## Corporate Governance Report

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

NJS Co, Ltd.

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The corporate governance of NJS Co., Ltd. (the "Company") is described below.

# I. Basic Views on Corporate Governance, Capital Structure, Corporate Attributes, and Other Key Information

#### 1. Basic Views

Based on the fundamental philosophy "a corporation is a public entity", we believe it is important to fulfill our accountability through dialogue with our shareholders, customers, and various other stakeholders. We are committed to conducting our business activities with a high level of transparency and acting with fairness and integrity in a timely manner, thereby further enhancing our corporate value.

To this end, we recognize corporate governance as an important foundation, and strive to build and strengthen an effective system for the entire NJS Group (the "Group"), based on a Board of Directors that makes decisions on important matters related to group-wide strategies and business execution, and supervises the execution of duties by directors, and a Board of Corporate Auditors that audits the execution of duties by directors. We are also striving to build and strengthen an effective system for the entire Group.

In addition, the following efforts are being made to enhance corporate governance.

- 1. Respect the rights of shareholders and ensure their equality
- 2. Work with stakeholders appropriately, recognizing that the provision of resources and contributions by employees, customers, business partners, local communities, and other stakeholders lead to the sustainable growth of the company.
- 3. Ensure transparency in corporate management through appropriate disclosure of corporate information.
- 4. Based on its fiduciary responsibility and accountability to shareholders, the Board of Directors shall provide the major direction in terms of strategy, create an environment that enables appropriate risk-taking, and provide highly effective supervision of management from an independent and objective standpoint.
- 5. The Board of Directors shall engage in constructive correspondence with shareholders to contribute to sustainable growth and medium- to long-term enhancement of corporate value.

## Reasons for Non-compliance with the Principles of the Corporate Governance Code

The Company has not implemented a principle of the Corporate Governance Code, revised on June 11, 2021, as follows:

[Principle 1-2-2]

Due to the schedule of the Board of Directors' meetings, the provision and dispatch date of the written materials for the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024, was on the statutory deadline. Prior to this year, the materials were provided and sent out earlier, but the schedule for the current fiscal year was delayed due to the scheduling conflicts of directors and auditors.

From the fiscal year ending December 31, 2025, onward, we will take early action to ensure that shareholders have sufficient time to consider the general meeting proposals.

## Disclosure Based on each Principle of the Corporate Governance Code

The Company's approach to corporate governance is described in this report, as well as in the Integrated Report, the Notice of the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, and the Annual Securities Report.

The contents of disclosure items based on each principle of the Corporate Governance Code are as follows.

[Principle 1]

<Policy on Cross-sharing Stock>

The Company may hold policy stock holdings when it is deemed that such holdings will contribute to the enhancement of corporate value over the medium- to long term, considering the risks and rewards. The rationale for cross-sharing stock is reviewed annually by the Board of Directors.

<Exercise of Voting Rights for Cross-sharing Stock >

We will exercise our voting rights appropriately, taking into consideration whether the shares we hold contribute to the enhancement of the corporate value of the company in question and to the sustainable growth and medium- to long-term enhancement of the corporate value of the Group.

<Details of Verification of Appropriateness, etc. of Cross-sharing Stock >

The Company does not currently hold any significant cross-sharing stocks. If we decide to hold such stocks, we will review the appropriateness and disclose the details.

[Principle 1-7]

The Company's policy on related party transactions is as follows.

- 1. In accordance with the Company's Board of Directors Regulations, competitive transactions and transactions involving conflicts of interest by directors require deliberation and resolution at a meeting of the Board of Directors. Transactions between the Company and its major shareholders must be approved in advance by the Board of Directors in the event of transactions of high importance. In addition, the existence of related-party transactions is checked at the end of each fiscal year, and any material facts are reported to the Board of Directors.
- 2. Related-party transactions are disclosed in accordance with the Companies Act, the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, other applicable laws and regulations, and the rules established by the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

#### [Supplementary Principle 2-4 (i)]

The Company focuses on promoting innovation through collaboration with diverse fields, securing and developing diverse human resources, and allowing diverse work styles.

Our diversity management policy is detailed on pages 71-74 of our Integrated Report.

#### (1) Diversity Management Policy

- -Respect human rights and prohibit discrimination based on race, gender, background, creed, or physical characteristics.
- -Create a corporate culture that fosters innovation by securing and developing diverse human resources
- -Establish a work environment that deepens communication and is considerate of others

#### (2) Promotion of Diverse Human Resources to Management Positions

In accordance with our diversity management policy, we are working to develop diverse human resources with skills, experience, knowledge, and qualifications, regardless of race, gender, or other personal attributes, and to actively promote them to management positions. In particular, the Group will strive to achieve the following goals for the promotion of women, foreign nationals, and mid-career-hired employees to management positions by 2030.

Ratio of female managers: 7% or more (current 3.5%) Ratio of foreign national managers: 20% or more (current 15.5%) Ratio of mid-career-hired managers: 50% or more (current 53.2%)

#### (3) Initiatives to promote diversity

We are working to develop a workplace environment in which diverse human resources can play an active role through human resource development by promoting the participation of diversity personnel in management training, securing external human resources by promoting the hiring of experienced personnel and developing overseas subsidiaries, and reforming work styles by encouraging employees to take childcare leave and promoting home and remote work.

Starting April 2024, we introduced a childcare leave support allowance to encourage employees to take childcare leave, especially male employees. This allowance provides other members of the team who take childcare leave with an allowance of 10,000 yen as a token of appreciation for their business support during the leave. Through these efforts, we have achieved a 100% childcare leave take-up rate.

In response to the lack of diversity in the composition of the Board of Directors, at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 25, 2025, the Company appointed a director with a foreign nationality to strengthen management from the perspective of the global environment.

#### [Principle 2-6]

The Company has introduced a defined benefit corporate pension plan. "Investment Management Rules" have been established for asset management of the pension plan's reserve fund. The Company is working to develop skills related to the management of pension plan assets, given that the management of corporate pension plan reserves affects not only the stable asset formation of employees but also the Company's financial position. Specifically, we are working to develop human resources through participation in various training programs and encouraging employees to acquire qualifications.

