Nippon Steel and Sumitomo Metals Announce the Appointment of Fellows and Executive Counsellors of Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corporation

This is to announce that the appointment of Fellows and Executive Counsellors of Nippon Steel & Sumitomo Metal Corporation, the integrated company that is planned to be formed on October 1, 2012, was decided as set forth below by agreement of Nippon Steel Corporation ("Nippon Steel") and Sumitomo Metal Industries, Ltd. ("Sumitomo Metals").

• Fellows and their status and delegation of office

Name	Status and Delegation of Office
Koji TAKATANI (Currently Executive Engineer of Sumitomo Metals)	Status approximate to Managing Executive Officer
Shigeru OGAWA (Currently Fellow of Nippon Steel)	Status approximate to Executive Officer
Misao HASHIMOTO (Currently Fellow of Nippon Steel)	 Status approximate to Executive Officer Executive Officer, Advanced Technology Research Laboratories, Technical Research & Development Bureau
Kohsaku USHIODA (Currently Fellow of Nippon Steel)	Status approximate to Executive Officer
Yoshiyuki UESHIMA (Currently Fellow of Nippon Steel)	Status approximate to Executive Officer
Miyuki YAMAMOTO (Currently Executive Engineer of Sumitomo Metals)	Status approximate to Executive Officer
Manabu TAKAHASHI (Currently Fellow of Nippon Steel)	 Status approximate to Executive Officer General Manager, Flat Products Laboratories, Steel Research Laboratories, Technical Research & Development Bureau
Masaaki IGARASHI (Currently Executive Engineer of Sumitomo Metals)	Status approximate to Executive Officer

• Executive Counsellors and their business responsibilities and delegation of office

Name	Division of Business Responsibilities and Delegation of Office
Nobuhiko IKURA (Currently Executive Counsellor of Nippon Steel)	• In charge of the Americas, managing matters relating to North America (President, NIPPON STEEL & SUMITOMO METAL U.S.A., INC.)
Hirofumi KAWASAKI (Currently Executive Counsellor of Nippon Steel)	 General Manager, Flat Products Technology Division, Flat Products Unit
Jun HASHIMOTO (Currently Executive Counsellor of Nippon Steel)	Managing matters relating to North America (Vice President, I/N Tek and I/N Kote)
Naoya HAMADA (Currently Executive Counsellor of Nippon Steel)	 General Superintendent, Process Technology Research Laboratories, Technical Research & Development Bureau
Kazuo FUJITA (Currently Executive Counsellor of Nippon Steel)	• General Superintendent, SakaiWorks, Construction Products Unit
Masanori KINOSITA (Currently Executive Counsellor of Nippon Steel)	 General Manager, Construction Products Development Division, Construction Products Unit
Ikuo JITSUHARA (Currently Executive Counsellor of Nippon Steel)	General Manager, Intellectual Property Division
Yutaka ANDO (Currently Executive Counsellor of Nippon Steel)	• General Superintendent, KamaishiWorks, Bar & Wire Rod Unit
Kazuhiro EGAWA (Currently Executive Counsellor of Nippon Steel)	 General Manager, Export Administration & Planning Division; General Manager, Flat Products Global Marketing Division, Flat Products Unit
Seiji HOSOGAI (Currently Nippon Steel)	• General Superintendent, Titanium & Specialty Stainless Steel Unit

Takashi TANIOKU (Currently Sumitomo Metals)

Hisaki HATOKO (Currently Sumitomo Metals)

Kazuo TANIMIZU (Currently Sumitomo Metals)

- General Superintendent, Naoetsu Works, Titanium & Specialty Stainless Steel Unit
- Deputy General Superintendent, KashimaWorks
- General Manager, Raw Materials Division.-I

Persons in italics newly appointed as Executive Counsellors