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Company name: **Makita Corporation**
 Representative: Masahiko Goto, President, Representative Director & CEO
 Stock ticker code: 6586

Announcement of Appointment of Representative Directors and Changes in Managements

Makita Corporation announces that its Board of Directors, at a meeting held today, has resolved on the following appointment of representative directors and changes in managements.

The change of Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Member will be officially implemented upon approval at the 101st Annual General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on June 25, 2013 and resolution of the Board of Directors to be held following the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders.

1. Appointment of representative directors (scheduled to take effect on June 25, 2013)

(1) Reason for the changes

The Company adds another representative director to its managements in order to upgrade and enhance its management system so that it can swiftly respond to changes in the global business environment and further expand its business.

(2) Name and title of representative directors

Name	New Title	Present Title
Masahiko Goto	Chairman, Representative Director	President, Representative Director
Shiro Hori	President, Representative Director	Director, Managing Corporate Officer, In charge of International Sales and General Manager of International Sales Headquarters: America, Asia, and Oceania Region

(3) Brief personal background of newly appointed representative director

Name (Date of Birth)	Brief personal background	Number of the Company's shares held
Shiro Hori (February 24, 1948)	March 1970 Joined the Company March 1999 General Manager of Europe Sales Department June 2003 Director, General Manager of International Sales Headquarters: America Region September 2007 Director, General Manager of International Sales Headquarters: America, Asia, and Oceania Region June 2009 Director, Managing Corporate Officer, In charge of International Sales and General Manager of International Sales Headquarters: America, Asia, and Oceania Region (present)	17,413

2. Changes in Directors (scheduled to take effect on June 25, 2013)

Newly appointed directors

Name	New Title	Present Title
Tomoyuki Ota	Director, Corporate Officer, Assistant General Manager of Research and Development Headquarters	General Manager of Products & Engineering Administration Department and General Manager of Product Design & Development Department 1
Munetoshi Goto	Director, Corporate Officer, General Manager of International Sales Headquarters	General Manager of International Sales Administration Department



Newly appointed outside director

Name	Present Title
Akiyoshi Morita	Advisor of Aichi Steel Corporation

Retirement as a board member

Name	Present Title
Yasuhiko Kanzaki	In charge of International Sales and General Manager of International Sales Headquarters: Europe, the Middle East and Africa Region
Motohiko Yokoyama	Outside Director

Note: After retiring, Yasuhiko Kanzaki will serve as an Advisor for the company.

3. Change in Audit & Supervisory Board Members (scheduled to take effect on June 25, 2013)

Newly appointed audit & supervisory board member (outside)

Name	Present Title
Fusahiro Yamamoto	Representative partner, PricewaterhouseCoopers Arata (scheduled to retire on June 30, 2013)

Note: English translation of “KANSAYAKU” has been changed from “Statutory Auditor” to “Audit & Supervisory Board Member.”

4. Changes in Corporate Officers

[On April 26, 2013]

Voluntarily resigned corporate officer

Name	Present Title
Paul Harris	Corporate Officer, Managing Director of Makita Manufacturing Europe, Ltd. and in charge of Romania Plant

[Scheduled to take effect on June 25, 2013]

Newly appointed corporate officers

Name	New Title	Present Title
Takashi Omote	Corporate Officer, in charge of Central and South America sales and President of Makita do Brasil Ferramentas Elétricas Industriais Ltda.	President of Makita do Brasil Ferramentas Elétricas Ltda.
Takashi Tsuchiya	Corporate Officer, General Manager of Domestic Sales Marketing Headquarters: Tokyo Area	General Manager of International Sales Administration Department
Yasushi Fukaya	Corporate Officer, in charge of Europe Sales	Managing Director of Makita (Australia) Pty. Ltd.

Retirement as a corporate officer

Name	Present Title
Zenji Mashiko	Corporate Officer, General Manager of Domestic Sales Marketing Headquarters: Tokyo Area

Note: After retiring, Zenji Mashiko will serve as an Advisor for the company.

Change of position

Name	New Title	Present Title
Tamiro Kishima	Corporate Officer, in charge of OPE	Corporate Officer, Senior Managing Director of Dolmar G.m.b.H

Note: OPE stands for “Outdoor Power Equipment,” which are used for outdoor works such gardening, agriculture and forestry.



New management system (Date of assuming offices: June 25, 2013)

1. Directors and Audit & Supervisory Board Member

Name	Official Title	Position
Masahiko Goto	Chairman, Representative Director	
Shiro Hori	President, Representative Director	
Tadayoshi Torii	Director, Managing Corporate Officer	In charge of Production and General Manager of Production Headquarters
Tomoyasu Kato	Director, Corporate Officer	General Manager of Research and Development Headquarters
Tadashi Asanuma	Director, Corporate Officer	In charge of Domestic Sales and General Manager of Domestic Sales Marketing Headquarters
Hisayoshi Niwa	Director, Corporate Officer	General Manager of Quality Headquarters
Shinichiro Tomita	Director, Corporate Officer	General Manager of Purchasing Headquarters
Tetsuhisa Kaneko	Director, Corporate Officer	General Manager of Production Headquarters (in charge of China Plant)
Yoji Aoki	Director, Corporate Officer	General Manager of Administration Headquarters
Tomoyuki Ota	Director, Corporate Officer	Assistant General Manager of Research and Development Headquarters
Munetoshi Goto	Director, Corporate Officer	General Manager of International Sales Headquarters
Akiyoshi Morita	Outside Director	Advisor of Aichi Steel Corporation
Toshihito Yamazoe	Standing Audit & Supervisory Board Member	
Haruhito Hisatsune	Standing Audit & Supervisory Board Member (Outside)	
Michiyuki Kondo	Audit & Supervisory Board Member (Outside)	Lawyer
Fusahiro Yamamoto	Audit & Supervisory Board Member (Outside)	Certified Public Accountant

2. Corporate officers

Name	Official Title	Position
Toshio Hyuga	Corporate Officer	General Manager of Domestic Sales Marketing Headquarters: Osaka Area
Tamiro Kishima	Corporate Officer	In charge of OPE
Tim Donovan	Corporate Officer	President of Makita Corporation of America and in charge of Brazil Plant
Takashi Omote	Corporate Officer	In charge of Central and South America Sales and President of Makita do Brasil Ferramentas Elétricas Ltda.
Takashi Tsuchiya	Corporate Officer	General Manager of Domestic Sales Marketing Headquarters: Tokyo Area
Yasushi Fukaya	Corporate Officer	In charge of Europe Sales

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