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Acquisition of Shares of AYM HD

Hisamitsu Pharmaceutical Co., Inc. (Head Office: Tosu city, Saga Prefecture, Japan; President and CEO: Kazuhide Nakatomi, hereinafter referred to as “Hisamitsu Pharmaceutical”) is pleased to announce that it has acquired part of the shares of AYM HD from BCP Asia AYM Holding (Cayman) L.P. today. AYM HD is the wholly-owning parent company of AYUMI Pharmaceutical Holdings, which is the wholly-owning parent company of AYUMI Pharmaceutical Corporation (hereinafter, “AYUMI Pharmaceutical”).

AYUMI Pharmaceutical is a specialty pharmaceutical company in the areas of rheumatism/orthopedic surgery. In addition to rheumatoid arthritis and pain relief, it has been engaged in the new drug development, and the development and license-in activities of biological products and biosimilar products in the areas of osteoarthritis and osteoporosis.

In the 7th Medium-term Management Policy announced in September 2021, Hisamitsu Pharmaceutical positioned the use of developed managerial resources and the expansion of business activities beyond the treatment-patch area as one of its management policies. By acquiring the stocks of AYM HD, which is an indirect 100% parent company of AYUMI Pharmaceutical, we will strengthen the relationship with AYUMI Pharmaceutical, and at the same time, consider some collaboration in the areas centered on orthopedics.

■ Summary of AYUMI Pharmaceutical

Name	AYUMI Pharmaceutical
Date of foundation	January 2015
Address	4-12-15, Ginza, Chuo-ku, Tokyo
Representative	Kiyonori Karasawa, Representative Director and CEO
Main business	Manufacture and sale of medical drugs, including rheumatism drugs and analgesic antipyretics
Company website	https://www.ayumi-pharma.com/

With our company mission, Promoting “TE-A-TE” Culture Worldwide”, we will provide not only patches but also various products and services, and move forward with our businesses more widely to contribute to better quality of life (QOL) in the world.