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Notice Regarding the Retirement of Representative Senior Managing Director

Shin-Etsu Chemical Co., Ltd., at the meeting of its Board of Directors held on April 25, 2013, has decided to make a change with regard to the members of its Board of Directors, and we hereby notify you as follows:

1. Retirement of Director:

Yoshiaki Ono, who is currently Representative Senior Managing Director and General Manager of the Silicone Division of Shin-Etsu Chemical
(Retirement due to expiration of his term of office)

2. Date of retirement:

Toward the end of June, 2013 (Upon the close of the 136th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders, which will be held on the same date)

3. New position after retirement:

After Mr. Ono is officially nominated and elected as a director of the Shin-Etsu Polymer Co., Ltd. at the company's 53rd Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders which will be held toward the end of June, 2013, he will assume the office of Representative Director/President of the company.

* Mr. Ono's successor as General Manager of the Silicone Division of Shin-Etsu Chemical Co., Ltd. is scheduled to be Susumu Ueno, who is presently the General Manager of Shin-Etsu Chemical's Gunma Complex.