

Announcement

This is to announce that Mr. Shinichi Taniguchi, Representative Director and Executive Vice President, and Mr. Shigemitsu Miki, Corporate Auditor, will retire from their posts on September 30, 2012.

- Retiring Director, Member of the Board

<Expected position after retirement>

Shinichi TANIGUCHI

Executive Advisor (provisional title) *
Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corporation

* “Executive Advisor” is a title currently used by Nippon Steel and may be changed upon the formation of Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corporation.

- Retiring Corporate Auditor

<Expected position after retirement>

Shigemitsu MIKI

Senior Advisor, The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ,
Ltd. (current post)