at increasing awareness of sustainability among officers and employees.

With regard to investment in intellectual property, improving the convenience and efficiency of core systems related to human resource matching is essential for our Group to carry out its mainstay staffing service business. This will not only streamline internal operations, but will also contribute to improving the satisfaction and customer experience of job seekers who are dispatched or placed through our Group and client companies, thereby supporting the sustainable enhancement of our Group's corporate value, and, as such, we will continue to invest in this area.

In addition, due to the speedup and sophistication of digital and IT technologies, as well as the proliferation of these

technologies among job seekers and client companies, there are increasing opportunities for digital transformation (DX) in all the business processes of the staffing services industry, where digitization and use of IT has been slow to penetrate. Our Group will make the necessary investment to actively utilize these opportunities.

<Disclosure of Climate Change-Related Impacts>

As our Group is primarily engaged in short-term staffing services, it is difficult to imagine that climate change will have a major impact on our Group's business. Our Group does not disclose the impact of climate change-related risks and earning opportunities on its business activities and profits based on the TCFD recommendations or an equivalent framework because climate change is not considered a materiality (key issue) for the Company. However, in the future, we will consider collecting and analyzing the necessary data, disclosing information based on a framework such as TCFD, and enhancing the quality and quantity of disclosure.

# Supplementary Principle 4-1-1 [Summary of Scope of Matters Delegated from the Board of Director to the Management]

The Board of Directors determines matters in accordance with laws and regulations and matters considered to be of importance to the management of our Group defined in the Regulations of the Board of Directors. The Articles of Incorporation stipulate that all or partial decisions of important business matters be delegated to the Board of Directors.

As for decisions on other matters of business execution, the Company Regulations have been created that clearly indicate approval authority in order to speed up decision making and achieve more in-depth deliberation among Directors. Decision making is sped up by transferring authority as appropriate to the President, Representative Director and CEO, who is appointed executive Director by the Board of Directors.

#### Supplementary Principle 4-2-2 [Development of Basic Policy for Sustainability Initiatives]

Fullcast Group Sustainability Basic Policy

The Fullcast Group's basic policy on sustainability is to contribute to solving social issues and to win the trust of all stakeholders involved in our business by achieving sustainable enhancement of corporate value with a corporate philosophy of "Providing the best place for people to bring out their best." We will implement the following sustainability activities:

- 1. As we are primarily engaged in short-term staffing services, it is difficult to imagine that climate change will have a major impact on our business. However, we will reduce environmental impact and use resources efficiently in areas where it can contribute for the sustainable development of the global environment.
- 2. We will respond appropriately to the human rights impact and risks of corporate activities and strive to prevent human rights violations.
- 3. We are aware that the growth of employees is the source of sustained enhancement of corporate value and we will strive for recruitment and training not tied to race, nationality, age, gender, and other attributes, as well as for improvements in the working environment giving consideration to work-life balance.
- 4. We will strive to establish trust and engage in fair and appropriate transactions with jobseekers and client companies, our important business partners in operating the staffing services business.

### Principle 4-9 [Independence Standards and Qualification for Independent Directors]

The Company has stipulated the following standards for determining the independence of the Company's Outside Directors as part of its efforts to strengthen corporate governance.

#### [Conditions of Independence for Independent Officers]

The Company's independent officers are Outside Directors as stipulated in the Companies Act and Ordinance for Enforcement of the Companies Act and they are persons who satisfy the following conditions, in addition to the conditions for independence set forth by financial instrument exchanges in Japan, including the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

- 1. Persons who do not fall into any of the following categories
- (1) A Director who is not an executor of business or executor of business of the Company's parent company;
- (2) An executor of business of the Company's sister company;
- (3) An organization for whom Company or the Company's subsidiaries (hereinafter, the "Group") is the major customer or a person who executes the business of that major customer;
- (4) A major customer of our Group or a person who executes the business of that major customer;
- (5) A consultant, accounting expert or legal expert who, in addition to remuneration for directors receives money exceeding a certain amount or other assets from our Group (or an organization that receives the said assets or person who belongs to the said organization);
- (6) A person who fell into any of the categories described in (1) to (5) above in the last one year;
- (7) A relative of a person (excluding unimportant persons) who falls into any of the following categories (i) to(iii) within the second degree of the relationship:
  - (i) A person who falls into any of the above categories (1) to (6);
  - (ii) An executor of business for a subsidiary of the Company;
  - (iii) A person who falls into (ii) or was an executor of business for the Company in the last year.
- 2. Individuals who do not have other circumstances that prevents them from fulfilling their duties as independent officer.
- 3. Even when 1 or 2 above applies, an individual can still be appointed as independent officer if it is determined they effectively possess independence and the reason is explained and disclosed at the time of their appointment as outside officer.

#### (Notes)

- 1. An "executor of business" means a Director in charge of business execution, an executive officer, or an employee.
- 2. A "major customer" means a company whose payments or receivables account for over 2% of annual consolidated net sales of our Group within most recent business year.
- 3. "In addition to remuneration for directors receives money exceeding a certain amount or other assets from our Group" means a person who received monetary proceeds of 10 million yen or more or interests with the equivalent value from our Group, in addition to remuneration for directors, in the most recent business year.

#### Supplementary Principle 4-10-1 [Nomination Committee and Remuneration Committee]

The Company's Board of Directors consists of 7 Directors, 3 of whom are Independent Outside Directors, and agenda items at Board of Directors meetings are deliberated and decided upon after obtaining appropriate involvement and

advice from the Independent Outside Directors.

In order to establish a system that can adequately ensure the independence and objectivity of the functions of the Board of Directors in areas related to the remuneration of senior management and the Directors, the Company established the Remuneration Committee composed of 3 Outside Directors, who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members and are independent, and the President, Representative Director and CEO in the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021. The majority of the members of the Remuneration Committee are Independent Outside Directors. In addition, in terms of its authority and roles, the Remuneration Committee deliberates and reports to the Board of Directors on the following matters:

- (1) Policy in determining the remuneration, etc. of Directors;
- (2) Draft proposals regarding the remuneration, etc. of Directors to be submitted to the General Meeting of Shareholders;
- (3) Policy related to determining the details of remuneration, etc. for individual Directors;
- (4) Matters related to the details of remuneration, etc. for individual Directors;
- (5) Other important matters related to the above referred to the committee by the Board of Directors.

The Company also established the Nomination Committee, which consists of 3 Independent Outside Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members, and the President, Representative Director and CEO, in order to strengthen the supervisory function of the Board of Directors and enhance the corporate governance system by increasing the transparency and objectivity of the evaluation and decision-making process regarding the nomination of Directors. As is the case with the Remuneration Committee, the majority of the members of the Nomination Committee are Independent Outside Directors. In addition, in terms of its authority and roles, the Nomination Committee deliberates and reports to the Board of Directors on the following matters:

- (1) Matters related to the election and dismissal of Directors;
- (2) Matters related to the selection and dismissal of the President and CEO;
- (3) Matters related to the successor plan for the President and CEO;
- (4) Other important matters related to the above referred to the committee by the Board of Directors.

## Supplementary Principle 4-11-1 [View on Balance between Knowledge, Experience and Skills of the Board as a Whole, and on Diversity and Appropriate Board Size]

The Company has elected 4 Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and 3 Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members. The Company nominates Directors who are not Audit & Supervisory Committee Members as we believe them to be capable of playing a sufficient role in making decisions on important management matters and supervising the execution of duties by the President, Representative Director and CEO, who is an executive Director, in order to realize the management plan.