In addition, the management of pension assets is regularly monitored by skilled personnel and disclosed to members in a timely manner.

[Principle 3-1]

1. The management philosophy and corporate vision is disclosed on the NJS website, "Philosophy"

(https://www.njs.co.jp/ja/company/philosophy.html), and in the Integrated Report on page 3 "NJS Vision" and page 6 "Top

Message".

2. The basis of corporate governance is to maintain sound corporate management through fair, transparent, and prompt

consultation and operation by the Board of Directors, a strong oversight function by the Board of Corporate Auditors, and

effective checks and balances through the division of duties among internal organizations, while establishing a management

system that can respond quickly and efficiently to changes of the new era. We believe that the enhancement of corporate

governance will increase corporate and shareholder value.

3. The remuneration for directors of the Company is determined by the Board of Directors after deliberation by the Remuneration

and Nomination Advisory Committee, a voluntary committee, based on a comprehensive evaluation of the Company's

performance, responsibilities and contribution to performance, within the maximum amount of remuneration approved at the

Annual General Meeting of Shareholders.

Compensation for executive officers is determined by the resolution of the Board of Directors after deliberation by the

Compensation and Nomination Advisory Committee, a voluntary committee, taking into consideration the Company's business

performance, management details, director's compensation, employee salaries, and other factors.

4. The selection and dismissal of management team members are deliberated by the Compensation and Nomination Advisory

Committee and decided by the Board of Directors. Candidates for directors are selected in accordance with internal regulations

and those deemed capable of fulfilling their responsibilities are deliberated by the Compensation & Nomination Advisory

Committee, a voluntary committee, before being decided by the Board of Directors.

The nomination of candidates for corporate auditors to the General Meeting of Shareholders is subject to the approval of the

Board of Corporate Auditors, and full-time corporate auditors are elected by the Board of Corporate Auditors.

The appointment of executive officers is decided by the Board of Directors after deliberation by the Compensation and

Nomination Advisory Committee, a voluntary committee, and selection of those who are deemed capable of fulfilling their

responsibilities in accordance with internal regulations.

The reasons for the selection and dismissal of senior management and the nomination of candidates for directors and corporate

auditors are disclosed in the Notice of the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders

[Supplementary Principle 3-1-3]

1. Sustainability Initiatives

Our sustainability initiatives are disclosed in the Integrated Report "Corporate Sustainability" on page 69.

The main business of the Company is comprehensive consulting services related to water and sewage infrastructure, which is

indispensable for daily life. To contribute to solving global water and environmental issues, we work to promote carbon neutrality

in water supply and sewage systems and to reduce environmental impact by optimizing the renewal and maintenance of facilities.

The Corporate Sustainability Committee plays a central role in our efforts to improve sustainability by determining policies,

implementing measures, and monitoring their effectiveness. The results are reported to the Board of Directors for deliberation.

2. Investments in human capital and intellectual property

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As a company that provides technical services, our greatest management resources are our professional human resources and accumulated technologies. To maintain and further develop these management resources, we are actively investing in human capital and intellectual property. Details are described in the Integrated Report "Human Capital Strategy" on pages 71-74.

Regarding intellectual property, we are actively investing in development from the perspective of contribution to the sustainability of water and environmental infrastructure based on our company's purpose. Water and sewage projects which were rapidly developed during the period of rapid economic growth are approaching the end of their facility service life. In addition, as the population continues to decline, it is difficult to maintain and renew these aging facilities due to declining revenues and staff shortages. To solve these issues, we have focused on the development of software technologies such as cloud-based infrastructure management systems, inspections using drone technology, and customer service technologies to improve the engagement of residents, who are the users of water and wastewater services, with a focus on the efficiency and optimization of operations with digital technologies.

#### 3. Impact of climate change risks on opportunities for business activities

Since our business activities are primarily consulting, we believe that climate change will have a limited impact on NJS's operating capital and supply chain. On the other hand, the Company is committed to water and environmental sustainability as its corporate mission and is working through its business activities to address the intensification of disasters caused by climate change, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and build a recycling-oriented society through regional and energy development.

Also, in the Integrated Report "Corporate Sustainability" and on our website "Sustainability" and "Environmental Aspects" (https://www.njs.co.jp/ja/company/sustainability/environment.html), we disclose information on greenhouse gas emissions based on the TCFD in our Corporate Sustainability Report.

## [Supplemental Principle 4-1-1.]

In addition to the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation and laws and regulations, the Company's Board of Directors stipulates matters to be resolved at the Board of Directors meetings in the "Regulations of the Board of Directors". For decisions on the execution of other major business operations, the Company has established Job Regulations, which stipulate the necessary and appropriate responsibilities and authority of the executive officers in accordance with their duties.

#### [Principle 4-9]

The Company has established criteria for determining the independence of outside directors based on the independence standards established by the Tokyo Stock Exchange. In accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act and other laws and regulations, as well as internal rules, the Board of Directors appoints candidates for outside directors who are recognized as having a high degree of insight and extensive experience in the areas of corporate management, financial accounting, law, administration, and education, regardless of gender, nationality, background, age, or other personal attributes.

At the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 25, 2025, one new outside/independent director was elected, bringing the ratio of independent directors to a majority of 55.5% (5/9).

#### [Supplementary Principle 4-10-1]

To improve management transparency and strengthen the management oversight function, the Company has established a Compensation and Nomination Advisory Committee consisting of four independent outside directors and one internal director.

The Compensation & Nomination Advisory Committee examines and deliberates the appropriateness of the selection of candidates for directors, executive officers, and other important employees and the determination of their compensation in accordance with the "Rules of the Compensation & Nomination Advisory Committee.

#### [Supplementary Principle 4-11-1]

The Company's Board of Directors has set the number of directors at 10 or less, taking into consideration the speedy and appropriate decision-making and the scope of responsibilities of the Board of Directors. In order to ensure that the Board of Directors functions effectively and efficiently, the Company selects candidates for the Board of Directors who possess diverse knowledge, experience, and abilities based on the criteria for selecting candidates for the Board of Directors in the internal regulations, and the Compensation and Nomination Advisory Committee, a voluntary committee, considers the candidates before the Board of Directors makes a decision. A skills matrix showing the areas of expertise and experience of each director is disclosed in the Integrated Report "Directors and Officers" on page 63.

