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Change of Representative Director and President at KYORIN

KYORIN Co., Ltd. announces that a meeting of its Board of Directors held on April 3, 2009 informally resolved to make the change of the Company's Representative Director and President.

The change will be made pending a resolution of the ordinary general shareholders meeting of the Company scheduled in June 2009 and a subsequent meeting of the Board of Directors.

1. Change in Representative Director

Executive director: Itaru Kojo (currently Representative Director and President)

Representative director and president: Masahiro Yamashita (currently Executive Vice President and Executive Director)

2. Reasons for Change

The change will be made to achieve a shift to a new organization designed to strengthen and upgrade the administrative operation.

3. Name and Biography of the New Representative Director and President

Name: Masahiro Yamashita

Birthplace: Aichi Prefecture

Date of birth: January 1, 1947

Education: Literature Department (sociology major), Keio University

Brief record: Joined KYORIN Yakuhin Co., Ltd. in April 1969.

Appointed Corporate Officer, Sales & Marketing Headquarters of KYORIN Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. in April 2004.

Appointed Corporate Officer and Executive Director, Sales & Marketing Headquarters of KYORIN Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. in June 2004.

Appointed Senior Executive Officer and Executive Director, Sales & Marketing Headquarters of KYORIN Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. in June 2005.

Appointed Executive Director of KYORIN Co., Ltd. in January 2006.

Appointed Senior Managing Officer and Executive Director, Sales & Marketing Headquarters of KYORIN Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. in June 2007.

Appointed Executive Vice President and Executive Director, Sales and Marketing of

KYORIN Co., Ltd. and Executive Vice President and Executive Director, Sales & Marketing Headquarters of KYORIN Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. in June 2008.