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KYOWA HAKKO CHEMICAL CO., LTD.

Announcement of Company Name Change

KYOWA HAKKO CHEMICAL CO., LTD. is pleased to announce that it will change its name to “KH Neochem Co., Ltd.” on April 1, 2012, subject to approval of said change and a revision of the company articles at the annual shareholder meeting, scheduled for late in March 2012.

This name change comes from our determination to become a truly global new chemical company after being spun-out from the Kyowa Hakko Kirin Group this year. We will continue to provide a stable supply of valuable materials such as oxo-derivatives (retaining the top Japanese domestic market share) and functional materials with a focus on environmentally conscious products in order to contribute to enriching the lives of people around the world.

~KH Neochem Co., Ltd. Company Profile~

New company name : KH Neochem Co., Ltd.
(Present company name: KYOWA HAKKO CHEMICAL CO., LTD.)

Head Office : NBF Nihonbashi-Muromachi Center Bldg.,
3-2-15 Nihonbashi-Muromachi, Chuo-ku, Tokyo 103-0022, Japan

President : CEO & President Makoto Kikkawa

Founded : December 8, 2010 (Predecessor Kyowa Yuka established in November 1966)

Capital : 12 billion yen

Employees : 603 (as of June 2011)

Business : Research, manufacture, and sale of petrochemical products

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