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# Panasonic Announces Reorganizations of a Subsidiary and a Sub-subsidiary through a Company Split (Simplified Absorption-type) and a Merger (Simplified Merger)

Osaka, Japan, December 21, 2018 — Panasonic Corporation ([TSE:6752] "Panasonic") today announced that its Board of Directors has resolved to succeed the shares in and the long-term loan claims against Panasonic Precision Devices Co., Ltd. ("PPRD"), from Panasonic Equity Management Japan Co., Ltd. ("PEMJ"), a wholly-owned consolidated subsidiary of Panasonic, through an absorption-type company split (the "Company Split"). Consequently, PPRD will become a wholly-owned consolidated subsidiary of Panasonic. The Board of Directors has also resolved to absorb PPRD through a merger (the "Merger"). Both the Company Split and the Merger will take effect on April 1, 2019 (planned). Details are outlined below.

The Company Split and the Merger will be conducted in simplified methods since they will be conducted between Panasonic and its wholly-owned subsidiaries. Accordingly, some of the matters and details for disclosure relating to the Company Split and the Merger have been omitted.

#### I. Purpose of the Company Split and the Merger

Conductive polymer capacitors in Panasonic's Industrial Business is highly recognized in the industry for its high-reliability due to its unique polymer technology. Therefore, there is a growing demand particularly for information-communication infrastructure applications. Toward the realization of the further growth strategy of this business, Panasonic has decided to expand the origin element process for conductive polymer capacitors to PPRD, a wholly-owned subsubsidiary of Panasonic, for the purpose of expanding operation, primarily the domestic origin element process. Moreover, to further improve the management

efficiency of conductive polymer capacitor business, Panasonic will implement the Company Split and the Merger.

## II. Details of the Company Split

#### 1. Summary of the Company Split

(1) Schedule of the Company Split

December 21, 2018 Resolution of the Board of Directors on

the Company Split

December 21, 2018 Execution of the Company Split agreement

April 1, 2019 (planned) Effective date of the Company Split

(Note: Since, for Panasonic, the Company Split falls under a simplified absorption-type company split, as set forth in Article 796, Paragraph 2 of the Companies Act, and for PEMJ, the Company Split falls under a short form absorption-type company split as set forth in Article 784, Paragraph 1 of the Companies Act, shareholders' meetings of both companies concerning approval of the absorption-type company split will not be held.)

(2) Method of the Company Split

The Company Split is an absorption-type company split in which PEMJ is the splitting company and Panasonic is the succeeding company (simplified absorption-type company split).

- (3) Allotment of shares in relation to the Company Split There shall be no allotment of shares or other consideration upon the Company Split.
- (4) Treatment of stock acquisition rights and bonds with stock acquisition rights upon the Company Split

  There are no stock acquisition rights or hands with stock acquisition rights issued.

There are no stock acquisition rights or bonds with stock acquisition rights issued by PEMJ.

- (5) Increase or decrease in stated capital as a result of the Company Split There shall be no increase or decrease in the stated capital of Panasonic as a result of the Company Split.
- (6) Rights and obligations to be transferred to the succeeding company Panasonic will succeed the shares in and the long-term loan claims against PPRD, a wholly-owned consolidated subsidiary of PEMJ.

#### (7) Prospects for performance of liabilities

Panasonic believes that there will be no concern in fulfilling its obligations required to be performed after the effective date of the Company Split.

### 2. Outline of Companies that are Parties to the Company Split

	Succeeding Company		Splitting Company	
	(As of September 30, 2018)		(As of September 30, 2018)	
(1) Corporate name	Panasonic Corporation		Panasonic Equity Management Japan Co., Ltd. ("PEMJ")	
(2) Head office	1006, Oaza Kadoma,		1006, Oaza Kadoma,	
(2) Head office	Kadoma City, Osaka, Japan		Kadoma City, Osaka, Japan	
(3) Name and title of	President,		President,	
representative	Kazuhiro Tsuga		Hirokazu Umeda	
(4) Principal lines of business	Manufacture and sale of electronic and electric equipment, etc.		Investment and collection management for Panasonic group's subsidiaries in Japan	
(5) Stated capital	258,740 million yen		10 million yen	
(6) Date established	December 15, 1935		April 2, 2018	
(7) Total number of	2,453,053,497 shares		1 share	
outstanding shares			T Share	
(8) Fiscal year end	March 31		March 31	
(9) Major shareholders and shareholding ratios	Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (trust account)	7.38%	Panasonic Corporation 100%	
	The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (trust account)	6.39%		
	Nippon Life Insurance Company	2.96%		
	Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (trust account 5)	1.90%		
	Panasonic Corporation Employee Shareholding Association	1.75%		

(Note) The Amendment to the Report of Possession of Large Volume dated March 22, 2017 was submitted by BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd. and its five joint holders. According to the report, in relation to Panasonic, the total number of share certificates (and other equivalents) they hold is 122,710 thousands and their holding ratio of share certificates (and other equivalents) is 5.00% as of March 15, 2017. Since Panasonic cannot confirm the actual status of the shareholdings as of the end of September 2018, the "Major shareholders and shareholding ratios" for the succeeding company described above is based on Panasonic's shareholder registry.

