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To Whom It May Concern

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Notice Concerning Shareholder Returns for the Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2025

1. Dividends and purchase of treasury shares for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025

Under the Medium Term Management Plan 2026, TAKARA STANDARD CO., LTD. (the “Company” hereinafter) seeks to enhance shareholder returns while maintaining financial soundness, as it actively allocates capital to objectives that include growth investment and strengthening the management base with its sights set on developing sustainable growth infrastructure as its investment plan and shareholder return policy. With respect to the purchase of treasury shares, the Company has a policy of flexible purchases based on the capital structure and announces the forecast of a dividend increase and the purchase of treasury shares for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 based on this policy.

2. Details of dividends (forecasts) and purchase of treasury shares for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025

Dividends (forecasts)	Annual dividends	¥56 (An increase of ¥2) (Interim dividend: ¥28, year-end dividend: ¥28)
	Dividend payout ratio	39.5%
Purchase of treasury shares	Total amount for share purchase	¥2,000 million (maximum)
	Total number of shares to be purchased	1,100,000 shares (maximum) (1.61% of total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares)
		* All shares purchased as treasury shares are to be retired.
Total return ratio (forecast) by dividends and share repurchase	The total return ratio by dividends and share repurchase with respect to profit attributable to owners of parent in the consolidated earnings forecasts for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025 of ¥9,700 million is expected to be at the 60% level.	

For details on the forecast of dividends, please refer to “Summary of Consolidated Financial Results for the Year Ended March 31, 2024” and for details of the purchase of treasury shares, please refer to “Notice Regarding Purchase of Treasury Shares and Retirement of Treasury Shares” also announced today.

(Reference)

The status of purchase treasury shares in the past 2 years

FY 2022 total cost of the purchase: ¥3,669 million, total number of shares purchased: 2,779,000 shares

FY 2023 total cost of the purchase: ¥3,590 million, total number of shares purchased: 2,021,000 shares

* Forward-looking statements provided in this document, including earnings forecasts, are based on the information currently available to the Company and certain assumptions considered reasonable. Actual business and other results may differ materially from the forecasts depending on various factors.