Obayashi Corporation statement on Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking (FY 2022)

Obayashi Corporation (hereafter, the “Company”) is releasing the following statement about initiatives to prevent slavery and human trafficking in the Obayashi Group (hereafter, the “Group”) and in our supply chain in FY2022 (April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023), based on Chapter 6, Section 54 of the UK Government’s Modern Slavery Act 2015 and Modern Slavery Act 2018 of Australia.

“Slavery” and “human trafficking” are defined in both Acts. However, because the definitions may differ depending on local circumstances, we are disclosing our initiatives in preventing all forms of modern slavery and our compliance with related laws and regulations and international norms in this statement.

Since 2019, the Company has published the statement annually based on a comprehensive review with the support of external experts provided under an advisory contract regarding due diligence on modern slavery and human trafficking in the business and supply chain.

1. The Organizational Structure, Business, and Supply Chain
1-1. Obayashi Group Business and Structure

Obayashi is a general construction contractor that was founded in 1892 and has its head office in Tokyo. We have 109 subsidiaries, 27 affiliated companies, and 15,876 employees at the consolidated level (as of March 31, 2023). We operate a construction business, real estate development business, green energy business, and businesses in new areas such as PPP, etc. in 16 countries worldwide, mainly in Japan, North America, and Asia.

The Group operates its business in the following countries and regions:
U.S., Canada, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, Myanmar, Indonesia, Vietnam, Cambodia, Taiwan, Bangladesh, UK, United Arab Emirates, Qatar, New Zealand, and Australia

Obayashi has a Europe Office and a local Group company named OBAYASHI PROPERTIES UK Limited (hereafter, “OPUK”) (established in June 2020) in London, in the UK, which operates a real estate rental and development business mainly focusing on office buildings. We have an Australia Office in Sydney, Australia, which operates a construction business. The Group’s total consolidated net sales were 1.9 trillion yen in FY2022. The UK and Australia account for roughly 0.17% and 0.14% of total consolidated net sales, respectively. The total number of Group employees at the consolidated level
include two employees in the UK and four employees in Australia.

See the following website links for a profile of Obayashi and its businesses:
Company profile: https://www.obayashi.co.jp/en/company/
Office locations: https://www.obayashi.co.jp/en/company/group.html

1-2. Overview of the Supply Chain
The Group recognizes all business partners involved in the supply chains for the Group’s entire business as suppliers, and regards each of them as its important stakeholders. Suppliers for the construction business, the main business of the Group, are divided into two main categories: labor subcontractors and suppliers of materials and equipment. In Japan, we have recognized about 8,000 suppliers for our construction business, and we have established an organization called Obayashi Rin-yu-kai, which consists of approximately 1,200 main suppliers. In FY2022, the value of transactions with members of the Obayashi Rin-yu-kai accounted for 57% of all supplier transactions with the Company in the construction business in Japan.

2. Policy on Slavery and Human Trafficking
2-1. Basic Principles
The “Obayashi Basic Principles,” which consist of the Obayashi Philosophy, Obayashi Code of Conduct, and Obayashi Three Pledges, specify contributing to the realization of a sustainable society. These principles are shared with and implemented by all officers and employees in the Group. We believe that practicing our basic principles is the very essence of conducting our corporate activities. Based on this belief, we have clearly specified our social mission and responsibilities and are implementing many sustainability-related initiatives aimed at fulfilling CSR (corporate social responsibility) so that we will continue to be a company that is trusted by all of our stakeholders.

We have positioned respect for human rights as an important issue in fulfilling our corporate social responsibilities. The Obayashi Philosophy states that we “value each person with a stake in our business.” The Obayashi Code of Conduct specifies the guidelines for putting the Corporate Philosophy into practice: “Value every one of our associates,” “Build stronger mutual trust with suppliers,” “Build good relationships with communities,” and “Ensure strict adherence to corporate ethics.”

