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June 9, 2017

To our shareholders:

Hitachi Metals, Ltd.
2-70, Konan 1-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo

Notice of the 80th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders

You are cordially invited to attend the 80th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of Hitachi Metals, Ltd., which will be held as described below:

In the event that you are not able to attend the meeting, you may exercise your voting rights in writing or online. Please review the attached Reference Document for the General Meeting of Shareholders, and exercise your voting rights **no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, June 26, 2017**.

[Exercising Voting Rights by Mail]

Please indicate your vote of approval or disapproval on each Item to be resolved using the enclosed voting right card, and return the card to us so that it arrives by the above deadline.

[Exercising Voting Rights via the Internet]

Please read the “Procedures for Exercising Voting Rights via the Internet” shown on page 3, and enter your vote of approval or disapproval on each Item to be resolved and submit it by the above deadline.

Notice

1. Date: Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. (Reception starts from 9:00 a.m.)

2. Location: Kokuyo Hall (2nd floor)
8-35, Konan 1-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo

3. Agenda:

Items To Be Reported:

Report on the Business Report, Non-Consolidated Financial Statements, and Consolidated Financial Statements for the 80th business term (from April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017), and the results of the audit on the Consolidated Financial Statements by the Accounting Auditor and the Audit Committee

Items To Be Resolved:

Item: Election of Eight (8) Directors

4. Matters regarding exercising voting rights:

- (1) If you do not indicate your vote of approval or disapproval for all Items when using the voting right card, we will consider that you have accepted any Item on which you did not vote.
- (2) If you exercise your voting rights by both using the voting right card and via the Internet, your vote received via the Internet will be treated as valid.
- (3) If you exercise your voting rights via the Internet more than once on the same Item, your vote received last will be treated as valid.
- (4) You may ask one person, who is a shareholder entitled to exercise the voting rights of the Company, to attend the General Meeting of Shareholders and exercise your voting rights on behalf of you. In this case, we will require the person to submit a document to prove his/her right of proxy.

Very truly yours,

Akitoshi Hiraki
Representative Executive Officer,
President and Chief Executive Officer, Director

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- When attending the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders, please submit the enclosed voting right card at the reception desk.
 - Of the documents to be provided with this notice, “Notes to Non-Consolidated Financial Statements” and “Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements” are not provided in this notice because they have been provided to shareholders through postings on the Company’s website (<http://www.hitachi-metals.co.jp/ir/ir-stock.html>), pursuant to applicable laws and regulations, and the provision of the Articles of Incorporation of the Company. Therefore, the “Non-Consolidated Financial Statements” and the “Consolidated Financial Statements” attached to this notice are a portion of the financial statements audited by the Accounting Auditor and the Audit Committee in the course of the preparation of their audit reports.
 - Please note that any changes in the items described in Reference Document for the General Meeting of Shareholders, Business Report, Non-Consolidated Financial Statements, and Consolidated Financial Statements will be posted on our website (see above).
 - We ask for your kind understanding that, in order to cooperate with the conservation of electric power, we will set the temperature of air conditioners higher than usual. Therefore, Officers and staffs may carry out the meeting in wearing lighter clothes. As such, we would like to ask your kind cooperation in wearing light clothes for the meeting.

Procedures for Exercising Voting Rights via the Internet

<How to exercise your voting rights via the Internet>

1. When you exercise your voting rights via the Internet, please access the following website “Exercise of Voting Rights” using your PC, mobile phone or smartphone.

Exercise of Voting Rights website: <http://www.tosyodai54.net> (in Japanese only)

2. Please input the “Voting Right Exercise Code” and the “Password” indicated in the “Request for Shareholders” column of the enclosed voting right card.
3. Please follow the instructions on the screen and send your vote of approval or disapproval on each Item no later than **5:00 p.m., Monday, June 26, 2017.**

<Important reminders when using the Exercise of Voting Rights website>

1. Please note that communications charges (e.g., phone charges) and connectivity fees to the internet providers incurred when accessing the Exercise of Voting Rights website should be borne by the shareholder.
2. Please note that some types of mobile phones will have difficulty in accessing the website.

<For inquiries regarding exercising voting rights via the Internet>

Please contact: Shareholders Registry Administrator, Tokyo Securities Transfer Agent Co., Ltd.

Phone: 0120-88-0768 (toll free)

(Business hours: 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.)

○ To Institutional Investors:

Institutional investors who have applied for the use of the “ICJ platform” for electronic proxy voting operated by ICJ, Inc. (ICJ) can exercise their voting rights via the platform. ICJ is a joint venture company established by Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. and other institutions.

Business Report

(April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017)

1. Current Status of the Hitachi Metals Group

(1) Operating Progress and Results of the Hitachi Metals Group

During the consolidated fiscal year under review, the global economy remained on a modest recovery path primarily in advanced countries. The United States maintained stable economic growth backed by strong individual consumption and a favorable employment situation. European economies continued a moderate recovery despite a slowdown in improvements in some corporate sectors. The Chinese economy showed some signs of a partial rally in the market due to the effects of the government's various economic measures, and economic growth in emerging countries also remained on a modest recovery track. Amid these situations, the Japanese economy showed some signs of a gradual recovery thanks to the improvement in employment and income environments despite weak exports and production due to the impact of an economic slowdown in emerging countries.

Among the industries in which the Hitachi Metals Group (the "Group") operates, demand in the automobile industry have increased overall compared with the previous fiscal year. This is mainly due to increased demand in the Japanese market since the end of 2016 and steady demand in China and Europe, although the sales of new vehicles have reached their peak level in the United States. Supply and demand of steel showed positive signs in the construction sector in the Japanese market since the beginning of 2017, although demand for steel continued to experience challenges on a global basis affected by the economic slowdown in emerging countries. The number of new housing starts increased in both the United States and Japan. In the electronics industry, demand for household appliances increased mainly in Japan during the latter half of the fiscal year, and mobile devices started to show a recovery before the end of the fiscal year.

Under the business circumstances described above, for the fiscal year under review, revenues of the Group decreased by 10.5% year on year to ¥910,486 million, adjusted operating income decreased by ¥10,078 million year on year to ¥65,983 million and operating income decreased by ¥31,687 million year on year to ¥68,267 million. These results were influenced mainly by a reduction in raw material prices (a sliding-scale raw material price system), the appreciation of the yen, and a decline in demand. Further, operating income decreased mainly due to a decrease in gross profit and gains on business reorganization and others of ¥30,232 million in other income arising from a transfer of shares equivalent to 51% of the issued shares of Hitachi Tool Engineering, Ltd. (currently named Mitsubishi Hitachi Tool Engineering, Ltd.) to Mitsubishi Materials Corporation as of April 1, 2015, during the previous fiscal year. For the fiscal year under review, income before income taxes decreased by ¥30,217 million year on year to ¥66,016 million and net income attributable to owners of the parent company decreased by ¥18,463 million year on year to ¥50,593 million.

Results by business segment are as follows. Note that revenues for each segment include intersegment sales and transfers.

[High-Grade Metal Products and Materials]

Revenues: ¥234,725 million (down 8.5% year on year)

Adjusted operating income: ¥23,503 million (down ¥3,525 million year on year)

Operating income: ¥21,277 million (down ¥31,793 million year on year)

Revenues in the High-Grade Metal Products and Materials segment for the fiscal year under review decreased by 8.5% year on year to ¥234,725 million. Adjusted operating income of the segment decreased by ¥3,525 million year on year to ¥23,503 million. Operating income of the segment decreased by ¥31,793 million year on year to ¥21,277 million, due to the effects of the decrease in revenues as well as gains on business reorganization and others of ¥25,931 million arising from the transfer of shares in Hitachi Tool Engineering, Ltd. (currently named Mitsubishi Hitachi Tool Engineering, Ltd.) on April 1, 2015, during the previous fiscal year.

<Specialty Steels>

Sales of molds and tool steel fell below those for the previous fiscal year due to inventory adjustments of molds and tool steel affected by economic slowdown mainly in Asia during the fiscal year under review. In industrial equipment materials, demand for environment-friendly products related to automobiles increased and sales of other industrial components were strong. Sales of aircraft-related and energy-related materials faced an in-between season of demand. In alloys for electronic products, sales of display-related materials were stagnant.

<Rolls>

On September 1, 2016, the Group discontinued production at Baosteel Hitachi Rolls (Nantong) Ltd. with the objective of concentrating management resources in high value-added products. Additionally, sales of injection molding machine parts were affected by a decline in demand for mobile devices. As a result, sales of rolls as a whole fell year on year.

<Soft Magnetic Materials and Applied Products>

Sales of soft magnetic materials and applied products as a whole fell below those for the previous fiscal year due to a drop in demand for China, despite a gradual increase in demand for the mainstay Metglas® amorphous metals in India.

[Magnetic Materials and Applications]

Revenues: ¥99,756 million (down 5.2% year on year)
Adjusted operating income: ¥9,314 million (up ¥2,392 million year on year)
Operating income: ¥9,301 million (up ¥2,274 million year on year)

Revenues in the Magnetic Materials and Applications segment for the fiscal year under review decreased by 5.2% year on year to ¥99,756 million, and adjusted operating income increased by ¥2,392 million year on year to ¥9,314 million. Operating income of the segment increased by ¥2,274 million year on year to ¥9,301 million.

<Magnets>

In rare earth magnets, demand for industrial equipment and household appliances increased year on year supported by strong demand in automotive electronic components for electric power steering and hybrid automobiles. In ferrite magnets, there was strong demand for automotive electronic components and household appliance parts. However, revenues in the segment as a whole fell below those for the previous fiscal year due to the effects of the reduction in raw material prices (a sliding-scale raw material price system) and the appreciation of the yen.

[High-Grade Functional Components and Equipment]

Revenues: ¥333,509 million (down 8.7% year on year)
Adjusted operating income: ¥17,453 million (down ¥8,662 million year on year)
Operating income: ¥15,920 million (down ¥7,688 million year on year)

Revenues in the High-Grade Functional Components and Equipment segment for the fiscal year under review decreased by 8.7% year on year to ¥333,509 million, and adjusted operating income decreased by ¥8,662 million year on year to ¥17,453 million. Operating income of the segment decreased by ¥7,688 million year on year to ¥15,920 million.

<Casting Components for Automobiles>

Despite sustained high demand for casting components for pickup trucks in North America, sales of casting components for automobiles as a whole decreased year on year, due to a decrease in demand for casting components for farming machinery and construction machinery resulting from economic slowdown in emerging countries and sluggish grain and crude oil prices. Sales of heat-resistant exhaust casting components exceeded those for the previous fiscal year, due to a significant sales growth in the United States and Asia. Sales of aluminum wheels fell below those for the previous fiscal year due to a decrease in shipments as well as the appreciation of the yen.

<Piping Components>

Sales of pipe fittings as a whole fell below those for the previous fiscal year due in part to the effects of the delay in large-scale constructions in Japan, despite a steady increase in demand for housing-related supplies following an increased number of new housing starts both in Japan and overseas.

[Wires, Cables, and Related Products]

Revenues: ¥241,392 million (down 16.3 % year on year)
Adjusted operating income: ¥14,715 million (down ¥309 million year on year)
Operating income: ¥20,953 million (up ¥4,974 million year on year)

Revenues in the Wires, Cables, and Related Products segment for the fiscal year under review decreased by 16.3% year on year to ¥241,392 million, and adjusted operating income decreased by ¥309 million year on year to ¥14,715 million.

In the Wires, Cables, and Related Products segment, the following measures were taken for the purpose of renewing the business portfolio. The Information System Business, which is comprised of the information network business and wireless antenna business together with all issued shares of Hitachi Cable Networks, Ltd. held by Hitachi Metals, Ltd. (the “Company”), was transferred as of December 1, 2016. In addition, on January 5,

2017, for the purpose of making prompt management decisions in response to a rapidly changing market environment, the Company transferred all of its interest in SH Materials Co., Ltd, which was a joint venture between the Company and Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd. (“SMM”) and accounted for using the equity-method to SMM. At the same time, the Company obtained all of SMM’s interest in SH Copper Products Co., Ltd. (“SH Copper Products”), which was a joint venture between the Company and SMM and accounted for using the equity-method, and SH Copper Products became a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company.

Due to these measures, the Company recorded gains on business reorganization of ¥8,417 million for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2017. As a result, operating income increased by ¥4,974 million to ¥20,953 million as compared with the fiscal year ended March 31, 2016.

<Electric Wires and Cables>

While revenues from magnet wires and electric wires and cables for construction decreased, sales of wires and cables for rolling stock, which is one of the focused areas of the Group, grew significantly, especially for China.

<Functional Components>

In automotive products, demand for both electronic components for automobiles and brake hoses was strong. Sales of probe cables for medical use fell below those for the previous fiscal year due to diminished demand in overseas countries.

[Others]

Revenues: ¥2,963 million (down 16.5% year on year)

Adjusted operating income: ¥253 million (down ¥65 million year on year)

Operating income: ¥331 million (up ¥188 million year on year)

(Notes)

1. Effective from the fiscal year under review, the Group changed part of its internal managerial categories of businesses and consolidated subsidiaries. It also changed treatment for certain corporate general and administrative expenses, such as research expenses and other such expenses, which were previously treated as adjustments, to allocate them to applicable businesses based on the budget. Comparable year-on-year information presented below reflects the above changes. Please refer to “(7) Major Businesses of the Hitachi Metals Group” for details of the changes to the categories of the businesses.
2. “Adjusted operating income” is an indicator calculated using the operating income recorded in the consolidated statement of income, excluding non-operating income and expenses, and extraordinary income and losses.
3. The name for the business segment “High-Grade Metal Products and Materials” was changed to “Specialty Steel Products,” and the name for the business segment “High-Grade Functional Components and Equipment,” to “Functional Components,” as of April 1, 2017, respectively.

(2) Tasks for the Hitachi Metals Group

As for the Group’s business environment as a whole, while the Group expects the world economies to continue on a recovery path, there are uncertainties stemming from political instability in many countries, concerns about further economic slowdown in emerging countries such as China, and sudden fluctuations in exchange rates resource prices.

In this business environment, the Group aims to carry out its global growth strategies and build structures for sustainable growth based on the Fiscal 2018 Medium-Term Management Plan, the final year of which is the fiscal year ending March 31, 2019, to position itself as a top-class global manufacturer of highly functional materials.

Under the Fiscal 2018 Medium-Term Management Plan, “we aim to ‘Change’ to be a competitive business and ‘Challenge’ ourselves to meet new targets.” With these key words, we will implement the action plans described below.

(1) Accelerate the creation and execution of growth strategies

We will promote new product developments and growth strategy investments (including M&As) through proactive R&D based on a market-in perspective that is attuned to what markets and customers are looking for. We will pick up the speed from development to commercial release, mass production, and sales expansion, and accelerate the creation and cultivation of new products that will become our next core products. In addition to strengthening the business base, we will invest strategically for growth to expand

our global business and thereby increase profitability. These will make us more competitive and able to develop in global markets, and help us expand our business domains in industrial infrastructure, energy, automotive, and electronics fields.

(2) Achieve a robust business structure and highly efficient business management

To build a robust business structure capable of responding flexibly to changes in the market environment, we will be concentrating management resources on fields where growth is expected, promoting efficient business operations, and increasing our corporate value.

By continually remodeling our business portfolio, we aim to further strengthen our business base and establish a business structure that can compete and win on the global market. Moreover, we will advance a Corporate *Monozukuri* (Craftsmanship) Innovation Project that merges GEMBA (workplace) improvements and technology developments and will further strengthen profitability to become the top-class global manufacturer of highly functional materials.

(3) Strive to establish a business base that is sustainable over the long term

By achieving the “creation and execution of growth strategies” and a “robust business structure and highly efficient business management” –the action plans in Fiscal 2018 Medium-Term Management Plan—we will enhance management efficiency to maintain sound financial strength and become a company that is sustainable over the long term.

We will additionally build an innovative corporate culture and achieve sustained growth by practicing a diversity management, empowering people of all types to play an active role, and raising productivity through promotion of “work style reform.”

(3) Capital Investments at the Hitachi Metals Group

Capital investments in the fiscal year under review totaled ¥63,843 million (based on the purchase cost of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets).

The details by business segment are as follows:

- High-Grade Metal Products and Materials: ¥17,812 million invested mainly for the increase of production capacity, the streamlining of production systems and the building of production systems for high-value-added products in Japan.
- Magnetic Materials and Applications: ¥13,659 million invested mainly for the increase of production capacity of magnets overseas and for setting up an overseas site for rare-earth magnets.
- High-Grade Functional Components and Equipment: ¥22,575 million invested mainly for the increase of production capacity in Japan and the streamlining of production systems overseas.
- Wires, Cables, and Related Products: ¥7,212 million invested mainly for the renewal of large-scale facilities and the streamlining of production systems in Japan, as well as for the increase of production capacity overseas.

In addition to the details by business segment described above, ¥2,339 million was invested for construction of a new Corporate Research Lab.

(4) Financing and Borrowings by the Hitachi Metals Group

The Group's interest-bearing debt at the end of the fiscal year under review decreased by ¥25,919 million year on year to ¥194,457 million after making repayments for borrowings during the fiscal year under review.

