

November 30, 2007  
Nippon Shokubai Co., Ltd.

**NIPPON SHOKUBAI acquires NIPPON NYUKAZAI**  
**and SINO-JAPAN CHEMICAL Shares**

NIPPON SHOKUBAI Co., Ltd. (Headquarter: Osaka, Japan, President: Tadao Kondo, hereinafter “THE COMPANY”) has announced it has decided to acquire all shares of NIPPON NYUKAZAI Co, Ltd. (Headquarter: Tokyo, Japan, President: Tsukasa Tanihara, hereinafter “NIPPON NYUKAZAI”) and 48.6% shares of SINO-JAPAN CHEMICAL Co., Ltd. (Headquarter: Taipei, Taiwan, Chairman of the board: Wang Shun Sheng, hereinafter “SJC”) from DAIICHI SANKYO COMPANY, LIMITED (Headquarter: Tokyo Japan, President: Takashi Shoda, hereinafter “DAIICHI SANKYO”). These acquisitions are subject to the approval of the relevant authorities.

1. Purpose of acquisition

NIPPON NYUKAZAI, currently wholly owned by DAIICHI SANKYO, is a leading manufacturer of a variety of surfactant, glycol ethers and other chemicals and it has unique technology of EO (ethylene oxide) derivatives and propylene oxide derivatives.

SJC, currently 48.6% owned by DAIICHI SANKYO and 3.3% owned by NIPPON NYUKAZAI, is a leading manufacturer of surfactant in Taiwan, whom NIPPON NYUKAZAI has provided its own technology for a long time.

THE COMPANY had developed 5-year business plan “TechnoAmenity V3”, which started from Y2006. Under this plan, THE COMPANY seeks to establish a solid business foundation less susceptible to market fluctuations, by making its Kawasaki plant “EO Center” in order to boost sales of EO and non-EG (ethylene glycol) derivatives up to 80% or higher of its EO production, regarding EO business. THE COMPANY has already decided to expand EO capacity by 70,000 t.p.a. in Kawasaki plant in 2009 as well as has acquired the land for future additional plant(s) for non-EG derivatives.

THE COMPANY believes that this acquisition is fully in line with the above-mentioned strategy in terms of the efficient utilization of EO and the innovation of EO derivatives technology, and contributes to the improvement of customers’ satisfaction.

2. NIPPON NYUKAZAI’s Profile

Name:	NIPPON NYUKAZAI Co., Ltd.
Head office:	4-1 Kobuna-cho, Chuo-ku, Tokyo
Representative:	Tsukasa Tanihara, President
Established:	May 8, 1953

Other location: Kawasaki Plant (Kawasaki-shi, Kanagawa)  
Kashima Plant (Kamisu-shi, Ibaraki)  
Capital: ¥300 Million  
Sales: ¥23,765 Million (fiscal year ended March 2007)  
Employees: 346 (as of March 31, 2007)  
Main business: Manufacturing and sales of organic chemicals such as  
surfactant

3. Stocks of NIPPON NYUKAZAI to be owned by THE COMPANY after transfer  
600,000 shares (100% of total issued shares)

#### 4. SJC's profile

Name: SINO-JAPAN CHEMICAL Co., Ltd.  
Head Office: 14fl, 99. Sec.2 Jen Ai Rd., Taipei, Taiwan  
Representative: Wang Shun Sheng, Chairman of the board  
Established: May 13, 1970  
Other location: Linyuan Plant (Kaohsiung, Taiwan)  
Capital: NT\$144 Million  
Sales: NT\$1,765 Million (fiscal year ended December 2006)  
Employees: 130 (as of December 31, 2006)  
Main business: Manufacturing and sales of organic chemicals such as  
surfactant

5. Stocks of SJC to be owned by THE COMPANY after transfer  
702,035 shares (48.6% of total issued shares)  
750,435 shares (52.0% of total issued shares, including SCJ shares owned by  
Nippon Nyukazai)

#### 6. DAIICHI SANKYO's profile

Name: DAIICHI SANKYO COMPANY, LIMITED  
Head office: 3-5-1 Nihonbashi Honcho, Chuo-ku, Tokyo  
Representative: Takashi Shoda, President  
Main business: Manufacturing and sales of pharmaceuticals

#### 7. Stock Transfer Schedule

Stock transfer agreement signed: November 30, 2007  
Stock transfer date: February 29, 2007 (tentative)

THE COMPANY Contact:  
Public Relations Group (+81-6-6223-9111)