#### [Supplemental Principle 4-11-2]

In cases which directors and corporate auditors of the Company concurrently serve as directors or corporate auditors of other companies, efforts are made to limit the scope of such positions to a reasonable extent that enables them to appropriately fulfill their roles and responsibilities in the Company. The status of concurrent positions held by directors and corporate auditors is described in the relevant sections of the Business Report and the Reference Documents for the General Meeting of Shareholders.

#### [Supplementary Principle 4-11-3]

Once a year, the Company conducts a questionnaire survey of all directors and corporate auditors to analyze and evaluate the effectiveness of the Board of Directors and discloses the results in the "Notices" section of the Company's website. The most recent survey was conducted in January 2025, and although the results were generally evaluated as appropriate, the Company reaffirmed the need to ensure diversity in terms of gender and internationality regarding the composition of the Board of Directors and recognized the need to further enhance deliberations in relation to management risks. In response, at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders held on March 25, 2025, the Company appointed a director of foreign nationality to strengthen the diversity of its management team.

We will continue to receive opinions of outside directors and investors and strive to further enhance corporate value by improving the effectiveness of the Board of Directors by ensuring its independence, promoting diversity, and deepening discussions of its composition.

## [Supplementary Principle 4-14-2]

The Company's basic training policy is for directors and corporate auditors to constantly and actively collect necessary information and study to fulfill their roles and responsibilities.

- 1. The Company provides opportunities for directors and corporate auditors, including outside directors and outside corporate auditors, to acquire knowledge of the Company's business, finances and organization, at the time of or after their appointment as necessary.
- 2. The Company will provide and arrange training opportunities tailored to the needs of individual directors and corporate auditors

and will provide financial support for the training.

## [Principle 5-1]

To achieve sustainable growth and enhance corporate value over the medium to long term, the Company has established the following policies regarding the development of systems and initiatives to promote constructive dialogue with shareholders and other stakeholders.

- 1. Basic Policy on Stakeholder Engagement
- (1) Stakeholders with whom we promote engagement shall be our customers, employees, shareholders/investors, partners, and local communities.
- (2) We will strive to understand the situation and needs of our stakeholders. To this end, we will promote regular information provision, dialogue, surveys, complaint handling, and the development of a reporting system.
- (3) We will place importance on communication with our stakeholders.
- (4) We will formulate and systematically promote engagement strategies for our stakeholders, including customers, employees, shareholders/investors, partners, and local communities.
- 2. Initiatives for Constructive Dialogue with Shareholders
- (1) Company IR activities shall be supervised by the Director of Information Management, with the Planning & Public Relations
  Department of the Administration Division playing a central role and shall be handled appropriately in cooperation with related
  divisions and departments.
- (2) For shareholders and investors, the Company strives to enhance its IR activities in addition to individual interviews by holding regular financial results briefings, publishing integrated reports and business reports, and releasing timely and appropriate information on its business and management. In addition, to disseminate information widely and equally, we provide various types of information through our website.
- (3) The Director of Information Management reports the summary of opinions and requests received from shareholders and investors to the Board of Directors as appropriate, to share the information.
- (4) In accordance with the "Information Management Regulations" and the "Regulations for Prevention of Insider Trading," we will ensure thorough information management and strive to prevent the leakage of insider information.

In addition, to deepen stakeholders' understanding of our business and promote dialogue, we explain the materiality of our business and its selection process in the Integrated Report, on pages 19-20.

## 2. Capital Structure

Foreign Shareholding Ratio

10% or more but less than 20%

## **Status of Major Shareholders**

Name or Company Name	Number of Shares Owned	Percentage (%)
Nippon Hume Corporation	3,420,000	35.76
The Custody Bank of Japan, Ltd.	1,050,200	10.98
CGML PB CLIENT ACCOUNT/COLLATERAL	600,000	6.27
The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (Trust Account)	461,300	4.82
UBS AG SG-054600175247	265,800	2.78
NJS Employee Stock Ownership	226,500	2.37
Yasumitsu Shigeta	140,900	1.47
Eiko Osako	102,400	1.07
Meiji Yasuda Life Insurance Company	96,000	1.00
Tokio Marine & Nichido Fire Insurance Co.	64,000	0.67

Name of Controlling Shareholder, if applicable	
(excluding Parent Companies)	
Name of Parent Company, if applicable	No applicable

## Supplementary Explanation

- 1. In addition to the above, the Company holds 484,489 shares of treasury stock. This treasury stock does not include 48,400 shares of the Company's stock held by the Stock Benefit Trust (BBT).
- 2. The Company is unable to confirm the number of shares actually held by Simplex Asset Management, Co., Ltd. as of March 28, 2018, although the Large Shareholding Report (Change Report), which is available for public inspection as of April 4, 2018, states that Simplex Asset Management holds the following shares as of March 28, 2018, However, since the Company is unable to confirm the number of shares actually held by the Company, they are not included in the above list of major shareholders.

The contents of the Large-Scale Shareholding Report (Change Report) are as follows.

Holder: Simplex Asset Management Co., Ltd.

Address: 5-1 Marunouchi 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

Number of Shares Held: 1,132,200 shares

Shareholding Ratio: 11.27

# 3. Corporate Attributes

Listed Stock Exchange and Market Segment	Prime Market
Fiscal Year-End	December
Business Sector	Services
Number of Employees (Consolidated) as of the End of the Previous Fiscal Year	1,000 or more
Net Sales (Consolidated) for the Previous Fiscal Year	¥10 billion or more but less than ¥100 billion
Number of Consolidated Subsidiaries as of the End of the Previous Fiscal Year	10 or more but fewer than 50

4.	Policy	on Me	easures	to Protect	Minority	Shareholders	in	Conducting	<b>Transactions</b>	with	Controlling
	Shareho	lder									

5.	Other Special Circumstances which May have a Material Impact on Corporate Governance
	No applicable.

# II. Business Management Organization and Other Corporate Governance Systems regarding Decision-making, Execution of Business, and Oversight

## 1. Organizational Composition and Operation

Corporate Governance System Company with Audit and Supervisory Board\*

## **Directors**

Number of Directors Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	10
Directors' Term of Office Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	2 years
Chairperson of the Board	President & CEO
Number of Directors	9
Election of Outside Directors	Elected
Number of Outside Directors	5
Number of Independent Directors	5

#### Outside Directors' Relationship with the Company (1)

Name	Attributes		Relationship with the Company*									
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Katsuhiko Inoue	From another company							0				
Masao Yamada	Academic											
Yasuo Obata	From another company											
Misao Konishi	From another company											
Suano Murata	From another company											

<sup>\*</sup>Categories for "Relationship with the Company".