See the following website link for further information on the Obayashi Basic Principles:

2-2. Human Rights Policy
The Group has set forth the Obayashi Group Human Rights Policy in accordance with the
Universal Declaration of Human Rights. We support the ILO International Labor Standards and other international norms, and have specified the policy of respecting the human rights of all officers and employees and all people associated with our business.

See the following website link for further information on the Obayashi Statement on Human Rights: 
https://www.obayashi.co.jp/en/sustainability/employee.html#section1

2-3. Obayashi Health and Safety Principles and Policies
The Group has set forth the Obayashi Health and Safety Principles and Policies based on its belief that ensuring the safety and health of all workers at construction sites in its main construction business is of the utmost importance.

See the following website link for further information on the Obayashi Health and Safety Policies: 
https://www.obayashi.co.jp/en/sustainability/safeenv.html#section1

2-4. Obayashi Group CSR Procurement Policy
The Group established the Obayashi Group CSR Procurement Policy to specify the actions aimed at realizing a sustainable society described in the Obayashi Basic Principles. It includes compliance with laws and regulations, respect for human rights, assurance of safety and health, ensuring quality, and consideration for the environment. The Basic Policy on CSR Procurement Initiatives specifies items that Obayashi Group officers and employees need to comply with in promoting CSR procurement.

The CSR Procurement Guidelines prescribe items that the Obayashi Group expects its suppliers to implement and to make sure that everyone in the suppliers’ own supply chains understand, in line with the Basic Policy on CSR Procurement Initiatives. Specific guidelines state that suppliers will “not discriminate . . . nor engage in harassment, or other activities that infringe upon human rights,” “not engage in or permit misconduct such as the use of forced labor or child labor,” “ensure equal employment opportunity, practice appropriate labor management, pay appropriate wages, and maintain and improve working environments so they are healthy and easy to work in,” “guarantee freedom of association and collective bargaining rights for employees,” “strive to understand and cooperate with the human rights due diligence performed by Obayashi Group companies,” etc.

See the following website links for further information on the Obayashi Group CSR Procurement Policy and CSR Procurement Guidelines:
Obayashi Group CSR Procurement:
Obayashi Group CSR Procurement Guidelines:
https://www.obayashi.co.jp/en/sustainability/suppliers/csr_procurement.html#section2
2-5. Participation in the United Nations Global Compact

The Group has been a signatory to the United Nations Global Compact since 2013. As a member of the Global Compact, we respect human rights and support the complete prohibition of forced labor and child labor in all forms, based on the principles of the Global Compact.

3. Promotion of Due Diligence on Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking in the Business and Supply Chain

On the executive side, the Group has established the Human Rights Expert Committee, chaired by the officer in charge of the human resources, and the Supply Chain Management Expert Committee, chaired by the Head of the Building Construction Division. The committees work on human rights due diligence, strive to solve human rights issues in the Group and its supply chain, and work to raise human rights awareness, thereby enhancing the effectiveness of human rights due diligence. Both committees promote cross-departmental efforts with the departments responsible for Human Resources and Procurement playing a central role and relevant departments working together.

The procedure for conducting human rights due diligence followed by the Group thus far is described below.

(1) Identification of Main Human Rights Issues (Identification Made in FY2019)

1) Divided the business and supply chain into the Group’s main businesses of the construction business, the real estate development business, and businesses in new areas, mainly the renewable energy business, and identified the risks of each stakeholder.

2) Consulted the reports by the governments and NGOs of each country and, with the advice of experts, evaluated the risks identified.

3) Specified the human rights issues to be prioritized and addressed.

The main human rights issues of stakeholders are as follows:

- Child labor
- Forced labor and human trafficking
- Reasonable consideration of people who are subject to discrimination or in a vulnerable position
- Harassment
- Poor work and living environments
- Establishment of appropriate labor conditions
- Ensuring building and structure safety
The human rights issues related to modern slavery and human trafficking among those listed above are (1) through (6).

