

Canon Inc.

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Notice Regarding Change of Certified Public Accountant

Canon Inc. (the "Company") gives notice that its Audit and Supervisory Board, at a meeting held on January 28, 2020, has resolved to change the Company's certified public accountant or auditing firm that conducts an audit certification under the provisions of Article 193-2, paragraph 1 and 2 of the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act.

1. Scheduled date of change

The date of the 119th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders

2. Overview of incoming and outgoing certified public accountant or auditing firm

(1) Overview of incoming certified public accountant or auditing firm

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(i)	Name	Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu LLC	
(ii)	Address	Marunouchi Nijubashi Building, 3-2-3,	
		Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo	
(iii)	Designated limited	Masayuki Yamada	
	liability partners	Teruhisa Tamai	
		Kenichi Takai	
		Susumu Nakamura	
(iv)	Status under registration		
	system for listed		
	company audit firms of	Registered	
	Japanese Institute of		
	Certified Public		
	Accountants		

(2) Overview of outgoing certified public accountant or auditing firm

(v)	Name	Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC
(vi)	Address	Hibiya Mitsui Tower, Tokyo Midtown Hibiya,
		1-1-2, Yurakucho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo
(vii)	Designated limited	Yoshihiko Nakatani
	liability partners	Ryo Kayama
	• •	Ken Sudo
		Minoru Ota

3. Reason for selecting Deloitte Touche Thomatsu LLC

After considering Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC's consecutive years of service to the Company and comprehensively reviewing Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu LLC's independence, expertise, their quality management structure and global auditing structure, the Company's Audit and Supervisory Board has resolved to appoint Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu LLC as the Company's certified public accountant or auditing firm, having concluded that the firm upholds a system for robust auditing and can offer new perspectives on the Company's audit.

4. Date of original appointment of outgoing certified public accountant or auditing firm March 30, 1978

5. Opinions on audit reports and other documents prepared by outgoing certified public accountant or auditing firm over past three years

Not applicable

6. Reason for change

The audit term of Ernst & Young ShinNihon LLC will expire upon the conclusion of the 119th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders. The Company's Audit and Supervisory Board has conducted a comparative assessment of several candidate firms from 2016 from the perspective of qualifications and independence, following the introduction of an auditor rotation system in other countries. In addition, the Company's Audit and Supervisory Board has determined to receive a proposal from several candidate firms periodically. For the reasons stated in 3 above, the Company's Audit and Supervisory Board has resolved to appoint Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu LLC as the Company's new certified public accountant or auditing firm.

7. Opinion for reasons and circumstances described in 6 above

- (1) Opinion of outgoing certified public accountant or auditing firm

 The Company received a statement that there are no particular opinions in this regard.
- (2) Opinion of the Company's Audit and Supervisory Board
 The Company's Audit and Supervisory Board considers the change in the Company's certified public accountant or auditing firm to Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu LLC appropriate.