- a. Person who executes business for the Company or its subsidiary
- b. Person who executes business for or a non-executive director of the Company's parent company
- c. Person who executes business for a fellow subsidiary
- d. Person/entity for which the Company is a major client or a person who executes business for said person/entity
- e. Major client of the Company or a person who executes business for said client
- f. Consultant, accounting expert, or legal expert who receives large amounts of cash or other assets from the Company in addition to remuneration as a director/Audit and Supervisory Board Member
- g. Major shareholder of the Company (in cases where the shareholder is a corporation, a person who executes business for the corporation)
- h. Person who executes business for a client of the Company (excluding persons categorized as any of d, e, or f above) (applies to director him/herself only)
- i. Person who executes business for another company that holds cross-directorships/cross-auditorships with the Company (applies to director him/herself only)
- j. Person who executes business for an entity receiving donations from the Company (applies to director him/herself only)
- k. Other

<sup>\*</sup>Referred to as "Company with Kansayaku Board" in the Corporate Governance Code reference translation

<sup>(</sup>Use "o" when the director presently falls or has recently fallen under the category; "△" when the director fell under the category in the past; "•" when a close relative of the director presently falls or has recently fallen under the category; and "▲" when a close relative of the director fell under the category in the past.)

Name	Designation as Independent Director	Supplementary Explanation of the Relationship	Reasons for Appointment
Katsuhiko	0	Mr. Katsunori Kato is a Senior	Mr. Katsuhiko Inoue has many years of business
Inoue		Managing Director and Senior	experience and broad insight regarding sewerage
		Executive Officer of Nippon	business and overseas projects at a listed company
		Hume Corporation, a major	and has provided useful advice and supervision of
		shareholder of the Company.	the Company's management as an outside corporate
		holding 35.8% of the voting	auditor of the Company since March 2023. For these
		rights, but there are no material	reasons, we continue to nominate him as a candidate
		transactions between the	for Outside Director. We have designated him as an
		Company and Nippon Hume	independent director because we do not anticipate
		Corporation. His son performs	any conflicts of interest with general shareholders in
		design works as an employee of	the future.
		the Company.	
Masao Yamada	0	-	Mr. Masao Yamada has abundant experience and
			broad insight from his positions at Nagoya City and
			as a university professor. As an outside director of
			the Company since April 2016, he has provided
			useful advice and supervision to the management of
			the Group from an objective and broad perspective.
			He has also contributed to fair management as a
			member of the Compensation and Nomination
			Advisory Committee. For these reasons, we have
			determined that he continues to be an appropriate
			candidate for outside director. In addition, we have
			designated him as an independent director because
			we do not anticipate any conflicts of interest with
			general shareholders in the future.
Yasuo Obata	0	-	Mr. Yasuo Obata has abundant experience in
			business execution at listed companies and broad
			insight. As an outside director since April 2016, he
			has provided useful advice and supervision to the
			management of the Group from an objective
			viewpoint and broad perspective. He has also
			contributed to fair management as a member of the
			Compensation and Nomination Advisory
			Committee. For these reasons, we continue to

		nominate him as a candidate for outside director. In
		addition, we have designated him as an independent
		director because we do not anticipate any conflicts
		of interest with general shareholders in the future.
Misao Konishi	0	- Ms. Misao Konishi is nominated as a candidate for
		outside director because of her extensive work
		experience and wide-ranging insight on public
		relations, corporate branding, crisis management,
		and leadership development as a management
		member of the Japanese subsidiary of Amazon, a
		global e-commerce company. In addition, we have
		designated her as an independent director because
		she is not expected to have any conflicts of interest
		with general shareholders in the future.
Suano Murata	0	Mr. Sunao Murata has extensive business
		experience as the person in charge of software,
		IT/AI and cyber security at a major precision
		equipment manufacturer and has extensive insight
		into the use of digital technology necessary for
		management. We believe that he will be able to
		provide useful advice to the Company's
		management from an independent standpoint. In
		addition, we have designated him as an independent
		director because we do not anticipate any conflicts

Voluntary Establishment of Committee(s) equivalent to Nomination Committee or Remuneration Committee

Established

Status of Voluntarily Established Committee(s), Attributes of Members Constituting the Committee and the Committee Chairperson

	Committee's Name	All Members	Full-time Members	Inside Directors	Outside Directors	Outside Experts	Other	Chairperson
Voluntarily Established Committee Equivalent to Nomination Committee		5	0	1	4	0	0	Inside Director

Voluntarily Established							
Committee	_	0	1	4	0	0	Inside Director
Equivalent to	3	0	1	4	0	0	mside Director
Remuneration							
Committee							

#### Supplementary Explanation

To ensure transparency in the process of determining the compensation of directors, executive officers and other important employees and of selecting candidates, the Company has established the Compensation and Nomination Advisory Committee, most of whose members are independent outside directors.

Committee members are determined by the Board of Directors. The committee examines the structure of remuneration for directors and executive officers and the appropriateness of the determining factors, as well as the appropriateness of the evaluation results, and submits its opinions to the Board of Directors and the President & CEO.

The committee also examines the criteria for the selection and dismissal of candidates for directors and the appropriateness of specific proposals for their appointment or dismissal.

Currently, the Compensation and Nomination Advisory Committee consists of a total of five members: one internal director (the President & CEO) and four independent outside directors.

## Audit and Supervisory Board Member\*

\*Referred to as "kansayaku" in Corporate Governance Code reference translation

Establishment of Audit and Supervisory Board	Established
Number of Audit and Supervisory Board Members Stipulated in Articles of Incorporation	4
Number of Audit and Supervisory Board Members	3

Cooperation among Audit and Supervisory Board Members, Accounting Auditors and Internal Audit Departments

The Company's corporate auditors and accounting auditors discuss the audit plan and audit system at the beginning of each fiscal year and confirm and discuss the status of implementation of audits and reviews on a quarterly basis.