Main borrowings as of the end of the fiscal year under review are as follows:

Name of company	Creditors	Balance of borrowings
Hitachi Metals, Ltd.	The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd.	(millions of yen) 35,340
	Mizuho Bank, Ltd.	15,146
	The San-in Godo Bank, Ltd.	8,400
	Sumitomo Mitsui Trust Bank, Limited	5,660
	The Joyo Bank, Ltd.	4,000
Hitachi Metals MMC Superalloy, Ltd.	The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd.	7,200
Hitachi Metals America, Ltd.	Hitachi America Capital, Ltd.	(thousands of U.S. dollars) 120,000 (¥13,463 million)
	The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd.	(thousands of U.S. dollars) 30,000 (¥3,366 million)
	Mizuho Bank, Ltd.	(thousands of U.S. dollars) 30,000 (¥3,366 million)

(Note) Figures shown in parentheses in the column of "Balance of borrowings" are those converted into the Japanese yen using exchange rates as of March 31, 2017.

(5) Significant Corporate Restructuring, etc.

- (i) The Company transferred the construction business and the sales business for broadcast antennas that are part of the construction business and the wireless antenna business of the Company, that are, in turn, part of the information network business of the Company, to Hitachi Cable Networks, Ltd. and the information network business and the wireless antenna business (excluding the businesses to be succeeded by Hitachi Cable Networks, Ltd.) and all of the shares in Hitachi Cable Networks, Ltd. to APRESIA Systems, Ltd. by way of a company split (absorption-type split) as of December 1, 2016. Subsequently, the Company transferred all of the shares in APRESIA Systems, Ltd. held by the Company to AAA Holdings, Ltd.
- (ii) The Company transferred all of the interests in SH Materials Co., Ltd. held by the Company (ownership ratio: 49%), as of January 5, 2017, to Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd. At the same time, the Company acquired all of the interests in SH Copper Products Co., Ltd. (ownership ratio of the Company: 50%) held by Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd., making SH Copper Products Co., Ltd. a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company.

(6) Assets and Income of the Hitachi Metals Group and the Company for the Most Recent Three Business Terms

(i) Assets and Income of the Hitachi Metals Group

Item	77th business term (Fiscal 2013)	78th business term (Fiscal 2014)		79th business term (Fiscal 2015)	80th business term (Fiscal 2016)
	J-GAAP	J-GAAP	IFRS	IFRS	IFRS
Revenues (millions of yen)	807,952	1,006,301	1,004,373	1,017,584	910,486
Operating income (millions of yen)	59,536	78,216	84,407	99,954	68,267
Net income attributable to shareholders of the parent company (millions of yen)	39,417	66,553	70,569	69,056	50,593
Basic earnings per share (EPS) attributable to shareholders of the parent company (yen)	95.65	155.64	165.02	161.50	118.32
Total equity (millions of yen)	373,198	459,727	476,176	504,675	548,746
Total assets (millions of yen)	840,742	1,065,990	1,083,450	1,033,311	1,040,390

(Notes)

1. The name of each item is determined in accordance with the IFRS. Figures in the category of the “Japanese generally accepted accounting principles (J-GAAP)” for the 77th business term and the 78th business term are determined in accordance with the J-GAAP. For these figures, “Revenues” can be replaced with “Net sales,” “Net income attributable to shareholders of the parent company” with “Net income,” “Basic EPS attributable to shareholders of the parent company” with “Net income per share,” and “Total equity” with “Net assets.”
2. “Basic EPS attributable to shareholders of the parent company” and “Net income per share” is calculated using the average total number of issued shares during the term after deduction of treasury stock.

(ii) Assets and Income of the Company

Item	77th business term (Fiscal 2013)	78th business term (Fiscal 2014)	79th business term (Fiscal 2015)	80th business term (Fiscal 2016)
	J-GAAP	J-GAAP	J-GAAP	J-GAAP
Net sales (millions of yen)	431,526	500,203	441,103	410,818
Operating income (millions of yen)	23,452	25,929	13,016	12,975
Net income (millions of yen)	27,891	71,293	40,108	31,168
Net income per share (yen)	67.68	166.72	93.80	72.89
Net assets (millions of yen)	250,211	312,251	340,416	360,087
Total assets (millions of yen)	599,341	739,112	723,828	713,495

(Note) “Net income per share” is calculated using the average total number of issued shares during the term after deduction of treasury stock.

(7) Major Businesses of the Hitachi Metals Group (As of March 31, 2017)

Business segment	Principal products
High-Grade Metal Products and Materials	High grade specialty steel products (molds and tool steel and alloys for electronic products [display-related materials, semiconductor and other package materials, and battery-related materials], industrial equipment materials [automobile-related materials, razor and blade materials], aircraft- and energy-related materials, and precision cast components) Rolls for steel mills Injection molding machine parts Structural ceramic products Steel-frame joints for construction Soft magnetic materials (amorphous metals, nanocrystalline magnetic material, and soft ferrite) and applied products
Magnetic Materials and Applications	Magnets (rare-earth magnets, ferrite magnets, other magnets and applied products) Ceramic products
High-Grade Functional Components and Equipment	Casting components for automobiles (high-grade ductile iron products; cast iron products for transportation equipment; and heat-resistant exhaust casting components) Aluminum wheels and other aluminum components Forged components for automobiles Piping and infrastructure components (pipe fittings, stainless steel and plastic piping components, water cooling equipment, precision mass flow control devices, and sealed expansion tanks)
Wires, Cables, and Related Products	Electric wires and cables (industrial cables; electronic wires; electric equipment materials; and industrial rubber products) High performance components (cable assemblies, electronic components for automobiles, and brake hoses)
Others	Real estate business Software business, etc.

(Notes)

1. Businesses relating to soft magnetic materials and applied products were transferred from “Magnetic Materials and Applications” to “High-Grade Metal Products and Materials” as of April 1, 2016.
2. The Company transferred its information system business to APRESIA Systems, Ltd., one of the subsidiaries of the Company, and others by way of a company split, as well as all of the shares in APRESIA Systems, Ltd. and others as of December 1, 2016. As a result, the Company has excluded the information system business from its principal products. Please refer to “(5) Significant Corporate Restructuring, etc., (i).”
3. The name for the business segment “High-Grade Metal Products and Materials” was changed to “Specialty Steel Products,” and the name for the business segment “High-Grade Functional Components and Equipment,” to “Functional Components,” as of April 1, 2017, respectively.

(8) Major Facilities of the Hitachi Metals Group (As of March 31, 2017)

(i) Major Facilities of the Company

Facility		Location	Facility		Location
Head office		Tokyo		Kyushu Works Moka Works Kuwana Works Yasugi Works Kumagaya Light Alloy Plant Yamazaki Manufacturing Dept. Kumagaya Works (Magnetic Materials Company) Saga Works Metglas Yasugi Works Ibaraki Works	Fukuoka Tochigi Mie Shimane Saitama Osaka Saitama Saga Shimane Ibaraki
Sales offices	Eastern Japan Regional Office Kitanihon Sales Office Ibaraki Sales Office	Tokyo Miyagi Ibaraki	Plants		
	Central Japan Regional Office	Aichi			
	Western Japan Regional Office Chugoku Sales Office Kyushu Sales Office	Osaka Hiroshima Fukuoka	Research institutes	Production System Laboratory Casting Technology Research Laboratory Metallurgical Research Laboratory Magnetic Materials Research Laboratory Cable Materials Research Laboratory	Saitama Tochigi Shimane Osaka Ibaraki

(Notes)

1. The Takasago Works (Ibaraki), the Hitaka Works (Ibaraki), the Toyoura Works (Ibaraki), and the Densen Works (Ibaraki) were consolidated into the Ibaraki Works (Ibaraki) as of April 1, 2016. On the same day, we conducted the restructuring of sales offices and newly established the Eastern Japan Regional Office (Tokyo), the Central Japan Regional Office (Aichi), and the Western Japan Regional Office (Osaka). At the same time, we closed the Kansai Sales Office (Osaka), the Chubu-Tokai Sales Office (Aichi), the Shikoku Sales Office (Kagawa), the Okinawa Sales Office (Okinawa), the Hamamatsu Sales Office (Shizuoka), the Hokkaido Sales Office (Hokkaido), and the Niigata Sales Office (Niigata).
2. The Kumagaya Works (High-Grade Functional Components Company) was renamed to Kumagaya Light Alloy Plant as of July 1, 2016.
3. The Shizuoka Sales Office (Shizuoka) was closed as of January 31, 2017.
4. The Hokuriku Sales Office (Toyama) was closed as of March 31, 2017.
5. The Global Research & Innovative Technology Center (Tokyo) was newly established as of April 1, 2017.

(ii) Major Facilities of Subsidiaries

The locations of key subsidiaries are shown on pages 13 and 14.

(9) Employees of the Hitachi Metals Group (As of March 31, 2017)**(i) Employees of the Hitachi Metals Group**

Business segment	Number of employees
High-Grade Metal Products and Materials	6,432
Magnetic Materials and Applications	4,389
High-Grade Functional Components and Equipment	8,245
Wires, Cables, and Related Products	8,959
Others	97
All Companies (Combined)	632
Total	28,754

(Notes)

1. The numbers shown in the above table represent the actual numbers of employees (excluding the Group's employees dispatched outside the Group and including loan employees dispatched from outside the Group) excluding temporary employees (5,623 employees).
2. The number of employees listed for "All Companies (Combined)" refers to employees that cannot be classified into specific business segments such as those in administrative divisions.
3. The number of employees decreased by 403 compared to the end of the previous fiscal year.

(ii) Employees of the Company

Number of employees	Average age	Average length of service
5,858	43.9	21.0 years

(Notes)

1. The numbers shown in the above table represent the actual numbers of employees (excluding the Company's employees dispatched outside the Company and including loan employees dispatched from outside the Company) excluding temporary employees (888 employees).
2. The number of employees decreased by 108 compared to the end of the previous fiscal year.

(10) Parent Company and Key Subsidiaries (As of March 31, 2017)**(i) Relationship with the Parent Company**

Name of company	Capital	Voting rights	Description
Hitachi, Ltd.	(millions of yen) 458,791	% 53.5 (0.5)	The Company and Hitachi, Ltd. engage on an ongoing basis in transactions that include trade in products, provision of services, provision of technology, and the provision of loans.

(Notes)

1. The figure shown in parentheses in the column of "Voting rights" refers to the percentage of indirect ownership (included in the total), which is held by subsidiaries of the parent company.
2. The transactions with Hitachi, Ltd. stated in the "Transactions with related parties" in the "Notes to Non-Consolidated Financial Statements" are cash deposits under the Hitachi Group Pooling Scheme. The Company adopted the policy that regulates transactions with Hitachi, Ltd. to be fairly carried out, based on market prices. The Company's Board of Directors confirmed that the above transactions were carried out in accordance with such policy based on the fact that the interest rates on cash deposits to Hitachi, Ltd. were reasonably set taking market interest rates into consideration, and hence, determined that there was no harm to the interests of the Company.

(ii) Key Subsidiaries

Name of company	Capital	Voting rights	Location	Major business domains
(Subsidiaries)	(millions of yen)	%		
Hitachi Metals Trading, Ltd.	350	100	Tokyo	Sale of specialty steels, magnetic materials and applications, molded goods, cable materials, chemically fabricated products, etc.
Hitachi Magnet Wire Corp.	300	100	Ibaraki	Manufacturing of magnet wires, specialty steel wires and copper wires
Hitachi Metals Tool Steel, Ltd.	100	100	Tokyo	Sales, heat treating and processing of specialty steels, etc.
Tonichi Kyosan Cable, Ltd.	3,569	100	Ibaraki	Manufacturing, assembling and sale of electric wires and cables, and fiber optic cables
NEOMAX KINKI Co., Ltd.	400	100	Hyogo	Manufacturing of rare-earth magnets
Hitachi Metals Neomaterial, Ltd.	400	100	Osaka	Manufacturing and sale of metallic electronic materials, etc.
Hitachi Metals MMC Superalloy, Ltd.	3,808	51	Saitama	Manufacturing and sale of special heat-resistant and corrosion-resistant alloys, abrasion-resistant alloys, and special copper alloys
Hitachi Metals Wakamatsu, Ltd.	65	100	Fukuoka	Manufacturing and sale of rolls, construction-related materials, injection molding machine cylinders, ceramics, etc.
Ibaraki Technos, Ltd.	100	100	Ibaraki	Manufacturing of cable heads for rolling stock, electric wires and cables, assemblies, and rubber-related products)
Hitachi Metals Precision, Ltd.	300	100	Tokyo	Manufacturing and sale of precision cast components and their assemblies
NEOMAX Engineering Co., Ltd.	410	100	Gunma	Manufacturing and sale of magnetic application products
Waupaca Foundry, Inc.	(U.S. dollars) 0	100 (100)	USA	Development, manufacturing and sale of cast iron products for transportation machinery
Hitachi Metals America, Ltd.	(thousands of U.S. dollars) 92,000 (¥10,321 million)	100	USA	Sale of specialty steels, magnetic materials and applications, and molded goods in North America
Hitachi Metals Europe GmbH	(thousands of euros) 2,220 (¥266 million)	100	Germany	Sale of high-grade casting components for automobiles, automotive products, high-grade specialty steel products, magnetic materials and applications and cable materials in Europe
Hitachi Cable America Inc.	(thousands of U.S. dollars) 49,947 (¥5,604 million)	100 (100)	USA	Manufacturing and sale of automotive sensors, brake hoses, wires, cables, and optic fiber cables in North America
Hitachi Metals (Thailand) Ltd.	(thousands of Thai baht) 1,374,700 (¥4,482 million)	100	Thailand	Manufacturing and sale of IT devices and automotive products
Hitachi Metals Hong Kong Ltd.	(thousands of Hong Kong dollars) 24,000 (¥347 million)	100	China	Sale of magnet materials and cable materials; manufacturing and sale of ferrite products and application parts in Hong Kong and South China
Hitachi Metals (China), Ltd.	(thousands of RMB) 749,021 (¥12,202 million)	100	China	Manufacturing, processing and sale of specialty steels and molded goods, etc. and sale of magnetic materials and applications and cable materials in China
Hitachi Metals Singapore Pte. Ltd.	(thousands of U.S. dollars) 16,009 (¥1,796 million)	100	Singapore	Sale of high-grade metal products, magnetic materials and applications, high-grade functional components and equipment and cable materials in Southeast Asia
AAP St. Marys Corp.	(thousands of U.S. dollars) 20,000 (¥2,244 million)	100 (100)	USA	Manufacturing of aluminum wheels

Name of company	Capital	Voting rights	Location	Major business domains
Namyang Metals Co., Ltd.	(millions of Korean Won) 19,000 (¥1,908 million)	90.8	South Korea	Manufacturing and sale of cast iron products for automobile
San Technology, Inc.	(thousands of U.S. dollars) 29,238 (¥3,280 million)	100	Philippines	Manufacturing of rare-earth magnets
Ward Manufacturing, LLC	(thousands of U.S. dollars) 44,074 (¥4,945 million)	100 (100)	USA	Manufacturing of pipe joints
Hitachi Cable (Suzhou), Co., Ltd.	(thousands of RMB) 338,613 (¥5,516 million)	100 (5)	China	Manufacturing and sale of electric wires for electronic devices, industrial cables, electronic components for automobiles, brake hoses, processed electric wires, and wiring devices
Pacific Metals Co., Ltd.	(millions of Korean Won) 15,000 (¥1,506 million)	100	South Korea	Manufacturing and sale of cast magnets, ferrite magnets, etc.
HC Queretaro, S.A. de C.V.	(millions of Mexican peso) 104,338 (¥625 million)	100 (100)	Mexico	Manufacturing and sale of automotive sensors, brake hoses, etc.
PT. NX INDONESIA	(thousands of U.S. dollars) 7,000 (¥785 million)	100	Indonesia	Manufacturing of ferrite magnets

(Notes)

1. The number of consolidated subsidiaries of the Company is 78, including 27 key subsidiaries that are selected based on their revenues, operating income, etc., shown in the above table.
2. Figures shown in parentheses in the column of “Capital” are those converted into the Japanese yen using exchange rates as of March 31, 2017.
3. Figures shown in parentheses in the column of “Voting rights” are indirect shareholding ratios.
4. Ibaraki Technos, Ltd. merged with Hitachi Cable Fine Tech, Ltd., one of the subsidiaries of the Company, by way of an absorption-type merger on April 1, 2016. In addition, Hitachi Magnet Wire Corp. transferred its wire and cable conductor material casting business to the Company by way of absorption-type company split and merged with Ibaraki Technos, Ltd. by way of an absorption-type merger on April 1, 2017.
5. NEOMAX MATERIALS Co., Ltd., one of the subsidiaries of the Company, merged with Hitachi Metals Nanotech Co., Ltd. by way of an absorption-type merger on April 1, 2016, and changed its trade name to Hitachi Metals Neomaterial, Ltd.
6. All amounts of paid-in capital for the issuance of shares by Waupaca Foundry, Inc. are recognized as capital surplus; therefore, the capital of the company is US\$0. The company merged with Hitachi Metals Automotive Components USA, LLC, one of the subsidiaries of the Company, by way of an absorption-type merger on April 1, 2016.
7. Hitachi Metals America, LLC changed its legal form and its trade name to Hitachi Metals America, Ltd., on October 1, 2016. Hitachi Metals America, Ltd. merged with Hitachi Metals America Holdings, Inc. and Hitachi Metals Foundry America, Inc., subsidiaries of the Company, by way of absorption-type mergers on the same date.
8. Ward Manufacturing, LLC merged with Highlands Corporation, one of the subsidiaries of the Company, by way of an absorption-type merger on November 1, 2016.
9. PT. NX INDONESIA changed its trade name to PT. HITACHI METALS INDONESIA on April 1, 2017.