(2) Assessment of the Actual State of Salient Human Rights Issues Identified
((1) through (9), above)

(a) At the Company (Assessment Made in FY2020)
We interviewed the corporate divisions, departments, and personnel responsible in the Company. These interviews revealed that the Group does not employ workers of an age considered to be child labor in Japan or foreign technical trainees based on Japanese laws (hereafter, “foreign technical trainees”), and there is little risk of modern slavery. However, we still need to continue investigations into the risk of human trafficking of foreign technical trainees, forced labor, child labor, and other types of labor that could potentially be considered modern slavery in regard to workers employed by suppliers to the Group.

(b) At the Group Companies in Japan (Assessment Made in FY 2021)
We interviewed six major Group companies: Obayashi Road Corporation, Obayashi Facilities Corporation, Oak Setsubi Corporation, Naigai Technos Corporation, Obayashi-Shinseiwa Real Estate Corporation, and Oak Information System Corporation. These interviews revealed that none of these companies employs workers of an age considered to be child labor in Japan or foreign technical trainees. They also revealed that they hire foreign workers in accordance with the same recruitment procedures as those applicable to Japanese counterparts without resorting to intermediaries in their countries of origin. These findings suggest that there is little risk of modern slavery. On the other hand, it is difficult to understand the situation of workers employed by Group companies’ suppliers, and therefore the Group as a whole will continue to examine and investigate the risk of involvement in human trafficking of foreign technical trainees, forced labor, child labor, and other types of labor that could potentially be considered modern slavery.

(c) At the Overseas Group Companies (Assessment Made in FY2022)
We conducted questionnaire surveys with 19 of our overseas offices and overseas Group companies* concerning their initiatives addressing respect for human rights. The survey results confirm that all overseas offices and overseas Group companies
are offering human rights-related training and implementing initiatives such as language-related arrangements for officers and employees of foreign nationality and workers of foreign nationality who work at construction sites. We will continue our efforts to understand the circumstances concerning respect for human rights.

"The Asia-Pacific Regional Headquarters and offices and companies under the supervision of the Headquarters: Australia Office, Taiwan Office (Taiwan Obayashi Corporation), Cambodia Office, Bangladesh Office, Middle East Office, Thai Obayashi Corporation Limited, Obayashi Vietnam Corporation, Obayashi Singapore Private Limited, PT Jaya Obayashi

The North American Regional Headquarters and offices and companies under the supervision of the Headquarters: Guam Office, J. E. Roberts-Obayashi Corporation, JS Builders LLC, Kenaidan Group Ltd., Kraemer North America LLC, Webcor L.P., E.W. Howell Co. LLC

Other: OPUK (Europe Office)

(3) Development of the Human Rights Due Diligence Roadmap
(Roadmap Developed in FY2022)

We have developed a roadmap (action plan) for human rights due diligence for FY2023 through FY2026. Based on the human rights issues identified above and the circumstances recognized, we have developed specific measures to build implementation processes for human rights due diligence.

We will promote our initiatives for respect for human rights based on this roadmap.

See the following website link for further information on Obayashi’s sustainability promotion framework: https://www.obayashi.co.jp/en/sustainability/#section1

4. Specific Initiatives

4-1. Occupational Safety Initiatives

Obayashi Central Health and Safety Committee chaired by the president was established for appropriate work environments. The committee meets at least twice a year to discuss and consider basic matters concerning health and safety, such as preventing occupational accidents, preventing impairment of health, and maintaining and improving health.

We operate Obayashi’s Occupational Health and Safety Management System, which has systematized methods of safety management in order to ensure implementation of the following Health and Safety Principles and Policies at all our construction sites in Japan.
Health and Safety Principles
Ensure the health and safety of all workers at construction sites and create comfortable workplace environments.