Furthermore, corporate auditors accompany internal audits by the Internal Audit Department and on-site visits by auditing firms to confirm the status of compliance at each division, office, and subsidiary, and conduct rigorous and appropriate audits.

In addition, meetings are held regularly to exchange opinions between corporate auditors and the President & CEO, related directors, and the audit firm.

Appointment of Outside Audit and Supervisory Board Members	Appointed
Number of Outside Audit and Supervisory Board Members	2
Number of Independent Audit and Supervisory Board Members	2

#### Outside Audit and Supervisory Board Members' Relationship with the Company (1)

Name	Attributes		Relationship with the Company*											
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Satoshi Tanaka	From another company									0				
Takanobu Watanabe	From another company									0				

<sup>\*</sup>Categories for "Relationship with the Company".

(Use "o" when the director presently falls or has recently fallen under the category; "△" when the director fell under the category in the past; "•" when a close relative of the director presently falls or has recently fallen under the category; and "▲" when a close relative of the director fell under the category in the past.)

- a. Person who executes business for the Company or its subsidiary
- b. A non-executive director or an accounting advisor of the Company or its subsidiaries
- c. Person who executes business for or a non-executive director of the Company's parent company
- d. An Audit and Supervisory Board Member of a parent company of the Company
- e. Person who executes business for a fellow subsidiary
- f. Person/entity for which the Company is a major client or a person who executes business for said person/entity
- g. Major client of the Company or a person who executes business for said client
- h. Consultant, accounting expert, or legal expert who receives large amounts of cash or other assets from the Company in addition to remuneration as a director/ Audit and Supervisory Board Member
- i. Major shareholder of the Company (in cases where the shareholder is a corporation, a person who executes business for the corporation)
- j. Person who executes business for a client of the Company (excluding persons categorized as any of f, g, or h above) (applies to the auditor him/herself only)
- k. Person who executes business for another company that holds cross-directorships/cross-auditorships with the Company (applies to the director/auditor him/herself only)
- 1. Person who executes business for an entity receiving donations from the Company (applies to the person him/herself only)
- m. Other

## Outside Audit and Supervisory Board Members' Relationship with the Company (2)

Name	Designation as Independent Audit and Supervisory Board Member	Supplementary Explanation of the Relationship	Reasons for Appointment
Satoshi Tanaka	0	Mr. Satoshi Tanaka is a Director	Mr. Satoshi Tanaka has been determined to be
		and Managing Executive Officer	qualified to serve as an outside corporate auditor
		of Nippon Hume Corporation,	because of his many years of business experience and
		one of the Company's major	wide-ranging insight regarding infrastructure
		shareholders holding 35.8% of	development. Although he is a business executive for
		the Company's voting rights, but	a major shareholder of the Company, the transactions
		there are no material transactions	between the two companies are not significant in
		between the Company and	terms of both size and nature, and do not affect the
		Nippon Hume Corporation.	Company's management.
Takanobu	0	Mr. Takanobu Watanabe is an	Mr. Takanobu Watanabe has been determined to be
Watanabe		executive officer of Nippon	qualified to serve as an outside corporate auditor
		Hume Corporation, one of the	because he has many years of experience in business
		Company's major shareholders	execution at a listed company and is familiar with the
		holding 35.8% of the Company's	Company's business operations, and for his excellent

voting rights, but there are no	track record, ability, personality, and insight. Although
material transactions between the	he is a business executive for a major shareholder of
Company and Nippon Hume	the Company, the transactions between the two
Corporation.	companies are not significant in terms of both size and
	nature, and do not affect the Company's management.

## Matters Concerning Independent Directors and Independent Audit and Supervisory Board Members

Number of Independent Directors and Independent Audit and Supervisory Board Members

Other Matters Concerning Independent Directors and Independent Audit and Supervisory Board Members

The Company has established criteria for designating independent directors and auditors in accordance with its internal rules and has designated all people who meet the criteria as independent directors and auditors in accordance with such criteria.

The Company's criteria for determining independence are as follows

Among outside directors, those who are designated as independent directors as stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange shall be those who are not likely to cause conflicts of interest with general shareholders and who meet the following requirements.

- (1) The person must not conflict with the criteria for independence stipulated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange.
- (2) The person is not a business partner or an executive of a business partner whose transactions with the Group exceed 3% of consolidated net sales or 5% of consolidated total assets in the most recent financial statements of the Group.
- (3) The person is not a relative within the second degree of kinship of a director, executive officer or department manager of the Group.

#### Incentives

Implementation Status of Measures related to Incentives Granted to Directors

Introduction of Performance-linked Remuneration Scheme

Supplementary Explanation for Applicable Items

In accordance with internal regulations, the Company has introduced a performance-linked compensation system, whereby compensation is paid based on a decision by the Board of Directors after deliberation by the Compensation and Nomination Advisory Committee, which considers the Company's performance and other indicators and the degree to which individual performance and targets have been achieved. In addition, the Company has introduced a stock compensation plan using a stock benefit trust for a portion of directors' compensation.

#### Persons Eligible for Stock Options

Supplementary Explanation for Applicable Items

## **Director Remuneration**

Status of Disclosure of Individual Director's Remuneration

No Disclosure for any Directors

Supplementary Explanation for Applicable Items

Compensation paid to directors and corporate auditors of the Company for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2024 is as follows:

- 1. Directors (excluding outside directors):160,686 thousand yen (including 106,275 thousand yen in fixed compensation, 41,340 thousand yen in performance-linked compensation, and 13,254 thousand yen in stock compensation)
- 2. Corporate auditors (excluding outside corporate auditors): 18,000 thousand yen
- 3. Outside executive officers: 51,000 thousand yen

Policy on Determining Remuneration Amounts and Calculation Methods

Established

## Disclosure of Policy on Determining Remuneration Amounts and Calculation Methods

The Company's policy for determining the remuneration of Directors is on pages 22-24 of the Notice of the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders and pages 47-48 of the Annual Securities Report.

