

# Notice of Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation (Change of Trade Name, Business Purpose, Organizational Design, etc.)

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NICHIREKI CO., LTD. (hereinafter, the Company) decided to transition to a Holding Company Structure on October 1, 2024, after transition to a Company with an Audit and Supervisory Committee as announced in the "Notice Concerning Establishment of Split Preparation Company for Transition to Holding Company Structure, and Transition to a Company with an Audit and Supervisory Committee" dated March 27, 2024 based on the recognition of the need for more flexible management decision-making and further enhancement of the supervisory function of the Board of Directors.

The Company hereby announces that its Board of Directors, at a meeting held today, resolved to submit a proposal to the 80th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders scheduled to be held on June 27, 2024, to make partial amendments to the Articles of Incorporation necessary for the Company to transition to the Company with an Audit and Supervisory Committee and Holding Company Structure.

#### 1. Reason for Amendment of the Articles of Incorporation

- (1) In order to transition to the above-mentioned Holding Company Structure and subject to the approval of the absorption-type company split agreement by resolution of the ordinary general meeting of shareholders, the Company's trade name as stipulated in Article 1 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation will be changed to "NICHIREKI GROUP CO., LTD." and the Company's business purpose as stipulated in Article 2 of the Company's Articles of Incorporation will be changed to management and control of group companies, etc..
- (2) In order to transition to a Company with an Audit and Supervisory Committee, the Company will newly establish provisions regarding the Audit and Supervisory Committee and its members, and delete provisions regarding Corporate Auditors and the Board of Corporate Auditors.
- (3) The number of articles is changed, the wording is revised, and other necessary changes are made in accordance with the new establishment, change, and deletion of the above articles.

#### 2. Details of Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation

The details of the amendment are as follows.

Current Articles of Incorporation	Proposed Amendments
Chapter 1 General Provisions	Chapter 1 General Provisions
(Trade Name)	(Trade Name)
Article 1 The name of the Company shall be	Article 1 The name of the Company shall be
NICHIREKI CO., LTD.	NICHIREKI GROUP CO., LTD.
(Purpose)	(Purpose)
Article 2 The purpose of the Company shall be to	Article 2 The purpose of the Company shall be to
engage in the following businesses:	engage in the following businesses and to manage

