Interim Report of Corporate Governance Survey 2010

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This report overviews the interim results of the 9th annual Corporate Governance Survey 2010 (JCGIndex Survey 2010) of the Japan Corporate Governance Research Institute (JCGR).

1. Outline of the survey—Contents and categorization of questions—

The current best practice in corporate governance can be characterized by (1) board of directors where outsiders play a vital role as independent directors, (2) separation of directors and executive officers, (3) nomination, compensation, and audit functions exercised by the board of directors to supervise executive officers, and (4) transparency in management.

Based on such a model, JCGIndex Survey's questions are comprised of the following 7 parts:

Part I Performance targets, leadership of CEO	9 questions
Part II Efforts on corporate governance	4 questions
PartⅢ Board of directors	10 questions
PartIV Management system	10 questions
Part V Evaluation of management, compensation system	5 questions
PartVI Management of consolidated subsidiaries	2 questions
PartVII Communication with shareholders	8 questions

These 48 questions in total are recategorized into 4 categories to calculate sub-scores (Cg1, Cg2, Cg3, Cg4) for each category. Each category represents the following perspective:

Category I Corporate objectives and CEO responsibility Based on Part I and Part II

Category I Structure and function of board of directors

Based on PartⅢ

Category III Management system

Based om PartIV, Part V and PartVI

Category IV Transparency and communication to shareholders Based on PartVII

2. Meaning of the Categories

Categories I and II are related to corporate governance system, and III and IV are about corporate management system. Although it is possible to value the corporate governance through Categories I and II alone, Categories III and IV are incorporated into JCGIndex, based on the belief that good management system is established under the good governance system.

3. Number of companies that responded to the survey

From September 2010 to November 2010, we surveyed all companies listed on the First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange (1,672, as of July 13, 2010), of which 127 have responded to the survey. The number decreased by half from the previous year due to several confusions caused by switching to an online survey. We are sorry that we could not meet your expectation. We are all the more grateful to all companies that nonetheless responded to this survey amid such confusion.

We will seriously make efforts to resolve the confusions and improve our new online survey, and ask for your continuous support for our survey.

4. Interim results of JCGIndex and category scores

While this time's questions are virtually identical to those in the last survey, we have made the scoring standard stricter, since understanding and interest in corporate governance are now enhanced and the relevant systems were revised. The stricter scoring standard made scores among companies with high JCGIndex slightly lower than 2009, while the overall average remained flat. We would appreciate your understanding for this.

Below is the comparison of this year's category scores and the JCGIndex to those in the previous year.

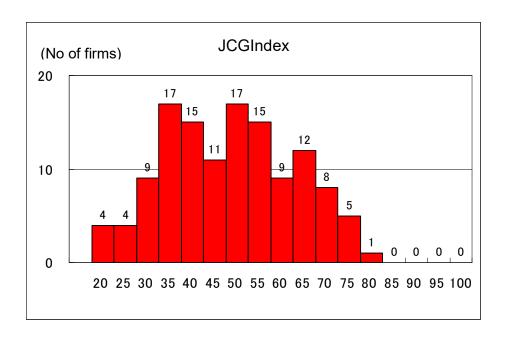
Category scores and achievement rates by category

Category		Weight (A)	Mean (B)	Achievement
				rate
				(B) / (A)
I	Corporate objectives and CEO	29	12.0	41.4%
	responsibility	(29)	(10.5)	(36.3%)
Ш	Structure and function of board of	26	9.35	36.0%
	directors	(25)	(9.9)	(39.7%)
III	Management system	25	16.14	64.6%
		(26)	(16.7)	(64.2%)
IV	Transparency and communication to	20	13.03	65.2%
	shareholders	(20)	(13.6)	(67.8%)
JCGIndex		100	50.52	
		(100)	(50.7)	

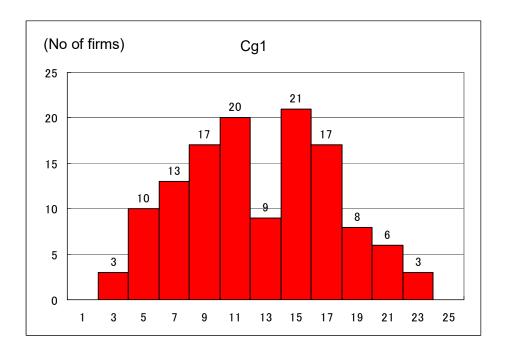
^{*}Results in 2009 are in parentheses.

5. Distribution of JCGIndex and category scores

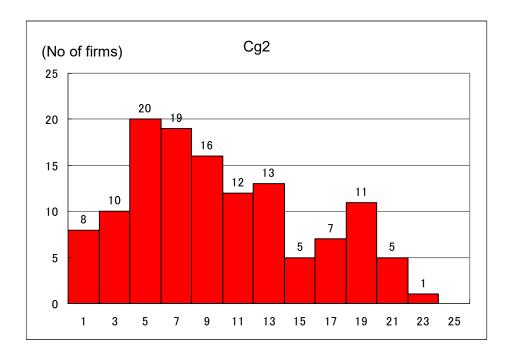
(1) JCGIndex



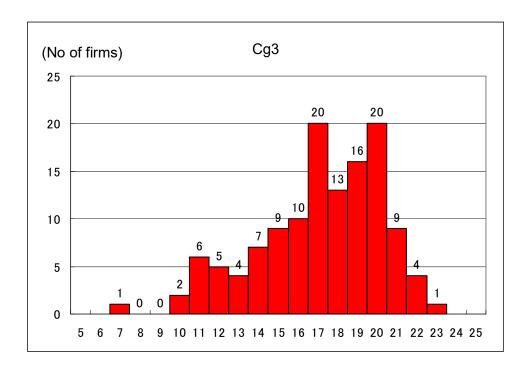
(2) Category I (Cg1)



(3) Category II (Cg2)



(4) Category Ⅲ (Cg3)



(5) Category IV (Cg4)