(https://www.njs.co.jp/ja/investors/event/shareholders-

meeting/main/0/teaserItems1/00/tableContents/01/multiFileUpload20/link/75th .pdf)

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## Support System for Outside Directors (and/or Outside Audit and Supervisory Board Members)

The Company has established the Corporate Auditors' Office (2 members) to support the Board of Corporate Auditors, including outside Corporate Auditors. The Corporate Auditors' Office assists the Corporate Auditors in their auditing duties.

## Status of Persons who have Retired as Representative Director and President, etc.

Information on Persons Holding Advisory Positions (*Sodanyaku*, *Komon*, etc.) after Retiring as Representative Director and President, etc.

	Name	Job title/ position	Responsibilities	Terms and Conditions of Employment (Full/part time, with/without remuneration, etc.)	Date when former role as president/ CEO ended	Term
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Number of Persons Holding Advisory Positions (Sodanyaku, Komon, etc.)	0
After Retiring as Representative Director and President, etc.	O

#### Other Related Matters

If a former representative director, etc. assumes the position of advisor, counsel, executive advisor, etc., the president consults with the board of directors and decides in accordance with internal rules.

At present, there are no former president and representative directors, advisors, executive advisors, etc. who fall under this category.

# 2. Matters Concerning Functions of Business Execution, Auditing and Supervision, Nomination, and Remuneration Decisions (Overview of Current Corporate Governance System)

#### [Business Execution]

The Company has introduced an Executive Officer System to improve management efficiency and strengthen internal controls. This system streamlines the Board of Directors and allows directors to focus on company-wide management, while executive officers are positioned as divisional management executives of business divisions and branches, thereby speeding up decision-making and improving management efficiency.

The separation of corporate management (directors) from divisional management (executive officers) at business divisions and branches strengthens the supervisory function of the Board of Directors, clarifies authority and responsibility, and promotes the strengthening of internal control.

## [Audit and Supervision]

The Company has appointed five outside directors who are academics or are experienced in corporate management, branding, or DX management promotion, and they attend the Board of Directors meetings to express their opinions, thereby establishing a system for management with a sense of urgency.

In addition, the Company is a company with a Board of Auditors, and the Board of Auditors consists of one full-time auditor and two part-time outside auditors. Corporate auditors attend important meetings such as the Board of Directors and the Management Committee among others, inspect important documents such as approval documents to confirm the status of business execution by representative directors, and conduct strict and appropriate audits by checking the status of compliance at each department, office, and subsidiary by themselves or by accompanying internal audits or audit firms on their visits. The Company conducts rigorous and appropriate audits.

Meetings are held regularly to exchange opinions between corporate auditors, the President & CEO, related directors, and the audit firm.

Internal audits are conducted regularly and systematically by members of the Internal Audit Department and by temporary staff members appointed by the General Manager of the Internal Audit Department with the approval of the President & CEO. The purpose of this review is to prevent the occurrence of fraud and errors in the execution of business operations and to safeguard the company's assets.

The Company has entered an audit contract with Toyo & Co. as its accounting auditor and receives regular accounting audits and advice on management and organizational issues as appropriate.

#### [Nomination]

Nominees for directors are determined by a resolution by the Board of Directors after the Compensation and Nomination Advisory Committee, a voluntary committee, which considers candidates who can fulfill the responsibilities of the office in accordance with the director's nomination criteria stipulated in the Company's internal regulations.

Recommendation of candidates for corporate auditor to the General Meeting of Shareholders is subject to the consent of the Board of Corporate Auditors, and full-time corporate auditors are elected by the Board of Corporate Auditors.

The Board of Directors determines the appointment of executive officers by resolution of the Board of Directors, after deliberation by the Compensation and Nomination Advisory Committee, who are deemed capable of fulfilling the responsibilities of their respective positions.

## [Remuneration Decision]

Remuneration for the Company's directors consists of fixed monthly compensation, variable compensation and performance-linked compensation also introduced as part of the compensation. Monthly remuneration is a fixed amount commensurate with roles and responsibilities. Variable compensation consists of performance-linked bonuses and stock-based compensation. Bonuses are paid based on performance and in accordance with the compensation ratio for each position. Stock-based compensation is granted through a stock grant trust in accordance with the "Regulations on Stock Grant to Directors and Corporate Auditors," based on performance and in proportion to the compensation ratio for each position.

The compensation system and specific compensation amounts are deliberated by the Compensation and Nomination Advisory Committee, and the Board of Directors delegates the decision to the President & CEO, in an objective and transparent procedure.

#### 3. Reasons for Adoption of Current Corporate Governance System

The Company has a management structure that allows for improved management efficiency and accurate and strategic management decisions through the Board of Directors' functions of making management decisions and supervising the execution of business by the executive officers.

In terms of monitoring and supervising the Company's management, outside directors and outside corporate auditors attend Board of Directors meetings and express their opinions, thereby establishing a system for management with a sense of urgency.

Through these measures, the Company has established sufficient corporate governance.

# III. Implementation of Measures for Shareholders and Other Stakeholders

# 1. Measures to Vitalize Annual General Meeting of Shareholders and Facilitate Exercise of Voting Rights

	Supplementary Explanation
Early Posting of Notice of the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders	To allow shareholders sufficient time to consider the contents of the agenda, both the provision of the written notice of convocation and the dispatch of the printed version are conducted earlier than the legally stipulated deadline.  For the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2024, the documents were provided and sent out on the day of the statutory deadline, but for the prior years, the documents were released earlier. We plan to continue to provide documents early in the future.
Scheduling of the Annual General Meeting of	To allow as many shareholders as possible to participate, we have set the date
Shareholders on a Non-Peak Day	to avoid the popular dates for General Meetings of Shareholders in Japan.
Electronic Exercise of Voting Rights	The electronic exercise of voting rights was introduced in the 71st Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, held on March 26, 2021.
Participation in a Platform for the Electronic	The Company has participated in the voting platform since the 72nd Annual
Exercise of Voting Rights and Other Initiatives	General Meeting of Shareholders, held on March 25, 2022.
to Enhance Environment for Institutional	
Investors to Exercise Voting Rights	
Provision of Notice (or Summary of Notice) of the General Meeting of Shareholders in English	An English translation of the Notice of the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders is available on the Company's website since the Company's 72nd Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, held on March 25, 2022.
Other Notes	The Company is working to revitalize shareholders' meetings and facilitate the exercise of voting rights by (1) providing additional explanations of medium-term management plans and other information at shareholders' meetings, (2) enhancing shareholder returns and raising awareness and interest through a shareholder benefit program, and (3) conducting shareholder surveys and improving IR based on the feedback.