2. Matters Related to Directors and Executive Officers of the Company

(1) Name, Position and Responsibilities, etc. of Directors and Executive Officers (As of March 31, 2017)

(i) Directors

Position	Name	Responsibilities (Committee membership)	Principal concurrent positions
Chairperson of the Board	Toyoaki Nakamura		Director of Hitachi, Ltd. Director of Hitachi High-Technologies Corporation
Director	Masaru Igarashi	Nominating Committee Audit Committee Compensation Committee	Representative of Global Dynamics Research Lab.
Director	Toshiko Oka	Nominating Committee Audit Committee Compensation Committee	CEO of Oka & Company Ltd. Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Astellas Pharma Inc. Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of HAPPINET CORPORATION Outside Director of Mitsubishi Corporation
Director	Takashi Shimada	Nominating Committee Audit Committee Compensation Committee	President of Medtronic Japan Co., Ltd. President of Medtronic Sofamor Danek, Co., Ltd. President of Covidien Japan, Inc. President of Nippon Covidien Inc.
Director	Junichi Kamata	Audit Committee	
Director	Hideaki Takahashi	Nominating Committee Compensation Committee	
Director	Toshitake Hasunuma	Audit Committee	
Director	Akitoshi Hiraki		

(Notes)

- Three Directors, Mr. Masaru Igarashi, Ms. Toshiko Oka and Mr. Toshitake Hasunuma were newly appointed as Directors at the 79th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 23, 2016.
- Three Directors, Mr. Masaru Igarashi, Ms. Toshiko Oka and Mr. Takashi Shimada are Outside Directors.
- The Company has assigned Mr. Masaru Igarashi, Ms. Toshiko Oka and Mr. Takashi Shimada as Independent Directors in accordance with the regulations of Tokyo Stock Exchange, the fact of which has been reported to the Exchange accordingly.
- The Company and Mitsubishi Corporation, at which Ms. Toshiko Oka holds a principal concurrent position, have a business relationship including sale and purchase of products.
- The Company appointed Messrs. Junichi Kamata and Toshitake Hasunuma as full-time Audit Committee members in charge of collecting information necessary for the execution of duties of the Audit Committee and coordinating between the Audit Committee and other Directors, Executive Officers and employees.
- Among the Audit Committee members, Ms. Toshiko Oka has abundant experience and in-depth knowledge obtained as a corporate manager of major consulting firms and considerable knowledge in finance and accounting; Mr. Junichi Kamata has past experience in the accounting and finance divisions of the Company and Mr. Toshitake Hasunuma has past experience in the accounting and the finance division of Hitachi Ltd., and they both have considerable knowledge in finance and accounting.
- On April 1, 2017, Mr. Toyoaki Nakamura retired from his post of Chairperson of the Board and assumed the position of Director, and Mr. Hideaki Takahashi assumed the position of Chairperson of the Board.

(ii) Executive Officers

Position	Name	Responsibilities	Principal concurrent positions
Representative Executive Officer President and Chief Executive Officer	*Hideaki Takahashi	Overall Operations General Management Chief Compliance Officer	
Representative Executive Officer Vice President and Executive Officer	*Akitoshi Hiraki	Overall Operations General Manager, Technology, Research & Development Division General Manager, Corporate Quality Assurance Division	
Representative Executive Officer Executive Officer	Masahiro Otsuka	In charge of Corporate Administration General Manager, Corporate Management Planning Division General Manager, Corporate Export Regulation Office	
Vice President and Executive Officer	Hiroyuki Okada	In charge of Corporate Administration Chief Financial Officer General Manager, Finance Division General Manager, Information Systems Division	
Vice President and Executive Officer	Kenichi Nishiie	In charge of Corporate Administration General Manager, Human Resources & General Administration Division General Manager, Procurement & Value Engineering for Customers Division	
Executive Officer	Masashi Aisa	In charge of Sales and Marketing General Manager, Corporate Sales & Marketing Division	
Executive Officer	Ryouji Akada	In charge of Business President, Magnetic Materials Company Deputy General Manager, Corporate Export Regulation Office	
Executive Officer	Shigekazu Suwabe	In charge of Technology Vice President, the Technology, Research & Development Division	
Executive Officer	Takehisa Seo	In charge of Business President, High-Grade Metals Company Deputy General Manager, Corporate Export Regulation Office	
Executive Officer	Eiji Nakano	In charge of Business	Director & Chairman & CEO, Ward Manufacturing, LLC
Executive Officer	Masato Hasegawa	In charge of Business President, High-Grade Functional Components Company Deputy General Manager, Corporate Export Regulation Office	
Executive Officer	Kazuya Murakami	In charge of Business President, Cable Materials Company Deputy General Manager, Corporate Export Regulation Office	

(Notes)

- Executive Officers marked with * also serve as Directors.
- Mr. Ryouji Akada assumed the position of Executive Officer on June 1, 2016, and responsibilities of Mr. Shigekazu Suwabe were changed from being in charge of Business and President, Magnetic Materials Company and Deputy General Manager, Corporate Export Regulation Office to being in charge of Technology and Vice President, the Technology, Research & Development Division.
- The Company changed the responsibilities of some executive officers on January 1, 2017. Their new responsibilities are shown in the above table, and their previous responsibilities are as follows:
 - Mr. Hideaki Takahashi: Overall Operations; General Management
 - Mr. Masahiro Otsuka: In charge of Corporate Administration; General Manager, Corporate Management Planning Division; General Manager, Corporate Export Regulation Office; Chief Compliance Officer

Executive Officers changed as of April 1, 2017. The new executive members are as follows:

Position	Name	Responsibilities	Principal concurrent positions
Representative Executive Officer President and Chief Executive Officer	*Akitoshi Hiraki	Overall Operations General Management	
Representative Executive Officer Senior Vice President and Executive Officer	Kenichi Nishiie	In charge of Corporate Administration General Manager, Corporate Management Planning Division	
Representative Executive Officer Executive Officer	Hiroaki Nishioka	In charge of Corporate Administration Chief Financial Officer General Manager, Finance Division	
Vice President and Executive Officer	Masato Hasegawa	In charge of Business President, Functional Components Company Deputy General Manager, Corporate Export Regulation Office	
Executive Officer	Ryouji Akada	In charge of Business President, Magnetic Materials Company Deputy General Manager, Corporate Export Regulation Office	
Executive Officer	Masahiro Otsuka	In charge of Business	Chairman and President, Hitachi Metals (China), Ltd.
Executive Officer	Katsuro Sasaka	In charge of Corporate Administration and Sales and Marketing Deputy General Manager, Corporate Management Planning Division General Manager, Group Company Auditing Office	
Executive Officer	Koji Sato	In charge of Business President, Specialty Steel Company Deputy General Manager, Corporate Export Regulation Office	
Executive Officer	Shigekazu Suwabe	In charge of Corporate Administration and Technology General Manager, Information Systems Division General Manager, Corporate Quality Assurance Division Deputy General Manager, Technology, Research & Development Division	
Executive Officer	Naohiko Tamiya	In charge of Corporate Administration General Manager, Human Resources & General Administration Division Chief Compliance Officer	
Executive Officer	Eiji Nakano	In charge of Technology General Manager, Technology, Research & Development Division	
Executive Officer	Tomoyuki Hatano	In charge of Business	Director & President & CEO, Hitachi Metals America, Ltd.
Executive Officer	Kazuya Murakami	In charge of Business President, Cable Materials Company Deputy General Manager, Corporate Export Regulation Office	

(Note) Executive Officers marked with * also serve as Directors.

(iii) Outline of Limited Liability Agreement

In accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation, the Company has concluded limited liability agreements (“Limited Liability Agreements”) with each of Mr. Toyoaki Nakamura, Mr. Masaru Igarashi, Ms. Toshiko Oka, Mr. Takashi Shimada, Mr. Junichi Kamata and Mr. Toshitake Hasunuma to limit their liability as provided for in Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act. In addition, as Mr. Hideaki Takahashi has retired from his post of the Company’s executive director since April 2017, the Company has concluded a new Limited Liability Agreement with him.

The maximum amount of liability under the said Agreements shall be the higher of (a) ¥12 million or (b) the amount provided for in laws and regulations.

(2) Matters Related to Outside Directors

[Major Activities of Outside Directors]

Name	Major activities
Masaru Igarashi	Attended all meetings of the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee after being newly appointed as Director at the 79th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders, and as needed provided objective comments as Independent Director based on his extensive experience and advanced knowledge of corporate management gained as a management executive of an international manufacturing company.
Toshiko Oka	Attended 12 of 13 meetings of the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee after being newly appointed as Director at the 79th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders, and as needed provided objective comments as Independent Director based on her extensive experience and advanced knowledge of corporate management gained as a management executive of consulting firms.
Takashi Shimada	Attended all meetings of the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee held during the fiscal year under review, and as needed provided objective comments as Independent Director based on his extensive experience and advanced knowledge of corporate management gained as a management executive of an international manufacturing company.

(Note) In addition to the meetings of the Board of Directors as described above, there was a written resolution of the Board of Directors deemed passed in accordance with Article 370 of the Companies Act and Article 22 of the Articles of Incorporation.

(3) Compensation for Directors and Executive Officers

(i) Policies Concerning the Determination of Compensation, etc., for Directors and Executive Officers

1) Method of determination of policies

Pursuant to the stipulations of the Companies Act, the Compensation Committee establishes the policies for the determination of amounts of compensation, etc. for individual Directors and Executive Officers.

2) Summary of policies

Policies concerning the determination of compensation, etc., for Directors and Executive Officers for the fiscal year under review are as follows.

- i) Directors and Executive Officers assuming the management of the Company are compensated for executing management that enhances the Company’s corporate value and benefits stakeholders such as shareholders by determining management policies from a long-term perspective, and formulating and executing medium-term management plans and annual business budgets.
- ii) In order to motivate Directors and Executive Officers to exercise their respective management capabilities, know-how and skills to achieve satisfactory results, the compensation system shall reflect the Company’s short-term and medium- to long-term business performance and appropriate compensations shall be paid for outstanding achievements.

iii) Compensation paid by the Company consists of a base compensation and a term-end bonus.

(a) Base compensation: Determined individually as consideration for the degree of responsibility for Company management as Director and/or Executive Officer and for the performance of duties utilizing their extensive experience, knowledge, insight, and specialized management skills, etc., acquired from past experience. In order to secure appropriate human resources for the positions of Director and Executive Officer, compensation levels should be comparable to those of other companies.

(b) Term-end bonus: Linked to the business performance of the Company.

iv) In order to share interests with shareholders through the holding of treasury stock and thereby promote sustainable growth and enhanced corporate value of the Company over the medium to long term, Directors and Executive Officers shall, as a general rule, contribute part of their compensation to the officers' shareholding association and acquire treasury stock until such stock reach a certain number. The acquired stock shall be held continuously during the term of office of Directors and Executive Officers and, as a general rule, one year after the retirement from their posts.

(ii) Total Amount of Compensation, etc. for Directors and Executive Officers

Position	Number	Amount
	(Persons)	(millions of yen)
Directors	9	116
(including Outside Directors)	(6)	(49)
Executive Officers	11	463
Total	20	579

(Notes)

- Directors with concurrent post as Executive Officers are compensated as Executive Officers but not as Directors.
- The number of Directors as of the end of the fiscal year under review was eight (including three Outside Directors) and that of Executive Officers, 12. The number of Directors indicated in the table above includes three Directors (including two Outside Directors) who retired from the post at the conclusion of the 79th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 23, 2016 and one Director who changed the post from Outside Director to Director at the conclusion of the same, and excludes two Directors who concurrently serve as Executive Officer. In addition, the number of Executive Officers indicated in the table above exclude one Executive Officer to whom compensation, etc. is not paid from the Company.
- In addition to the above, year-end bonuses related to the previous fiscal year were paid during the fiscal year under review as described below.
Directors: ¥17 million to six Directors (Including ¥6 million to four Outside Directors)
Executive Officers: ¥128 million to 11 Executive Officers
For the amounts shown above, provisions for the year-end bonuses (¥16 million for Directors (including ¥6 million for Outside Directors), ¥112 million for Executive Officers) were included in "Total Amount of Compensation, etc. for Directors and Executive Officers" in the Business Report for the previous fiscal year.
- Total amount of compensation etc., received by Outside Directors with concurrent post as Officers of the Company's parent company or its subsidiaries as officers of the parent company or its subsidiaries (excluding the Company) during the terms of Outside Directors in this business term was ¥49 million.

3. Share Information (As of March 31, 2017)

- (1) Total Number of Authorized Shares: 500,000,000 shares
(2) Total Number of Outstanding Shares: 428,904,352 shares
(3) Share Issuance During the Fiscal Year Under Review: None
(4) Number of Shareholders: 25,302
(5) Major Shareholders (Top 10 Shareholders)

Name	Shareholder's equity in the Company	
	Share ownership	Shareholding percentage
	(thousands of shares)	%
Hitachi, Ltd.	226,233	52.9
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trust account)	14,078	3.3
The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust account)	8,845	2.1
JPMorgan Chase Bank 385632	6,948	1.6
JPMorgan Chase Bank 385078	5,740	1.3
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trust account 5)	3,914	0.9
GOVERNMENT OF NORWAY	3,279	0.8
State Street Bank West Client - Treaty 505234	3,036	0.7
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trust Account 1)	2,968	0.7
Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (Trust Account 7)	2,932	0.7

(Note) Shareholding percentages are calculated excluding treasury stock (1,327,900 shares).

(6) Other Important Matters Concerning Shares

Not applicable

4. Subscription Rights to Shares (As of March 31, 2017)

Not applicable

5. Information Concerning the Accounting Auditor

(1) Name of the Accounting Auditor

Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC

(2) Compensation, etc. of the Accounting Auditor

(i)	Compensation	¥107 million
(ii)	Total cash and other financial benefits that should be paid by the Company and its subsidiaries	¥150 million

(Notes)

1. The audit agreement between the Company and the accounting auditor contains no clear distinction between auditing compensation for audits based on the Companies Act and audits based on the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, and the distinction is not possible in practice. The amount stated in Item (i) therefore includes both.
2. The Company's Audit Committee confirmed the audit plans and performances as well as the hours and compensation amounts required for audits conducted over the past years, and examined the appropriateness of the estimated hours and compensation amount required for the audits conducted in the fiscal year under review. As a result, the committee has given the consent with regard to the amount of compensation, etc. for the accounting auditor in accordance with Article 399, Paragraphs 1 and 4, of the Companies Act.

(3) Subsidiaries of the Company Whose Financial Statements are Subject to Audit by Certified Public Accountants Other Than the Company's Accounting Auditor

Of the key subsidiaries (stated in "1. Current Status of the Hitachi Metals Group, (10) Parent Company and Key Subsidiaries, (ii) Key Subsidiaries," pages 13 and 14), the financial statements of the foreign subsidiaries other than the U.S. subsidiaries have been audited by accounting auditors other than Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC.

(4) Business Suspension Order to Which the Accounting Auditor Was Subject During Past Two Years

Outline of Administrative Order Announced by the Financial Services Agency on December 22, 2015

(i) Subject of Administrative Order

Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC

(ii) Content of Administrative Order

- 1) Suspension from accepting new engagements for three months (from January 1, 2016, to March 31, 2016)
- 2) Order for improvement of business operations (improvement of business management system)

(iii) Reason for Administrative Order

- 1) In regard to the audit of financial documents for TOSHIBA CORPORATION for the fiscal years ended March 31, 2010, 2012 and 2013, Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC's certified public accountants, in negligence of due care, attested that the financial statements contained no material misstatement, when in fact the statements contained material misstatement.
- 2) The operation of services of Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC was found to be grossly inappropriate.

(5) Policies for Determination to Dismiss or Not to Re-Appoint the Accounting Auditor

(i) Dismissal

- 1) In case the accounting firm serving as accounting auditor is ordered by the Prime Minister to suspend all or part of its auditing operations of financial statements or to dissolve its operations in accordance with the stipulations of Article 34-21, Paragraph 2, of the Certified Public Accountants Act, the accounting auditor is automatically dismissed since this order corresponds to a disqualifying cause as accounting auditor as stipulated in Article 337, Paragraph 3, Item 1, of the Companies Act.
- 2) In addition to Item 1) above, if circumstances exist that give rise to reasonable expectations that an order will be issued by the Prime Minister to the accounting auditor to suspend all or part of its auditing operations of financial statements or to dissolve its operations, and the Audit Committee determines that the accounting auditor is subject of an event as stipulated in Article 340, Paragraph 1, Item 1 or Item 2, of the Companies Act, the Audit Committee determines the contents of a proposal for the general meeting of shareholders regarding the dismissal of the accounting auditor.
- 3) With respect to Item 2) above, if circumstances exist that give rise to reasonable expectations that the auditing of financial statements will suffer great interference, the accounting auditor is dismissed by unanimous consent of the Audit Committee members. In such case, an Audit Committee member appointed by the Audit Committee will report on the decision of dismissal and its reasons at the first general meeting of shareholders convened after the dismissal.