Health and Safety Policies
(1) Comply with the Industrial Safety and Health Act, other relevant laws, and Obayashi Corporation’s internal rules.
(2) Appropriately implement and use Obayashi’s Occupational Health and Safety Management System.
(3) Help improve independent health and safety management efforts of suppliers.

Obayashi’s Occupational Health and Safety Management System helps each organization clearly delineate its own Health and Safety Policy. The system manages the operational structure, plan formulation, and procedures for the entire cycle, from implementation to achievement, revision, and maintenance. Under the Occupational Health and Safety Management System, there are important goals that contribute to preventing poor working environments that lead to modern slavery—namely, to “improve health and safety management skills and provide better education” and to “promote creation of an environment that takes health into consideration.” The Company develops specific implementation measures for achieving the goals, follows the PDCA cycle, and monitors the implementation of the measures on a periodic basis, aiming to continuously improve health and safety management activities. Twice a year (every six months), we confirm with all field offices at construction sites the level of their achievement of evaluation indicators under the Occupational Health and Safety Management System, and implement improvement measures.

In addition to daily safety patrols by the Company’s employees who work at construction sites and by subcontractors, the departments in charge of safety and the departments in charge of construction carry out regular patrols, and the central officer in charge of health and safety and the health and safety officers of the head office and branch offices conduct safety patrols at construction sites. As a specific measure to improve health and safety management skills and provide better education, we introduced in FY2022 an “interactive method of patrol,” which is considered to be effective because it helps identify potential risks and problems through dialogue at construction sites.

We will continue safety and health training for our employees and support the education of suppliers in order to prevent occupational accidents, raise awareness of safety and health,
and deepen understanding of safety-related laws and regulations.

See the following website link for further information on Obayashi’s Occupational Health and Safety Management System:
https://www.obayashi.co.jp/en/sustainability/safeenv.html#section2

4-2. Initiatives in Preventing Long Working Hours

Under the revised Labor Standards Act of Japan, a maximum limit on overtime work in the construction industry will be imposed in FY2024. To prepare for this, the Company has formulated a “workstyle reform action plan” and is implementing the following initiatives to reduce total working hours.

- Thorough and appropriate attendance management
- Use of ICT technology to improve work efficiency
- Reduction in overtime hours worked
- Leveling of work during busy periods

To further improve employee awareness, in FY2022, we provided all of our officers and employees with online training relating to methods of calculating working hours in excess of statutory limits and methods of managing individual working hours (the participation rate was 86%).

4-3. Supply Chain Management

The Group emphasizes building stronger mutual trust with suppliers in the Obayashi Code of Conduct. We recognize that initiatives encompassing the entire supply chain are essential to achieve this. To ensure that suppliers comply with the Obayashi Group CSR Procurement Guidelines, we have incorporated the main actions of compliance with laws and regulations, respect for human rights, assurance of safety and health, ensuring quality, and others into contract provisions and confirm compliance when concluding contracts with suppliers.

(1) Initiatives Implemented at Construction Sites

In the construction work for which the Company accepts contracts in Japan, we confirm the required facts (gender, age, whether someone is a migrant worker, years of experience, health status, and other factors that must be considered for occupational safety) in advance for all people who will be involved in construction work. The people at high risk of having their human rights violated are thereby specified, such as minors employed within the scope permitted by law, women, people of advanced age, and migrant workers including foreign technical trainees. This information is shared among relevant employees and preventive measures are implemented, such as
considering work assignments and restricting performance of hazardous work. All workers at construction sites must also undergo mandatory advance training on the laws and regulations of the country, laws and regulations pertaining to safety, and international standards. Some of the documents related to occupational safety have been translated into the native languages of the migrant workers.

(2) Promotion of CSR Procurement

The Company carries out the following surveys and inspections for member companies of the Obayashi Rin-yu-kai and major domestic suppliers, aiming to deepen the understanding and awareness of CSR procurement, and monitors the soundness of these companies on a periodic basis.

