

April 23, 2007

### Appointment of an independent auditor

Sony Corporation announced today that the Board of Directors of Sony Corporation (the "Corporation") passed a resolution that a request for approval to appoint an independent auditor be submitted to the 90th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders, scheduled for June 21, 2007, as described below.

#### 1. Reasons for Proposal

Following an order by the Financial Services Agency of Japan to suspend its auditing for purposes of the Japanese legislative audit starting July 1, 2006, ChuoAoyama Accounting Firm stepped down from its position as the Corporation's independent auditor. At a meeting of the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors held on July 3, 2006, a resolution was passed to appoint PricewaterhouseCoopers Aarata (the "Firm") as temporary independent auditor to replace ChuoAoyama Accounting Firm.

The term of office of the Firm as temporary independent auditor will expire at the conclusion of the 90th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders. Taking into account the Firm's suitability for audit work at the Corporation and its commitment to a strong internal management control system, both of which have been confirmed by the Audit Committee based upon a careful study, the Audit Committee resolved on April 20, 2007, to request approval that the Firm be appointed independent auditor at this Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders.

#### 2. Name and Address of Independent Auditor Candidate

Name: PricewaterhouseCoopers Aarata

Office address: 13th Floor, East Tower, Sumitomo Fudosan Mita Twin Building,  
2-8, Shibaura 4-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo

#### 3. Proposed Date of Engagement

June 21, 2007