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DAIICHI SANKYO COMPANY Announces Executive-Change Candidate

Tokyo, May 13, 2008- DAIICHI SANKYO COMPANY, LIMITED has announced that its Board of Directors decided at a meeting today to nominate the person below as a candidate for director to the board at the regular meeting of shareholders slated for June 27, 2008.

Candidate for new appointment as outside member of the board

Takashi Okimoto (Current Chairman of the Board, Chairman of the Executive Board,
Representative Director of Orient Corporation)

This position has been vacant since the passing of Katsuyuki Sugita on March 30, 2008.