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News Release

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Notice Concerning Interim Dividends for Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 2012

The Company has not decided whether to distribute the dividends for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2012 up until today; however, it decided that no interim dividend would be distributed at the meeting of the board of directors held today (December 14, 2011).

Whether to distribute the year-end dividends remains undecided and therefore there is no change in its status.

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