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(Securities code: 3865 (Prime Market,

Tokyo Stock Exchange))

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## Notice Regarding the Appointment of Candidate for Substitute Audit

At the Board of Directors meeting held on May 15, 2025, we decided to appoint one candidate for the position of substitute audit to replace Mr. Shu Mizuguchi, who has resigned, and to submit the appointment for approval at the 187th Regular General Meeting of Shareholders scheduled to be held on June 27, 2025. We hereby notify you of the details as follows.

[Candidate for newly appointed substitute audit]

Name	Newly appointed	Current
Shoji Suzuki	Substitute Audit	Director, Hokuetsu Paper Sales Co.,
		Ltd.

(Note) Mr. Suzuki is a candidate for the position of standing audit.

[Reference] Name, brief history, position, and significant concurrent positions of substitute audit

Nama			Number of shares of the
Name (Date of birth)	Brief history, position, and significant concurrent positions		
			Company
			held
	April 1982	Joined Kishu Paper Co., Ltd. (currently	
		Hokuetsu Corporation)	
	April 2016	Corporate Officer; Osaka Branch Manager,	
		Hokuetsu Kishu Paper Co., Ltd. (currently	
		Hokuetsu Corporation)	
Shoji Suzuki	October 2018	Corporate Officer; Chief Compliance Officer;	14,324 shares
(Born June 16, 1959)		In Charge of General Affairs, Personnel,	
		Executives' Secretariat, and Group	
		Governance	
	April 2019	Corporate Officer; COO, White Paperboard	
		Business Division	
	April 2021	Corporate Officer; Deputy Division Manager,	
		Paper & White Paperboard Business Division	
	April 2022	President and CEO, Hokuetsu Paper Sales	
		Co., Ltd.	
	April 2025	Director, Hokuetsu Paper Sales Co., Ltd.	
		(current position)	

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