(a) Questionnaire Surveys Concerning the CSR Procurement Guidelines

Every fiscal year, we send the CSR Procurement Guidelines to member companies of the Obayashi Rin-yu-kai and major suppliers to ensure that they fully understand and comply with the Guidelines. We also conduct questionnaire surveys to determine the level of understanding of the Guidelines.

In FY2022, we expanded the content of our surveys to include the employment conditions of foreign workers and foreign technical trainees and the handling of conflict minerals and wood products procured. The survey response rate in FY2022 was 89%. (The respondents accounted for approximately 79% of the total value of the Company’s domestic procurement.)

(b) Traceability Surveys on Materials Procured

We confirm with suppliers of materials and equipment that the quality of the goods they deliver complies with relevant laws and regulations, international standards, and other criteria. In addition, among materials that are used at construction sites in Japan, wood products and solar panel components procured overseas are considered to carry high risks of human rights violations. Therefore, we conduct traceability surveys on these materials every year. The FY2022 survey results confirm that there is currently no obvious risk of environmental destruction and human rights violation.

(c) Surveys Concerning Hiring of Foreign Technical Trainees (in FY2022)

We conducted questionnaire surveys to grasp the details of the situation of hiring of foreign technical trainees by suppliers. Based on survey results, we held individual
hearings with several of these companies in order to directly confirm the working environment for their foreign technical trainees and the specific initiatives that they are carrying out.

The results of these surveys show that among foreign technical trainees hired by the Company’s primary suppliers (1,252 persons), approximately 37% (457 persons) have worked at the Company’s construction sites, and over half of them are Vietnamese nationals. Furthermore, we were able to confirm that all of the respondent companies pay wages in accordance with the pre-approved plans, do not confiscate trainees’ passports or other identification documents, and do not impose illegitimate movement restrictions on trainees. We will continue our efforts to understand the situation of hiring of foreign technical trainees.

(d) Raising Awareness about Supply Chain Management

- In-house training (in FY2021)
  We provided in-house training on supply chain management to the Group’s departments responsible for procurement and construction by inviting external experts. We also offered online training on CSR procurement for all of the Group’s officers and employees (the participation rate was 92.7%).

- Raising awareness among suppliers (in FY2021)
  We provided training materials on supply chain management (which were prepared by external experts) to the suppliers covered by the questionnaire surveys concerning the CSR Procurement Guidelines.

  We will continue to educate suppliers to further improve their understanding in the future.

See the following website link for further information on the Obayashi Group ESG materialities and KPIs: https://www.obayashi.co.jp/en/sustainability/upload/img/en_esg_kpi_20230606.pdf

4-4. Initiatives Relating to COVID-19

In Japan, the Group outlined the Basic Plan of Action to Prevent the Spread of the Novel Coronavirus to implement thorough COVID-19 preventive measures. We informed all officers and employees and are actively recommending staggered working hours and telecommuting. We are also communicating information on practical response methods to all Group officers and employees on the corporate website and are working to educate everyone and make sure they understand these methods to prevent infection.
The Company is taking steps to prevent infection for all who work at construction sites in on construction work that we are contracted to perform. We formulated the Guidelines for Actions to Prevent the Spread of the Novel Coronavirus at Construction Sites and distributed masks, liquid disinfectant, and other preventive supplies in addition to establishing a structure to prevent infection and making sure that everyone understands the specific measures.

In FY2021 and FY2022, to prevent the spread of COVID-19 raging in Japan and encourage the public to be vaccinated, we conducted workplace vaccination for the Group’s officers and employees, their family members, and employees at our suppliers and subcontractors who so wished. We have put in place an environment conducive to vaccination. This includes establishing the system in which officers and employees of the Group can take special leaves if they suffer adverse reactions at the time of vaccination or afterwards.

