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Notice Regarding Changes on the Board of Directors

Shin-Etsu Chemical Co., Ltd., at the meeting of its Board of Directors held on May 16, 2013, has decided to make some changes with regard to the members of its Board of Directors, and we hereby notify you of the details of these changes:

These changes regarding the Board of Directors are scheduled to be formally decided at the meeting of the Board of Directors that follows Shin-Etsu Chemical's annual shareholders' meeting on June 27, 2013.

1. New Candidates for Director

Director Susumu Ueno (presently General Manager of the Gunma Complex), who will assume the position of General Manager of the Silicone Division

Director Kazumasa Maruyama, who will continue to serve as General Manager of the New Functional Materials Department.

2. Board Members: Candidates for Promotion

Senior Managing Director	Toshinobu Ishihara (presently Managing Director)
Managing Director	Fumio Arai (presently Director)
Managing Director	Yukihiro Matsui (presently Director)

(*) With regard to the changes in the members of the Board of Directors, in addition to the above-mentioned changes, it was previously announced on April 25, 2013 that Representative Senior Managing Director Yoshiaki Ono will retire upon the close of the 136th Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders, which is scheduled to be held on June 27, 2013. It was also announced at the same time that Mr. Ono will assume the office of Representative Director/President of Shin-Etsu Polymer Co., Ltd., following his nomination and election as a director of the company at the company's 53rd Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders, which is scheduled to be held on June 25, 2013.