

[Translation]

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To whom it may concern

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**Notice of Decision on Items Regarding the Repurchase of Own Shares  
(Acquisition of own shares under the Articles of Incorporation based on the provisions of Article  
165, Paragraph 2 of the Corporation Law of Japan)**

At its Board of Directors' meeting held on July 31, 2014, the Company resolved to repurchase its own shares based on Article 156 of the Corporation Law of Japan as applied pursuant to Article 165, Paragraph 3 of the same law, as outlined below.

**1. Reason for Repurchase**

To ensure shareholder returns and to facilitate flexible implementation of capital policy in response to changes in the business environment.

**2. Details of Repurchase**

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| (1) Class of shares to be repurchased        | Common shares   |
| (2) Total number of shares to be repurchased | 70 million (maximum)<br>(4.68% of total shares outstanding, excluding treasury stock) |
| (3) Total amount of repurchase               | 10 billion yen (maximum)  |
| (4) Period of repurchase                     | From August 1 to November 28, 2014  |

(Reference)

Status of own shares as of June 30, 2014

Total number of shares outstanding (excluding treasury stock) 1,497,112,926

Number of treasury stock shares 554,644