In addition, all of the Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members are Independent Outside Directors, and we place an emphasis on their highly specialized knowledge and insight and experience in areas related to management which cannot be obtained solely from the Directors who are not Audit & Supervisory Committee Members. We expect all the Directors to fully demonstrate their abilities supported by their respective experience, to make decisions on important matters related to basic management policies, and to supervise the execution of business.

Also, the 3 Directors who are not Audit & Supervisory Committee Members other than the President, Representative Director and CEO are non-executive Directors with management experience. Therefore, the execution of duties by the

President, Representative Director and CEO, is substantially supervised by all other Directors. The policies and procedures related to the election of Directors are provided in "I. Basic Views on Corporate Governance, Capital Structure, Corporate Profile and Other Basic Information > 1. Basic Views, [Disclosures Based on the Principle of the Corporate Governance Code] > Principle 3-1 [Full Disclosure] > 4." of this report.

Please see the table of Directors' Skills in the appendix for the overview of the skills that the Directors possess as of March 2022.

# Supplementary Principle 4-11-2 [Concurrent Posts Assumed by Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members]

The Company discloses the status of concurrent posts assumed by Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members in the convocation notice for General Meeting of Shareholders and securities reports.

The status of concurrent posts assumed by Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members is provided below.

## [Status of Other Important Mandates of Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee

#### Members)]

Takehito Hirano

Representative Director and Chairman of F-PLAIN Corporation

Director of Advancer Global Limited

#### Kazuki Sakamaki

President and Representative Director of Fullcast Co., Ltd.

#### Takahiro Ishikawa

Representative Director and Chairman of Beat Co., Ltd.

Director of STARTLINE Co., Ltd.

Representative Director and Chairman of Beattech Co., Ltd.

#### Shiro Kaizuka

Representative Director of Dimension Pockets Co., Ltd.

Representative Partner of One Suite G.K.

Director of Interbiz Limited

Representative Director of Rearvio Co., Ltd.

Representative Partner of IPM G.K.

## [Status of Other Important Mandates of Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members]

Kouji Sasaki

Sasaki Tax Accounting Office

#### Masataka Uesugi

Sakurada Dori Partners (partner)

Outside Director (Audit & Supervisory Committee Member) of Digital Arts Inc.

Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Commerce One Holdings Inc.

Outside Director (Audit & Supervisory Committee Member) of Ceres Inc.

Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Aiming Inc.

#### Hideyuki Totani

President at RSM Seiwa Audit Corporation

Auditor of F-PLAIN Corporation

Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Ichigo Holdings, Inc.

#### (Reference)

Convocation Notice of the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders for the 29th Fiscal Year https://www.fullcastholdings.co.jp/dcms\_media/other/convocationnotice\_20220310\_eng.pdf Securities Report for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2021 https://www.fullcastholdings.co.jp/dcms\_media/other/annualreport\_20220328\_eng.pdf

#### Supplementary Principle 4-11-3 [Preconditions for Ensuring the Effectiveness of the Board of Directors]

From the fiscal year ended December 2016, the Company has conducted surveys with regard to the effectiveness of the Company's Board of Directors in order to enhance the effectiveness of the Board of Directors and further enhance corporate value. We conducted a similar survey of all Directors (including those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) in the fiscal year ended December 2021. The results of this survey were analyzed and evaluated.

Within the survey, Directors were asked to self-assess 26 items, including composition of the Board of Directors, management of the Board of Directors, structure underpinning the Board of Directors and a comprehensive evaluation for the fiscal year ended December 2021. The results indicated almost as high scores as the previous survey for each item, and that Directors believe the effectiveness of the Company's Board of Directors continues to be ensured.

At the same time, there is still room for improvement from the perspective of further enhancing discussions at the Board of Directors meetings, such as the timing and method of providing materials to ensure that each Director has sufficient time to consider proposals. In addition, there is a need to further deepen discussions by the Board of Directors regarding the election and dismissal of senior management, succession plans for Representative Director, and remuneration for directors.

Going forward, based on the results of the evaluation of effectiveness, the Company will aim to heighten the effectiveness of the Board of Directors and realize further enhancements in corporate value by making improvements with regard to the issues brought to light.

## Supplementary Principle 4-14-2 [Training Policy for Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members]

Necessary training opportunities are provided, including short courses provided by external institutions, at the time of appointment and continually after appointment, so that Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members can obtain and update the knowledge and information needed for fulfilling their roles and duties appropriately.

When appointing new Outside Directors from different industry that are non-executive Directors, the President, Representative Director and CEO provides opportunities for them to acquire the knowledge and information concerning the market structure and business and service structure as it relates to the Company.

#### Principle 5-1 [Policy for Constructive Dialogue with Shareholders]

Our Group considers shareholders to be an important stakeholder and for this reason it encourages constructive dialogue with shareholders within a reasonable scope, even outside the venue of the General Meeting of Shareholders, from the perspective of realizing sustainable growth and enhancing medium- to long-term corporate value.

Additionally, the Company encourages discussions on important management policies and corporate governance, among other topics, with major shareholders who have an investment policy that particularly requires them to seek out medium to long-term returns.

The Company's policy on establishing a system and making efforts to promote constructive dialogue with shareholders is outlined below.

- (1) General dialogue with shareholders, including meetings with investors, will be supervised by the President, Representative Director and CEO, while the General Manager of the Finance and IR Department will engage in dialogue with shareholders as the person responsible and the dedicated investor relations department will support these efforts.
- (2) The Company's investor relations department will take the lead in gathering necessary information from dialogue with shareholders, including meetings with investors, and opinions gained through dialogue with shareholders will be shared at regular meetings held involving the General Managers of Indirect Departments so that operations are conducted while incorporating proactive collaboration with related departments.
- (3) In order to enhance means of dialogue outside of individual meetings, the Company will engage in activities to deepen understanding of the Company, by holding business performance briefings will be made to institutional investors semi-annually, making efforts to conduct sincere question and answer sessions at General Meetings of Shareholders, and providing information disclosures through the Company's website. Going forward, the Company will seek to enhance the nature of dialogue based on the opinions and requests of investors.
- (4) All matters of dialogue with shareholders, including meetings with investors and dialogue outside of meetings, is reported to the President, Representative Director and CEO. In addition, the opinions of shareholders gained from dialogue are reported to executive management and the Board of Directors as needed based on the level of importance.
- (5) The management of insider information is conducted in a thorough manner with an emphasis placed on the equality of information, pursuant to company regulations.

#### Supplementary Principle 5-2-1 [Basic Policy Regarding the Business Portfolio]

Basic Policy Regarding the Business Portfolio at the Fullcast Group

Our Group's business portfolio consists of the mainstay Short-Term Operational Support Business, which accounts for approximately 90% of consolidated net sales, and other two segments, which are the Sales Support Business and the Security, Other Businesses segments.

Our Group believes that continuing to grow the mainstay Short-Term Operational Support Business will enable it to enhance our Group's corporate value, and its basic management strategy is to focus on the growth of this business. In addition, with regards to M&A, our policy is to consider and implement M&A primarily in areas peripheral to the Short-Term Operational Support Business, targeting companies that will contribute to further growth and expansion in this business. In the other two segments, our policy is to aim for stable growth.

Our Group has established "Medium-Term Management Plan 2024." For details, please see "Notice of Establishment

of Medium-Term Management Plan 2024" released on February 10, 2022.

