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Daiichi Sankyo Appoints New Executive Candidates of each Subsidiary

Tokyo, Japan (March 1, 2011) – Daiichi Sankyo Company, Limited today announced the appointment of new executive candidates of its domestic subsidiaries, effective from April 1, 2011.

1. DAIICHI SANKYO HEALTHCARE CO., LTD.

<u>Candidate for Member of the Board, Corporate Officer, General Manager of Corporate Planning</u>
Department

Katsuhiko Yoshida

(Current Corporate Officer, General Manager of Corporate Planning Department)

Kenji Tsunoda (Current Member of the Board, Corporate Officer, General Manager of R&D Department) will stay on as Member of the Board at Daiichi Sankyo Healthcare Co., Ltd.

2. DAIICHI SANKYO PROPHARMA CO.,LTD.

Candidate for President

Tsutomu Shimizu

(Current Member of the Board)

Candidate for Executive Vice President

Masamichi Katayama

(Current Member of the Board, General Manager of Osaka Plant and Plant Management Department and Production Department)

Candidate for Member of the Board, General Manager of Onahama Plant

Yoshinobu Ohshima

(Current General Manager of Onahama Plant)

Candidate for Member of the Board, General Manager of Technology Department

Katsuhiko Nagao

(Current General Manager of Takatsuki Plant)

Candidate for Outside Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor)

Katsumi Fujimoto

(Current General Manager of CM&C Planning Department, Pharmaceutical Technology Division of Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.)

Masaharu Okabe will retire from President of Daiichi Sankyo Propharma Co., Ltd. on March 31, 2011 and be installed as President of Kitasato Daiichi Sankyo Vaccine Co., Ltd.

Tatsuro Miyagawa will retire from Executive Vice President and Yuki Sato will retire from Outside Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor) of Daiichi Sankyo Propharma Co., Ltd. on March 31, 2011.

3. DAIICHI SANKYO CHEMICALPHARMA CO.,LTD.

Candidate for Member of the Board, General Manager of Odawara Plant

Masaharu Okitsu

(Current General Manager of Plant Management Department, Odawara Plant)

Candidate for Outside Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor)

Toshiaki Tojo

(Current General Manager of Supply Chain Technology Department, Supply Chain Division of Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.)

Kyuzi Ihara (Current Member of the Board, General Manager of Odawara Plant) will stay on as Member of the Board at Daiichi Sankyo Chemicalpharma Co., Ltd.

Toru Kuroda will retire from Outside Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor) of Daiichi Sankyo Chemicalpharma Co., Ltd. on March 31, 2011.

4. DAIICHI SANKYO LOGISTICS CO., LTD.

Candidate for President

Hiroshi Maeda

(Current Member of the Board, General Manager of General Administration Department)

<u>Candidate for Member of the Board, General Manager of General Administration Department</u> Isao Nakano

(Current Manager of Logistics Group, Supply Chain Technology Department of Supply Chain Division, Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.)

Candidate for Outside Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor)

Toshiaki Tojo

(Current General Manager of Supply Chain Technology Department, Supply Chain Division of Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.)

Satoru Sugano (current President) will stay on as Member of the Board at Daiichi Sankyo Logistics Co., Ltd

Junichi Fukute will retire from Outside Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor) of Daiichi Sankyo Logistics Co., Ltd. on March 31, 2011.

5. ASUBIO PHARMA CO., LTD.

Candidate for Outside Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor)

Tomoo Yokoi

(Current Corporate Officer, Head of Group Finance & Accounting, Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.)

Manabu Sakai will retire from Outside Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor) of Asubio Pharma Co., Ltd. on March 31, 2011.

6. DAIICHI SANKYO RD ASSOCIE CO.,LTD.

Candidate for President

Hideyuki Haruyama

(Current Corporate Officer, in charge of Research of R&D Division, Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.)

Candidate for Executive Vice President

Hiroyuki Masayasu

(Current General Manager of R&D Operations Department, R&D Division of Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.)

Candidate for Outside Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor)

Yoshiya Amemiya

(Current General Manager of R&D General Affairs Department, R&D Division of Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.)

Hiroshi Sugiyama (current President) will stay on as Member of the Board at Daiichi Sankyo RD Associe Co., Ltd.

Hiroyuki Masayasu will retire from Outside Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor) of Daiichi Sankyo RD Associe Co., Ltd. on March 31, 2011

7. DAIICHI SANKYO BUSINESS ASSOCIE CO., LTD.

Candidate for President

Hideyuki Matsuochi

(Current General Manager of Human Resources Department, Administration Division of Japan Company, Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.)

<u>Candidate for Executive Vice President and General Manager of General Administration</u> Department

Shigehito Nakanishi

(Current Member of the Board, General Manager of Human Resources Service Department)

Candidate for Member of the Board, General Manager of Accounting Service Department

Shinichi Hirose

(Current General Manager of Accounting Service Department)

Candidate for Outside Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor)

Ryoji Nagasaka

(Current General Manager of Japanese Business Management Department, Administration Division of Japan Company, Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.)

Yoichi Hara (current President) and Koichi Fujimoto (current Executive Vice President and General Manager of General Administration Department) will stay on as Member of the Board at Daiichi Sankyo Business Associe Co., Ltd.

Manabu Sakai will retire from Outside Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor) of Daiichi Sankyo Business Associe Co., Ltd. on March 31, 2011.

8. DAIICHI SANKYO HAPPINESS CO., LTD.

Candidate for President

Kyohei Nonose

(Current Executive Officer, Head of Group HR Strategy, Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.)

Sakae Katayama (current President) will stay on as Member of the Board at Daiichi Sankyo Happiness Co., Ltd.

9. KITASATO DAIICHI SANKYO VACCINE CO., LTD.

Candidate for President

Masahiro Okabe

(Current President of Daiichi Sankyo Propharma Co., Ltd.)

Candidate for Executive Vice President and Head of Production Division

Setsuo Arai

(Current Director, Research Center for Biologicals of Kitasato Institute)

Candidate for Member of the Board, Operating Officer, General Administration

Shigehisa Yamazaki

(Current Manager of HR Management Group, Human Resources Department of Administration Division, Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.)

Candidate for Outside Director

Akira Nagano

(Current Senior Executive Officer, Head of Quality and Safety Management Division, and Head of Business Intelligence Division of Japan Company, Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.)

Candidate for Outside Director

Takeo Ishidate

(Current Executive Director, Kitasato Institute)

Candidate for Outside Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor)

Yoshikazu Takano

(Current Senior Executive Officer, Head of Group CSR and in charge of External Affairs, Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd.)

Candidate for Outside Kansayaku (Statutory Auditor)

Akio Goto

(Current Executive Director, Kitasato Institute)