(ii) Determination Not to Re-Appoint

- 1) With respect to the person appointed by the accounting firm from among its members who is in charge of the affairs of an accounting auditor, if any of the events stipulated under Article 340, Paragraph 1, of the Companies Act becomes applicable or a breach of duties as certified public accountant stipulated in the Certified Public Accountants Act is committed, and if the accounting firm fails to appoint promptly other person to replace the said person who is in charge of the affairs of an accounting auditor, the Audit Committee determines the contents of a proposal for the general meeting of shareholders regarding not to re-appoint the accounting auditor.
- 2) If it is determined that the appropriate execution of duties cannot be ensured with respect to matters concerning the execution of duties as accounting auditor stipulated in Article 131 of the Ordinance on Accounting of Companies, the Audit Committee determines the contents of a proposal for the general meeting of shareholders regarding not to re-appoint the accounting auditor.

The Audit Committee of the Company determined that there was no fact that falls under the reasons for dismissal or non-reappointment as specified in the policies after comprehensively examining the content of the administrative order in (4) above and the business improvement plan, its progress, etc. The committee will continue monitoring of the progress of the accounting auditor's business improvement plan, etc.

6. Policies Concerning Dividend Determination

The Company believes that corporations are responsible for returning profits to their shareholders at an appropriate level on a long-term basis through augmenting corporate value by strengthening international competitiveness in the face of evolving customer needs and technologies and their globalization. With this understanding, it has been the basic policy of the Company to determine distribution of profits to shareholders and retained earnings based on a comprehensive review of business environment, future business developments, and performance, with focus on ensuring growth over the medium- to long-term. With a view to future business development, retained earnings will be invested for the development and commercialization of new materials, generation of new businesses, and the expansion, streamlining of production of competitive products and others. Furthermore, acquisition of treasury stock will be made as deemed appropriate for the purpose of enabling the flexible execution of capital policies, taking into consideration necessity, financial position, share price level and others.

7. Summary of Resolutions of the Board of Directors on Establishing Systems, etc., to Ensure Appropriate Operations and the Implementation Status of the Systems

(1) Summary of the Systems, etc. to Ensure Appropriate Operations

(1) Requirements Stipulated in Ordinance of the Ministry of Justice for the Execution of Duties by the Audit Committee of the Company	
(i) Matters Concerning Directors and Employees to Assist with the Duties of the Company's Audit Committee	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The Audit Committee shall appoint full-time Audit Committee members as needed. In case a position of a full-time Audit Committee member becomes vacant or a member has not been appointed, if the Audit Committee requests that an appointment be made from among the Directors to assist in the duties of the Audit Committee, the Board of Directors shall make such appointment. 2) To assist with the duties of the Audit Committee, the Board of Directors Office shall have a person in charge of the Audit Committee. 3) The Audit Committee may, when necessary for performing audits, have the Internal Audit division under the responsibility of Executive Officers assist with the execution of duties of the Audit Committee.
(ii) Matters to Ensure the Independence of Directors and Employees Referred to in the Above Item (i) from Executive Officers, as well as the Effectiveness of Instructions of the Company's Audit Committee Given to the Said Directors and Employees	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The person in charge of the Audit Committee at the Board of Directors Office shall not concurrently serve in any position at any other business operating division. Appointment, dismissal, and disciplinary action regarding the person in charge of the Audit Committee are carried out by the Executive Officers with the consent either of the Audit Committee or an Audit Committee member appointed by the Audit Committee (in the following, "Appointed Audit Committee Member"). Personnel assessment and appraisal of the person in charge of the Audit Committee is performed by the Executive Officers taking into account the opinion of either the Audit Committee or an Appointed Audit Committee Member. 2) Appointment, dismissal, disciplinary action, and personnel assessment and appraisal regarding the head of the Internal Audit division are performed by the Executive Officers. The reasons for any of these actions shall be explained in advance either to the Audit Committee or to an Appointed Audit Committee Member. 3) Persons who assist with the duties of the Audit Committee shall not be subject to orders and instructions of the Executive Officers when providing such assistance.
(iii) Systems for Reporting to the Company's Audit Committee and Systems to Ensure Prohibition of Disadvantageous Treatments of a Person Who Made Such Reports	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Executive Officers shall submit the following documents to the Audit Committee: Executive Committee meeting materials, documents for approval by the Executive Officers, medium-term management plan and budget deliberation materials, monthly and quarterly financial statements, and the operational audit reports from the Internal Audit division 2) The Company's Internal Audit division shall conduct audits on the business operations of the Company and its subsidiaries (including foreign entities; the same shall apply hereinafter), and report the audit results to the Audit Committee or the Appointed Audit Committee Members. 3) If Executive Officers detect any fact likely to cause substantial detriment to the Company, they shall immediately report such fact to the Audit Committee

	<p>members.</p> <p>4) Any reports by the Company's Executive Officers and employees as well as its subsidiaries' Directors, Auditors, and employees to the Audit Committee shall be made by reporting to the Appointed Audit Committee Members.</p> <p>5) The Company shall establish a system that enables persons engaged in operations for the Company or its subsidiaries to report facts related to illegal or improper acts that violate the laws and regulations, etc. in the course of operations of the Company or its subsidiaries (hereafter, "illegal or improper acts") through a specified channel (hereafter, "Compliance Hotline"), when discovered. Upon receiving a report on an illegal or improper act, the person in charge of the Compliance Hotline shall promptly report the facts to the Appointed Audit Committee Members. A system shall also be established to enable the reporting of discovered illegal or improper acts directly to the Audit Committee. The Company shall ensure that anyone who has reported an illegal or improper act will not receive disadvantageous treatments as a result of the report.</p>
(iv) Matters Concerning the Policy on Prepayment or Reimbursement Procedures and Other Treatments of Expenses or Debt that Are Incurred in the Course of Executing the Duties of the Company's Audit Committee Members	The Board of Directors Office shall be responsible for the payment of expenses and other administrative operations arising in relation to the execution of duties by the Audit Committee members, and shall process the payments of those expenses and debt promptly, except when these are explicitly found to be unnecessary for the execution of the committee member's duties.
(v) Other Systems to Ensure the Effective Execution of Audits by the Company's Audit Committee	<p>1) When the head of the Internal Audit division formulates the audit plan for the next fiscal year, Appointed Audit Committee Members may state their opinions on the contents of such audit plan. The head of the Internal Audit division should report the formulated audit plan to the Audit Committee.</p> <p>2) The Audit Committee or Appointed Audit Committee Members shall engage in an exchange of opinions with the accounting auditor, Executive Officers, head of the Internal Audit division, and persons in charge of business operating divisions.</p>

(2) Systems to Ensure the Compliance of the Execution of Duties by the Company's Executive Officers with Laws and Regulations and the Articles of Incorporation	
	<p>1) The Company shall establish and communicate a code of conduct in order to assure compliance with laws and regulations and the Articles of Incorporation and adherence to social norms in the course of business activities of the Company and its subsidiaries.</p> <p>2) The Company's Executive Officers shall organize the Executive Committee, which deliberates and/or receives reports on matters considered to have a material impact on the Company or the corporate group consisting of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Hitachi Metals Group").</p> <p>3) The Company shall establish a Compliance Hotline. When a report of an illegal or improper act is received, the division in charge of the Compliance Hotline shall investigate the facts in the report, and when deemed necessary, request the Company's Executive Officers to examine appropriate corrective measures, and take the necessary steps to prevent future recurrence.</p> <p>4) The Hitachi Metals Group has a policy of taking a firm stance against antisocial forces that pose a threat to the order and safety of civil society, and cut off all ties with them. In order to ensure the effectiveness of this policy, the Hitachi Metals Group shall establish a responsible division, create systems for managing relevant information, preventing relevant transactions, and implementing other measures with respect to antisocial forces, and work closely with external specialized agencies such as the police department.</p>

(3) Other Systems Established at the Company to Ensure Appropriate Operations by the Company and the Corporate Group Consisting of the Company, the Parent Company and Subsidiaries of the Company	
(i) Systems for the Retention and Management of	1) Executive Committee meeting documents, documents for approval, and any other documents related to the execution of duties by Executive Officers shall be retained and managed at the respective business operating divisions in

<p>Information Related to the Execution of Duties by the Company's Executive Officers</p>	<p>accordance with internal rules on document retention and management.</p> <p>2) Appointed Audit Committee Members may inspect, transcribe or copy the documents related to the execution of duties by Executive Officers that are retained and managed at the respective business operating divisions.</p>
<p>(ii) Rules and Other Systems for Managing the Risk of Loss of the Company and its Subsidiaries</p>	<p>1) With respect to risks of loss related to compliance, antisocial forces, finance, procurement, environment, disasters, quality, information management, and export control, etc., the Company's Executive Officers shall direct respective business operating divisions, and as needed, establish internal rules and guidelines, etc., prepare and distribute manuals, provide training, and perform operational audits in order to avoid, prevent, and manage risks of loss to the Company. The Company shall provide these internal rules, etc. to its subsidiaries, and cause them to establish their own internal rules, etc. equivalent to those of the Company according to the scale of operations, etc.</p> <p>2) The Company's Executive Officers shall establish an organization that receives reports on and promptly handles the risk of loss realized in the Company and its subsidiaries.</p> <p>3) In order to handle the risk of loss arising in the Company and its subsidiaries, the Company's Executive Officers shall direct to the relevant business operating divisions as needed, and promptly appoint persons in charge of handling such risks.</p> <p>4) The Company's Executive Officers shall immediately report to the Audit Committee if any risk of loss is realized in the Company and its subsidiaries.</p>
<p>(iii) Systems to Ensure the Efficient Execution of Duties of Executive Officers of the Company and Directors of its Subsidiaries</p>	<p>—— In addition to Item (2) 2), the following systems are established.</p> <p>1) The Company shall stipulate basic policies for consolidated group management to maximize the group corporate value of the Hitachi Metals Group.</p> <p>2) The Company's Board of Directors shall, in order to strengthen the Company's market competitiveness and to enhance corporate value by way of strategic and systematic operation of the Company's business activities, determine medium-term management plans and budgets, and manage business results of the Company. In order to ensure the effectiveness of such management efforts, Executive Officers shall establish systems for budget and business results management. The Company shall mutually share with its subsidiaries the information in formulating consolidated medium-term management plans and consolidated budgets in an effort to optimize strategies not only at individual level but also at group-wide level and manage consolidated performance.</p> <p>3) The Company's Executive Officers shall establish internal rules that clearly define the authorities and responsibilities of persons in charge of each business operating division and control the procedures for decision-making and the execution of duties.</p> <p>4) The Company shall ensure consistent execution and verification of documented business operation processes with respect to all information to be incorporated in financial reporting with its parent company and subsidiaries.</p> <p>5) The Company shall establish a division in charge of the management of subsidiaries to communicate business policies and measures, collect information, and support subsidiaries' business operations.</p>
<p>(iv) Systems to Ensure Compliance of Employees of the Company as well as Directors and Employees of its Subsidiaries in Executing Their Duties with Laws and Regulations and the Articles of Incorporation</p>	<p>—— In addition to Items (2) 1), 3), and 4), the following systems are established.</p> <p>1) The Company shall designate the chief compliance officer in charge of overseeing the division in charge of compliance and establishing compliance systems. The position of the chief compliance officer shall be served by the Representative Executive Officer of the Company.</p> <p>2) The Company's Executive Officers shall establish the Internal Audit division to conduct audits of business operations of the Company and its subsidiaries. In addition, the Company shall cooperate with the Internal Audit division of its parent company when the division conducts audits on the business operations of the Company and its subsidiaries to ensure appropriate</p>

	operations of the corporate group consisting of the parent company and its subsidiaries. The Company shall review the results of these audits and make improvements to its business operations.
(v) Systems for Reporting Matters Relating to the Execution of Duties by Directors of Subsidiaries to the Company	<p>— In addition to Item (2) 2) and Item (3) (iii) 5), the following systems are established.</p> <p>1) The Company shall dispatch its employees, etc. as Directors and Auditors to its subsidiaries as needed. Such Directors and Auditors shall report on the status of execution of their duties to the Company’s Executive Officers or the Appointed Audit Committee Members if requested from them.</p>
(vi) Other Systems to Ensure Appropriate Operations of the Company as well as the Corporate Group Consisting of the Company, its Parent Company and Subsidiaries	<p>1) It is a policy of the Company in its business operations and transactions to remain independent of the parent company. In case of transactions between the Company and its parent company or implementing policies and measures that may arise risk of a material conflict of interest between the parent company and shareholders other than the parent company, the matter shall be determined subject to review by the Board of Directors without fail.</p> <p>2) It is a policy of the Company to carry out fair transactions with the parent company and subsidiaries based on market prices.</p> <p>3) The Company shall cause its subsidiaries to establish systems according to their scale of operations, etc. based on the systems of the Company, in order to ensure the appropriateness of their operations.</p>

(Note) The summary of the systems, etc. to ensure appropriate operations is stated with information as of the end of the fiscal year under review. Among the statements made in the summary, “(iv) Systems to Ensure Compliance of Employees of the Company as well as Directors and Employees of its Subsidiaries in Executing Their Duties with Laws and Regulations and the Articles of Incorporation, 1)” is partially revised as of April 1, 2017. The revised statement is as follows.

“The Company shall designate the chief compliance officer in charge of overseeing the division in charge of compliance and establishing compliance systems.”

(2) Summary of the Implementation Status of the Systems to Ensure Appropriate Operations

(i) Compliance

The Company has prepared and distributed the “CSR Guidebook” to all officers and employees of the Group in order to gain their understanding of compliance. In addition, the Company conducts the “Corporate Ethics Month” in every October, providing compliance training by external instructors for management executives as well as compliance training for the officers and employees of the Company and its subsidiaries in Japan and overseas (at the Company and 65 subsidiaries in Japan and overseas during the fiscal year under review).

During the fiscal year under review, several working groups comprised of departments in finance, procurement, sales, quality assurance and other fields have identified tasks to be addressed in preventing occurrence of inappropriate issues and formulated measures for such tasks, and undertaken group-wide activities that have been rolled out in the Company and its subsidiaries in Japan and overseas. In these activities, compliance interviews have been conducted for those in the position of Manager or above and written pledges have been obtained from them, and such measures have contributed to the heightened awareness of compliance within the Group.

In addition, the Company has revised a unified compliance program for the Hitachi Metals Group (“Hitachi Metals Global Compliance Program”) which prescribes the provisions for the prohibition of bribery, the compliance with competition acts and the prevention of transactions with antisocial forces. The Company has also taken measures to formulate and improve rules, etc., taking into account the global standards.

(ii) Risk Management

Each Executive Officer identifies and analyzes business risks including changes in political, economic and social situations, currency fluctuations, rapid technological innovations, as well as changes in customer needs, examines measures against such risks, and reviews these measures whenever necessary through discussions at the Board of Directors, the Audit Committee, the Executive Committee and other meeting bodies. In addition, each corporate administrative division has prepared internal rules, guidelines, etc., conducted education and enlightenment activities, preliminary checks, audits on business operations, etc. and cooperated with the relevant internal company business divisions to avoid, prevent and manage the risks relating to compliance, antisocial forces, finance, procurement, environment, disasters, quality, information management, export control, legal affairs, etc..

Furthermore, with regard to business continuity plans (BCPs), the Company has not only prepared the plans but

also implemented business continuity management (BCM) that periodically and continually improves BCPs in response to changes in the business structure or the risks. During the fiscal year under review, BCP training has been implemented jointly by domestic sites and overseas subsidiaries, and investigation regarding risk management has been conducted with the aim of facilitating BCP promotion activities at overseas subsidiaries

(iii) Evaluation on the Effectiveness of Internal Controls over Financial Reporting

The Company has set up the Internal Controls Committee chaired by an Executive Officer and its secretariat at the Internal Auditing Office, in order to enhance internal controls functions within the Company. The secretariat formulates the evaluation policy for internal controls every fiscal year, and evaluates the development and implementation status of internal controls over financial reporting. The Internal Controls Committee reviews the evaluation results at its meetings (five meetings during the fiscal year under review) and provides necessary instructions for the relevant divisions. The committee's review results are reported to the Executive Committee and the Audit Committee.

(iv) Internal Audit

The Internal Auditing Office formulates annual audit policies and audit implementation plans for internal audits on the Group. Based on these policies and plans, the office conducts audit on the status of business management and execution of the Company's offices and subsidiaries in Japan and overseas over the course of three years in principle (at the Company and 21 subsidiaries in Japan and overseas during the fiscal year under review). In addition to these audits, a special audit may be conducted upon special request of the President and Chief Executive Officer, etc. The Internal Auditing Office also reports to the President and Chief Executive Officer and the Audit Committee its audit policies and audit implementation plans in advance in addition to reporting the audit results on a monthly basis in principle.

