

September 18, 2003

To Whom It May Concern:

Notification regarding the acquisition of our own shares of stock through ToSTNeT-2

Our Company at a meeting of the board of directors today passed a resolution on a practical method to acquire shares of our own company stock in accordance with the stipulations Article 210 of the Commercial Code and the following notification is made.

1. Method of acquisition

At the same price as the closing price of ¥295 for ordinary shares of stock of our company traded on the First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange today (September 18, 2003), we shall delegate the purchase of shares of stock on the ToSTNeT-2 (transaction at closing) of the Tokyo Stock Exchange at 0845 a.m. of September 19, 2003 (with no other change in transaction methods or trading hours). Our subject order shall be valid only for the subject trading time.

2. Content of Acquisition

(1) Kind of shares of stock to be acquired	Ordinary shares of the subject company
(2) Total number of shares to be acquired	450,000 shares

(n.b. 1) The quantity of shares to be acquired shall not change. Notwithstanding depending upon market conditions, part or all of the order outstanding may not be executed.

(n.b. 2) The scheduled number of shares to be acquired shall be purchased according to the equivalent selling orders made.

3. Announcement of acquisition

The result of acquisition shall be announced after closing on September 19, 2003.

(Reference)

Contents of resolution passed by Annual General Meeting of Shareholders on June 27, 2003

Type of shares to be acquired:	Regular shares
Total number of shares to be acquired:	1 million shares (upper limit)
Total value of shares to be acquired:	¥ 400 million (upper limit)

Progress made from June 27, 2003 to September 18, 2003:

Total number of shares acquired:	119,000 shares
Total value of shares acquired:	¥ 33,700,000

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