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To Whom It May Concern

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Notification Concerning Continuation of the Handling Policy (Anti-takeover Defensive Plan) Toward Large-scale Purchase of Our Company's Shares and Other Securities at the Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Our Company

At the board of directors' meeting held on May 20, 2010, Shin-Etsu Chemical Co., Ltd. ("our company") decided to continue the "Handling Policy (Anti-takeover Defensive Plan) Toward Large-scale Purchase of Our Company's Shares and Other Securities" (the "Handling Policy"), which was scheduled to expire at the end of the 133<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting of stockholders (the "Stockholders' Meeting") held today, conditional upon authorization by the stockholders present at the Stockholders' Meeting. We hereby give notice that the stockholders approved the continuation of the Handling Policy at the Stockholders' Meeting (5th Agenda Item).

Moreover, at the board of directors' meeting held after the close of the Stockholders' Meeting, the five individuals named in the attachment were appointed as members of the Independent Committee prescribed in the Handling Policy.

For details of the Handling Policy, please see the press release dated May 20, 2010 entitled "Notification of Continuation of Handling Policy (Anti-takeover Defensive Plan) Toward Large-scale Purchase of Our Company's Shares and Other Securities" (available on our homepage <a href="http://www.shinetsu.co.jp">http://www.shinetsu.co.jp</a>).

Based on the recent approval given by the stockholders, our company will continue to strive to maintain and improve our corporate value and/or the common interests of our company's stockholders.

# Names and Brief Personal Histories of Members of Independent Committee

# Toshihiko Fukui

Date of Birth: September 7, 1935

April, 1958 Joined the Bank of Japan December, 1994 Deputy Governor of the above March, 2003 Governor of the above

November, 2008 Special Advisor of our company

June, 2009 External Director of our company (to date)

# Hiroshi Komiyama

Date of Birth: December 15, 1944

July, 1988 Professor, School of Engineering, The University of Tokyo

April, 2000 Dean of the Graduate School of Engineering, Dean of the School of Engineering,

The University of Tokyo

April, 2005 President of National University Corporation, The University of Tokyo

May, 2009 Special Advisor of our company (to date)

June, 2010 External Director of our company (to date)

#### Shunji Kono

Date of Birth: August 1, 1927

June, 1990 Representative Director and President of The Tokio Marine and Fire Insurance

Company, Limited (present Tokio Marine & Nichido Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.)

June, 1996 Representative Director and Chairman of the above

June, 2001 Counselor of the above

June, 2003 External Director of our company (to date)

June, 2008 Honorary Advisor of Tokio Marine & Nichido Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. (to date)

### Masashi Kaneko

Date of Birth: March 2, 1939

Oct., 2001 Representative Director, Chairman and President of Nikko Cordial Corporation

June, 2005 Director and Chairman of the Board of Executive Officers of the above

June, 2006 External Director of our company (to date)

## Tsuyoshi Miyazaki

Date of Birth: December 16, 1931

March, 1990 Representative Director and President of Mitsubishi Logistics Corporation

June, 1998 Representative Director and Chairman of the above

June, 2003 Counselor of the above (to date)

June, 2007 External Director of our company (to date)

(Note) The above members have been reported to the Tokyo Stock Exchange, etc. as independent directors.