8. Basic Policies for Parties who Exercise Control Over Decisions on the Financial and Operating Policies of the Company

The Company positions itself as a development-driven corporation continually advancing and pioneering basic and new technologies, and in doing so, creates new products and businesses and continues to provide new values to the society. This is the basis of the business activities of the Company. In order to promote these activities, the Company aims to maintain close cooperation through R&D collaboration, etc. with the group companies of the Hitachi Group, centered around Hitachi, Ltd., the parent company, of which the Company is a group member, while remaining independent in its business operations and transactions with Hitachi, Ltd. and by using its management resources effectively, the Company seeks to provide high-quality products and services. Furthermore, as an exchange-listed corporation, the Company constantly recognizes the expectations and evaluations by the shareholders, investors, and the stock markets, and strives to disclose information in a timely and appropriate manner. Moreover, the Company understands the importance of maintaining rational and vigilant management by establishing management plans that contribute to realization of sustained growth and strengthening corporate governance. Through these measures, the Company will work to enhance the corporate value and maximize the value provided not only to the parent company but for all shareholders.

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position (As of March 31, 2017)

(Unit: Millions of yen)

(ASSETS)		(LIABILITIES)	
Current assets	491,895	Current liabilities	283,585
Cash and cash equivalents	139,411	Short-term debt	26,301
Trade receivables	175,568	Current portion of long-term debt	35,462
Inventories	153,556	Other financial liabilities	26,360
Other current assets	23,360	Trade payables	150,785
		Accrued expenses	37,817
		Advances received	858
		Other current liabilities	6,002
Non-current assets	548,495	Non-current liabilities	208,059
Investments accounted for using the equity method	26,239	Long-term debts	132,694
Investments in securities and other financial assets	20,964	Other financial liabilities	1,641
Property, plant and equipment	324,667	Retirement and severance benefits	60,299
Goodwill and intangible assets	151,195	Deferred tax liabilities	8,758
Deferred tax assets	11,651	Other non-current liabilities	4,667
Other non-current assets	13,779		
		Total liabilities	491,644
		(EQUITY)	
		Equity attributable to shareholders of the parent company	536,563
		Common stock	26,284
		Capital surplus	115,806
		Retained earnings	376,069
		Accumulated other comprehensive income	19,555
		Treasury stock, at cost	(1,151)
		Non-controlling interests	12,183
		Total equity	548,746
Total assets	1,040,390	Total liabilities and equity	1,040,390

Consolidated Statement of Income (Fiscal year ended March 31, 2017)

(Unit: Millions of yen)

Revenues		910,486
Cost of sales		<u>(731,153)</u>
Gross profit		179,333
Selling, general and administrative expenses		(113,350)
Other income		14,070
Other expenses		<u>(11,786)</u>
Operating income		68,267
Financial Income		
Interest income	346	
Other financial income	<u>248</u>	594
Financial expenses		
Interest charges	(2,810)	
Other financial expenses	<u>(1,189)</u>	(3,999)
Share of profits (losses) of investments accounted for using the equity method		<u>1,154</u>
Income before income taxes		66,016
Income taxes		<u>(15,324)</u>
Net income		50,692
Net income attributable to:		
Shareholders of the parent company		50,593
Non-controlling interests		<u>99</u>
Net income		50,692

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity (Fiscal year ended March 31, 2017)

(Unit: Millions of yen)

	Common stock	Capital surplus	Retained earnings	Accumulated other comprehensive income
Balance at April 1, 2016	26,284	115,806	336,141	18,780
Changes in equity				
Net income	—	—	50,593	—
Other comprehensive income	—	—	—	1,228
Dividends to shareholders of the parent company	—	—	(11,118)	—
Dividends to non-controlling interests	—	—	—	—
Acquisition of treasury stock	—	—	—	—
Sales of treasury stock	—	0	—	—
Transactions with noncontrolling interests	—	—	—	—
Transfer to retained earnings	—	—	453	(453)
Total changes in equity	—	0	39,928	775
Balance at March 31, 2017	26,284	115,806	376,069	19,555

	Treasury stock, at cost	Total equity attributable to shareholders of the parent company	Non-controlling interests	Total equity
Balance at April 1, 2016	(1,146)	495,865	8,810	504,675
Changes in equity				
Net income	—	50,593	99	50,692
Other comprehensive income	—	1,228	45	1,273
Dividends to shareholders of the parent company	—	(11,118)	—	(11,118)
Dividends to non-controlling interests	—	—	(190)	(190)
Acquisition of treasury stock	(5)	(5)	—	(5)
Sales of treasury stock	0	0	—	0
Transactions with noncontrolling interests	—	—	3,419	3,419
Transfer to retained earnings	—	—	—	—
Total changes in equity	(5)	40,698	3,373	44,071
Balance at March 31, 2017	(1,151)	536,563	12,183	548,746

Non-Consolidated Balance Sheets (As of March 31, 2017)

(Unit: Millions of yen)

(ASSETS)		(LIABILITIES)	
Current assets	295,175	Current liabilities	205,783
Cash and deposits	5,728	Accounts payable-trade	101,688
Notes receivable-trade	1,838	Electronically recorded obligations - operating	12,628
Accounts receivable-trade	78,811	Short-term debt	26,588
Finished products	11,145	Current portion of bonds	20,000
Work in process	23,968	Current portion of long-term loans payable	11,319
Raw materials and supplies	15,169	Lease obligations	1
Advance payments-trade	14	Accounts payable-other	14,582
Prepaid expenses	919	Accrued expenses	12,751
Deferred tax assets	2,893	Income taxes payable	2,520
Accounts receivable-other	50,626	Advances received	159
Short-term loans receivable	21,654	Deposits received	3,135
Group pooling cash deposits	84,184	Allowance for directors' bonuses	145
Other	66	Other	267
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(1,840)		
Fixed assets	418,320	Fixed liabilities	147,625
Tangible fixed assets	129,680	Bonds payable	10,000
Buildings, net	27,616	Long-term loans payable	113,567
Structures, net	1,547	Lease obligations	0
Machinery and equipment, net	48,986	Provision for retirement benefits	22,101
Vehicles, net	106	Provision for environmental measures	733
Tools, furniture and fixtures, net	6,405	Provision for loss on guarantees	592
Land	29,053	Other	632
Lease assets	1		
Construction in progress	15,966	Total liabilities	353,408
Intangible assets	30,471		
Goodwill	25,439	(NET ASSETS)	
Leasehold right	612	Shareholders' equity	360,230
Patent right	62	Common stock	26,284
Right of trademark	182	Capital surplus	128,476
Software	2,664	Legal capital surplus	36,699
Right of using facilities	93	Other capital surplus	91,777
Other	1,419	Retained earnings	206,617
Investments and other assets	258,169	Legal retained earnings	6,571
Investment securities	1,757	Other retained earnings	200,046
Stocks of subsidiaries and affiliates	199,140	Reserve for special depreciation	1,844
Investments in capital	618	Reserve for advanced depreciation of fixed assets	1,109
Long-term loans receivable from subsidiaries and affiliates	52,358	General reserve	44,580
Long-term loans receivable from employees	2	Retained earnings brought forward	152,513
Claims provable in bankruptcy, claims provable in rehabilitation and other	2	Treasury stock, at cost	(1,147)
Long-term prepaid expenses	222	Valuation, translation adjustments and others	(143)
Prepaid pension cost	3,532	Net unrealized holding gain on securities available-for-sale	(3)
Deferred tax assets	8,828	Gain (loss) on deferred hedge transactions	(140)
Other	1,939	Total net assets	360,087
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(9,976)		
Allowance for investment loss	(253)		
Total assets	713,495	Total liabilities and net assets	713,495

Non-Consolidated Statements of Income (Fiscal year ended March 31, 2017)

(Unit: Millions of yen)

Net sales		410,818
Cost of sales		<u>348,229</u>
Gross profit		62,589
Selling, general and administrative expenses		<u>49,614</u>
Operating income		12,975
Non-operating income		
Interest and dividends income	17,246	
Other	<u>4,438</u>	21,684
Non-operating expenses		
Interest charges	2,090	
Other	<u>6,862</u>	<u>8,952</u>
Ordinary income		25,707
Extraordinary income		
Gain on sales of property and equipment	461	
Gain on sales of stocks of subsidiaries and affiliates	3,957	
Gain on transfer of business	<u>5,664</u>	10,082
Extraordinary losses		
Loss on impairment of property and equipment	807	
Loss on sales of shares of subsidiaries and affiliates	63	
Loss on structural reform	<u>362</u>	<u>1,232</u>
Income before income taxes		34,557
Income taxes-current		3,070
Income taxes-deferred		<u>319</u>
Net income		31,168

Non-Consolidated Statements of Changes in Net Assets (Fiscal year ended March 31, 2017)

(Unit: Millions of yen)

	Shareholders' equity									
	Common stock	Capital surplus			Legal retained earning	Retained earnings				
		Legal capital surplus	Other capital surplus	Total capital surplus		Other retained earnings				Total retained earning
						Reserve for special depreciation	Reserve for advanced depreciation of fixed assets	General reserve	Retained earnings brought forward	
Balance as of April 1, 2016	26,284	36,699	91,777	128,476	6,571	1,759	1,175	44,580	132,482	186,567
Changes during the fiscal 2016										
Provision of reserve for special depreciation						85			(85)	—
Reversal of reserve for advanced depreciation of fixed assets							(66)		66	—
Cash dividends									(11,118)	(11,118)
Net income (loss) for the fiscal 2016									31,168	31,168
Acquisition of treasury stock										
Disposal of treasury stock			0	0						
Net increase/decrease during the fiscal 2016 of non shareholders' equity items										
Total increase/decrease during the fiscal 2016	—	—	0	0	—	85	(66)	—	20,031	20,050
Balance as of March 31, 2017	26,284	36,699	91,777	128,476	6,571	1,844	1,109	44,580	152,513	206,617

	Shareholders' equity		Valuation, translation adjustments and others			Total net assets
	Treasury stock, at cost	Total shareholders' equity	Net unrealized holding gain on securities available-for-sale	Gain (loss) on deferred hedge transactions	Total valuation, translation adjustments and others	
Balance as of April 1, 2016	(1,142)	340,185	246	(15)	231	340,416
Changes during the fiscal 2016						
Provision of reserve for special depreciation		—				—
Reversal of reserve for advanced depreciation of fixed assets		—				—
Cash dividends		(11,118)				(11,118)
Net income (loss) for the fiscal 2016		31,168				31,168
Acquisition of treasury stock	(5)	(5)				(5)
Disposal of treasury stock	0	0				0
Net increase/decrease during the fiscal 2016 of non shareholders' equity items			(249)	(125)	(374)	(374)
Total increase/decrease during the fiscal 2016	(5)	20,045	(249)	(125)	(374)	19,671
Balance as of March 31, 2017	(1,147)	360,230	(3)	(140)	(143)	360,087

Independent Auditors' Report

May 26, 2017

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Pursuant to the provisions of Article 444, Paragraph 4 of the Companies Act, we have audited the consolidated financial statements of Hitachi Metals, Ltd. for the fiscal year from April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017, which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position, the Consolidated Statement of Income, the Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity, and the related Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

Management's responsibility for the consolidated financial statements, etc.

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with the provisions of Article 120, the second sentence of Paragraph 1 of the Ordinance on Accounting of Companies, which permits the preparation of consolidated financial statements with the omission of certain disclosure items required under international accounting standards. These include the development, implementation, and maintenance of internal control deemed necessary by management for the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Independent auditors' responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements based on our audits as independent auditors. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in Japan. Those auditing standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The audit procedures selected and applied depend on our judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. The purpose of an audit is not to express an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. However, in making those risk assessment, we consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used, the method of their application, and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Audit opinion

In our opinion, the above consolidated financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Article 120, the second sentence of Paragraph 1 of the Ordinance on Accounting of Companies by omitting certain disclosure items required under international accounting standards, present fairly and accurately, in all material respects, the financial position of Hitachi Metals, Ltd. and its consolidated subsidiaries as well as the results of their operations for the fiscal year under review.

Interests in the Company

Our firm and engagement partners have no interest in the Company that should be disclosed pursuant to the provisions of the Certified Public Accountants Act of Japan.

Independent Auditors' Report

May 26, 2017

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Pursuant to the provisions of Article 436, Paragraph 2, Item 1 of the Companies Act, we have audited the financial statements of Hitachi Metals, Ltd., which comprise the Non-Consolidated Balance Sheets as of March 31, 2017, and the Non-Consolidated Statements of Income and the Non-Consolidated Statements of Changes in Net Assets for the 80th business term from April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017, and the related Notes to Non-Consolidated Financial Statements as well as the supporting schedules thereto.

Management's responsibility for the financial statements, etc.

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements and supporting schedules in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan; this includes the development, implementation, and maintenance of internal control deemed necessary by management for the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements and supporting schedules that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Independent auditors' responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements and supporting schedules based on our audits as independent auditors. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in Japan. Those auditing standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements and supporting schedules are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements and supporting schedules. The audit procedures selected and applied depend on our judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements and supporting schedules, whether due to fraud or error. The purpose of an audit is not to express an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. However, in making those risk assessment, we consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements and supporting schedules in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used, the method of their application, and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements and supporting schedules.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Audit opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements and supporting schedules referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Hitachi Metals, Ltd. as of March 31, 2017, and the results of its operations for the period then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in Japan.

Interests in the Company

Our firm and engagement partners have no interest in the Company that should be disclosed pursuant to the provisions of the Certified Public Accountants Act of Japan.

Audit Committee's Report

The Audit Committee has conducted an audit concerning the execution of duties by directors and executive officers for the 80th business term from April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2017, and hereby reports the auditing methods and their results as follows.

1. Auditing methods and their contents

The Audit Committee observed and examined the resolutions of the Board of Directors regarding the organization of the system stipulated in (b) and (e), Item 1, Paragraph 1 of Article 416 of the Companies Act and the system based on said resolutions (internal control systems), we have received periodic reports about the status of the construction and operation of the system from Directors, Executive Officers, and employees, etc., and we have requested explanations from them as necessary, expressed our views on these matters and conducted audits in the following manner.

(1) Pursuant to the audit policy, assigned duties and other rules that the audit committee decided, and in cooperation with related departments, we have attended the important meetings; received reports on the execution of duties of directors, executive officers and others from them and inquired about them, inspected important documents of management's decision making and others; and investigated the status of the business operations and assets at the head office and other main places of business. Meanwhile, we communicated and exchanged information with Directors, Corporate Auditors, etc. of subsidiaries, and received reports from subsidiaries on their operations whenever necessary.

(2) We examined, based on the status of deliberations at the Board of Directors meetings and other meetings, the contents of 1) the Basic Policies for Parties who Exercise Control Over Decisions on the Financial and Operating Policies of the Company described in the Business Report pursuant to the provisions of Article 118, Item 3 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Companies Act, 2) matters taken into consideration so as not to harm the interests of the Company in executing transactions with the parent company described in the Business Report pursuant to the provisions of Article 118, Item 5 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Companies Act, and 3) the determination by the Board of Directors whether such transactions harm the interests of the Company and the grounds for such determination.

(3) We also observed and verified that the Accounting Auditors implemented appropriate audits while maintaining independence, received reports from the Accounting Auditors on the execution of their duties, and sought explanations whenever necessary. Furthermore, we received notice from the Accounting Auditors that "The system for ensuring that duties are performed properly" (matters set forth in each item of Article 131 of the Ordinance on Accounting of Companies) is organized in accordance with the "Quality Management Standards Regarding Audits" (Business Accounting Council; October 28, 2005), etc., and sought explanations whenever necessary.

Based on the above methods, we examined the business report, the non-consolidated financial statements (Balance Sheets, Statements of Income, Statements of Changes in Net Assets, and Notes to Financial Statements), their supporting schedules, and the consolidated financial statements (Consolidated Statements of Financial Position, Consolidated Statements of Income, Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity, and Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements) for the fiscal year under review.

2. Audit results

(1) Results of audit of Business Report, etc.

- i. We regard that the business report and the supporting schedules fairly present the state of the Company in accordance with the related laws and regulations and the Articles of Incorporation.
- ii. As for the performance of duties by Directors or Executive Officers, we find no significant evidence of wrongful act or violation of related laws and regulations, nor the Articles of Incorporation.
- iii. We regard the content of the resolution by the Board of Directors regarding internal control systems as appropriate, and, furthermore, the descriptions in the Business Report and all actions of Directors and Executive Officers with respect to executing internal control systems were carried out appropriately.
- iv. Pursuant to the provisions of Article 118, Item 3 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Companies Act, we regard the basic policies for parties who exercise control over decisions on the financial and operating policies of the Company described in the Business Report as appropriate.

v. With regard to the transactions with the parent company described in the Business Report pursuant to the provisions of Article 118, Item 5 of the Ordinance for Enforcement of the Companies Act, the matters taken into consideration in executing such transactions so as not to harm the interests of the Company as well as the determination by the Board of Directors whether such transactions harm the interests of the Company and the grounds for such determination were appropriate.

