Notice on Interim Dividend Distribution and Adjustment of Forecast for the Fiscal Year Ending March 2007

The Board of Directors decided at its meeting of September 5, 2006 to distribute interim dividends to shareholders as of September 30, 2006 (including shareholders on the beneficial owners list) and to adjust the dividend forecast announced on May 15, 2006 as follows:.

1. Reason

The Company has until now distributed dividends only at the end of a fiscal year. With the objective of giving the shareholders more timely return, the Company has decided to distribute also at the end of the first half. In view of business trends for this period, the dividend amount for the whole year is also being adjusted from the previously forecast ¥17 per share to ¥20 per share.

2. Amount of the dividend forecast

	Dividend per share		
	Interim	End of year	Whole year
Previous forecast (announced May 15, 2006)	¥0	¥17	¥17
Adjusted forecast	¥10	¥10	¥20
(Reference) Results of FY ended March 2006	¥0	¥17	¥17

3. Commencement date of interim distribution

December 5, 2006