# Financial Accounting Standards Foundation

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Sojitz Corporation Masayoshi Fujimoto, President & CEO (TSE Code: 2768; TSE First Section)

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# Announcement: Changes to Representative Directors

At a meeting of the Board of Directors held on January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020, Sojitz Corporation passed a resolution approving the following changes to Representative Directors.

1. Reason for the change Changes due to revised management structure

#### 2. Changes

## 1) Appointment as of June 2020

Name	New position	Current position
Ryutaro Hirai	Representative Director, Executive Vice President Advisor to the President Executive Management of Business Group (Automotive, Aerospace & Transportation Project, Machinery & Medical Infrastructure, Energy & Social Infrastructure, Metals & Mineral Resources) Oversight East Asia*	Senior Managing Executive Officer Executive Management of Business Group (Automotive, Aerospace & Transportation Project, Machinery & Medical Infrastructure, Energy & Social Infrastructure, Metals & Mineral Resources) Oversight East Asia

<sup>\*</sup>Effective April 1st, 2020, Ryutaro Hirai will be promoted from Senior Managing Executive Officer to Executive Vice President. Ryutaro Hirai's appointment as Representative Director, Executive Vice President will be finalized at the General Shareholders' Meeting scheduled for June 2020.

# 2) Retiring as of March 31st, 2020

Name	New position	Current position
Shigeru Nishihara	Senior Managing Executive Officer President & CEO for the Americas President, Sojitz Corporation of America*	Representative Director, Senior Managing Executive Officer COO, Corporate Planning Department, Corporate Sustainability Office CCO

<sup>\*</sup>Effective April 1st, 2020, Shigeru Nishihara will be appointed a Senior Managing Executive Officer, retiring from his position as Representative Director, Senior Managing Executive Officer, which will be finalized at the General Shareholders' Meeting scheduled for June 2020.

3. Biographical Outline of New Representative Director See attachment.

## Biographical Outline

# Ryutaro Hirai

Birthplace: Fukuoka Prefecture

Date of Birth: July 31st, 1958

Education: Bachelor of Economics, Kyushu University

Shares Owned: 56,517

April 2019 -present Senior Managing Executive Officer

Executive Management of Business Group

(Automotive, Aerospace & Transportation Project, Machinery & Medical Infrastructure, Energy & Social

Infrastructure, Metals & Mineral Resources)

Oversight East Asia

April 2017 Managing Executive Officer

President & CEO for Asia & Oceania

Managing Director, Sojitz Asia Pte. Ltd.

General Manager, Singapore Branch

April 2015 Managing Executive Officer

Secretariat, Human Resources & General Affairs

April 2014 Executive Officer

Secretariat, Human Resources & General Affairs

October 2013 Executive Officer

Human Resources & General Affairs

April 2013 Executive Officer

Human Resources & General Affairs Department

General Manager,

Human Resources & General Affairs Department

April 2009 General Manager,

Human Resources & General Affairs Department

February 2007 Los Angeles Branch Manager,

Sojitz Corporation of America

October 2005 Sojitz Holdings and Sojitz Corporation merged to

form the newly named Sojitz Corporation

April 2004 Sojitz Corporation formed through the merger of Nichimen

Corporation and Nissho Iwai Corporation

October 2003 General Manager, Corporate Planning Department

Nissho Iwai American Corporation

# April 1982 Joined Nissho Iwai Corporation

Honors: None