(2) Results of the audit of non-consolidated financial statements and the supporting schedules

We regard that the auditing methods and results by Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC are appropriate.

(3) Results of the audit of consolidated financial statements

We regard that the auditing methods and results by Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC are appropriate.

May 30, 2017

The Audit Committee, Hitachi Metals, Ltd.

Member of the Audit Committee (Full-time): Toshitake Hasunuma (Seal)

Member of the Audit Committee (Full-time): Junichi Kamata (Seal)

Member of the Audit Committee: Masaru Igarashi (Seal)

Member of the Audit Committee: Toshiko Oka (Seal)

Member of the Audit Committee: Takashi Shimada (Seal)

Note: The Audit Committee members Masaru Igarashi, Toshiko Oka, and Takashi Shimada are Outside Directors provided for in Article 2, Item 15 and Article 400, Paragraph 3 of the Companies Act.

Reference Document for the General Meeting of Shareholders

Item: Election of Eight (8) Directors

The term of office of all Directors will expire at the conclusion of this Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders; therefore, the Company proposes the election of eight (8) Directors. The following are the eight (8) candidates for the Directors.

No.	Name (Date of Birth)	Brief Biography and Significant Concurrent Positions Outside the Company	Number of Shares of the Company Held
1	<p>Hideaki Takahashi (August 20, 1952)</p> 	<p>4/1978 Joined Hitachi, Ltd. 4/2005 President and Representative Director of Hitachi Building System Co., Ltd. 4/2007 Vice President and Executive Officer of Hitachi, Ltd. 4/2011 Representative Executive Officer, President and Chief Executive Officer of Hitachi Cable, Ltd. 6/2011 Representative Executive Officer, President and Chief Executive Officer, Director of Hitachi Cable, Ltd. 6/2013 Director of Hitachi Metals, Ltd. 7/2013 Representative Executive Officer and Executive Vice President, Director 4/2014 Representative Executive Officer, President and Chief Executive Officer, Director 4/2017 Chairperson of the Board (current position)</p> <p><Position and Areas of Responsibilities at the Company> Chairperson of the Board (Chairperson of the Nominating Committee, Chairperson of the Compensation Committee)</p>	3,600 shares
<p>[Reasons for appointment]</p> <p>The Company determined that Mr. Hideaki Takahashi will contribute to the strengthening of the decision-making and monitoring functions of the Board of Directors and enhancing their effectiveness as a Board member, by reflecting his abundant experience and in-depth knowledge obtained as a corporate manager at Hitachi Ltd. and a president of the Company and Hitachi Group companies; therefore, the Company appointed him as a candidate for Director.</p> <p>He has been serving as Director of the Company for four (4) years.</p>			

No.	Name (Date of Birth)	Brief Biography and Significant Concurrent Positions Outside the Company	Number of Shares of the Company Held
2	<p>Masaru Igarashi (September 1, 1950)</p>  <p><Candidate for Outside Director></p>	<p>4/1973 Joined Bridgestone Tire Co., Ltd. (current name: Bridgestone Corporation)</p> <p>9/1981 Visiting Assistant Professor at the University of Utah</p> <p>8/1982 Joined Suzuki Motor Co., Ltd. (current name: Suzuki Motor Corporation)</p> <p>4/2003 General Manager, Automobile Engineering Administration Division II of Suzuki Motor Corporation</p> <p>6/2003 Director of Suzuki Motor Corporation</p> <p>12/2008 Director of Asanuma Giken Co, Ltd.</p> <p>2/2009 Corporate Advisor of KPIT Cummins Infosystems Ltd. (current name: KPIT Technologies Ltd.) (current position)</p> <p>7/2010 Representative of Global Dynamics Research Lab. (current position)</p> <p>10/2010 Director of KPIT Infosystems Inc. (current position)</p> <p>6/2016 Outside Director of Hitachi Metals, Ltd. (current position)</p> <hr/> <p><Position and Areas of Responsibilities at the Company></p> <p>Director (member of the Nominating Committee, the Audit Committee, and the Compensation Committee)</p>	2,000 shares
<p>[Reasons for appointment as a candidate for Outside Director]</p> <p>The Company determined that Mr. Masaru Igarashi will contribute to the management of the Company as well as the strengthening of the decision-making and monitoring functions of the Board of Directors and enhancing their effectiveness, by reflecting his abundant experience and in-depth knowledge obtained as a corporate manager of an international manufacturing company in the automotive industry from a more objective standpoint as Independent Director; therefore, the Company appointed him as a candidate for Outside Director.</p> <p>He has been serving as Director of the Company for one (1) year.</p>			

No.	Name (Date of Birth)	Brief Biography and Significant Concurrent Positions Outside the Company	Number of Shares of the Company Held
3	<p>Toshiko Oka (March 7, 1964)</p>  <p><Candidate for Outside Director></p>	<p>4/1986 Joined Tohmatsu Touche Ross Consulting (current name: ABeam Consulting Ltd.)</p> <p>7/2000 Joined Asahi Arthur Andersen Ltd.</p> <p>7/2002 Joined Deloitte Tohmatsu Consulting Co., Ltd. (current name: ABeam Consulting Ltd.)</p> <p>9/2002 Principal of Deloitte Tohmatsu Consulting Co., Ltd.</p> <p>4/2005 President and Representative Director of ABeam M&A Consulting Ltd.</p> <p>6/2008 Outside Director of Netyear Group Corporation</p> <p>6/2014 Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Astellas Pharma Inc. (current position)</p> <p>6/2015 Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of HAPPINET CORPORATION (current position)</p> <p>4/2016 Partner of PwC Advisory LLC</p> <p>6/2016 CEO of Oka & Company Ltd. (current position)</p> <p>6/2016 Outside Director of Hitachi Metals, Ltd. (current position)</p> <p>6/2016 Outside Director of Mitsubishi Corporation (current position)</p> <hr/> <p><Position and Areas of Responsibilities at the Company></p> <p>Director (member of the Nominating Committee, the Audit Committee, and the Compensation Committee)</p>	300 shares
<p>[Reasons for appointment as a candidate for Outside Director]</p> <p>The Company determined that Ms. Toshiko Oka will contribute to the management of the Company as well as the strengthening of the decision-making and monitoring functions of the Board of Directors and enhancing their effectiveness, by reflecting her abundant experience and in-depth knowledge obtained as a corporate manager of major consulting firms from a more objective standpoint as Independent Director; therefore, the Company appointed her as a candidate for Outside Director.</p> <p>She has been serving as Director of the Company for one (1) year.</p>			

No.	Name (Date of Birth)	Brief Biography and Significant Concurrent Positions Outside the Company	Number of Shares of the Company Held
4	<p>Takashi Shimada (July 18, 1952)</p>  <p><Candidate for Outside Director></p>	<p>4/1976 Joined The Boston Consulting Group</p> <p>10/1987 Vice President of The Boston Consulting Group</p> <p>1/1994 Vice President of Hilti Japan</p> <p>11/1996 President of Walt Disney Television International Japan</p> <p>7/1998 Vice President of A.T. Kearney</p> <p>10/2005 Vice President of Medtronic, Inc. (current name: Medtronic plc) Vice President of Medtronic Japan Co., Ltd.</p> <p>5/2008 President of Medtronic Japan Co., Ltd. President of Medtronic Sofamor Danek, Co., Ltd.</p> <p>5/2015 President of Covidien Japan Inc. President of Nippon Covidien Inc.</p> <p>6/2015 Outside Director of Hitachi Metals, Ltd. (current position)</p> <p>6/2017 Senior Advisor of Medtronic Japan Co., Ltd. (current position)</p> <hr/> <p><Position and Areas of Responsibilities at the Company> Director (member of the Nominating Committee, the Audit Committee, and the Compensation Committee)</p>	1,600 shares
<p>[Reasons for appointment as a candidate for Outside Director]</p> <p>The Company determined that Mr. Takashi Shimada will contribute to the management of the Company as well as the strengthening of the decision-making and monitoring functions of the Board of Directors and enhancing their effectiveness, by reflecting his abundant experience and in-depth knowledge gained as a corporate manager at international companies in the medical device industry and other fields from a more objective standpoint as Independent Director; therefore, the Company appointed him as a candidate for Outside Director.</p> <p>He has been serving as Outside Director of the Company for two (2) years.</p>			
5	<p>Junichi Kamata (November 28, 1953)</p> 	<p>4/1978 Joined Hitachi Metals, Ltd.</p> <p>1/2005 General Manager of Human Resources & General Administration Dept. of Corporate Business Center</p> <p>4/2008 Managing Officer, General Manager of Corporate Management Planning Office</p> <p>4/2011 Managing Officer, President of Piping Components Company</p> <p>4/2012 Managing Officer, General Manager of Piping Components Division</p> <p>4/2014 Vice President and Managing Officer of Hitachi Metals, Ltd. President & CEO of Hitachi Metals America, Ltd.</p> <p>4/2015 Vice President and Managing Officer, Assistant to President of Hitachi Metals, Ltd.</p> <p>6/2015 Director of Hitachi Metals, Ltd. (current position)</p> <hr/> <p><Position and Areas of Responsibilities at the Company> Director (member of the Audit Committee)</p>	800 shares
<p>[Reasons for appointment]</p> <p>The Company determined that Mr. Junichi Kamata will contribute to the strengthening of the decision-making and monitoring functions of the Board of Directors and enhancing their effectiveness as a Board member, by reflecting his conversance and in-depth knowledge obtained through his experience in the human resources, financing, and corporate management planning of the Company as well as the experience as a head of business divisions and president of U.S. subsidiaries; therefore, the Company appointed him as a candidate for Director.</p> <p>He has been serving as Director of the Company for two (2) years.</p>			

No.	Name (Date of Birth)	Brief Biography and Significant Concurrent Positions Outside the Company	Number of Shares of the Company Held
6	<p>Toyoaki Nakamura (August 3, 1952)</p> 	<p>4/1975 Joined Hitachi, Ltd.</p> <p>1/2006 General Manager of Finance Department I of Hitachi, Ltd.</p> <p>4/2007 Representative Executive Officer, Senior Vice President and Executive Officer of Hitachi, Ltd.</p> <p>6/2007 Representative Executive Officer, Senior Vice President and Executive Officer, and Director of Hitachi, Ltd.</p> <p>6/2009 Representative Executive Officer, Senior Vice President and Executive Officer of Hitachi, Ltd.</p> <p>6/2010 Outside Director of Hitachi Metals, Ltd. (resigned in June 2012)</p> <p>6/2011 Director of Hitachi High-Technologies Corporation (Outside Director until June 2016) (current position)</p> <p>4/2012 Representative Executive Officer, Executive Vice President and Executive Officer of Hitachi, Ltd.</p> <p>6/2012 Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Member of Sompo Japan Insurance Inc. (current name: Sompo Japan Nipponkoa Insurance Inc.)</p> <p>4/2013 Director of Hitachi Consumer Electronics Co., Ltd. Director of Hitachi Appliances, Inc.</p> <p>5/2013 Director of Hitachi Consumer Marketing, Inc.</p> <p>6/2015 Director of Hitachi Metals, Ltd. (Outside Director until June 2016) (current position)</p> <p>12/2015 Board Director, Chairperson of Hitachi Metals, Ltd.</p> <p>4/2016 Associate of Hitachi, Ltd.</p> <p>6/2016 Director of Hitachi, Ltd. (current position)</p> <p>6/2016 Chairperson of the Board of Hitachi Metals, Ltd.</p> <p><Position and Areas of Responsibilities at the Company> Director</p>	2,000 shares
<p>[Reasons for appointment]</p> <p>The Company determined that Mr. Toyoaki Nakamura will contribute to the management of the Company as well as the strengthening of the decision-making and monitoring functions of the Board of Directors and enhancement of their effectiveness, by reflecting his abundant experience and in-depth knowledge obtained as a corporate manager at Hitachi, Ltd. and its group companies, and working to build closer ties with other Hitachi Group companies; therefore, the Company appointed him as a candidate for Director.</p> <p>He has been serving as Director of the Company for two (2) years.</p>			

No.	Name (Date of Birth)	Brief Biography and Significant Concurrent Positions Outside the Company	Number of Shares of the Company Held
7	Toshitake Hasunuma (May 10, 1953) 	4/1977 Joined Hitachi, Ltd. 4/2004 General Manager of Finance Division of Information & Telecommunication Group of Hitachi, Ltd. 7/2006 Executive Audit Manager of Internal Auditing Office of Hitachi, Ltd. 4/2010 General Manager of Internal Auditing Office of Hitachi, Ltd. 4/2016 Corporate Chief Manager of Internal Auditing Office of Hitachi, Ltd. 6/2016 Director of Hitachi Metals, Ltd. (current position) <Position and Areas of Responsibilities at the Company> Director (Chairperson of the Audit Committee)	300 shares
<p>[Reasons for appointment]</p> <p>The Company determined that Mr. Toshitake Hasunuma will contribute to the strengthening of the decision-making and monitoring functions of the Board of Directors and enhancing their effectiveness as a Board member, by reflecting his conversance and in-depth knowledge obtained through his experience in the finance operations of Hitachi Ltd. over the years as well as the experience as a head of the Internal Auditing Office; therefore, the Company appointed him as a candidate for Director.</p> <p>He has been serving as Director of the Company for one (1) year.</p>			

No.	Name (Date of Birth)	Brief Biography and Significant Concurrent Positions Outside the Company	Number of Shares of the Company Held
8	Akitoshi Hiraki (March 2, 1961) 	4/1985 Joined Hitachi Metals, Ltd. 6/2008 President and Director of Hitachi Setsubi Engineering Co., Ltd. 4/2010 Managing Officer, President of Specialty Steel Company, Deputy General Manager of Corporate Export Regulation Office of Hitachi Metals, Ltd. 4/2012 Vice President and Managing Officer, President of High-Grade Metals Company, General Manager of Specialty Steel Division, and Deputy General Manager of Corporate Export Regulation Office 4/2015 Vice President and Representative Executive Officer, President of High-Grade Metals Company, and Deputy General Manager of Corporate Export Regulation Office 6/2015 Vice President and Representative Executive Officer, President of High-Grade Metals Company, Deputy General Manager of Corporate Export Regulation Office, and Director 1/2016 Vice President and Representative Executive Officer, General Manager of Technology, Research & Development Division, General Manager of Corporate Quality Assurance Division, and Director 4/2017 Representative Executive Officer, President and Chief Executive Officer, Director (current position) <Position and Areas of Responsibilities at the Company> Representative Executive Officer, President and Chief Executive Officer, Director Overall Operations, General Management	5,400 shares
[Reasons for appointment] The Company determined that Mr. Akitoshi Hiraki will contribute to the strengthening of the decision-making functions of the Board of Directors and enhancing their effectiveness, by sharing the information of business execution divisions at the Board of Directors as a Board member and reflecting his abundant experience and in-depth knowledge obtained as a president of Hitachi Group companies and General Manager of the Company's business divisions, and since April 2015, as Vice President and Executive Officer and since April 2017, as President and Chief Executive Officer responsible for the management of the Company; therefore, the Company appointed him as a candidate for Director. He has been serving as Director of the Company for two (2) years.			

(Notes)

- In accordance with the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation, the Company has concluded a limited liability agreement with Mr. Hideaki Takahashi, Mr. Masaru Igarashi, Ms. Toshiko Oka, Mr. Takashi Shimada, Mr. Junichi Kamata, Mr. Toyoaki Nakamura and Mr. Toshitake Hasunuma to limit their liability as provided for in Article 423, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act. If they are elected as Director at this General Meeting of Shareholders, the Company will continue the said agreement. The maximum amount of liability under the said agreement shall be the higher of (a) ¥12 million or (b) the amount provided for in laws and regulations.
- The candidates for Directors are serving or have served during the past five years at Hitachi, Ltd., the parent company of the Company, or its subsidiaries (excluding the Company), as executing persons assuming the following positions and duties other than those stated in the above Brief Biography:
 - Hideaki Takahashi

4/2011-3/2013	Representative Executive Officer, President and Chief Executive Officer of Hitachi Cable, Ltd.
4/2013-6/2013	Representative Executive Officer, President and Chief Executive Officer, General Manager of Corporate Export Regulation Office of Hitachi Cable, Ltd.

(Note) Hitachi Cable, Ltd. was merged with the Company on July 1, 2013 and dissolved.

(2) Toyoaki Nakamura

- 4/2012-7/2012 Representative Executive Officer, Executive Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Management Strategy and Corporate Pension System; General Manager of Finance & Accounting Group of Hitachi, Ltd.
- 8/2012-3/2013 Representative Executive Officer, Executive Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Management Strategy and Corporate Pension System; General Manager of Finance & Accounting Group; Deputy General Manager of Smart Transformation Project Initiatives Division; and Project Leader of Administrative Operations Transformation Project of Hitachi, Ltd.
- 4/2013-9/2013 Representative Executive Officer, Executive Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Management Strategy, Finance and Corporate Pension System; and General Manager of Consumer Business Division of Hitachi, Ltd.
- 10/2013-3/2014 Representative Executive Officer, Executive Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Corporate Pension System; Chief Financial Officer; and General Manager of Consumer Business Division of Hitachi, Ltd.
- 4/2014-3/2016 Representative Executive Officer, Executive Vice President and Executive Officer, in charge of Corporate Pension System; Chief Financial Officer; and General Manager of Smart Life & Ecofriendly Systems Division of Hitachi, Ltd.
- 4/2016-6/2016 Associate of Hitachi, Ltd.