Going forward, we plan to grow the mainstay Short-Term Operational Support Business without any significant changes to our basic management strategies, but we will conduct reviews of the business portfolio as necessary in order to optimize it.

## 2. Capital Structure

Foreign Shareholding RatioFrom 20% to less than 30%

## [Major shareholders]

Name	Number of shares held	Percentage (%)
Hirano Associates Co., Ltd.	13,586,600	37.25
Hikari Tsushin Co., Ltd.	3,529,500	9.68
The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account)	2,897,600	7.95
Custody Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account)	1,905,500	5.22
UH Partners2, Inc.	1,321,100	3.62
JP Morgan Chase Bank 385632	625,937	1.72
(Standing proxy: Mizuho Bank, Ltd., Settlement &		
Clearing Services Division)		
Victory Trivalent International Small-Cap Fund	500,100	1.37
(Standing proxy: Citibank N.A., Tokyo Branch)		
State Street Bank and Trust Company 505019	428,600	1.18
(Standing proxy: The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking		
Corporation Limited, Tokyo branch, Custody Division)		
State Street Bank and Trust Company 505103	426,179	1.17
(Standing proxy: Mizuho Bank, Ltd., Settlement &		
Clearing Services Division)		
The Bank of New York Mellon SA/NV. 10	380,000	1.04
(Standing proxy: MUFG Bank, Ltd.)		

## Controlling Shareholders (except for Parent Company)

Parent Company

None

## Supplementary Explanation

In addition to the above, there are 1,015,666 shares of treasury shares owned by the Company.

## 3. Corporate Attributes

Listed Stock Market and Market Section	Tokyo Stock Exchange First Section
Year-end	December
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Type of Business	Services
Number of Employees (consolidated) as of the End of	More than 1,000
Previous Fiscal Year	
Net sales (consolidated) as of the End of the Previous Fiscal	From 10 billion yen to less than 100 billion yen
Year	
Number of Consolidated Subsidiaries as of the End of the	From 10 less than 50
Previous Fiscal Year	

4. Policy on Measures to Protect Minority Shareholders in Conducting Transactions with Controlling Shareholder

5. Other Special Circumstances which may have Material Impact on Corporate Governance

II. Business Management Organizations and Other Corporate Governance Systems regarding Decision-making, Execution of Business, and Oversight in Management

1. Organizational Composition and Operation

Format of Organization	Company with an Audit & Supervisory Committee
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[Directors]

Maximum Number of Directors Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	10
Term of Office Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	1 year
Chairperson of the Board	President
Number of Directors	7
Appointment of Outside Directors	Appointed
Number of Outside Directors	3
Number of Outside Directors Designated as Independent Directors	3

## **Outside Directors' Relationship with the Company (1)**

Nomo	Attribute		Relationship with company (*)									
Name			b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k
Kouji Sasaki	Tax accountant											
Masataka Uesugi	Attorney											
Hideyuki Totani	Certified Public Accountant											

\* Conditions met regarding the relationship with the Company

a. An executor of business of a listed company or its subsidiary

b. An executor of business or non- executor of business Director of the parent company of a listed company

c. An executor of business of a sister company of a listed company

d. An individual or executor of business that undertakes major transactions with a listed company

- e. The main business partner of a listed company or its executor of business
- f. A consultant, accounting professional, or legal professional who receives large sums of monetary or other compensation from a listed company in addition to the compensation received as an officer
- g. A major shareholder of a listed company (if the major shareholder is a corporation, an executor of business of the corporation)
- h. An executor of business (individual only) of a business partner of a listed company (in which d, e, and f above are not applicable)
- i. An executor of business (individual only) of a company which has a relationship of mutual appointment of Outside Directors
- j. An executor of business (individual only) of an organization receiving donations from a listed company
- k. Other

Name	Designation as Audit & Supervisory Committee Member	Designation as Independent Director		Supplementary explanation of the Relationship	Reason for Appointment
Kouji Sasaki	•	•	Apr. 1966	Joined Tokyo Regional Taxation Bureau and worked	Kouji Sasaki possesses a wealth of experience in
				in the general affairs division, before later working in	finance and accounting as a licensed tax accountant,
				tax offices	and the Company expects that his knowledge and
			Dec. 1984	Passed the tax accountant examination	experience can be utilized to continue to enhance the
			June 1995	Retired as a special examiner at Nakano tax office	Company's audit and risk management functions. In
			Sept. 1995	Opened Sasaki Tax Accounting Office	addition, he provides useful opinions and suggestions
			Dec. 1999	Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of the	based on his past background, from the viewpoints of
				Company	compliance and management. For this reason, the
			Sept. 2008	Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Fullcast HR	Company has selected him as Outside Director who is
				Research Institute Co., Ltd. (currently Fullcast Co.,	an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member.
				Ltd.)	(Reason for designated an independent officer)
			Mar. 2016	Director (full-time Audit & Supervisory Committee	He satisfies the requirements of independence
				Member) of the Company (present post)	stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange and he also
					satisfies the "Standards for Independence of Outside
					Officers" stipulated by the Company. He was
					designated as independent officer based on the
					judgment that there is no concern of special interests
					with the Company and conflict of interest with
					general shareholders.