## 2. Status of IR-related Activities

	Supplementary Explanation	Explanation by a representative director or a representative executive officer
Formulation and Publication of Disclosure	A Disclosure Policy has been prepared and posted on the	
Policies	Company's website.	
Regular Investor Briefings held for Individual Investors	The Company holds a briefing on financial results for analysts and investors twice a year, once in the second quarter and once at the end of the fiscal year.	Held
Regular Investor Briefings held for Analysts	The Company holds financial results briefings for analysts	Held

and Institutional Investors	and investors twice a year, once in the second quarter and	
	once at the end of the fiscal year.	
Regular Investor Briefings held for Overseas Investors		Not Held
Online Disclosure of IR Information	Timely disclosure materials other than financial results information, annual securities reports and financial statements are promptly and accurately posted on the Company's website.	
Establishment of Department and/or Placement of a Manager in Charge of IR	The Corporate Planning & PR Division of the Administration Division oversees IR activities.	
Other	We issue an integrated report to proactively disclose non-financial information such as our business model and the details of our efforts to increase corporate value.  In addition, we publish Shareholder Report twice a year to introduce our management philosophy, management plans, development of new technologies, and other recent topics to promote stakeholder understanding.	

# 3. Status of Measures to Ensure Due Respect for Stakeholders

	Supplementary Explanation
Establishment of Internal Rules Stipulating	The Company has established Group-wide rules for all for directors and
Respect for the Position of Stakeholders	employees, the "NJS Code of Ethics," the "NJS Corporate Ethics Code of
	Conduct," and the "Compliance Rules" to ensure compliance with laws,
	regulations, internal rules, corporate ethics and other rules, and to act with
	social good sense so that the Company is regarded as a good corporate citizen.
Implementation of Environmental Preservation	With "handing down healthy water and the environment to the next generation"
Activities and CSR Activities, etc.	as our Company purpose, we are contributing to environmental conservation
	and improving the sustainability of society in all aspects of our business
	activities. We are developing environment-related technologies in the fields of
	infrastructure consulting, management, inspection, and software. In the
	promotion of our global business, we are also working to create new value
	under the theme of the environment. Furthermore, we have acquired ISO 14001
	certification, an international standard for environmental protection, at our
	head office to reduce the environmental impact of our business activities.
	In terms of CSR activities, we have established a Corporate Sustainability
	Committee to promote environmental, social, and governance (ESG)
	initiatives. The committee determines materiality, sustainability management
	policies, and various measures such as global warming countermeasures, water
	environment conservation, respect for human rights, and securing of biotopes.
	In addition, the committee monitors ESG activities at each business site and
	discloses information to stakeholders in an appropriate manner.
Formulation of Policies, etc. on Provision of	The Company has established "Information Management Regulations" for the
Information to Stakeholders	purpose of preventing insider trading and contributing to proper information
	management by disclosing internal corporate information on the Company and
	its subsidiaries in a timely and appropriate manner as corporate information.
	The Company discloses information on "EDINET" (an electronic disclosure
	system for disclosure documents such as securities reports based on the
	Financial Instruments and Exchange Act) provided by the Financial Services
	Agency or "TDnet" (a timely disclosure information transmission system)
	operated by the Tokyo Stock Exchange, which promptly posts the disclosed
	information on both the Stock Exchange's and the Company's website.
	We will also proactively disclose information that is not subject to disclosure
	requirements, but that is relevant to our business operations and deemed to have
	an impact on the investment decisions of shareholders and investors, as well as
	information that helps promote a better understanding of our company

## IV. Matters Concerning the Internal Control System

## 1. Basic Views on Internal Control System and Status of Development

- 1. To ensure that all officers and employees share the corporate philosophy and the spirit of compliance management, we have established the "Basic Policy on the Development of Internal Control Systems," which serves as the fundamental principles of governance. In accordance with this basic policy, we are working to strengthen corporate governance through the development of organizations, systems, and regulations, human resource development, internal audits, and management of group companies.
- 1) System to ensure that the execution of duties by directors and employees complies with laws, regulations, and the Articles of Incorporation

Directors and employees, etc. shall comply with laws and regulations, the Articles of Incorporation, and internal rules such as the "NJS Code of Ethics," "NJS Corporate Ethics Code of Conduct," and "Compliance Rules.

The Compliance Office shall formulate and implement various compliance-related policies, plan, implement, and provide guidance on education and training, and the Internal Audit Department shall audit the status of compliance throughout the Company.

In accordance with the "Whistleblower Protection Regulations," the Compliance Office will establish an internal whistleblower contact point and a law firm will establish an external whistleblower contact point to complement and strengthen internal controls.

Violations of laws, regulations, the Articles of Incorporation, and other rules by directors and employees shall be strictly punished in accordance with the "Regulations of the Board of Directors" and the "Regulations of Awards and Penalties".

- 2) System for information keeping related to the execution of duties by directors

  Information related to the execution of duties by directors shall be recorded in documents or electromagnetic media, stored in accordance with the "Document Management Regulations," and made available for Directors and Corporate Auditors.
- 3) Regulations and other systems concerning management of risk of loss

Under the "Risk Management Regulations," a system is established to prevent and eliminate risks and to respond to unforeseen circumstances by the person in charge of risk management, who is a director of the Company.

The Internal Audit Department shall review the status of company-wide risk management and report the results to the President & CEO and Corporate Auditors.

4) System to ensure the efficient execution of duties by directors

The Company shall establish the division of duties and authority of directors and employees in accordance with the "Regulations of the Board of Directors," "Regulations of Officers," "Regulations of Positions," and other regulations of directors' separate duties assigned by the Board of Directors.