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	or control the business activities of companies
	(including foreign companies) engaged in the
	following businesses by owning shares or equity
	interests in such companies:
(1) $\sim$ (12) (Articles omitted)	(1) $\sim$ (12) (as present)
Article 3 (Articles omitted)	Article 3 (as present)
(Organization)	(Organization)
Article 4	Article 4
In addition to the General Meeting of	In addition to the General Meeting of
Shareholders and the Directors, the Company	Shareholders and the Directors, the Company
shall have the following bodies	shall have the following bodies
(1) Board of Directors	(1) Board of Directors
(2) Corporate Auditor	(2) Audit and Supervisory Committee
(3) <u>Audit Committee</u>	(deleted)
(4) Accounting Auditors	(3) Accounting Auditors
Article 5 (Omission of Article)	Article 5 (as present)
Chapter 2 Shares	Chapter 2 Shares
Articles 6 to 9 (Articles omitted)	Articles 6 to 9 (as present)
(Administrator of Shareholders' Register)	(Administrator of Shareholders' Register)
Article 10 (Articles Omitted)	Article 10 (as present)
2. The administrator of the shareholders' register	2. The administrator of the shareholders' register
and its place of business shall be determined by a	and its place of business shall be determined by
resolution of the Board of Directors and public	the Board of Directors or by a director delegated
resolution of the Board of Directors and public notice thereof shall be given.	the Board of Directors <u>or by a director delegated</u> by a resolution of the Board of Directors, and
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notice thereof shall be given.	by a resolution of the Board of Directors, and public notice thereof shall be given.
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	delegated by a resolution of the Decided
	<u>delegated by a resolution of the Board of</u>
	Directors.
Chapter 3 General Meeting of Shareholders	Chapter 3 General Meeting of Shareholders
Articles 12 to 19 (Articles omitted)	Articles 12 through 19 (as present)
Chapter 4 Directors and Board of Directors	Chapter 4 Directors and Board of Directors
Article 20 The Company shall have no more than	Article 20 The Company shall have no more than
twelve (12) directors.	sixteen (16) directors.
(Newly established)	2. Among the directors set forth in the preceding
	paragraph, no more than five (5) directors shall be
	members of the Audit and Supervisory
	Committee.
(Method of selection)	(Method of selection)
Article 21 Directors shall be elected at a General	Article 21 Directors shall be elected at the
Meeting of Shareholders.	General Meeting of Shareholders, <u>distinguishing</u>
	between directors who are Audit and Supervisory
	Committee members and other directors.
2. ~3. (Article omitted)	2. ~3. (as current)
(Representative Directors)	(Representative Directors)
Article 22 The Company may appoint a few	Article 22 The Company may appoint a few
directors to represent the Company by a	directors (excluding directors who are members of
resolution of the Board of Directors, in addition to	the Audit and Supervisory Committee) to
the President and Representative Director.	represent the Company by a resolution of the
	Board of Directors, in addition to the President
	and Representative Director.
(Tarma of Office)	(Term of Office)
(Term of Office) Article 23 The term of office of Directors shall	(Term of Office) Article 23 The term of office of Directors
expire at the conclusion of the Ordinary General	(excluding directors who are members of the
Meeting of Shareholders relating to the last fiscal	Audit and Supervisory Committee) shall expire at
year ending within one (1) year after their	the conclusion of the Ordinary General Meeting
election.	of Shareholders relating to the last fiscal year
	ending within one (1) year after their election.
(Newly established)	2. The term of office of Directors who are
	members of the Audit and Supervisory Committee
	memoers of the Audit and Supervisory Committee

	shall expire at the conclusion of the Ordinary
	General Meeting of Shareholders relating to the
	last fiscal year ending within two (2) years after
	their election.
(Newly established)	3. The term of office of a director who are
	members of the Audit and Supervisory Committee
	elected to fill a vacancy of a director who retires
	before the expiration of his/her term of office
	shall expire at the end of the term of office of the
	retiring director.
(Newly established)	4. The effective term of the resolution for the
	election of a substitute Audit and Supervisory
	<u>Committee member elected in accordance with</u>
	Article 329, Paragraph 3 of the Companies Act
	shall expire at the beginning of the Ordinary
	General Meeting of Shareholders relating to the
	last fiscal year ending within two years after
	his/her election.
(Remuneration, etc.)	(Remuneration, etc.)
Article 24 Remuneration, bonuses, and other	Article 24 Remuneration, bonuses, and other
financial benefits received from the Company as	financial benefits received from the Company as
consideration for the execution of duties by	consideration for the execution of duties by
Directors (hereinafter referred to as	Directors (hereinafter referred to as
"Remuneration, etc.") shall be determined by	"Remuneration, etc.") shall be determined by
resolution of the General Meeting of	resolution of the General Meeting of
Shareholders.	Shareholders, distinguishing between Directors
	who are members of the Audit and Supervisory
	Committee and other Directors.
Article 25 (Article omitted)	Article 25 (as current)
(Notice of Convocation of Meetings of the Board	(Notice of Convocation of Meetings of the Board
of Directors)	of Directors)
Article 26 Notice of a meeting of the Board of	Notice of a meeting of the Board of Directors
Directors shall be given to each Director and each	shall be given to each Director at least three (3)
Corporate Auditor at least three (3) days prior to	days prior to the date of the meeting. However,

