

Notice Regarding Disposal of the Treasury Stock for Restricted Stock Compensation

DOWA HOLDINGS CO., LTD. (14-1, Sotokanda 4-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo; 36.4 billion yen; President: SEKIGUCHI Akira; the "Company") hereby announces that a meeting of the Board of Directors held on June 24, 2022 passed a resolution regarding disposal of the Company's treasury stock for restricted stock compensation (the "Disposal of Treasury Stock"). Details are as follows.

1. Overview of the disposal

(1)	Payment date	July 20, 2022
(2)	Class and number of shares to be disposed of	Common stock of the Company 17,160 shares
(3)	Disposal price	4,370 yen per share
(4)	Total value of disposal	74,989,200 yen
(5)	Persons eligible for stock allocation, number of persons, and number of shares to be allocated	Six Directors (excluding Outside Directors): 9,152 shares Seven executive officers: 8,008 shares
(6)	Others	A security notice has been submitted regarding the Disposal of Treasury Stock.

2. Purpose of and reason for Disposal of Treasury Stock

The Company passed a resolution at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on May 13, 2022 to introduce a restricted stock compensation plan (the "Plan") for the purpose of giving incentives to Directors ("Eligible Directors"; excluding Outside Directors) and executive officers (collectively, "Eligible Directors, etc.") to improve the Company's corporate value in a sustainable manner as well as raise the degree they share value with shareholders.

The 119th Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on June 24, 2022 gave approval that, in order to grant restricted stock to Eligible Directors based on the Plan, monetary compensation claims in amounts of no more than 100 million yen per year shall be granted to Eligible Directors and up to 44,000 shares of restricted stock per year shall be granted to them.

Considering the purpose of the Plan, the Company's operating results, the scope of job



responsibilities of each of Eligible Directors, etc. and various other factors, it was resolved at the Board meeting to grant to Eligible Directors, etc. monetary compensation claims amounting to 75,000,000 yen in total, on the condition that it serves as payment in kind for the Disposal of Treasury Stock, and thus to implement Disposal of Treasury Stock.

To achieve the purpose of the adoption of the Plan, which is to give incentives to Eligible Directors, etc. in working for the sustained improvement of the Company's corporate value and facilitate their sense of sharing value with shareholders, a transfer restriction period shall end on the day when they are retired or resigned from the positions (both as Director and executive officer of the Company. The same shall apply hereunder) as stipulated in 3 below.

3. Outline of the Restricted Stock Allotment Agreement

The Company will conclude an agreement on the allotment of restricted stock with each of the Eligible Directors, etc. (the "Allotment Agreement"). An outline of the Allotment Agreement is as follows.

(1) Period of transfer restrictions

The transfer restriction period shall commence on July 20, 2022 and end on the day when Eligible Directors, etc. are retired or resigned from the positions. During the above period, they shall not transfer, establish a security interest on or otherwise dispose of the allotted Company's Common Stock (the "Allotted Shares").

(2) Lifting the transfer restrictions

On the condition that the Board of Directors finds a justifiable reason for retirement or resignation from the positions, the Company shall cancel the transfer restriction for all Allotted Shares upon the expiration of the transfer restriction period (provided, however, in the case where the Company acquires all or part of the Allotted Shares without consideration in accordance with (3)(ii) below, the remaining portion after the said acquisition).

(3) Acquisition of Allotted Shares without consideration

- (i) The Company shall naturally acquire the Allotted Shares without consideration with respect to such Allotted Shares for which the transfer restriction has not been removed upon expiry of the transfer restriction period in accordance with the provisions of (2) above
- (ii) Moreover, if Eligible Directors, etc. retire or resign from the positions during their tenure related to Allotted Shares, the Company shall acquire the Allotted Shares in the number of shares corresponding to the remaining period without consideration. In the event of a violation of law, etc. or other situations stipulated in the Allotment Agreement, the Company shall acquire all or part of the Allotted Shares without consideration.



(4) Management of shares

The Allotted Shares shall be managed in dedicated accounts opened by Eligible Directors, etc. with a securities firm designated by the Company to prevent the transfer, establishment of security interest on, or other disposal thereof. The security firm to be designated by the Company will be SMBC Nikko Securities Inc.

- (5) Measures to be taken in relation to organizational restructuring

 Notwithstanding (1) above, in the event of approval, during the transfer restriction
 period, by the general meeting of shareholders of a proposal under which the
 Company merges with another company that is the surviving entity and thus ceases to
 exist, a share exchange agreement or a share transfer plan under which the Company
 becomes a wholly owned subsidiary of another company, or other organizational
 restructuring, etc. (if the approval of the general meeting of shareholders is not
 required, the resolution of the Board of Directors), the Company shall cancel the
 transfer restriction prior to the effective date of the said organizational restructuring.
 by resolution of the Board of Directors with respect to the number of Allotted Shares
 reasonably determined based on the period between the commencement date of
 transfer restriction period and the effective date of the said organizational
 restructuring. In this case, the Company shall, immediately following such cancellation
 of transfer restriction, automatically acquire Allotted Shares for which transfer
 restriction is not lifted, without consideration.
- 4. Calculation basis of payment amounts and relevant details

To eliminate arbitrariness in the disposal value of the subject shares to be allotted to Eligible Directors, etc., the Company decided to adopt 4,370 yen, which was the closing price on the business day immediately preceding the day of the resolution of the Board of Directors. The Company believes the said disposal value is reasonable because it is not particularly advantageous to Eligible Directors, etc.

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