5) System to ensure the appropriateness of operations of the corporate group consisting of the Company and its subsidiaries

To ensure proper and smooth management of the corporate group centering on the Company, the Company shall establish the
basic policy for group management in the "NJS Vision," share information on group companies, and manage, guide, and foster

subsidiaries in accordance with the following management rules.

Subsidiaries shall report to the Company important matters and significant changes in corporate management in accordance with the Company's "Affiliate Company Management Rules."

A contact office for whistleblowers outside the Company for domestic subsidiaries is set up in the Compliance Office of the Company in accordance with the "Whistleblower Protection Regulations" of each subsidiary. Furthermore, in accordance with the "Crisis Management Regulations" of the subsidiaries, when directors or employees of a subsidiary obtain risk-related information, they shall promptly communicate such information to the president of the subsidiary. The president of the subsidiary who receives such information shall report the contents of the information to the auditors of the subsidiary and the Company. The Company shall report information on the risks of subsidiaries to the Board of Corporate Auditors in accordance with the "Risk Management Regulations."

The subsidiaries shall obtain the approval of the Board of Directors of the Company approved under the "Regulations for Affiliated Company Management" of the Company.

The Internal Audit Department shall conduct internal audits of the Company's corporate group.

#### 6) System to ensure the appropriateness of financial reporting

The enhancement of internal control contributes to the improvement of business performance through the optimization and efficiency of operations and reliable financial reporting based on proper accounting procedures contributes to the maintenance and improvement of public trust in the Company. Therefore, the President & CEO shall establish and maintain an appropriate system for "internal control over financial reporting" as stipulated in the Financial Instruments and Exchange Law and shall always ensure appropriate financial reporting.

7) Matters concerning employees who are requested by corporate auditors for assistance

Two or more employees shall be assigned to the Corporate Auditors' Office to assist the corporate auditors in their audit duties.

8) Matters related to the independence of the employees mentioned in the preceding item from directors and matters related to ensuring the effectiveness of instructions given to such employees

The opinions of the Board of Corporate Auditors regarding the selection of assistants shall be respected, and assistants who receive orders from the corporate auditors for auditing work shall not be subject to the direction and orders of directors with respect to such orders.

Assistants shall give priority to work related to corporate auditors.

## 9) System for Reporting to Corporate Auditors

Directors and employees shall report to corporate auditors not only statutory matters but also matters that may have a significant impact on the Company's corporate group, the status of internal audits, the occurrence of crises and countermeasures in accordance with the "Risk Management Regulations," and the results of investigations of reports in accordance with the "Whistleblower Protection Regulations" and shall submit materials concerning free provision of benefits.

In addition, in accordance with the "Compliance Regulations" employees and others may directly report to the auditors when they become aware of facts in violation of the Regulations.

In accordance with the "Crisis Management Regulations" for subsidiaries, when a director or employee of a subsidiary obtains risk-related information, they shall promptly communicate such information to the president of the subsidiary. The president of the subsidiary who receives such information shall report the contents of the information to the auditors of the subsidiary and the Company. The Company shall report information on the risks of subsidiaries to the Board of Corporate Auditors in accordance with the "Crisis Management Regulations."

- 10) System to ensure that a person who makes a report as described in the preceding item will not be disadvantaged In accordance with the "Whistleblower Protection Regulations," the Company shall not dismiss or otherwise treat the whistleblower disadvantageously by reason of the fact that they consulted or reported the matter. Furthermore, the Company shall take appropriate measures to ensure that the whistleblower's work environment will not deteriorate because they consulted or reported the matter. In addition, if any person (including the whistleblower's supervisor, co-workers) gives disadvantageous treatment to or harasses the whistleblower, the perpetrator shall be punished strictly in accordance with the Rules of the Board of Directors and the "Award and Penalty Rules."
- 11) Matters concerning procedures for advance payment or reimbursement of expenses incurred in the performance of duties by corporate auditors and other policies concerning the treatment of expenses or liabilities incurred in the performance of duties. The Company shall promptly dispose of expenses incurred by corporate auditors in the ordinary course of their audits upon request. In addition to ordinary audit expenses, the corporate auditors shall give prior notice to the officer in charge of any urgent audit expenses or new investigation expenses using specialists.
- 12) Other systems to ensure the effective implementation of audits by corporate auditors

Corporate auditors may, at any time, request business reports from directors and employees and investigate the status of business and assets. They shall always be requested to participate in internal audits and visits to departments and subsidiaries by auditing firms.

In addition, meetings for exchange of opinions between corporate auditors and the President & CEO, related directors and the audit firm shall be held regularly.

## 13) Matters concerning antisocial forces

In accordance with the "Regulations for Dealing with Antisocial Forces," the Company shall sever all relations with antisocial forces that threaten the order and safety of civil society, and shall deal with such antisocial forces in a resolute, company-wide manner in close cooperation with the police and other external specialized agencies.

#### 2. Status of Risk Management System Status of Risk Management System

To establish a system for risk management, the Company has established "Crisis Management Regulations" and appointed a director as the person in charge of crisis management to prevent and eliminate crises and to respond to unforeseen situations. In addition, the Internal Audit Department reviews the status of company-wide risk management based on the "NJS Code of Ethics," "NJS Corporate Ethics Code of Conduct," "Compliance Rules," and "Whistleblower Protection Rules," and reports the results to the President & CEO, Board of Directors, and Corporate Auditors.

## 2. Basic Views on Measures for Eliminating Anti-Social Forces and Status of Development

In accordance with the "NJS Code of Ethics" and the "Regulations for Dealing with Antisocial Forces," the Company shall not have any relationship with antisocial forces that threaten the order of civil society, and shall take a firm company-wide stance against such forces in cooperation with the police and other external specialized agencies.

## V. Other

## 1. Adoption of Anti-Takeover Measures

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Not Adopted

## Supplementary Explanation for Applicable Items

The Company's basic policy is to continuously increase corporate value through sustainable development by creating new demand using new technologies by long-term investments in technological development and expanding our business domain on a global scale, and to prepare for hostile takeovers by increasing shareholder value through stable, long-term profit returns. We do not plan to introduce any defense measures against hostile takeovers using special stock acquisition rights or class shares.

## 2. Other Matters Concerning the Corporate Governance System

No applicable.

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