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## **Notice on Business and Capital Alliances with SG HOLDINGS CO., LTD.**

The Company hereby announces that at a meeting held on May 28, 2009, the Board of Directors signed a letter of understanding on alliances to further upgrade logistics businesses and to create new services and businesses by integrating the distribution infrastructures and competitiveness of the group of SG HOLDINGS CO., LTD. (“SGH”) with the technologies and knowledge of digital networks and the IT of the Future Architect Group as follows:

### 1. Purposes of the business and capital alliances

The business and capital alliances are designed to further improve and upgrade distribution systems, reinforce the businesses in the logistics sector, and create new services and businesses together to ensure further development of both companies by combining the SGH Group’s infrastructures and competitiveness in distribution and the Group’s technologies and knowledge of digital networks and IT.

### 2. Details of the business and capital alliances

#### (1) Human resources alliance

In order to materialize this partnership, the Group will advance personnel cooperation and exchanges such as dispatching its officers and employees to the SGH Group’s IT subsidiaries, or providing cooperation for the development of IT professionals within the SGH Group.

As its first step, Shin Yasunobe, President and COO of the Company, will assume the position of President of SAGAWA COMPUTERSYSTEM CO., LTD. (“SCS”), which is a core IT company of the SGH Group, effective June 8, 2009, to promote planning and deployment of IT strategies of the SGH Group and business development of SCS.

#### (2) Business alliance

Summary of the business alliance is as described below. Specific details will be discussed continuously by setting up an “IT Strategy Committee” which will consist of core personnel of both groups.

- (i) The Group will continuously provide support to the establishment and the new deployment of IT strategy infrastructures of the SGH Group.
- (ii) The Group will assist IT subsidiaries of the SGH Group to expand their businesses outside the group in both human resources and technology.
- (iii) Customers and services of both groups will be linked organically to create new business opportunities.

(3) Capital alliance

SGH and the Company, that are the parent companies of both groups, are now discussing a capital alliance to consolidate and cement cooperative relationships between both companies.

3. Profile of the partner (as of March 31, 2009)

(1) Name	SG Holdings Co., Ltd.		
(2) Location	68 Tsunoda-cho, Kamitoba, Minami-ku, Kyoto		
(3) Title/name of president	Eiichi Kuriwada, Chairman and President		
(4) Business	Development and management of group business strategies		
(5) Capital	¥11,383 million		
(6) Established	March 21, 2006		
(7) Relationships between parties concerned	Capital relationships	Not applicable	
	Personnel relationships	The Company has dispatched one employee as director to an affiliate of the relevant company.	
	Business relationships	The Company is commissioned to establish systems by two affiliates of the relevant company.	
	Relationships with related parties	Not applicable	
(8) Consolidated operating results and financial situations for the last three years			
Fiscal year end	March. 31, 2007	March. 31, 2008	March. 31, 2009
Net assets (¥ million)	179,839	117,040	117,983
Total assets (¥ million)	620,390	552,399	530,426
Net assets per share (¥)	3,281.85	1,073.26	1,091.40
Operating revenue (¥ million)	869,268	889,395	887,277
Operating income (¥ million)	39,634	36,444	21,986
Ordinary income (¥ million)	36,243	31,572	18,248
Net income (¥ million)	18,537	(59,013)	4,188

4. Schedule

Board Meeting	May 28, 2009
Signing a Letter of Understanding	May 28, 2009
Signing Individual Contracts for personnel exchanges and capital alliance under the letter of understanding	June – July 2009 (scheduled)

5. Future outlook

An IT Strategy Committee of core personnel of both groups will be set up to continuously

discuss on relevant strategic alliances to enhance its realization and promotion. This committee will also consider strategies and projects for further innovation and utilization of IT following the ongoing full renewal project of core operation systems, called the “F-Cube Project,” at SGH’s core company, SAGAWA EXPRESS CO., LTD.

In addition, both companies will discuss a capital alliance including its scale (and required procedures such as evaluation) to be realized by August this year.

Although effects of this strategic alliance on the consolidated and non-consolidated business results are uncertain at this moment, however, they will be disclosed in an appropriate manner as the details become clearer.

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