### 4-5. Establishment of the Consultation Desk

We have established a human rights-related consultation desk under the Corporate Ethics Consultation and Reporting System. We have also established a consultation desk dedicated to harassment cases. Both desks are open to all officers and employees of the Group as well as to the Group’s suppliers and other external stakeholders. We provide an environment that makes it easy for reporters to use the desks by enabling them to choose whether to report by phone, email, or by post. Any report received by a desk is dealt with promptly in accordance with its rules while ensuring that the person who has reported is protected and is not subjected to disadvantageous treatment.

In FY2022, no report or request for consultation was received concerning activities that might lead to slavery, human trafficking, and other violations of human rights.

#### (1) Corporate Ethics Consultation and Reporting System

Under this system, two consultation desks are available for reporting illegal or suspicious acts and raising various issues concerning human rights. One is an internal desk with a direct link to the Corporate Ethics Committee and the Audit & Supervisory Board. The other is an external desk (a law firm).

On various occasions, we endeavor to familiarize the persons concerned with the Corporate Ethics Consultation and Reporting System. For the Group’s officers and employees, we post it on our intranet, advertise it on in-house posters, explain it in regular training sessions, and send an email once a year calling attention to it. For
external stakeholders, we post it on our website so that anyone can check it out. We also advertise it on posters in offices and at construction sites and explain it at liaison meetings with our suppliers.

(2) Harassment Consultation Desks

We have in place special consultation desks that provide harassment consultations, accept reports, and deal with grievances. They come in three types: an internal desk (at each of Obayashi’s main offices, branches, and overseas offices as well as at each Group company), an external desk (domestic hotline), and a desk dedicated to job seekers.

On various occasions, we endeavor to familiarize the persons concerned with these consultation desks. For the Group’s officers and employees, we post them on our intranet, advertise them on in-house posters, explain them in training sessions of various kinds, and call attention to them at the time of the annual questionnaire survey. By posting information about these consultation desks on our recruiter’s website, we also enable job seekers to learn about them at any time. Furthermore, as for student job seekers, our job interviewers are required to inform them about the consultation desks.

In addition to the Group’s consultation desks, in FY2020, OPUK established its own consultation and reporting policy and has created whistle-blowing desks in charge of general corporate ethics: an internal desk (staffed by persons in charge of whistle-blowing) and an external desk (a whistle-blowing support organization).

See the following website links for further information on “the Obayashi Group Corporate Ethics Reporting System” and “Harassment Consultation Desks”:

Consultation Desks (Corporate Ethics Consultation and Reporting System, Harassment Consultation Desks):

Reporting Process of Corporate Ethics Consultation and Reporting System:

4-6. Effectiveness

The Board of Directors has decided on the management policy on sustainability, which also encompasses respect for human rights. Based on this policy, two kinds of committees have been established on the executive side: the Business Plan Committee and two expert committees in the area of sustainability (the Human Rights Expert Committee and the Supply Chain Management Expert Committee). All these committees formulate policies on human rights issues, develop and implement measures to address them, assess the
implementation status in each department, evaluate relevant efforts, and improve them for better effectiveness.

In addition, the Sustainability Committee, established under the Board of Directors, studies policies on how to address sustainability issues, including human rights issues, provides relevant reports to the Board of Directors, and assesses the status of implementation at the business execution departments.

5. Training on Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking

5-1. Promoting Awareness of Human Rights

The Group concentrates on raising awareness of human rights among its officers and employees. We have established the Human Rights Expert Committee, which is chaired by the officer in charge of the human resources. This committee prevents infringement of human rights, ascertains human rights issues, and resolves such issues. It also promotes initiatives aimed at increasing awareness of human rights.

Every fiscal year, we provide education concerning basic knowledge on human rights during training sessions for newly hired employees and rank-specific training sessions. In FY2022, we provided all of the Group’s officers and employees with online training on the subject of hiring of foreign technical trainees (the participation rate was 95.6%). During these training sessions, we make thorough efforts to fully familiarize our officers and employees with our CSR procurement policy and human rights policy and our consultation desks.