### **Outside Directors' Relationship with the Company (2)**

	•	•	Apr. 1995	Registered as an attorney- at- law (Tokyo Bar	Masataka Uesugi possesses a wealth of experience
				Association)	an Attorney-at-Law and as an Audit & Supervisory
			Apr. 1999	Founded Uesugi Law Office	Board Member for other companies, and the
			June 2003	Partner of Amlec Law and Accounting Firm	Company expects that his knowledge and experience
			June 2003	Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Digital Arts	can be utilized to continue to enhance the Company
				Inc.	audit and risk management functions. For this reaso
			June 2004	Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Nextech Co.,	the Company has selected him as Outside Director
				Ltd.	who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member
			Dec. 2012	Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of	
				F-PLAIN Corporation	(Reason for designated an independent officer)
			June 2013	Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of	He satisfies the requirements of independence
				Commerce One Holdings Inc. (present post)	stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange and he also
			Dec. 2013	Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Ceres	satisfies the "Standards for Independence of Outsid
				Inc.	Officers" stipulated by the Company. He was
			Nov. 2014	Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of	designated as independent officer based on the
				Aiming Inc. (present post)	judgment that there is no concern of special interes
			Mar. 2015	Founded Sakurada Dori Partners (partner, present	with the Company and conflict of interest with
				post)	general shareholders.
			Mar. 2016	Director (Audit & Supervisory Committee Member)	
				of the Company (present post)	
			June 2016	Outside Director (Audit & Supervisory Committee	
				Member) of Digital Arts Inc. (present post)	
			Mar. 2021	Outside Director (Audit & Supervisory Committee	
				Member) of Ceres Inc. (present post)	
				·	
Hideyuki Totani	•	•	Oct. 2003	Joined Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC	Hideyuki Totani possesses a wealth of experience a
Hideyuki Totani	•	•		-	
Hideyuki Totani	•	•	June 2007	Registered as Certified Public Accountant	an Accounting Auditor and as an Audit & Supervis
Hideyuki Totani	•	•		Registered as Certified Public Accountant Partner at Seiwa Audit Corporation (currently RSM	an Accounting Auditor and as an Audit & Supervis Board Member for other companies, and the
Hideyuki Totani	•	•	June 2007 July 2007	Registered as Certified Public Accountant Partner at Seiwa Audit Corporation (currently RSM Seiwa Audit Corporation)	an Accounting Auditor and as an Audit & Supervis Board Member for other companies, and the Company expects that his knowledge and experien
Hideyuki Totani	•	•	June 2007	Registered as Certified Public Accountant Partner at Seiwa Audit Corporation (currently RSM Seiwa Audit Corporation) Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of	an Accounting Auditor and as an Audit & Supervis Board Member for other companies, and the Company expects that his knowledge and experien can be utilized to continue to enhance the Company
Hideyuki Totani	•	•	June 2007 July 2007 June 2013	Registered as Certified Public Accountant Partner at Seiwa Audit Corporation (currently RSM Seiwa Audit Corporation) Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of F-PLAIN Corporation	an Accounting Auditor and as an Audit & Supervis Board Member for other companies, and the Company expects that his knowledge and experien can be utilized to continue to enhance the Company audit and risk management functions. For this rease
Hideyuki Totani	•	•	June 2007 July 2007	Registered as Certified Public Accountant Partner at Seiwa Audit Corporation (currently RSM Seiwa Audit Corporation) Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of F-PLAIN Corporation Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of	an Accounting Auditor and as an Audit & Supervis Board Member for other companies, and the Company expects that his knowledge and experien can be utilized to continue to enhance the Company audit and risk management functions. For this rease the Company has selected him as Outside Director
Hideyuki Totani	•	•	June 2007 July 2007 June 2013 July 2014	Registered as Certified Public Accountant Partner at Seiwa Audit Corporation (currently RSM Seiwa Audit Corporation) Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of F-PLAIN Corporation Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Ichigo Holdings, Inc. (present post)	an Accounting Auditor and as an Audit & Supervis Board Member for other companies, and the Company expects that his knowledge and experien can be utilized to continue to enhance the Company audit and risk management functions. For this rease the Company has selected him as Outside Director
Hideyuki Totani	•	•	June 2007 July 2007 June 2013 July 2014 Dec. 2015	Registered as Certified Public Accountant Partner at Seiwa Audit Corporation (currently RSM Seiwa Audit Corporation) Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of F-PLAIN Corporation Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Ichigo Holdings, Inc. (present post) Auditor of F-PLAIN Corporation (present post)	an Accounting Auditor and as an Audit & Supervise Board Member for other companies, and the Company expects that his knowledge and experience can be utilized to continue to enhance the Company audit and risk management functions. For this rease the Company has selected him as Outside Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Membe
Hideyuki Totani	•	•	June 2007 July 2007 June 2013 July 2014	Registered as Certified Public Accountant Partner at Seiwa Audit Corporation (currently RSM Seiwa Audit Corporation) Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of F-PLAIN Corporation Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Ichigo Holdings, Inc. (present post) Auditor of F-PLAIN Corporation (present post) Director (Audit & Supervisory Committee Member)	an Accounting Auditor and as an Audit & Supervise Board Member for other companies, and the Company expects that his knowledge and experience can be utilized to continue to enhance the Company audit and risk management functions. For this rease the Company has selected him as Outside Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Membe (Reason for designated an independent officer)
Hideyuki Totani	•	•	June 2007 July 2007 June 2013 July 2014 Dec. 2015 Mar. 2016	Registered as Certified Public Accountant Partner at Seiwa Audit Corporation (currently RSM Seiwa Audit Corporation) Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of F-PLAIN Corporation Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Ichigo Holdings, Inc. (present post) Auditor of F-PLAIN Corporation (present post) Director (Audit & Supervisory Committee Member) of the Company (present post)	an Accounting Auditor and as an Audit & Supervise Board Member for other companies, and the Company expects that his knowledge and experience can be utilized to continue to enhance the Company audit and risk management functions. For this reases the Company has selected him as Outside Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member (Reason for designated an independent officer) He satisfies the requirements of independence
Hideyuki Totani	•	•	June 2007 July 2007 June 2013 July 2014 Dec. 2015 Mar. 2016 July 2016	Registered as Certified Public Accountant Partner at Seiwa Audit Corporation (currently RSM Seiwa Audit Corporation) Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of F-PLAIN Corporation Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Ichigo Holdings, Inc. (present post) Auditor of F-PLAIN Corporation (present post) Director (Audit & Supervisory Committee Member) of the Company (present post) Representative at RSM Seiwa Audit Corporation	Company expects that his knowledge and experience can be utilized to continue to enhance the Company audit and risk management functions. For this rease the Company has selected him as Outside Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member (Reason for designated an independent officer) He satisfies the requirements of independence stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange and he also
Hideyuki Totani	•	•	June 2007 July 2007 June 2013 July 2014 Dec. 2015 Mar. 2016	Registered as Certified Public Accountant Partner at Seiwa Audit Corporation (currently RSM Seiwa Audit Corporation) Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of F-PLAIN Corporation Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Ichigo Holdings, Inc. (present post) Auditor of F-PLAIN Corporation (present post) Director (Audit & Supervisory Committee Member) of the Company (present post)	an Accounting Auditor and as an Audit & Supervise Board Member for other companies, and the Company expects that his knowledge and experience can be utilized to continue to enhance the Company audit and risk management functions. For this reases the Company has selected him as Outside Director who is an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member (Reason for designated an independent officer) He satisfies the requirements of independence

		judgment that there is no concern of special interests
		with the Company and conflict of interest with
		general shareholders.

## [Audit & Supervisory Committee]

Composition and Attribution of Chairperson

	All Committee members		Inside Directors	Outside Directors	Chairperson
Audit & Supervisory Committee	3	1	0	3	Outside Director

## Presence of Directors or employees that should support the duties of the Audit & Supervisory Committee

None

Yes

## Reason for adopting the current system

The Company has determined the system as for supporting the activities of Audit & Supervisory Committee Members for conducting audits appropriately is in place and a sufficient support system is also in place, based on the establishment of support personnel in case Audit & Supervisory Committee Members deem it necessary, the personnel evaluations of support personnel will be conducted by the Audit & Supervisory Committee, and the Company will bear the costs required for audits, etc.

## Cooperation between the Audit & Supervisory Committee, the Accounting Auditor and the Internal Audit Department

In the Board of Directors Meetings, Outside Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members provide necessary comments for resolutions and discussions as required, and state opinions on resolutions and discussions as the need arises, from the perspective of decision-making processes used in execution of duties by Directors (excluding Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and in corporate resolutions are appropriate.

Audit & Supervisory Committee Members and the Internal Audit Department work towards mutual cooperation through formulation of audit plans and reporting on outcomes of internal audits. As the Audit & Supervisory Committee meetings audit plans and detailed explanations on audit plans are carried out in a timely manner by PricewaterhouseCoopers Aarata LLC., the Company's Accounting Auditor.

The internal control department (the Personnel and Legal Department) summarizes findings from effectiveness assessments on the state of operation and maintenance of internal controls. The President, Representative Director and CEO then report the summarized findings to the Board of Directors Meetings, the Audit & Supervisory Committee and Accounting Auditor as required in a timely manner. Even in cases where dishonest actions have been committed by people with roles that are crucial for internal control as part of financial reporting, or where major changes have been made in internal control, they still report to the Board of Directors Meeting, the Audit & Supervisory Committee and Accounting Auditors as required in a timely manner.

