IMPARTIALITY POLICY FOR THE PROVISION OF CERTIFICATION SERVICES FOR MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

NIPPON KAIJI KYOKAI (hereinafter referred to as 'the Society') is to ensure the impartiality in its conformity assessment activities of the management systems.

As the Top Management person with overall responsibility for the certification services, I shall ensure that all relevant risks to impartiality arising from provision of certification services are monitored, identified, treated and managed on an ongoing basis.

Commercial, financial or other pressures to compromise impartiality shall not be allowed. When a relationship poses an unacceptable threat to impartiality, certification shall not be provided.

On matters affecting impartiality including openness and public perception, the Society requests the Impartiality Committee and the Management System Appeal Committee composing of the members from external interested parties advises to properly reflect and implement them in the provision of the certification services.

I also ensure that all personnel engaged in the provision of the certification services are aware of the importance and objectivity of impartiality.

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Director of Business Assurance Division

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