The Harassment Prevention Department, a specialized unit, plays a central role in raising awareness of harassment. Under our Harassment Prevention Guidelines, we are working to prevent harassment by communicating the corporate policy on harassment, defining each type of harassment, and providing information on the specific response when a harassment incident occurs to all officers and employees. Furthermore, every fiscal year, we provide all of our officers and employees with online training on the subject of harassment. The participation rate in FY2022 was 62.4%.

Training for our suppliers is detailed in “4-3 Supply Chain Management”.

See the following website link for further information on Obayashi Group initiatives on human rights: [https://www.obayashi.co.jp/en/sustainability/employee.html#section1](https://www.obayashi.co.jp/en/sustainability/employee.html#section1)

5-2. Compliance Training
The Group has established the Corporate Ethics Committee, which is chaired by the president. This committee works to ensure compliance and maintenance of corporate ethics. As one of these initiatives, the committee has mandated that all officers and employees of the Group undergo compliance training every year. This training provides an opportunity to make officers and employees aware of their own actions from a corporate ethics perspective. Additionally, this is intended to help them acquire abilities to root out illegal conduct and corporate ethics violations within the Company and its supply chain.

For corporate ethics training KPI, we have set our goal for employees taking the training by FY 2022 as 100%, and we have achieved 100% in FY 2022. We will continue to promote compliance education to ensure that compliance awareness takes root in our corporate culture.

See the following website link for further information on the Obayashi Corporate Ethics program: https://www.obayashi.co.jp/en/sustainability/ethics.html

6. Cooperation with Domestic, Overseas, and Group Companies

We formulated operating rules on management through alliances between each company and the managing department and business division at headquarters from FY2019. Such operating rules not only apply to the Company itself, but also to the businesses of Group companies in Japan and overseas. The local office and local Group company of the UK business and the local office of the Australian business covered by this Statement continually share information between the local office and the managing department and business division at headquarters in Japan. They strive to form timely, appropriate alliances with a wide range of individual Group companies through our networks in Japan and overseas, in addition to alliances with Obayashi, when necessary.

In addition to sharing management policies and goals, the Company also works to strengthen alliances between Group companies by having top management from Group companies in Japan and overseas participate in the regularly scheduled executive officers’ meetings along with the executive officers. We are also working to strengthen the network between locations through regular business reporting meetings and liaison meetings held by Group companies in each overseas region, mainly in our North American Regional Headquarters and the Asia-Pacific Regional Headquarters.

At executive officers’ meetings, we offer training on such topics as “harassment prevention” and “diversity and inclusion” and also explain the importance of initiatives aimed at respecting human rights. Moreover, those responsible for human resources at the main Group companies in Japan participate in the Company’s Human Rights Expert Committee.
to share the awareness of human rights issues and launch joint initiatives aimed at preventing human rights violations.

The Human Rights Expert Committee and the Supply Chain Management Expert Committee will work together to take the lead in implementing specific initiatives with a view to strengthening cooperation throughout the Group and promote respect for human rights and human rights due diligence.

7. Future Initiatives
In accordance with the human rights due diligence roadmap developed in FY2022, we will implement specific initiatives to deal with the human rights issues identified. Our main initiatives are as follows.

(1) Monitoring of Human Rights Risks
First, we will begin to develop checking systems covering the Company’s three major domestic operations: building construction, civil engineering, and real estate development. As for our overseas business, we will conduct hearing surveys with each overseas office.

(2) Promotion of Supply Chain Management
We will provide training to member companies of the Obayashi Rin-yu-kai and major domestic suppliers, aiming to raise their awareness about human rights and to further familiarize them with the CSR Procurement Guidelines. As for the situation of hiring of foreign technical trainees and traceability of materials procured, we will continuously carry out surveys and inspection.

This statement has been approved by Board of Directors of Obayashi Corporation on August 7, 2023.

August 7, 2023

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