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Nissan Chemical Industries, Ltd.

**Notice Regarding Production Facilities  
for the active ingredient in Paddy Rice Herbicide, ALTAIR® (metazosulfuron)**

Production facilities for the manufacture of the active ingredient in ALTAIR® are now ready to start production at our Onoda Plant (Sanyo-Onoda, Yamaguchi).

ALTAIR® is a new paddy rice herbicide developed by Nissan Chemical Industries and was first launched in Korea, ahead of Japan in 2012. Pesticide registration was approved in February this year and will start selling in the form of four mixed formulations as of March across Japan. The production facilities for the active ingredient at our Onoda Plant were completed in October 2012, and crushing facilities will follow for operation at our Saitama Plant in May this year.

Nissan Chemical Industries will continue to channel its energy into the sale of ALTAIR® with the aim of further expanding our agricultural chemicals business.