#### [Voluntary Establishment of Committees]

Voluntary Establishment of Committees Corresponding to Nomination Committee or Remuneration Committee

Situation pertaining to establishment of voluntary committees along with attribution of members and chairperson of said committees

Committees Corresponding to Nomination Committee

Co	ommittee name		Nomination Committee			
All Committee members	Full-time members	Inside Directors	Outside Directors	In-house expert	Others	Chairperson
4	2	1	3	0	0	Inside Director

#### Committees Corresponding to Remuneration Committee

С	ommittee name		Remuneration Committee				
All Committee members	Full-time members			In-house expert	Others	Chairperson	
4	2	1	3	0	0	Inside Director	

Supplementary Explanation

The supplementary explanation on Nomination Committee and Remuneration Committee is provided in "I. Basic Views on Corporate Governance, Capital Structure, Corporate Profile and Other Basic Information > 1. Basic Views > [Disclosures Based on the Principle of the Corporate Governance Code] > Supplementary Principle 4-10-1 [Nomination Committee and Remuneration Committee]" of this report.

#### [Independent Directors]

Number of Independent Directors

Matters relating to Independent Directors

### [Incentives]

Incentives Policies for Directors Performance-linked compensation and stock option

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Supplementary explanation of this item

At the Company's 24th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 24, 2017, the amount of remuneration of Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) was approved to be 200 million yen or less per year (excluding the salary of employees serving concurrently as Director), and approval was also received to issue share acquisition rights as remuneration-type stock options to Directors of the Company (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members), both of which remain in effect today.

At the 29th General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 25, 2022, the Company passed a resolution to make revisions to the detailed matters of share acquisition rights as part of stock options granted to the Company's Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) in order to improve business performance continually over the medium to long term and further enhance morale and the motivation to increase corporate value by having Directors share with shareholders not only the benefits of an increase in stock price, but also the risk of a decrease in stock price, which shall further solidify the linkage between the Company's performance and stock price.

Remuneration-type stock options adopt consolidated operating profit, a primary financial target of the Medium-Term

Management Plan, as the indicator related to performance-linked remuneration. Share acquisition rights can be exercised within the limit exercisable units, from among the allocated share acquisition rights, determined based on the level of achievement of the consolidated operating profit target for the final fiscal year of the Medium-Term Management Plan. For additional details, please refer to the Company's "Securities Report for the fiscal year ended December 2021, Section 4 Status of Filing Company, 1. Status of Shares, (2) New Share Acquisition Rights, 1) Details of Stock Option System (p. 31-41)."

(Reference)

Securities Report for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2021

https://www.fullcastholdings.co.jp/dcms\_media/other/annualreport\_20220328\_eng.pdf

Supplementary explanation of this item

The Company has introduced a remuneration-type stock options system for Directors (excluding those that are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members).

#### [Director Compensation]

Disclosure status No individual disclosure

Supplementary explanation of this item

With regards to Director compensation, the Company discloses the number of persons receiving compensation and the total amount of compensation in our securities report and business report.

The amount of compensation paid to Directors in the fiscal year ended December 2021

Directors (excluding Audit & Supervisory Committee Members and Outside Directors):4 persons/105 million yen

Directors (Audit & Supervisory Committee Members but excluding Outside Directors):--- persons/--- yen

Outside Officers:3 persons/14 million yen

(Notes)

- The limit on remuneration determined at the General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 25, 2016 is less than 200 million yen annually for Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members).
   In addition, at the General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 25, 2022, approval was granted regarding revisions to the specific matters of share acquisition rights as part of stock options to be granted to the Company's Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) within the scope of their remuneration.
- 2. The limit on remuneration determined at the General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 25, 2016 is less than 50 million yen annually for Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members.

Policy on Determining Compensation Amounts and Calculation Method Yes

Disclosure of Policy for Determination of compensation amounts and calculation method

It is stated in the Articles of Incorporation that officers' remunerations are stipulated based upon decisions made at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders.

The Company decides on the amount of remuneration for executive officers once each year.

As for remuneration of Directors, approval was obtained at the 23rd Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on

March 25, 2016 for limit on remuneration to be 200 million yen per year for Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and 50 million yen per year for Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members (number of Directors subject to approval: 3 Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and 3 Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members). In addition, at the 29th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 25, 2022, Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members), approval was obtained for the issuance of share acquisition rights as stock options within the scope of the amount of such remuneration. Remuneration-type stock options use consolidated operating profit, which is the main financial target of the medium-term management plan, as an indicator of performance-linked remuneration. Share acquisition rights can be exercised only for the number of share acquisition rights assigned that can be exercised according to the degree of achievement of consolidated operating profit target for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024, the final year of the medium-term management plan. Since the Company has set a consolidated operating profit target for the fiscal year.

Furthermore, at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on February 26, 2021, the Company resolved the "Policy for determining the details of remuneration of individual directors." The organization with the authority to decide on the policy on determining the amount of remuneration of officers of the Company or the method of calculating such is the Board of Directors. Regarding remuneration of Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members), the President and CEO, who is an Executive Director, formulates a compensation plan including the total amount of remuneration, in accordance with the relevant policy, and after deliberations by the Remuneration Committee consisting of three independent outside Directors and the President, Representative Director and CEO, who is an Executive Director, the total amount of remuneration is resolved by the Board of Directors.

The specific detail of the remuneration amounts of each Director shall be left to the President, Representative Director and CEO, who is an Executive Director, and the details of the authority shall be the amount of basic remuneration for each Director and the amount of performance-linked remuneration of each Director. The reason for delegating this authority is that when determining individual remuneration of Directors, the Remuneration Committee deliberates in accordance with the policy and then reports to the Board of Directors, and those who have been delegated determine the amount by respecting the report.

The Board of Directors has resolved to delegate the determination of individual remuneration of Directors pertaining to this fiscal year to Kazuki Sakamaki, President, Representative Director and CEO. The Board of Directors has resolved that the method of determining the content of remuneration and the content of the determined remuneration are consistent with the policy resolved by the Board of Directors for the individual remuneration of Directors pertaining to this fiscal year. The Company has confirmed that the report from the Remuneration Committee is respected and judges that it is in line with the policy.

During the relevant fiscal year, deliberation and resolution were made by the Board of Directors as follows:

• March 26, 2021: Deliberation and resolution on remuneration of directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members)

The remuneration of Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members is determined through discussions among the Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members.

The contents of "Policy for determining the details of remuneration of individual directors" are as follows:

#### 1. Fundamental policy

The fundamental policy for the determination of remuneration of the Company's individual directors shall be to set this remuneration at an appropriate level based on the importance of each of their duties and their achievements using a remuneration system linked to the Company's business performance and return to shareholders so that remuneration works sufficiently as an incentive for the sustainable enhancement of corporate value.

Specifically, the remuneration of the Representative Director and CEO who serves as an executive officer and the director responsible for audit functions (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) shall be comprised of base remuneration (monetary remuneration ) as the fixed remuneration and performance-linked remuneration (monetary remuneration) and stock-based compensation (non-monetary remuneration). The remuneration of outside directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee members shall comprise only base remuneration as fixed remuneration in view of their duties.

2. Policy regarding the amount of remuneration for each individual in terms of base remuneration (monetary remuneration) (including the policy on determining the timing or conditions for the granting of remuneration)

The base remuneration of the Company's directors shall be comprised of monthly fixed remuneration, which shall be determined holistically while considering the level of other companies, the Company's performance, and level of employee pay based on the director's position, duties, and number of years in office.

3. Policy regarding the details and amount or calculation method of performance-linked remuneration and non-monetary remuneration (including the policy on determining the timing or conditions for the granting of remuneration)

Performance-linked remuneration shall be comprised of cash remuneration reflecting key performance indicators (KPI) to elevate awareness about improving performance each business year. The amount calculated is based on the level of achievement of targets for consolidated operating profit for each respective business year and shall be paid monthly in conjunction with monthly fixed remuneration. The target KPIs and their values, in principle, shall be set when the Medium-Term Management Plan is formulated to ensure consistency with this plan or medium-term consolidated operating profit targets set by the Company and be reviewed as necessary based on changes in the operating environment.