(3) Toshitake Hasunuma

- 4/2010-3/2016 General Manager of Internal Auditing Office of Hitachi, Ltd.
- 4/2016-6/2016 Corporate Chief Manager of Internal Auditing Office of Hitachi, Ltd.

3. The Company has assigned Mr. Masaru Igarashi, Ms. Toshiko Oka and Mr. Takashi Shimada as Independent Director in accordance with the regulations of Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc. If Mr. Masaru Igarashi, Ms. Toshiko Oka, and Mr. Takashi Shimada are elected as Director at this General Meeting of Shareholders, the Company shall reassign them as Independent Directors. There are no business relations between them or the companies, etc. for which they have worked as executing persons and the Company during the 80th business term (fiscal 2016).
4. When this Item is approved, the structure and chairperson of each committee are planned as follows:
- Nominating Committee: Hideaki Takahashi (Chairperson), Masaru Igarashi, Toshiko Oka, Takashi Shimada
- Audit Committee: Toshitake Hasunuma (Chairperson), Masaru Igarashi, Toshiko Oka, Takashi Shimada, Junichi Kamata
- Compensation Committee: Akitoshi Hiraki (Chairperson), Masaru Igarashi, Toshiko Oka, Takashi Shimada

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The 80th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders

Items Disclosed on the Internet

- 1. Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**
- 2. Notes to Non-Consolidated Financial Statements**

Hitachi Metals, Ltd.

Pursuant to applicable laws and regulations, and the provision of the Articles of Incorporation of the Company, the items listed above are provided to our shareholders through postings on the Company's website.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Significant matters presenting Consolidated Financial Statements

1. Standards for the preparation of consolidated financial statements

The consolidated financial statements were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (hereinafter referred to as “IFRS”) pursuant to Article 120, Paragraph 1 of the Corporate Accounting Regulations. Pursuant to the provision of the second sentence of the same paragraph, information and notes required by IFRS are partially omitted.

2. Scope of consolidation

Number of consolidated subsidiaries: 78 companies

Names of principal consolidated subsidiaries:

Hitachi Metals Trading, Ltd., Hitachi Metals Tool Steel, Ltd., Waupaca Foundry, Inc., Hitachi Metals America, Ltd., and Hitachi Metals Hong Kong Ltd.

(Changes in the fiscal year under review)

Added: 2 companies

Excluded: 13 companies

3. Equity-method application

Number of equity-method affiliates: 10 companies

Names of principal equity-method affiliates:

Sumiden Hitachi Cable Ltd., and Aoyama Special Steel Co., Ltd.

(Changes in the fiscal year under review)

Added: 0 company

Excluded: 3 companies

4. Notes concerning accounting policies

(1) Valuation standards and methods for principal assets

(i) Valuation standard and method for financial assets

IFRS 9 “Financial Instruments (issued in November 2009, and amended in October 2010 and December 2011)” has been applied earlier than the mandatory effective date.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost

Financial assets are subsequently measured at amortized cost when they meet the following criteria:

- The financial asset is held in accordance with a business model of the Company and its subsidiaries (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “Group”) whose objective is to hold the asset in order to collect contractual cash flows.
- The contractual terms of the financial asset give rise on specified dates to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost are initially recognized at fair value (including direct transaction costs). The carrying amount of financial assets measured at amortized cost is subsequently measured using the effective interest method, less impairment losses when necessary.

Impairment of financial assets measured at amortized cost

The Group evaluates financial assets measured at amortized cost for possible impairment on a periodic basis, but no less frequently than at the end of each quarterly reporting period when there is objective evidence of impairment resulting from one or more events occurring after the initial recognition and when the estimated future cash flows from the financial assets or group of assets can be reliably measured. Objective evidence of impairment includes historical credit loss; the existence of overdue payments; extended payment terms; a negative evaluation by third-party credit rating agencies; excessive debts; and findings indicating a deteriorating financial position or operating results.

The amount of an impairment loss is estimated based on the present value of estimated future cash flows of

the financial asset discounted at the effective interest rate or an observable market price.

In addition, an impairment loss is recognized based on the actual bad debt ratio calculated based on factors such as historical experience, or the estimated collectible amount, after assessing multiple potential risks associated with the business environment, including special business customs particular to a country or region in which a debtor of the financial asset conducts its business.

In the consolidated statement of financial position, impairment losses of debt securities are directly deducted from their carrying amount and impairment losses of financial assets other than debt securities are indirectly decreased through the allowance account. For financial assets other than debt securities, account balances are generally written off against the allowance only after all means of collection have been exhausted and the recoverability of the asset is considered remote. Write-offs are generally recognized only when a debtor commences bankruptcy or liquidation proceedings because it is considered that all collection efforts will have been exhausted by that time.

FVTPL financial assets

The Group classifies equity instruments not designated at FVTOCI financial assets at the initial recognition and debt instruments not classified as financial assets measured at amortized cost as FVTPL financial assets. These instruments are subsequently measured at fair value and any changes in fair value are recognized in profit or loss.

FVTOCI financial assets

The Group holds certain equity instruments to expand its revenue base by maintaining and strengthening business relations with investees. The Group makes an irrevocable election to designate these equity instruments as FVTOCI financial assets at initial recognition. They are measured at fair value after initial recognition and changes in fair value are recognized in other comprehensive income. The cumulative amount of the changes in fair value is recognized in accumulated other comprehensive income. Dividends from equity instruments designated as FVTOCI financial assets are recognized in profit or loss unless it is obviously a return of investment.

Derecognition of financial assets

The Group derecognizes financial assets in transactions where the contractual rights to cash flows from the financial assets expire or are transferred, and substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial assets are transferred.

Derivatives and hedge accounting

The Group uses derivative instruments, including forward exchange contracts, interest rate swaps, and copper futures trading, in order to hedge currency risks, interest risks, and raw material (copper) price fluctuation risks, respectively. All these derivatives are recorded at fair value, regardless of the purpose or intent for holding them.

The Group applies hedge accounting as follows:

- Fair value hedge: a hedge against changes in the fair value of a recognized asset or liability, or an unrecognized firm commitment. The changes in the fair value of the recognized assets or liabilities, or unrecognized firm commitments, and the related derivatives are recognized in net profit or loss if the hedge is considered highly effective.
- Cash flow hedge: a hedge against variability in future cash flows attributable to a forecasted transaction or related to a recognized asset or liability. The changes in the fair value of derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedges are recorded in other comprehensive income (loss) if the hedge is considered highly effective. This treatment is continued until net income is affected by the variability in future cash flows or the unrecognized firm commitment of the designated hedged item, at which point changes in fair value of the derivative instruments are recognized in profit or loss.

The Group documents the risk management policy including objectives and strategies for using derivatives stipulated in the guidance. In addition, the Group assesses whether the derivative used in hedging activities is highly effective in offsetting changes in fair value or future cash flows of the hedged item at the hedge's inception and periodically on an ongoing basis. If a hedge is no longer effective, hedge accounting is discontinued and the ineffective portion is immediately recognized in profit or loss.

(ii) Valuation standard and method for non-financial assets

Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or net realizable value. Cost is determined by the specific identification method or gross average cost method for merchandise and finished products, and work in process, and generally by the moving average cost method or gross average cost method for raw materials and supplies. Net realizable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business, less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated associated selling costs.

Property, plant and equipment

The Group applies the cost model to property, plant and equipment and states such assets at cost, less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. The cost of an item of property, plant and equipment includes the direct cost of acquisition, and the cost of its dismantlement, removal, and restoration.

Goodwill and other intangible assets

- Goodwill
Goodwill is stated at cost, less any accumulated impairment losses.
- Intangible assets (excluding goodwill)
The cost model is applied to measure intangible assets, and such assets are stated at cost, less accumulated amortization and impairment losses.

Impairment of non-financial assets

The Group performs impairment testing for non-financial assets whenever changes in events or circumstances have occurred that indicate that the carrying amount of the assets may not be recoverable. The Group tests goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite lives for impairment annually, generally during the fourth quarter, irrespective of whether there is any indication of impairment. The Group performs impairment testing by estimating the recoverable amount per cash generating unit (CGU), to which the asset belongs. When performing an impairment test, assets are grouped into the smallest identifiable group whose cash flows are independent.

In determining the recoverable amount, the Group uses available quoted market prices or the income approach (a present value technique) based on the estimated future cash flows expected to result from the use of the asset and their eventual disposition. If the carrying amount of the asset allocated to a CGU exceeds the recoverable amount, an impairment loss on the assets of that CGU is recognized.

When there is a significant change in the facts and circumstances used to calculate the recoverable amount of an asset other than goodwill, and there is an indication that an impairment loss previously recognized on the asset may no longer exist or be decreased, the recoverable amount of the asset or the CGU is estimated. If the recoverable amount of the asset or the CGU exceeds its carrying amount, then the impairment loss is reversed to the extent of the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortization, had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset in prior years.

(2) Depreciation or amortization method and estimated useful lives for principal assets

Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are principally depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings and structures:	2 to 60 years
Machinery and vehicles:	2 to 20 years
Tools, furniture, and fixtures:	2 to 30 years

The estimated useful lives and the method of depreciation are reviewed at each fiscal year-end. Changes in estimated useful lives or depreciation method are accounted for as a change in an accounting estimate and applied prospectively.

Intangible assets

Intangible assets with finite useful lives are amortized principally using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Software:	2 to 10 years
Other intangible assets:	2 to 20 years

(3) Standards for principal provisions

The Group recognizes provisions when it has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, when it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and the amount of obligation can be reliably estimated.

When the time to settle an obligation is expected to be long and the time value of money is material, the amount of a provision is measured at the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation. The discount rate used in calculating the present value is a pre-tax rate that reflects the time value of money and the risks specific to the liability.

(i) Asset retirement obligations

The Group recognizes asset retirement obligations principally based on estimated future expenditures using historical trends when the Group has a legal obligation required by laws and regulations or contracts in association with the retirement of property, plant and equipment used in normal operation, such as obligations to restore the site in relation to lease agreements for plant facilities and premises.

(ii) Provision for environmental measures

A provision for environmental measures is provided for disposal costs anticipated to be incurred with respect to the Law Concerning Special Measures Against PCB Waste.

(4) Accounting method for retirement benefits

The Company and its consolidated subsidiaries have contributory defined benefit pension plans and funded and unfunded lump-sum payment plans to provide retirement and severance benefits to employees. The present value of defined benefit obligations and retirement benefit costs are measured based on the projected unit credit method.

The effects of remeasurements of the net defined benefit asset or liability are recognized in other comprehensive income when incurred. Past service cost is immediately recognized in profit or loss.

The net amount of a defined benefit asset or liability is calculated as the present value of the defined benefit obligation, less the fair value of the plan assets, and is recognized as an asset or liability in the consolidated statement of financial position.

Additionally, the Company and certain consolidated subsidiaries have defined contribution pension plans, recognizing the contributions to the defined contribution plans as expenses during the fiscal year when employees have rendered service.

(5) Other significant matters presenting consolidated financial statements

(i) Standards for the yen conversion of principal of foreign-denominated assets and liabilities

Foreign currency transactions

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currencies of the Group using exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions or rates that approximate such rates. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated using the exchange rate at the end of the reporting period. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from currency translation and settlement are recognized in profit or loss.

Translation of the financial statements of foreign operations

Assets and liabilities of the Company's foreign operations are translated into Japanese yen using the exchange rate at the end of the reporting period. Income and expense items are translated at the average exchange rate prevailing during the year.

Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the translation of financial statements of foreign operations are included in other comprehensive income.

(ii) Accounting treatment of consumption taxes

Consumption taxes that are collected from customers and paid to the tax authority are excluded from revenues, cost of sales and expenses in the consolidated statement of income.

(iii) Application of the consolidated taxation system

The Company files consolidated tax returns.

Notes concerning consolidated statement of financial position

1. Accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses on property, plant and equipment:

¥751,558 million

2. Pledged assets and collateralized debt

Pledged assets are as follows:

Investment securities:	¥114 million
Total:	¥114 million

Collateralized debt is as follows:

Other short-term payables:	¥121 million
Total:	¥121 million

3. Guarantee obligations, etc.

(1) Guarantee obligations

The Company provides guarantees for loans from financial institutions to companies other than consolidated subsidiaries.

Guarantee purpose	Amount
Employees (housing loans, etc.):	¥157 million
Japan Aeroforge, Ltd.:	¥3,969 million
Total	¥4,126 million

(2) Other

Malfunctions happened in some of the products of the Company. The Company is currently investigating the extent of the impact, etc. At this time, however, the Company is unable to determine when such malfunctions happened and reasonably estimate the amount of losses. The Company therefore does not reflect the effect of such malfunctions and losses in the consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year under review.

Notes concerning consolidated statement of income

1. Details of other income

Gain on business reorganization and others	¥8,475 million
Other	¥5,595 million
Total	¥14,070 million

Gain on business reorganization and others includes ¥4,311 million of gains or losses recognized in association with changes in the ownership interest resulting from loss of control of consolidated subsidiaries (before tax effects).

2. Details of other expenses

Structural reform expenses	¥1,495 million
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	¥2,955 million
Other	¥7,336 million
Total	¥11,786 million

Notes concerning consolidated statement of changes in equity

1. Total number of shares outstanding as of March 31, 2017

Ordinary shares	428,904,352 shares
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2. Dividends paid during the fiscal year

(1) Dividends paid

Resolution adopted	Type of shares	Aggregate amount (millions of yen)	Appropriation from	Dividends per share (yen)	Record date	Effective date
Board of directors' meeting on May 30, 2016	Ordinary shares	5,559	Retained earnings	13.0	March 31, 2016	May 31, 2016
Board of directors' meeting on October 27, 2016	Ordinary shares	5,559	Retained earnings	13.0	September 30, 2016	November 29, 2016

(2) Dividends whose record date is during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2017, but whose effective date is in the following fiscal year

Resolution adopted	Type of shares	Aggregate amount (millions of yen)	Appropriation from	Dividends per share (yen)	Record date	Effective date
Board of directors' meeting on May 30, 2017	Ordinary shares	5,559	Retained earnings	13.0	March 31, 2017	May 31, 2017

Notes concerning financial instruments

1. Status of financial instruments

(1) Risk management policy

(i) Interest rate risk

The Group is exposed to risks of fluctuations in interest rates related principally to long-term liabilities. In order to minimize interest rate risks, the Group enters into interest rate swap agreements to hedge future cash flow exposures to fluctuations in interest rates. Those interest rate swaps are receive-floating, pay-fixed interest rate swaps. For interest rate swaps, the Group receives floating interest rate payments on long-term liabilities, including borrowings, and pays fixed interest rate payments, thereby creating fixed interest rate long-term liabilities.

(ii) Currency exchange rate

The Group holds assets and liabilities exposed to currency exchange risks. In order to hedge currency exchange risks, the Group utilizes forward exchange contracts.

In order to stabilize future net cash flows from transactions denominated in foreign currencies for trade receivables and payables as well as forecast transactions, each month the Group measures the net amount of future cash flows on the settlement date for each currency and hedges fluctuation risk mainly using forward exchange contracts for a portion of these transactions. As per the Group's policy, these contracts generally expire in one year.

Hedge relationships between forward exchange contracts and hedged items are highly effective, and thus effects on hedged items (assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies) arising from changes in foreign currency exchange rates are offset.

(iii) Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that the Group will incur a financial loss because customers or counterparties fail to discharge their contractual obligations related to a financial instrument or contract. The Group is exposed to credit risks because of its operating activities (primarily trade receivables) and financing activities, including deposits at financial institutions, currency transactions, and other financial instruments. No significant concentration of credit risk is present, as the Group has a diverse group of trading parties situated in many different regions.

The Group sets credit limits according to the credit risks of certain instruments or customers by periodically reviewing relevant factors, such as financial conditions and ratings.

(iv) Liquidity risk

The Group's fundamental financial policy is to maintain an appropriate level of liquidity and flexibly and efficiently secure adequate funds for current and future business operations. The Group works to optimize capital utilization for its business operations through the efficient management of working capital. Further, the Group endeavors to improve the efficiency of group-wide cash management by centralizing this management function of the Company.

(2) Supplemental explanation concerning fair value, etc. of financial instruments

With regard to the contract amount relating to the derivative transaction in "2. Fair value, etc. of financial instruments," that amount itself does not indicate the market risk relating to the derivative transaction.

