Notice Regarding Purchase of the Company's Own Shares

This is to notify that the company, at the board of Director's meeting held on May 15, 2012, has decided to purchase its shares in the market under Article 156 of the Japanese Corporation Act, as applied pursuant to Article 165, Paragraph 3 of the same Act.

1. Purpose of purchase

To facilitate flexible implementation of capital policy in response to changes in the business environment.

2. Details of purchase

(1) Type of shares: Common share of the company

(2) Amount of shares: Up to 7,000,000 shares(3) Total purchase cost: Up to 5,000,000,000 yen

(4) Period of purchase: From May 16, 2012 to October 31, 2012

Reference: Shares held by the company as of March 31, 2012

-Total number of shares issued (excluding treasury shares): 170,114,353 shares

-Number of treasury shares: 885,647 shares