Non-monetary remuneration shall be comprised of remuneration-type stock options and adopt consolidated operating profit, a primary financial target of the Medium-Term Management Plan or medium-term consolidated operating profit targets set by the Company, as the indicator related to performance-linked remuneration. Of those share acquisition rights allocated, only a limited number of share acquisition rights can be exercised depending on the level of achievement of the consolidated operating profit target for the final year of the Medium-Term Management Plan or of medium-term consolidated operating profit target.

4. Policy regarding determination of the proportion of monetary remuneration, performance-linked remuneration or non-monetary remuneration for each Director

The ratio of each type of remuneration for Executive Director and Director (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) shall be determined considering remuneration levels of other companies engaged in related business types or formats or whose business size is similar to the Company. Furthermore, the benchmark ratio of

each type of remuneration shall be 8: 1: 1 representing base remuneration: performance-linked remuneration: non-monetary remuneration (in case the level of KPI achievement is 100%).

Note: Performance-linked remuneration shall be cash remuneration and non-monetary remuneration shall be remuneration-type stock options.

### 5. Matters regarding the determination of details of remuneration for individual Directors

The remuneration of the Representative Director and CEO who serves as an executive officer and the director (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) will be proposed by the Representative Director and CEO who serves as an executive officer that will include the total amount of remuneration following the aforementioned fundamental policy on determining remuneration and individual policies. Next, the Board of Directors passes a resolution on the total amount of remuneration (each amount of base remuneration, performance-linked remuneration and stock-type remuneration, if applicable), timing, conditions and other important matters, if any. The specific details of each individual director are entrusted to the discretion of the Representative Director and CEO who serves as an executive officer. The details of this authority shall comprise the amount of base remuneration of each director and performance-linked remuneration of each director.

However, the Company will establish a Remuneration Committee comprised of 3 independent outside directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee members and the Representative Director and CEO who serves as an executive officer to prevent arbitrary decisions on remuneration by the Representative Director and CEO who serves as an executive officer and ensure that authority is exercised appropriately. The Remuneration Committee deliberates on whether the individual remuneration proposals established by the Representative Director and CEO who serves as an executive officer are appropriate or not in accordance with the above-mentioned policies for determination of remuneration. After this, revisions are made if necessary and the Remuneration Committee establishes a remuneration proposal within the scope of the total amount approved by the Board of Directors. The Remuneration Committee submits its proposal to the Representative Director and CEO who serves as an executive officer and CEO who serves as an executive officer determines the remuneration amount for individual directors while respecting the details of this proposal.

#### [Support System for Outside Directors (Outside Corporate Auditors)]

The Company has determined the system as for supporting the activities of Audit & Supervisory Committee Members for conducting audits appropriately is in place and a sufficient support system is also in place, based on the establishment of support personnel in case Audit & Supervisory Committee Members deem it necessary, the personnel evaluations of support personnel will be conducted by the Audit & Supervisory Committee, and the Company will bear the costs required for audits, etc.

#### [Status of those who are former Representative Director and President, etc.]

Name of Advisor/Senior Advisor, etc. who is former Representative Director and President, etc.

Name	Post	Job description	Contract/working pattern (permanent/temporal, remuneration, etc.)	Retirement date	Period of office
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Total number of Advisors/Senior Advisors, etc. who are former	0
Representative Director and President, etc.	Ŷ

Others

It is stipulated in the Articles of Incorporation that Advisor or Senior Advisor of the Company can be appointed based on decisions made at the Board of Directors meeting. However, this system is not employed currently.

# 2. Matter on Functions of Business Execution, Auditing, Oversight, Nomination and Compensation Decisions (overview of current Corporate Governance System)

#### 1. Board of Directors

It is our policy for the composition of the Board of Directors to consist of at least one-third Outside Directors and to report all Outside Directors as Independent Directors as stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

As of March 28, 2022, the Board was comprised of 4 Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and 3 Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members (3 of whom are Outside Directors) for a total of 7 members (7 males and no female). The Board of Directors ensures transparent management and makes decisions on matters of importance for management, such as supervision of execution of overall management of Our Group, decisions on Group optimization strategies that are vital to Group management, and responses to common challenges facing our Group.

The Board of Directors comprises 7 members: Representative Director and CEO Kazuki Sakamaki, Chairperson of the Board of Directors Takehito Hirano, Director Takahiro Ishikawa, Director Shiro Kaizuka, Audit & Supervisory Committee Member Kouji Sasaki, Audit & Supervisory Committee Member Masataka Uesugi, and Audit & Supervisory Committee Member Hideyuki Totani. The Board of Directors Meeting is basically presided by Kazuki Sakamaki.

The Board of Directors Meeting was held 12 times during the fiscal year ended December 2021 and all Directors attended all of the meetings of the Board of Directors meetings, except for one absence due to one director. The main matters considered included the Medium-Term Management Plan, shareholder returns and the capital policy, M&A and business alliances, internal control and compliance, remuneration for directors, corporate governance (including an examination of the appropriateness of retaining cross-shareholdings and an evaluation of the effectiveness of the Board of Directors), and related party transactions.

#### 2. Audit & Supervisory Committee

The Audit & Supervisory Committee consists of 3 Outside Directors who are independent and Audit & Supervisory Committee Members (3 males and no female) and discusses, deliberates and makes decisions on important matters concerning audits. The Audit & Supervisory Committee also works to establish ties in which it can receive timely reports from Accounting Auditors.

The Audit & Supervisory Committee comprises 3 members: Audit & Supervisory Committee Member Kouji Sasaki who serves as the Chairperson, Audit & Supervisory Committee Member Masataka Uesugi, and Audit & Supervisory Committee Member Hideyuki Totani. The Audit & Supervisory Committee Meeting is basically presided by Kouji Sasaki.

3. General Manager of the Personnel and Legal Department

The General Manager of the Personnel and Legal Department works to promote a climate of compliance awareness, which is a prerequisite for company management, throughout the entire group of companies, and promote compliance with social and in-house rules. In addition, evaluation for improvement, maintenance and validity of the internal control system and guidelines related to financial reporting, and internal auditing work including information security system organization are used to improve the corporate value of our Group.

#### 4. Accounting Auditors

As an auditing company in charge of accounting audits, we have entered into contracts with PricewaterhouseCoopers Aarata LLC. for audits based upon the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act and the Companies Act. In addition to regular audits, we also receive confirmation on issues regarding accounting and internal control as required, and endeavor to ensure that our accounting practices and internal control systems are adequate.

5. Policy and procedure for nomination of candidates for Directors and deciding on remuneration for upper management and Directors

The policy or procedures used for determining the nomination of directors is provided in "I. Basic Views on Corporate Governance, Capital Structure, Corporate Profile and Other Basic Information > 1. Basic Views > [Disclosures Based on the Principle of the Corporate Governance Code] > Principle 3-1 [Full Disclosure] 4." of this report.

The policy or procedures used for determining the remuneration of senior management and directors is provided in "II. Business Management Organizations and Other Corporate Governance Systems regarding Decision-making, Execution of Business, and Oversight in Management > 1. Organizational Composition and Operation > [Director Compensation] > Disclosure of policy on determining compensation amounts and calculation method" of this report.