#### (10) Financial conditions and business performance for immediately preceding fiscal year

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	Panasonic Corporation	PEMJ
	(Consolidated, IFRS)	(Non-consolidated, Japan GAAP)
	(The year ended March 31, 2018)	(The year ended March 31, 2018)
Panasonic Corporation stockholders' equity	1,707,551 million yen	ı
Total assets	6,291,148 million yen	I
Panasonic Corporation stockholders' equity per share	732.12 yen	
Net sales	7,982,164 million yen	I
Operating profit	380,539 million yen	-
Net profit attributable to Panasonic Corporation stockholders	236,040 million yen	_
Basic earnings per share attributable to Panasonic Corporation stockholders	101.20 yen	_

Notes: 1. Amounts less than 1 million yen have been rounded to the nearest whole 1 million yen amount.

- 2. Panasonic holds 120,681 thousand shares of its treasury stock as of September 30, 2018.
- 3. Since PEMJ was established on April 2, 2018, there is no immediately preceding fiscal year for its financial conditions and business performance.

## 3. Outline of the Business to be Succeeded due to the Company Split

## (1) Outline of the business to be succeeded

The business of PEMJ will not be transferred to Panasonic. Upon the Company Split, PEMJ will transfer to Panasonic the shares in and the long-term loan claims against PPRD, a wholly-owned consolidated subsidiary of PEMJ.

#### (2) Operating results of the business to be succeeded

(Million yen)

	Business to be succeeded (a)	PEMJ (b)		Ratio
	(Six months ended	(Six months ended		(a/b)
	September 30, 2018)	September 30, 2018)		
Net sales	_		0	_
Operating profit (loss)	_	(	(12)	_

Notes: 1. Amounts less than 1 million yen have been rounded to the nearest whole 1 million yen amount.

2. Operating result above are shown as "—" since there is no business to be transferred.

(3) Assets and liabilities of the business to be succeeded (As of September 30, 2018)

(100 million yen)

Ass	sets	Liab	ilities
Item	Book value	Item	Book value
Current assets	_	Current liabilities	_
Fixed assets	31	Fixed liabilities	_
Total	31	Total	_

Notes: 1. Amounts less than 100 million yen have been rounded to the nearest whole 100 million yen amount.

2. The actual amount of the assets to be succeeded may vary from the amounts stated above after reflecting any increase or decrease of the assets occurring prior to the effective date of the Company Split.

## 4. Status of Panasonic after the Company Split

Panasonic's corporate name, head office, name and title of representative, principal lines of business, stated capital and fiscal year end of Panasonic will not change as a result of the Company Split.

#### **Ⅲ**. Details of the Merger

## 1. Summary of the Merger

(1) Schedule of the Merger

December 21, 2018 Resolution of the Board of Directors on the Merger

December 21, 2018 Execution of the merger agreement

April 1, 2019 (planned) Effective date of the Merger

(Note: Since, for Panasonic, the Merger falls under a simplified merger as set forth in Article 796, Paragraph 2 of the Companies Act, and for PPRD, the Merger falls under a short form merger as set forth in Article 784, Paragraph 1 of Companies Act, shareholders' meetings of both companies concerning approval of the Merger will not be held.)

#### (2) Method of the Merger

Panasonic, as the surviving company, will absorb PPRD, which will be dissolved upon the merger.

(3) Allotment in relation to the Merger

There shall be no allotment of shares or any other consideration with respect to the Merger.

(4) Treatment of stock acquisition rights and bonds with stock acquisition rights of the dissolving company in relation to the Merger

There are no stock acquisition rights or bonds with stock acquisition rights issued by PPRD.

## 2. Outline of the Company that is Party to the Merger

	Dissolving Company (As of September 30, 2018)	
(1) Corporate name	Panasonic Precision Devices Co., Ltd. (PPRD)	
(2) Head office	1080, Takano, Nagomi-machi, Tamana-Gun, Kumamoto, Japan	
(3) Name and title of representative	President, Atsushi Takeyama	
(4) Principal lines of business	Development and manufacture of electronic devices	
(5) Stated capital	100 million yen	
(6) Date established	January 5, 2012	
(7) Total number of outstanding shares	1 share	
(8) Fiscal year end	March 31	
(9) Major shareholders and shareholding ratios	PEMJ 100%	
	(As of April 1, 2019, Panasonic plans to be a parent company with 100% shareholding ratio.)	

(10) Financial conditions and business performance for immediately preceding fiscal year (The year ended March 31, 2018) (Non-consolidated, Japan GAAP)

Net assets	(17,200) million yen
Total assets	5,084 million yen
Net sales	1,948 million yen
Operating profit (loss)	(2,755) million yen
Ordinary income (loss)	(3,482) million yen
Net income (loss)	(2,612) million yen

Note: 1. Amounts less than 1 million yen have been rounded to the nearest whole 1 million yen amount.

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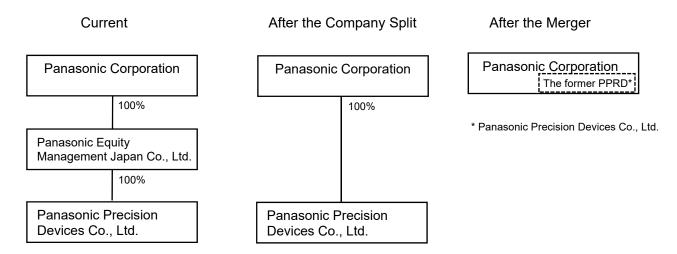
Panasonic's corporate name, head office, name and title of representative, principal lines of business, stated capital and fiscal year end will not change as a result of the Merger.

### **IV.** Financial Outlook

It is expected that there shall be no material effect due to the Company Split and the Merger on the consolidated financial outlook of Panasonic for fiscal year ending March 31, 2019.

<sup>2.</sup> Net assets per share and net income (loss) per share are omitted as the total number of outstanding shares of PPRD is one.

## (Reference) Shareholding structure after the reorganization



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