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Mitsui Chemicals, Inc.
Sekisui Chemical Co., LTD.

Mitsui Chemicals to Acquire Toner Resin Business from Sekisui Chemical

Mitsui Chemicals, Inc. ("MCI") and Sekisui Chemical Co., Ltd. ("Sekisui") have agreed to transfer Sekisui's toner resin business to MCI. MCI will acquire the business on April 1, 2007. The transfer includes all goodwill and intellectual property related to resins for toner binders for copy machines and printers.

MCI is a world-class leader in the business of toner binder resins. In April 2006, the company acquired full control of its Image Polymers toner resin joint ventures in the U.S. and Europe, making them wholly-owned subsidiaries. MCI thereby strengthened its global business development capability, consolidated its global sales strategies and improved the efficiency of its manufacturing and supply chain.

In adding the Sekisui business, MCI is committed to further improve its competitiveness by realizing a number of additional synergies. These include continued business growth through strengthened polymer design technology, increased customer satisfaction by utilizing MCI's three regional business bases, and further improvements in global manufacturing and supply chain efficiency.

Sekisui has been engaged in toner resin businesses for more than 30 years. The company is expecting the transfer to help the business continue to grow in the future.

Under the newly developed Grand Design (the basic management framework of the MCI group), MCI established its new corporate target ("Chemistry, Innovation, Dreams' ~ The Mitsui Chemicals Group is constantly pursuing innovation and materializing dreams with the wonder of chemistry ~.") and its Long-term Management Target. To realize these new goals, MCI has made a fresh start with a new business portfolio (Performance Materials Business, Advanced Chemicals Business and

Basic Chemicals Business). Toner resin business is included in the information and electronics materials field, a priority business field of Performance Materials Business. MCI aspires to further strengthen its core businesses, as well as expand the information and electronics materials field business.

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