#### 6. Status of audits

For additional details, refer to the Company's Securities Report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021, "Part 4: Status of Submitting Companies, 4. Corporate Governance, (3) Audits 1), 2), 3) (P.57-58)."

(Reference)

Securities Report for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2021

https://www.fullcastholdings.co.jp/dcms\_media/other/annualreport\_20220328\_eng.pdf

#### 3. Reasons for Adoption of Current Corporate Governance System

As of March 28, 2022, Fullcast Holdings Co., Ltd. is a company with a Board of Directors, which is comprised of 7 Directors, including 4 Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and 3 Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members, and also a company with an Audit & Supervisory Committee, which is comprised of 3 Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members.

To achieve the aforementioned basic principles and goals of corporate governance, it is our policy for the composition of the Board of Directors to consist of at least one-third Outside Directors and to report all Outside

Directors as Independent Directors as stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange. We have chosen Outside Directors to serve as 3 of our 7 Directors, and in so doing we aim to strengthen the supervisory function of overall enforcement from an external perspective.

Regarding Directors who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members, by appointing all 3 as Outside Auditors (one of them being a fulltime Audit & Supervisory Committee Member), we perform effective and appropriate oversight of business execution by Directors, and have put in place a system that ensures objectivity and neutrality. We believe that these systems allow our corporate governance to function properly.

## III. Implementation of Measures for Shareholders and Other Stakeholders

#### 1. Measures to Vitalize the General Meeting of Shareholders and Smooth Exercise of Voting Right

	Supplementary Explanation
Scheduling AGMs Avoiding the Peak Day	The Company holds the General Meeting of Shareholders at the
	end of March every year
Electronic exercise of voting rights	The Company has introduced online exercise of voting rights from
	the 29th General Meeting of Shareholders scheduled to be held in
	March 2022.
Participation in electronic voting platform and	The meeting of the Board of Directors held on December 17, 2021
other measures aimed at improving the	approved a resolution to participate in the electronic voting
environment for exercise of voting rights by	platform for institutional investors operated by ICJ, Inc. The
institutional investors	Company has participated from the 29th General Meeting of
	Shareholders scheduled to be held in March 2022.
Providing Convocation Notice in English	Providing from the 23rd General Meeting of Shareholders (for
	FY2015 ended December 31, 2015) and also in the 29th General
	Meeting of Shareholders (for FY2021 ended December 31, 2021)

## 2. IR Activities

		Whether there
		has been
	Sumplementary Evaluation	explanation
	Supplementary Explanation	offered by the
		representative
		him/herself
Creating and posting of the disclosure	The disclosure policy is disclosed in Japanese and English	
policy	URL:	
	https://www.fullcastholdings.co.jp/en/disclosure_policy.ht	
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Regular briefing sessions for analysts	Briefing sessions (which explanations by the	Yes
and institutional investors	Representative) are held for analysts and institutional	
	investors regularly: twice per year (end of first half and	

	end of year)	
Posting of IR materials on website	The company profile, interview with the CEO, business	
	report, and disclosure matters are disclosed in Japanese	
	and English	
	URL: https://www.fullcastholdings.co.jp/en.html	
Establishment of department and	Yasutomi Tomotake	
Manager in charge of IR	General Manager of Finance and IR Department	

#### 3. Measures to Ensure Due Respect for Stakeholder

	Supplementary Explanation
Stipulation of Internal Rules for	The disclosure policy is published on the Company's IR website
Respecting the Position of Stakeholder	URL: https://www.fullcastholdings.co.jp/en/disclosure_policy.html

#### **IV. Matters Related to Internal Control Systems**

#### 1. Basic View on Internal Control Systems and the Progress of System Development

- 1. Basic view on internal control systems and the progress of system development
- The following measures shall be taken in order to ensure a system of preventive measures regarding risk, compliance with laws and ordinances, and risk management (hereinafter, Risk Management System) at the Board of Directors Meeting.
  - a) For matters that can affect our entire company such as important non-customary transactions, important accounting estimates, transactions with companies and Directors, and important transactions with subsidiaries decisions must be made by the Board of Directors.
  - b) The Chief Executive Officer (hereinafter, CEO) regularly reports to the Board of Directors about efforts being made for the Risk Management System and business process improvement.

When serious problems arise, they are reported immediately to the Board of Directors Meeting.

- 2) The following measures will be taken to ensure the Risk Management System is maintained in the performance of duties by Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and employees (the same "Risk Management System" detailed in 1)
  - a) The CEO shall be placed as chief of risk management and the General Manager of the Personnel and Legal Department as the chief of risk management practices.

Risk managers in charge of each Group company shall be placed within the Company, while the General Manager of the Personnel and Legal Department, under the direction of the CEO, will supervise practices of "b" through "g."

- b) Put in place administrative authority regulations, and work to establish internal control systems that will prevent authority from being centralized in specific people.
- c) Establish a Risk Management System based on these regulations in accordance with basic risk management regulations.
- d) Create standards for important information that must be reported immediately to the Board of Directors and disclosure standards, to carry out timely disclosure of issues of noncompliance, risks and other important

information.

- e) Provide specific training for Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members), managerial employees and regular employees. In cases where relevant laws have been enacted or revised, or where major scandals or accidents have arisen in our Group or other companies, we quickly provide any necessary guidance.
- f) With the rigorous Risk Management System in business management and internal auditing being conducted, through the risk managers placed within the Company who are in charge of each Group company, every effort shall be made to ensure thorough Risk Management System at each Group company.
- g) In transactions throughout all of our businesses, processes established by financial statements, and business accounting systems we check all events for the possibility of misstatements or mistakes, and streamline systems to ensure that no fraudulent actions are taken during the course of our business processes. Also, when and where necessary, we set up lateral organizations for the specific purpose of streamlining various processes.
- 3) The following measures shall be taken to put in place systems for storing and managing information.
  - a) The General Manager of the Personnel and Legal Department will instruct Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and employees to appropriately store and manage documents based on document management rules.
  - b) The General Manager of the Personnel and Legal Department shall store and manage materials relating to the following documents (including electromagnetic records) for at least ten years:
    - · Minutes from Annual General Meeting of Shareholders
    - · Minutes from Board of Directors Meeting
    - · Financial documents
    - · Other documents determined by the Board of Directors Meeting
  - c) Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) and Audit & Supervisory Committee Members can always review documents in "b" above.
  - The following measures shall be taken to ensure the efficient execution of duties of Directors of Fullcast Holdings Co., Ltd. and the Fullcast Group.
    - (a) At the beginning of initial Board of Directors Meeting in each term, Directors shall develop a business plan toward achieving the common goals of all employees. Directors shall regularly review the results with the Board of Directors.
    - (b) As a foundation for systems to ensure that work is being executed efficiently by Directors, the Board of Directors Meeting shall in principle be held at regular one-month intervals, and extraordinary sessions shall also be held whenever necessary.
    - (c) Regarding execution of work based upon decisions made at the Board of Directors Meeting, organizational rules, division of duties regulations, and administrative authority regulations, their responsibilities and execution procedures shall be decided.
  - 5) The following measures shall be taken in order to develop a system for ensuring proper operations in the business group.
    - a) The Company shall draw up a Fullcast Group Employee Code of Conduct for all Group companies, and work to gain compliance by all employees. As well as making ensuring compliance by the whole company, the Board of Directors at Group companies will also lead by example by acting based on this code of conduct.