the date of the meeting. However, this period may	this period may be shortened in case of urgent
be shortened in case of urgent necessity.	necessity.
2. A meeting of the Board of Directors may be	2. A meeting of the Board of Directors may be
held without following the convocation	held without following the convocation
procedures if all Directors and Corporate Auditors	procedures if all Directors consent thereto.
consent thereto.	
Article 27 to 30 (Article omitted)	Article 27 to 30 (as current)
(Newly established)	(Delegation of Decisions on Important Business
	Execution)
	Article 31 The Company may, pursuant to Article
	399-13, Paragraph 6 of the Companies Act, by
	resolution of the Board of Directors, delegate all
	or part of the decisions on the execution of
	important business affairs (excluding the matters
	listed in each item of Paragraph 5 of the said
	Article) to the Directors.
(Newly established)	Chapter 5 Audit and Supervisory Committee
	(Full-time Audit and Supervisory Committee
	<u>Members</u> )
	Article 32 The Audit and Supervisory Committee
	may, by its resolution, appoint a full-time Audit
	and Supervisory Committee Member.
(Newly established)	(Notice of Convocation of Meetings of the Audit
	and Supervisory Committee)
	Article 33 Notice of a meeting of the Audit and
	Supervisory Committee shall be given to each
	<u>member of the Audit and Supervisory Committee</u> at least three (3) days prior to the date of the
	at least three (3) days prior to the date of the meeting. However, this period may be shortened
	in case of urgent necessity.
(Newly established)	2. A meeting of the Audit and Supervisory
	<u>Committee may be held without following the</u>
	convocation procedures if all Audit and
	Supervisory Committee members consent thereto.

(Newly established)	(Method of Resolutions of the Audit and
(Newly established)	
	Supervisory Committee)
	Article 34 Resolutions of the Audit and
	Supervisory Committee shall be made with a
	majority of voting rights in the presence of Audit
	and Supervisory Committee members who can
	participate in resolutions.
(Newly established)	
	(Minutes of Audit and Supervisory Committee
	Meetings)
	Article 35. The substance of proceedings and
	results of Audit and Supervisory Committee
	meetings and other matters stipulated by laws and
	regulations shall be recorded in the minutes of
	such meetings.
(Newly established)	
(itemiy complete)	(Rules of the Audit and Supervisory Committee)
	Article 36 Matters concerning the Audit and
	Supervisory Committee shall be governed by the
	Rules of the Audit and Supervisory Committee
	established by the Audit and Supervisory
	Committee in addition to laws and ordinances or
	these Articles of Incorporation.
Chapter 5 Corporate Auditors and Board of	
Corporate Auditors	(deleted)
(Number of members)	
Article 31 The Company shall have no more than	(deleted)
four (4) corporate auditors.	
(Method of Election)	
Article 32 Corporate Auditors shall be elected at a	(deleted)
general meeting of shareholders. The resolution	
for the election of corporate auditors shall be	
adopted by a majority of the votes of the	
shareholders present at the meeting where the	
shareholders holding one-third (1/3) or more of	

the voting rights of the shareholders who are	
entitled to exercise their voting rights are present.	
(Full-time Corporate Auditors)	
Article 33 The Board of Corporate Auditors shall,	(deleted)
by its resolution, select a full-time Corporate	
Auditor.	
(Term of Office)	
Article 34 The term of office of a Corporate	(deleted)
Auditor shall expire at the close of the Ordinary	
General Meeting of Shareholders relating to the	
last fiscal year ending within four (4) years after	
his/her election.	
2. The term of office of a Corporate Auditor	
elected to fill a vacancy left by a Corporate	
Auditor who retires before the expiration of	
his/her term of office shall expire at the end of the	
term of office of the retiring Corporate Auditor.	
(Remuneration, etc.)	
Article 35 Remuneration, etc. of Corporate	(deleted)
Auditors shall be determined by a resolution of	
the General Meeting of Shareholders.	
(Notice of Convocation of Meetings of the Board	
of Corporate Auditors)	(deleted)
Article 36 Notice of a meeting of the Board of	
Corporate Auditors shall be given to each	
Corporate Auditor at least three (3) days prior to	
the date of the meeting. However, this period may	
be shortened in case of urgent necessity.	
2. A meeting of the Board of Corporate Auditors	
may be held without following the procedures for	
convening a meeting if all the Corporate Auditors	
consent thereto.	

