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## **DAIICHI SANKYO Announces New Executive Candidates**

**Tokyo, May 12, 2011** – Daiichi Sankyo Company, Limited has announced that its Board of Directors decided at meeting today to nominate the persons below as candidates for Members of the Board and Kansayaku (Statutory Auditors) at the annual meetings of shareholders slated for June, 2011.

#### 1. DAIICHI SANKYO CO., LTD.

(The annual meeting of shareholders will be held on June 27, 2011)

## Candidate for new appointment as Member of the Board

Yuki Sato (Current Senior Executive Officer, Head of Pharmaceutical Technology Division)

# Candidates for new appointment as Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor)

Kazuo Koike (Current Corporate Fellow of Internal Audit Department)

Takashi Chiba (Current Corporate Fellow of Legal Affairs Department, Administration Division of Japan Company)

Hitoshi Matsuda (current Member of the Board), Teruo Takayanagi (current Kansayaku [Statutory Auditor]) and Hikaru Nagata (current Kansayaku [Statutory Auditor]) will become the Corporate Advisers at Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.

### 2. DAIICHI SANKYO HEALTHCARE CO., LTD.

(The annual meeting of shareholders will be held on June 20, 2011)

## Candidate for new appointment as Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor)

Masahiro Komiya (Current Corporate Fellow of Daiichi Sankyo Healthcare Co., Ltd.)

Kenji Tsunoda (current Member of the Board) and Yuichi Kano (current Member of Kansayaku [Statutory Auditor]) will become the Corporate Advisers at Daiichi Sankyo Healthcare Co., Ltd.

### 3. DAIICHI SANKYO PROPHARMA CO.,LTD.

(The annual meeting of shareholders will be held on June 20, 2011)

## Candidate for new appointment as Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor)

Takashi Yokota (Current General Manager of Akita Plant, Daiichi Sankyo Propharma Co., Ltd.)

Mitsumasa Nada (current Member of Kansayaku [Statutory Auditor]) will become the Corporate Adviser at Daiichi Sankyo Propharma Co., Ltd.

#### 4. DAIICHI SANKYO CHEMICALPHARMA CO.,LTD.

(The annual meeting of shareholders will be held on June 20, 2011)

Kyuji Ihara (current Member of the Board) will become the Corporate Adviser at Daiichi Sankyo Chemicalpharma Co., Ltd.

#### 5. DAIICHI SANKYO LOGISTICS CO., LTD.

(The annual meeting of shareholders will be held on June 20, 2011)

# Candidate for new appointment as Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor)

Seiei Araake (Current Corporate Fellow of Daiichi Sankyo Logistics Co., Ltd.)

Satoru Sugano will retire from the Board of Daiichi Sankyo Logistics Co., Ltd.

Shunji Shimomura (current Member of Kansayaku [Statutory Auditor]) will become the Corporate Adviser at Daiichi Sankyo Logistics Co., Ltd.

### 6. ASUBIO PHARMA CO., LTD.

(The annual meeting of shareholders will be held on June 24, 2011)

### Candidate for new appointment as Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor)

Yukio Hasui (Current Corporate Fellow, Faculty of Corporate Administration of Asubio Pharma Co., Ltd.)

Masaki Ikeda (current Member of Kansayaku [Statutory Auditor]) will become the Corporate Adviser at Asubio Pharma Co., Ltd.

#### 7. DAIICHI SANKYO RD ASSOCIE CO., LTD.

(The annual meeting of shareholders will be held on June 20, 2011)

## Candidate for new appointment as Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor)

Keiichi Tabata (Current manager of Daiichi Sankyo RD Associe Co., Ltd.)

Hiroshi Sugiyama (current Member of the Board) and Toru Hosokami (current Member of Kansayaku [Statutory Auditor]) will become the Corporate Advisers at Daiichi Sankyo RD Associe Co., Ltd.

#### 8. DAIICHI SANKYO BUSINESS ASSOCIE CO., LTD.

(The annual meeting of shareholders will be held on June 20, 2011)

#### Candidate for new appointment as Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor)

Koichi Katsuta (Current Corporate Fellow of Insurance Service Department of Daiichi Sankyo Business Associe Co., Ltd.)

Yoichi Hara (current Member of the Board), Koichi Fujimoto (current Member of the Board) and Yuji Mitome (current Member of Kansayaku [Statutory Auditor]) will become the Corporate Advisers at Daiichi Sankyo Business Associe Co., Ltd.

### 9. DAIICHI SANKYO HAPPINESS CO., LTD.

(The annual meeting of shareholders will be held on June 20, 2011)

Sakae Katayama (current Member of the Board) will become a contract employee in the Human Resources Department of Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.