Key Value Indicators

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3.8 million tons global market share in polyvinyl chloride and semiconductor silicon

of annual PVC production capacity

(For further details, refer to the graph "Worldwide PVC Production Capacity of the Shin-Etsu Group" on page 6.)

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rating by Moody's. No.1 rank among all chemical companies worldwide

(For further details, refer to page 15.)

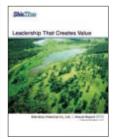
No.1

for two consecutive years in the *Nikkei Shimbun*'s ranking of promising stocks as chosen by 20 corporate managers.

(For further details, refer to page 15.)

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