2. Fair value, etc. of financial instruments

The amounts recorded in the consolidated statement of financial position and fair values as of March 31, 2017 are as follows:

	(Unit: Millions of yen)	
	Carrying amounts	Fair values
Cash and cash equivalents	139,411	139,411
Trade receivables	175,568	175,568
Financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)		
Current		
Derivatives		
Forward exchange contracts	148	148
Non-current		
Securities	1,843	1,843
Derivatives		
Put options	6,061	6,061
Financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVTOCI)		
Non-current		
Securities (*1)	10,231	10,231
Financial assets measured at amortized cost		
Current		
Short-term loans receivable	116	116
Non-current		
Securities (*1)	2,082	2,082
Long-term loans receivable	711	711
Trade payables	150,785	150,785
Financial liabilities measured at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)		
Current		
Derivatives		
Forward exchange contracts	202	202
Non-current		
Derivatives		
Interest rate swaps	453	453
Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost		
Current		
Short-term debt	26,301	26,301
Current portion of long-term debt		
Current portion of long-term borrowings	15,227	15,330
Current portion of corporate bonds payable	19,994	20,224
Lease obligations (*2)	241	241
Non-current		
Long-term debt		
Long-term borrowings	122,555	125,311
Corporate bonds payable	9,990	10,110
Lease obligations (*2)	149	149

*1 Securities measured at FVTOCI are equity instruments, whereas those measured at amortized cost are debt instruments.

*2 Since the fair value of finance lease obligations is not material to the statement of financial position, it is measured at the present value of the minimum lease payments discounted by the interest rates used at the initial recognition of lease obligations. Accordingly, the fair value is based on the relevant carrying amount.

(Note) Calculation method of the fair value of financial instruments and matters relating to securities and derivatives transactions

(i) Cash and cash equivalents, trade receivables, short-term loans receivable, short-term debt and trade payables
Carrying amount of these assets and liabilities approximates their estimated fair value because of their short-term maturity.

(ii) Long-term loans receivable

Fair value of long-term loans receivable is estimated based on the present value of future cash flows using interest rates applicable to obtain an additional loan under similar contractual term.

(iii) Long-term debt

Fair value of long-term debt is estimated based on quoted market prices or the present value of future cash

flows using market interest rates under similar contractual terms.

(iv) Securities and other financial assets (excluding long-term loans receivable), and other financial liabilities

Financial instruments measured at fair value on a recurring basis after initial recognition are classified into three levels of a fair value hierarchy based on observability and materiality of inputs used for fair value measurement. The three levels of the hierarchy are as follows:

Level 1: Fair value measured using quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets.

Level 2: Fair value measured using direct or indirect observable inputs other than the quoted prices included in Level 1.

Level 3: Fair value measured using significant, unobservable inputs.

When several inputs are used for a fair value measurement, the measurement is categorized in its entirety in the same level of the fair value hierarchy as the lowest level input that is significant to the entire measurement. Transfers between levels are deemed to have occurred at the beginning of each quarter period.

Securities

Securities that can be measured at fair value through quoted market prices are included in Level 1. Those securities include listed stocks, government bonds or other debt securities, and listed investment trust funds.

In the absence of an active market for securities, the following are used as inputs for fair value measurement: quoted prices for similar securities; quoted prices for transactions that are not distressed for identical or similar securities; or other relevant information, including observable interest rates and yield curves, credit spreads, and default rates. These inputs are included in Level 2. Included in Level 2 are short-term investments and listed stocks traded over-the-counter.

Shares of non-listed companies and other instruments, whose significant inputs for fair value measurement are unobservable, are included in Level 3. The Group uses price information provided by financial institutions to evaluate these investments. The Group corroborates the information using an income approach based on its own valuation model or a market approach, such as comparison with prices of similar securities.

Derivatives

Derivatives measured in a model using the following are included in Level 2: quoted prices under transactions that are not distressed, quoted prices in market that are not active, and observable interest rates and yield curves or forward and spot prices for currencies and commodities. Level 2 derivatives mainly include interest rate swaps, forward foreign exchange contracts, and commodity futures contracts. Derivatives whose significant inputs for fair value measurement are unobservable are included in Level 3. The Group uses price information provided by financial institutions to evaluate these investments. The Group corroborates the information using an income approach based on its own valuation model or a market approach, such as comparison with prices of similar securities.

Financial assets and liabilities measured at amortized cost

Estimated fair values of financial assets and liabilities measured at amortized cost are included primarily in Level 2 or Level 3.

Notes concerning per-share information

1. Equity per share attributable to shareholders of the parent company	¥1,254.89
2. Basic earnings per share attributable to shareholders of the parent company	¥118.32

Notes to Non-Consolidated Financial Statements

1. Notes concerning matters relating to significant accounting policies

1.1. Valuation standards and methods for assets

(1) Securities

Stocks of subsidiaries and affiliates are stated at cost as determined by the moving average method.

Available-for-sale securities:

Available-for-sale securities with market value are stated at fair value based on market prices on the balance sheet date. (Valuation differences are taken in the full amount to net assets; the cost of securities sales are calculated based on the moving average method.)

Available-for-sale securities without market value are stated at cost as determined by the moving average method.

(2) Derivatives are stated at fair value.

(3) Valuation standards and methods for inventories

Inventories held for ordinary sales:

Inventories held for ordinary sales are stated at cost. (Balance sheet book values are written down to adjust for declines in sales value.)

Finished products, and work in process are stated at cost as determined by the specific identification method or the periodic average method.

Raw materials and supplies are stated at cost as determined by the moving average method or the periodic average method.

1.2. Depreciation on fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets (excluding lease assets):

The Company uses the straight-line method.

Intangible assets (excluding lease assets):

The Company uses the straight-line method. Software for own use is amortized over an internal useful life of five years based on the straight-line method.

Lease assets:

Lease assets under finance leases transactions involving the transfer of ownership are depreciated in the same manner as own fixed assets.

Lease assets under finance leases transactions not involving the transfer of ownership are depreciated on the straight-line method using the lease period as the useful life and assuming no residual value.

Also, the accounting treatment for finance lease transactions not involving the transfer of ownership whose transaction commenced on or before March 31, 2008, follows same method as for treating ordinary operating leases.

1.3. Standards for provisions

(1) Allowance for doubtful accounts

Allowance for doubtful accounts such as receivables and loans receivable are made for general receivables based on historical default rates and for specific receivables such as delinquent claims in the expected non-recoverable amounts based on an assessment of recoverability.

(2) Allowance for investment loss

Provision for losses from investments in affiliates, etc., is made in the necessary amounts taking into account the financial status of the investee.

(3) Allowance for directors' bonuses

Allowance for directors' bonuses is recognized in the estimated amount payable at the end of the current fiscal year.

(4) Provision for retirement benefits

The Company recognizes provisions for retirement benefits of employees based on projected benefit obligations and estimated plan assets at the balance sheet date.

The plan assets to be recognized at the end of the period under review are included in investments and other assets as prepaid pension cost, when their amount exceeds that of the projected benefit obligations after the actuarial gains or losses have been reflected.

- Method of periodical allocation of expected future retirement benefits

To calculate the amount of retirement benefit obligations, expected future retirement benefits are allocated to each period through the balance sheet date of the fiscal year under review based on the benefit formula.

- Method for recognizing actuarial gains or losses and prior service cost in profit or loss

Actuarial gains or losses of the retirement benefit plan are amortized from the year following the year in which the gain or loss is recognized primarily by the straight-line method over the average remaining years of service of the employees. Prior service cost is amortized by the straight-line method over the average remaining years of service of the employees or recognized in profit or loss in the fiscal year in which it is incurred.

- (5) Provision for environmental measures

Provision in the estimated necessary amounts was made for the cost of PCB waste disposal expected for the future under the Act on Special Measures concerning Promotion of Proper Treatment of PCB Wastes.

- (6) Provision for loss on guarantees

Provisions for losses from guarantees for affiliates have been made in the amount of estimated losses to the Company with consideration of the financial status of the affiliates that are the subject of such guarantees.

1.4. Other significant matters presenting non-consolidated financial statements

- (1) Hedge accounting methods

Hedge accounting methods:

As a rule, hedge transactions are subject to deferred hedge accounting. Interest swaps that satisfy the required conditions are subject to accounting under special exception.

Hedging instruments and hedge objects:

Hedging instruments: Interest swaps; forward exchange contracts

Hedge objects: Interest on loans payable; foreign-denominated receivables and payables, etc.

Hedging policy:

Subject to hedging within the scope of hedge objects are foreign exchange risk and interest rate risk.

Method of hedge effectiveness assessment:

Hedge effectiveness is assessed by comparing at each six-month the variation in the value of the cumulative cash flow or cumulative price variation of the hedge object and the variation in the value of the cumulative cash flow or cumulative price variation of the hedging instrument. The assessment of hedge effectiveness of interest swaps subject to accounting under special exception is omitted.

- (2) Accounting treatment of consumption taxes

Consumption taxes are not accounted for.

- (3) Consolidated taxation

The Company files consolidated tax returns.

- (4) Amortization of goodwill

Goodwill is amortized based on the estimated duration of investment effects for individual investments in even amounts over periods of up to 20 years after accounting recognition.

Goodwill associated with the acquisition of additional equity in NEOMAX Co., Ltd. under a tender offer in fiscal 2006 is amortized in even amounts over a period of 20 years. Other goodwill is amortized over five years in even amounts.

2. Notes concerning the non-consolidated balance sheets

(1) Accumulated depreciation on tangible fixed assets: ¥376,236 million

(2) Guarantee obligations, etc.

· Guarantee obligations: ¥17,051 million

· Other

Malfunctions happened in some of the products of the Company. The Company is currently investigating the extent of the impact, etc. At this time, however, the Company is unable to determine when such malfunctions happened and reasonably estimate the amount of losses. The Company therefore does not reflect the effect of such malfunctions and losses in the non-consolidated financial statements for the fiscal year under review.

(3) Accounts payable and receivable – affiliates

Accounts receivable-trade: ¥46,496 million

Accounts receivable-other: ¥41,363 million

Short-term loans receivable: ¥21,654 million

Group pooling cash deposits: ¥84,184 million

Long-term loans receivable: ¥52,358 million

Long-term accounts receivable-other: ¥447 million

Accounts payable-trade: ¥22,121 million

Electronically recorded obligations - operating: ¥72 million

Accounts payable-other: ¥6,307 million

Short-term debt: ¥22,278 million

3. Notes concerning the non-consolidated statements of income

(1) Transactions with affiliates

Net sales: ¥201,661 million

Purchase of goods: ¥207,537 million

Other transactions: ¥21,683 million

(2) Loss on structural reform

Loss on structural reform of ¥362 million is additional charges for the transfer of employees resulting from the transfer of shares from SH Materials Co., Ltd., to Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd.

4. Notes concerning the statement of non-consolidated change in net assets

Number of treasury stock as of the balance sheet date: 1,327,900 shares of common stock

5. Notes concerning tax effect accounting

Breakdown of significant components of deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities:

Deferred tax assets

Accrued bonuses:	¥1,770	
Allowance for doubtful accounts:	¥3,600	
Provision for retirement benefits:	¥6,733	
Contribution of securities to retirement benefit trust:	¥2,311	
Impairment loss:	¥376	
Accounting depreciation in excess of tax depreciation:	¥3,817	
Loss on devaluation of investment securities:	¥5,310	
Loss carry-forwards for corporate income tax:	¥43	
Others:	¥4,089	
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Deferred tax assets – Subtotal:	¥28,049	million
Valuation allowance:	(¥10,795)	
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Deferred tax assets – Total:	¥17,254	million
Deferred tax liabilities		
Reserve for advanced depreciation of fixed assets:	(¥734)	
Reserve for special depreciation:	(¥809)	
Prepaid pension cost:	(¥1,078)	
Investment book value correction:	(¥870)	
Valuation gain – land:	(¥1,269)	
Stocks of subsidiaries:	(¥676)	
Other:	(¥97)	
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Deferred tax liabilities – Total:	(¥5,533)	million
Deferred tax assets – Net:	¥11,721	million

6. Notes concerning fixed assets used in leases

In addition to the fixed assets recorded in the balance sheets, fixed assets used in lease transactions consist of a portion of manufacturing equipment for high-grade metal products and materials, magnetic materials, high-grade functional components and equipment, wires, cables, and related products, etc.

7. Notes concerning transactions with related parties

7.1. Transactions with related parties

(a) Parent company and principal shareholders (companies only)

Type	Name	Address	Capital or investment (millions of yen)	Business domain or occupation	Voting rights etc. held by or in the Company (%)	Relationship with related parties	Transaction	Transaction amount (millions of yen)	Account	Term-end balance (millions of yen)
Parent Company	Hitachi, Ltd.	Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo	458,791	Manufacture and sales of electrical equipment	Direct: 53.0 Indirect: 0.5	Continuous trade in products Provision of services Provision of technology Provision of loans Concurrent position as officer	Deposit under the Hitachi Group Pooling Scheme *1, 2	Deposit 18,315*3	Group pooling cash deposits	84,184

(Notes)

- Since October 2001, the Company participates in the Hitachi Group Pooling Scheme for the centralized management of funds. The fiscal year-end balance indicates deposit amounts of the Company held in that scheme as of the balance sheet date.
- Interest rates on funds are determined with reasonable consideration of market interest rates.
- Fund allocation changes daily. Transaction amount reflect changes compared with the balance at the previous fiscal year end.

(b) Subsidiaries and affiliate companies

Type	Name	Address	Capital or investment (millions of yen)	Business domain or occupation	Voting rights etc. held by or in the Company (%)	Relationship with related parties	Transaction	Transaction amount (millions of yen)	Account	Term-end balance (millions of yen)
Subsidiary	Hitachi Metals Trading, Ltd.	Minato-ku, Tokyo	350	Sales of various products	Direct: 100.0	Sale of products Purchase of products Dispatch of officers	Sales of products *1	58,883	Accounts receivable-trade	16,708
Subsidiary	Hitachi Magnet Wire Corp.	Hitachi-shi, Ibaraki	300	Wires, Cables, and Related Products High-Grade Metal Products and Materials	Direct: 100.0	Purchase of materials, etc. as an agent, etc. Purchase of products Dispatch of officers	Purchase of materials, etc. as an agent, etc. *1	78,366	Accounts receivable-other	8,364
							Purchase of products *1	52,050	Accounts payable-trade	5,237
Subsidiary	Hitachi Cable Film Device, Ltd.	Chuo-shi, Yamanashi	10	Wires, Cables, and Related Products	Direct: 100.0	Loan of funds Dispatch of officers	Loan of funds *2, 3	Repayment 150 *4	Long-term loans receivable	9,676
Subsidiary	Hitachi Metals America, Ltd *5	New York, U.S.A.	(thousands of U.S. dollars) 92,000	Sales of various products Regional headquarters	Direct: 100.0	Sale of products Purchase of products Performance of concurrent roles as director	Guarantees for loans *6	7,982	-	-
							Loan of funds *7	Repayment 12,151	Short-term loans receivable	12,619
									Long-term loans receivable	39,267
Affiliate	SH Copper Products Co., Ltd. *8	Tsuchiura-shi, Ibaraki	1,000	Wires, Cables, and Related Products	Direct: 100.0	Purchase of materials, etc. as an agent, etc. Dispatch of officers	Purchase of materials as an agent, etc. *1	27,160	Accounts receivable-other	12,598

(Notes)

- Sales and purchase of products and purchase of materials, etc. as an agent are determined with consideration of market prices and in accordance with general terms and conditions of trade.
- The long-term loans receivable from Hitachi Cable Film Device, Ltd. are non-interest bearing.
- The Company recognized an allowance for doubtful accounts of ¥7,640 million for long-term loans receivable from Hitachi Cable Film Device, Ltd. In the fiscal year under review, the Company recognized a gain on reversal of allowance for doubtful accounts of ¥19 million.
- The transaction amount indicates a difference from the amount at the end of the previous fiscal year.
- Hitachi Metals America, LLC has changed its trade name to Hitachi Metals America, Ltd. In addition, as of October 1, 2016, Hitachi Metals America, Holdings, Inc. was the non-surviving company in an absorption-type merger with Hitachi Metals America, Ltd.
- The Company provides guarantees for loans from banks.
- Interest rates on funds are determined with reasonable consideration of market interest rates.
- SH Copper Products Co., Ltd., which was an affiliate company, has become a subsidiary as the voting rights etc. holding (held) by or in the Company became 100% after the additional acquisition of shares in SH Copper Products Co., Ltd. as of January 5, 2017.

7.2. Notes concerning the parent company or significant affiliates

Parent company information

Hitachi, Ltd. (Shares are listed on exchanges in Tokyo and Nagoya.)

8. Notes concerning per-share information

(1) Net assets per share: ¥842.16

The basis of calculation of net assets per-share is as follows.

Total net assets as per non-consolidated balance sheets	¥360,087 million
Net assets attributable to common stock	¥360,087 million
Number of common shares outstanding at the non-consolidated balance sheet date	428,904,352 shares
Number of common shares held as treasury stock	1,327,900 shares
Number of common shares used as basis of calculation of net assets per share	427,576,452 shares

(2) Net income per share for the period under review: ¥72.89

The basis of calculation of net income per share for the period under review is as follows.

Net income for the period under review as per non-consolidated statements of income	¥31,168 million
Amounts not attributable to common stockholders	– million
Net income for the period attributable to common stock	¥31,168 million
Average number of common shares outstanding during the period	427,578,446 shares