(Method of Resolutions of the Board of Corporate	
Auditors)	(deleted)
Article 37 Except as otherwise provided by law,	
resolutions of the Board of Corporate Auditors	
shall be adopted by a majority of the Corporate	
Auditors.	
(Minutes of the Meetings of the Board of	
Corporate Auditors)	(deleted)
Article 38 The substance of proceedings and	
results of the Board of Statutory Auditors'	
Meetings and other matters required by laws and	
regulations shall be recorded in the minutes of the	
meetings.	
(Rules of the Board of Corporate Auditors)	
Article 39 Matters concerning the Board of	(deleted)
Corporate Auditors shall be governed by the	
Regulations of the Board of Corporate Auditors	
established by the Board of Corporate Auditors in	
addition to laws and ordinances and these Articles	
of Incorporation.	
(Exemption of Corporate Auditors from Liability)	
Article 40 The Company may, pursuant to Article	(deleted)
426, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, exempt	
corporate auditors (including former corporate	
auditors) from liability for damages for	
negligence of their duties by a resolution of the	
Board of Directors to the extent permitted by law.	
2. The Company may enter into an agreement	
with an Outside Corporate Auditor to limit his/her	
liability for damages for negligence of duties	
pursuant to Article 427, Paragraph 1 of the	
Companies Act. However, the maximum amount	
of liability based on such contract shall be the	
amount stipulated by laws and regulations.	

# Chapter 6 Calculation (Business year)

Article <u>41</u> (Article omitted)

(Record date for dividends of surplus) Article <u>42</u> (Article omitted)

(Interim dividend) Article <u>43</u> (Article omitted)

(Dividend exclusion period) Article <u>44</u> (Article omitted)

(Newly established) (Newly established)

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### **Chapter 6 Calculation**

(Business year) Article <u>37</u> (as current)

(Record date for dividends of surplus) Article <u>38</u> (as current)

(Interim dividend) Article <u>39</u> (as current)

(Dividend exclusion period) Article <u>40</u> (as current)

## **Supplementary Provisions**

(Transitional Measures Concerning Exemption from Liability of Corporate Auditors) Article 1 The Company may, pursuant to Article 426, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, exempt Corporate Auditors (including former Corporate Auditors) from liability for damages due to negligence of their duties before the partial amendment to the Articles of Incorporation resolved at the 80th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders takes effect, by a resolution of the Board of Directors to the extent permitted by law. 2. With respect to the liability limitation agreement concluded with Corporate Auditors (including former Corporate Auditors) before the partial amendment to the Articles of Incorporation resolved at the 80th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders takes effect, the provisions then in force will continue to apply.

(Transitional Measures Concerning Trade Name and Purpose)

Article 2 The amendments to Article 1 (Trade
Name) and Article 2 (Purpose) of the Articles of
Incorporation shall become effective as of
October 1, 2024, on the condition that the
approval of the absorption-type company split
agreement is approved at the 80th Ordinary
General Meeting of Shareholders as originally
proposed and that the absorption-type company
split based on this absorption-type company split
agreement becomes effective. This Article shall be
deleted after the aforementioned effective date.

### 3. Schedule for amending the Articles of Incorporation

- Date of the General Meeting of Shareholders to amend the Articles of Incorporation: June 27, 2024 (scheduled)
- Effective date of the amendment to the Articles of Incorporation (other than trade name and purpose): June 27, 2024 (scheduled)
- Effective date of the amendment to the Articles of Incorporation (trade name and purpose): October 1, 2024 (scheduled)