Corporate Governance

Against a backdrop of ongoing business globalization, Tokyo Electron maintains a management philosophy that puts emphasis on improving corporate value for its shareholders and all other stakeholders. To this end, the Company considers it important to strengthen corporate governance. In line with the following three basic principles, the Company is building a highly effective, optimized corporate governance structure, and upgrading and strengthening its internal control systems and risk management system.

**Tokyo Electron’s Basic Principles of Corporate Governance**

1. Ensure the transparency and soundness of business operations
2. Facilitate quick decision-making and the efficient execution of business operations
3. Disclose information in a timely and suitable manner

**The Corporate Governance Framework**

Tokyo Electron uses the audit & supervisory board system based on the Companies Act, and furthermore, has established its own Compensation Committee and Nomination Committee to increase the transparency and objectivity of management. The members of these committees are directors and audit & supervisory board members, excluding the representative directors. Also, to more clearly define the roles of the Board of Directors and the executive body and to facilitate quick decision-making, Tokyo Electron has adopted the executive officer system since 2004. Moreover, Tokyo Electron has been disclosing the individual remuneration of representative directors since 1999 in recognition of the importance of managerial transparency for shareholders.

**The Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors consists of 11 directors, two of whom are outside directors. In principle, the Board of Directors meets once a month. During fiscal 2013, the Board of Directors met on 12 occasions. In order to ensure that the Company can respond quickly to changing business conditions, and to more clearly define management accountability, the term of office for directors is set at one year.

**The Audit & Supervisory Board**

The Company has five audit & supervisory board members, three of whom are outside audit & supervisory board members. The audit & supervisory board members do not only attend meetings of the Board of Directors, the Top Management Conference and other important business meetings, but also conduct operations audits and accounting audits, evaluate risk management, and audit the performance of duties by directors. During fiscal 2013, the audit & supervisory board met seven times.

**Outside Directors and Outside Audit & Supervisory Board Members**

From the viewpoint of objectively assessing the effectiveness of the decision-making of the Board of Directors, Tokyo Electron has appointed two outside directors to the Board: Mr. Hiroshi Inoue, who is Chairman of the Board, Tokyo Broadcasting System Holdings, Inc., and Mr. Masahiro Sakane, who is Counsellor & Senior Advisor, Komatsu Ltd. Additionally, to objectively ensure the reasonableness of the audits, Tokyo Electron has also appointed three outside audit & supervisory board members: Mr. Mikio Akashi, Mr. Takatoshi Yamamoto and Mr. Ryûji Sakai, who is an attorney at law of Nagashima Ohno & Tsunematsu. Mr. Mikio Akashi conducts audits of the Tokyo Electron Group as a full-time audit & supervisory board member.

**Compensation for Corporate Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Members**

Tokyo Electron has adopted the following executive compensation program with the intention of tying compensation more closely to financial results and shareholder value, raising corporate competitiveness, and enhancing management transparency.

1. The compensation for corporate directors consists of a monthly fixed remuneration and a performance-linked compensation.
2. The performance-linked compensation system for corporate directors is designed to align compensation more closely with financial results and increases in shareholder value. It takes into account consolidated net income and consolidated return on equity (ROE), two performance indicators of consolidated business results. Necessary adjustments are then made when there are special factors that should be taken into account, such as principal performance indicators for the term under review, including profits and losses, and so on. In principle, performance-linked compensation comprises cash bonuses and stock-based compensation.
3. Performance-linked compensation is limited to five times the fixed yearly remuneration. The ratio of cash bonuses to stock-based compensation has generally been one to one. Stock-based compensation consists of granting share subscription rights with a set strike price of one yen per share and a three-year vesting period before the granted stock options may be exercised.
4. The compensation for audit & supervisory board members consists of a monthly fixed remuneration, to maintain independence from management.
5. Retirement allowance systems for corporate directors and audit & supervisory board members have been abolished and, after the end of fiscal 2005, as part of the revisions to Tokyo Electron’s executive compensation program.

**Compliance**

Stakeholder trust is the cornerstone of business activities. In order to maintain trust, it is necessary to continuously act in rigorous conformity to business ethics and compliance. In line with the Fundamental Policies Concerning Internal Controls within the Tokyo Electron Group decided by the Board of Directors, the Company is also implementing measures for the Internal Controls Over Financial Reporting, based on the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act.

