Profile of Hiroya Kawasaki

Name Hiroya Kawasaki

Birthdate August 4, 1954 (age 58)

Education March 1980 Graduated from the Graduate School of Engineering, Kyoto

University, with a master's degree in mechanical engineering

Career April 1980 Joined Kobe Steel

April 2001 Construction General Manager, Power Plant Construction Dept.,

Kobe Works, Production Division, Iron & Steel Sector

September 2001 Construction General Manger, IPP Division, Iron & Steel Sector

October 2002 General Manager, Equipment Dept., Kakogawa Works, Iron & Steel

Sector

April 2006 Deputy General Manager, Kakogawa Works, Iron & Steel Sector

April 2007 Officer. Responsible for production of steel products in the Iron &

Steel Sector. General Manager, Technology Administration Dept. in

the same Sector.

April 2010 Senior Officer. Responsible for the Corporate Planning Dept.,

MONODZUKURI (Production System Innovation) Planning & Promotion Dept., IT Planning Dept., and overseas offices under the head office. Responsible for companywide information systems.

Responsible for special assignments from the President.

April 2012 Executive Officer. Oversaw companywide technical development.

Oversaw the Environmental Control & Disaster Prevention Dept., Human Resources Dept. (occupational safety management and QC

support activities), MONODZUKURI (Production System

Innovation) Planning & Promotion Dept. and IT Planning Dept. Oversaw companywide information systems. Responsible for the Corporate Planning Dept. and overseas locations under the head office. Supported the officer responsible for the Global Business

Planning Dept.

June 2012 Senior Managing Director

(Areas of responsibility are the same as above.)

No. of Kobe Steel shares owned: 118,000