- b) Where they have been discovered serious legal violations by Group companies or other important facts concerning risk have been discovered, Directors and employees at Group companies must report to the General Manager of the Personnel and Legal Department, who shall in turn report them to the CEO. Under the direction of the CEO, the General Manager of the Personnel and Legal Department will conduct and supervise an audit of the reported facts, and where deemed necessary, will decide upon appropriate countermeasures.
  - Also, where necessary, the CEO shall report matters to the Board of Directors, and the General Manager of the Personnel and Legal Department shall report it to the Audit & Supervisory Committee.
- c) The General Manager of the Personnel and Legal Department will instruct the Group companies to put in place appropriate internal control systems.
- 6) The following measures shall be taken to develop a system for ensuring the effectiveness of audits carried out by Audit & Supervisory Committee.
  - a) When a request is made by an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member for an employee to be allocated to assist in their work, the Company's employees shall be assigned to provide them with assistance. Audit & Supervisory Committee Member's assistants shall not be subject to the direction of Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members), and Audit & Supervisory Committee Members shall conduct their performance reviews. Consent must be gained from the Audit & Supervisory Committee to transfer or reprimand those employees assisting them.
  - b) Audit & Supervisory Committee Member's assistants shall not jointly take on posts that involve execution of work.
  - c) When Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) or employees of Fullcast Holdings Co., Ltd. or the Fullcast Group have discovered facts about legal violations or matters that may cause significant damage to the Company, they must promptly report these facts to an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member. Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) or employees of Fullcast Holdings Co., Ltd. or the Fullcast Group who report these matters shall be kept anonymous and persons who report these matters will not treated unfairly because they reported these matters.
  - d) A whistleblower hotline will be set up outside the Company. Persons who use the whistleblower system will be kept anonymous and these individuals will not be treated unfairly because they used the whistleblower system. In addition, a system will be put in place to report information submitted to the whistleblower hotline outside the Company to the General Manager of the Personnel and Legal Department and Full-time Audit & Supervisory Committee Member.
  - e) Directors (excluding those who are Audit & Supervisory Committee Members) or employees of Fullcast Holdings Co., Ltd. or the Fullcast Group must report immediately to an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member if requested by an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member to report matters concerning the execution of business.
  - f) Audit & Supervisory Committee Members can attend the Board of Directors Meetings of subsidiaries and other meetings deemed necessary for audit purposes by Audit & Supervisory Committee Member. In addition, Audit & Supervisory Committee Members can browse documents they determine as necessary for audit purposes.
  - g) Audit & Supervisory Committee Members shall work closely with the Accounting Auditor and Internal Audit Departments and can receive advice from outside experts such as an attorney, when necessary.
  - h) When an Audit & Supervisory Committee Member requests the prepayment of expenses necessary to carry out

their duties, the Company shall pay such costs or obligations immediately, excluding instances where deliberations with the department in charge determine that the costs or obligations related to the request are not necessary for the execution of the Auditor & Supervisory Committee Member's duties.

#### 2. Basic View on Eliminating Anti-Social Forces

The following measures shall be taken to develop a basic concept toward eliminating anti-social forces and to ensure its effectiveness.

- a) The Company and Group companies shall act in accordance with the Fullcast Group Employee Code of Conduct, sever relations with anti-social forces, and not conduct any transactions with such forces.
- b) Information on anti-social forces shall be collected in-house, managed as well as used with information from external specialized agencies, which is in turn are used to determine whether or not the counterpart is anti-social.
- c) Unreasonable requests from anti-social forces shall be firmly rejected.

Furthermore, the unreasonable demands shall be handled with a firm stance as an organization.

d) d) Links with external specialized agencies shall be built in order to provide access to cooperation and appropriate advice on elimination of anti-social forces.

#### V. Other

#### 1. Adoption of Anti-Takeover Measures

Adoption of anti-takeover measures None

Supplementary explanation of this item

At present, our Company has not stipulated any measures that would have the effect of blocking a takeover. When adopting such measures, the Company will ensure proper procedures are carried out after carefully considering the need and rationale for such measures, which will be implemented only after providing sufficient explanation to shareholders.

#### 2. Other Matters Concerning the Corporate Governance System

The status of women in the workplace at the Company and our Group are as follows:

There are 45 female managers (15.3%) compared to a total of 294 managers overall. (As of December 31, 2021)

Summary of timely disclosure system

1. Basic Stance on Timely Disclosure

Our Group has a disclosure policy, based on which it discloses information to shareholders and investors with an emphasis placed on fairness, equitability and timeliness.

The method of public disclosure includes posting to TDnet and releasing documents or holding press conferences as necessary. Furthermore, all information posted to TDnet is also published on the Company's website.

2. Internal System for Timely Disclosure

The status of the Company's internal system for timely disclosure of company information is as follows:

(1) Disclosure of decisions made

The Company discloses decisions made by the Board of Directors following the rules of the securities exchange. (2) Disclosure of occurrence of material facts

In case a material fact occurs, the officer or employee that identified the material fact are required to report it to the person in charge of internal information management. In addition, the person in charge of internal information management is required to report the material fact to the President, Representative Director and CEO. On top of this, the material fact is reported to the Board of Directors and disclosed following the rules of the securities exchange. In addition, if any other fact requiring immediate disclosure were to occur, the President, Representative Director and CEO will promptly decide on the disclosure.

(3) Disclosure of information concerning financial results

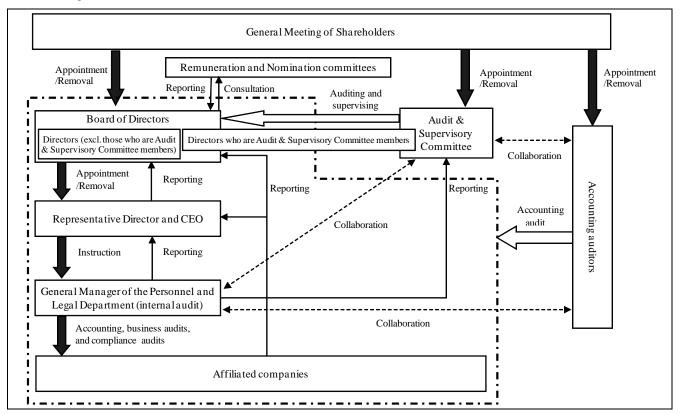
The Company will disclose information concerning financial results after mainly the Accounting Department prepares financial results data and it is approved by the Board of Directors.

(4) Information on Subsidiaries

In case a material fact occurs at a subsidiary, the officer or employee of the subsidiary that identified the material fact are required to report it to the person in charge of internal information management.

(5) Management of internal information

The management of internal information by officers and employees of the Company and its subsidiaries is set forth in the "Internal Information Management Regulations" and the Company seeks thorough implementation following these regulations.



## **Directors' Skills**

		Management	Business strategy	Compliance	M&A	Industry experience	ESG	Law	Finance, Accounting, Tax
Director and Chairman	Takehito Hirano	1				1			
President, Representative Director and CEO	Kazuki Sakamaki	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Director	Takahiro Ishikawa	1				1			
Director	Shiro Kaizuka	1				1			
Independent Outside Director, Full-time Audit & Supervisory Committee Member	Kouji Sasaki	1							1
Independent Outside Director, Audit & Supervisory Committee Member	Masataka Uesugi	1					1	1	
Independent Outside Director, Audit & Supervisory Committee Member	Hideyuki Totani	1							1

The above table shows the areas in which the Directors can demonstrate their expertise based on their experience and professional careers, and does not list all the knowledge they possess.