**Internal Control Systems**

To more effectively strengthen the internal control and risk management systems of the entire Tokyo Electron Group, Tokyo Electron appointed a Chief Internal Control Director and a Compliance & Internal Control Executive Officer. Under them, the company established a dedicated risk management and internal control function within the General Affairs Department, which evaluates and analyzes the risks which could affect the Group, and works to reduce these risks by promoting the necessary measures. Tokyo Electron has also established the Information Security Committee and the Export Trade Control Committee to further strengthen the management of confidential information and the export compliance system.

**Internal Audit Department (Global Audit Center)**

The Global Audit Center oversees the internal auditing activities of the entire Tokyo Electron Group. The Center is responsible for auditing the business activities of the Group’s domestic and overseas bases, as well as their compliance and systems, and evaluating the effectiveness of internal control systems. As necessary, the Global Audit Center also provides guidance to operating divisions.

**Coordination Between Audit & Supervisory Board Members and Internal Audit Department**

The audit & supervisory board members coordinate with the Global Audit Center, a department responsible for internal auditing activities, primarily by attending its report meetings.

**Coordination Between Audit & Supervisory Board Members and Independent Auditors**

The audit & supervisory board members receive audit plans for the fiscal year from the independent auditors, as well as explanations regarding auditing methods and particular areas of focus, among other matters. The independent auditors audit the year-end financial statements and review the quarterly financial statements, and report the results of their audits to the audit & supervisory board members.

The Company provides KPMG AZSA LLC, its independent auditors, with all necessary information and data to ensure that it can conduct its audits during the fiscal year promptly and correctly.

**Diagram of the Corporate Governance Framework, Internal Control System and Risk Management System**
Corporate Governance

Code of Ethics, Chief Business Ethics Director and Ethics Committee
In 1998, Tokyo Electron formulated the “Code of Ethics of the Tokyo Electron Group” to establish uniform standards to govern all of its global business activities. In the same year, the Company appointed a Chief Business Ethics Director and established the Ethics Committee, which is responsible for promoting business ethics awareness throughout the Group. The Code and its Q&A section are published in Japanese, English, Korean and Chinese editions, and the Company distributes it to all Group executives and employees, including those overseas. Moreover, the Code is appropriately reviewed and revised in response to changes in the environment and societal demands. The most recent revision of the Code and Q&A was in April 2011.

Compliance & Internal Control Executive Officer
Tokyo Electron has appointed a Compliance & Internal Control Executive Officer from among the executive officers to raise awareness of compliance across the Group, and further improve its implementation.

Framework for Thorough Implementation of Compliance
Tokyo Electron has drawn up the Compliance Regulations setting out basic compliance-related requirements in line with the Code. The Compliance Regulations are intended to ensure that all individuals who take part in business activities for the Group clearly understand the pertinent laws, regulations, international standards and internal company rules, and continuously apply them in all of their activities. The Company also conducts web-based training programs for employees, makes information on compliance issues available to employees via the Company internet, and takes other steps to promote broad awareness of compliance throughout the Company.

Internal Reporting System
In the event that an employee becomes aware of any activity which may violate laws, regulations or principles of business ethics, the Group operates an internal reporting system that employees can use to report their concerns. The entire Group has established an ethics hotline and a compliance hotline, and this reporting system is also in place at each overseas base. In all cases, this system ensures that strict confidentiality is maintained to protect the whistleblower and ensure that they are not subject to any disadvantage or repercussions.

Shareholder’s Meeting
Tokyo Electron mails a Notice of Annual General Meeting of Shareholders to shareholders more than three weeks in advance of the meeting, as one of its measures to vitalize these meetings and to promote smooth and efficient voting.

It also sets the date of the Company’s meeting to avoid days on which many such meetings are concentrated. In addition, shareholders are free to cast their votes via the Internet. Moreover, Tokyo Electron participates in the web-based voting platform for institutional investors operated by Investor Communications Japan Inc. (ICJ). To supplement the above shareholder meeting related initiatives, Tokyo Electron’s website carries notices, resolutions and voting results of shareholders’ meetings.

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Constituent of the FTSE4Good Global Index

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