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## Notice Regarding Withdrawal and Filing of the Shelf Registration of Stock Acquisition Rights

Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corporation ("NSSMC") determined today that, regarding the shelf registration of stock acquisition rights in accordance with the Fair Rules for the Acquisition of Substantial Shareholdings (Takeover Defense Measure) (the "Plan") which was implemented in March 2006, it will withdraw the shelf registration of stock acquisition rights filed on October 1, 2012, and newly file the shelf registration of stock acquisition rights (the "Shelf Registration"). This is to change the planned registration period of the Shelf Registration so that such registration can be filed concurrently with the review of the Plan which is conducted every two years by NSSMC pursuant to the provisions of the Plan.

It was resolved at the meeting of the board of directors held today that no particular revisions be made to the Plan based on the examination and review of the Plan conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Plan.

(i) Type of Securities Subject to Shelf Registration	Stock Acquisition Rights
(ii) Planned Registration Period	Two years elapsing from the effective date of this shelf registration (from April 10, 2014 to April 9, 2016)
(iii) Way of Allotment	Gratis Allotment of the Stock Acquisition Rights
(iv) Amount of Scheduled Issuance	0 yen (Note 1) 20,000,000 yen (Note 2)
	<ol> <li>Notes         <ol> <li>Refers to the aggregate issuance amount of the Stock Acquisition Rights.</li> <li>Refers to the total amount of the aggregate issuance amount of the Stock Acquisition Rights and the amount to be paid upon exercise of the Stock Acquisition Rights.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>

< Outline of Shelf Registration >

The Plan is also posted on our home page at <u>http://www.nssmc.com</u>.