## Notice Regarding Results and Completion of Sumitomo Metals' Own Share Acquisition through ToSTNet-3

Today Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd. (Sumitomo Metals) acquired its own shares, as announced on September 3, 2012. Also, Sumitomo Metals announces completion of its own share acquisition, which was undertaken following the resolution at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on August 30, 2012.

## 1. Reasons for acquisition of own shares

Nippon Steel Corporation, which held Sumitomo Metals' shares, gave notification to Sumitomo Metals of its intention to sell the shares in the market as its initial objective of deepening the business alliance had been achieved and the business integration of both companies had been scheduled to be conducted on October 1, 2012. Sumitomo Metals has therefore acquired its own shares in a method that allowed the company to avoid impacts of the demand-supply balance of its shares.

2. Particulars related to the acquisition.

(1) Type of shares acquired: 451,761,000 shares of common stock of Sumitomo Metals

(2) Total acquisition amount: 50,145,471,000 yen(3) Date of acquisition: September 4, 2012

(4) Acquisition method: Off-Auction Own Share Repurchase Trading through

ToSTNeT-3

(Note) Nippon Steel Corporation, a shareholder of Sumitomo Metals, notified us that the company sold its entire holding of 451,761,000 shares of Sumitomo Metals' common stock during this acquisition.

## (Reference)

Resolution by the Board of Directors on August 30, 2012 (Announced on August 30, 2012)

(1) Type of shares to be acquired: Common stock of Sumitomo Metals, up to 500 million

shares

(2) Total acquisition amount: Up to 75 billion yen

(3) Acquisition period: From August 31, 2012 to September 25, 2012