SOCIAL REPORT

Relationship with Shareholders and Investors

Our approach to information disclosure

Tokyo Electron is committed to making information about the company available in a fair, equitable and timely manner to ensure that shareholders and investors can obtain an accurate, in-depth understanding of the company and its activities and can evaluate its corporate value appropriately. We also value and respect opinions received from our stakeholders concerning information disclosed and utilize their feedback as a point of reference to guide our future corporate management.

Information disclosure methods

Tokyo Electron releases timely disclosure information via the Tokyo Stock Exchange's Timely Disclosure Network (TDnet) and promptly posts the same information on its corporate website. Even when it does not fall into the category of material information, we voluntarily disclose information which may be of interest to stakeholders in a fair, equitable, and easy-to-understand manner using various communication channels, including on our website or in printed form.

To ensure that foreign investors have fair and equal access to our information, all information is, in principle, released simultaneously in Japanese and English.

Basic policy on returns to shareholders

Our dividend policy is to link dividend payments to business performance and earnings, and our basic policy for returns to shareholders is to maintain a payout rate of around 35% based on consolidated net income.

We aim to maintain profitable growth in order to enhance corporate value by effectively utilizing internal reserves and concentrating investments in growing businesses while at the same time delivering direct returns to shareholders through dividends based on our performance and earnings.

Constituent of the FTSE4Good Global Index



Tokyo Electron has been a constituent of the FTSE4Good Global Index since September 2003. The FTSE4Good Global Index is a social responsibility investment (SRI) index provided by the FTSE Group, a world-leading index firm wholly owned by the London Stock Exchange.

The Tokyo Electron Group emphasizes fair, equitable, and timely disclosure of information to and dialogues with shareholders and investors, both in Japan and overseas.

Annual shareholders meeting

To encourage as many shareholders as possible to attend annual shareholders meetings and fully exercise their voting rights, we send out invitations well in advance—more than three weeks prior to the meeting—and avoid the date when most major Japanese companies hold their shareholders meetings. Shareholders who cannot attend a meeting can vote via the Internet. We also participate in the webbased voting platform for institutional investors operated by Investor Communications Japan (ICJ).

Our website also carries notices of convocation, notices of resolution, the results of the exercise of voting rights, and presentation materials.

• Earnings release conference

We hold an earnings release conference to report our financial results to securities analysts and institutional investors after every quarter. By making these conferences open to members of the press, as well as by posting all the material handouts on our website, we ensure that information provided at the conferences is also available to individual investors.



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