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Changes in the Board of Directors

On May 13, 2004, The Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd., at the Meeting of its Board of Directors, decided the following changes in directorships and the introduction of the position of Corporate Officers, to become effective upon approval at the General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on June 29, 2004.

Promoted Director and Corporate Officer

New position	Name	Current position
Chairman and Representative Director	Yasuo Tominaga	President and Representative Director
President and Representative Director	Tadanobu Nagumo	Executive Director
Director and Senior Managing Corporate Officer	Keigo Ueda	Managing Director
Director and Senior Managing Corporate Officer	Takashi Sugimoto	Managing Director
Managing Corporate Officer	Toshihiko Shiraki	Director

Retiring from the Board

Name	Current position	New position
Hisao Suzuki	Vice President and Representative Director	Senior Advisor
Keimei Kiyoura	Executive Director	Honorary Advisor, President of Hamagomu Real Estate Co., Ltd.
Kouji Ikawa	Managing Director	Advisor, Chairman of Yokohama Tire Corporation
Seiji Miyashita	Managing Director	Advisor, President of Acty Corporation
Takashi Yamashita	Managing Director	Managing Corporate Officer
Toshihiko Shiraki	Director	Managing Corporate Officer
Masamichi Danjo	Director	Corporate Officer
Akihisa Takayama	Director	Corporate Officer
Michio Yuge	Director	Corporate Officer
Hiroshi Hosoya	Director	Corporate Officer
Toshio Izawa	Director	Corporate Officer
Yasuhiro Mizumoto	Director	Corporate Officer

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Promoted to Corporate Officer

Name	Current position
Shinichi Suzuki	General Manager of Mishima Plant
Koichi Tanaka	General Manager of Tire Sales Promotion Dept.
Takashi Fukui	General Manager of Tire Overseas Sales Dept. No. 1 and General Manager of Dusseldorf Europe Head Office
Toru Kobayashi	General Manager of Tire Planning Dept.
Toshihiko Suzuki	General Manager of PC Tire Designing Dept.
Norio Karashima	Yokohama Tire Corporation

Brief Background of the New Chairman and President



Chairman, Yasuo Tominaga



President, Tadanobu Nagumo

Chairman, Yasuo Tominaga

Birth date: March 5, 1937

Education: March 1960 Graduated from the Faculty of Economics, Keio University

Career:

April 1960 Joined The Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd.
March 1991 Director, General Manager of Tire North American Business Div.
October 1993 Director, General Manager of Corporate Personnel Dept.
March 1995 Managing Director
June 1996 Executive Director, President of Tire Group
January 1997 Executive Director, President of Yokohama Corporation of North America, President of Yokohama Tire Corporation and President of Yokohama Corporation of America
April 1998 Executive Director, President of Tire Group, President of Yokohama Corporation of North America, President of Yokohama Tire Corporation and President of Yokohama Corporation of America
April 1999 to present: President

President, Tadanobu Nagumo

Birth date: February 12, 1947

Education: March 1969 Graduated from the Faculty of Engineering, Shinsyu University

Career:

April 1969 Joined The Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd.
May 1994 Deputy General Manager of Shinshiro Plant
July 1996 President of Yokohama Tire Philippines, Inc.
June 1999 Director, Deputy General Manager of Tire Production Div., and General Manager of Tire Production Technology Dept.
November 2000 Director, General Manager of Tire Production Div.
June 2002 Managing Director, General Manager of Tire Production Div., and General Manager of Tire Planning Div.
June 2003 to present: Executive Director, President of Tire Group

New Management

Yokohama Rubber plans to establish the following new management after the General Meeting of Shareholders to be held on June 29, 2004.

Directors

Name	Position
Yasuo Tominaga	Chairman and Representative Director
Tadanobu Nagumo	President and Representative Director
Keigo Ueda	Director and Senior Managing Corporate Officer, in charge of Secretariat, Corporate Personnel Dept., and Corporate General Affairs Dept., and General Manager of Original Equipment Tire Sales Div.
Takashi Sugimoto	Director and Senior Managing Corporate Officer, President of Tire Group, in charge of Off-the-road Tire and Aircraft Tire Div.
Tetsuya Mizoguchi	Director and Managing Corporate Officer, in charge of Tire Quality Assurance, and General Manager of R & D Center
Takasuke Sato	Director and Managing Corporate Officer, President of Multiple Business Group and President of Sports Group
Tatsunari Kojima	Director and Corporate Officer, in charge of Corporate Planning Dept., Corporate Communications Dept., Corporate Finance & Accounting Dept., MIS Dept., Internal Audit Dept., and Corporate Purchasing Dept., and General Manager of Corporate Finance & Accounting Dept., and President of Yokohama Corporation of North America

Corporate Officers

Name	Position
Takashi Yamashita	Managing Corporate Officer, General Manager of Tire Technical Div., and General Manager of Hiratsuka Factory
Toshihiko Shiraki	Managing Corporate Officer, General Manager of Tire Domestic Sales Div.
Masamichi Danjo	Corporate Officer, in charge of MB Technical, MB Quality Assurance and Environmental Conservation Dept., and General Manager of Hamatite Div. and General Manager of MB Business Development Center
Akihisa Takayama	Corporate Officer, General Manager of Tire Production Technology Div.
Michio Yuge	Corporate Officer, President of Yokohama Hydrex Co.
Hiroshi Hosoya	Corporate Officer, in charge of MB Production, and General Manager of Industrial Products Div.
Toshio Izawa	Corporate Officer, General Manager of Tire Production Div.
Yasuhiro Mizumoto	Corporate Officer, Vice President of Yokohama Tire Corporation
Shinichi Suzuki	Corporate Officer, General Manager of Mishima Plant
Koichi Tanaka	Corporate Officer, Deputy General Manager of Tire Domestic Sales Div.
Takashi Fukui	Corporate Officer, General Manager of Tire Overseas Sales Div.
Toru Kobayashi	Corporate Officer, General Manager of Tire Planning Div., Chairman of Yokohama Tire Philippines, Inc., and Chairman of Hangzhou Yokohama Tire Co., Ltd.
Toshihiko Suzuki	Corporate Officer, Deputy General Manager of Tire Technical Div.
Norio Karashima	Corporate Officer, President of Yokohama Tire Corporation and President of Yokohama Corporation of America