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Sumitomo Metal Mining and Hitachi Cable Agree to Make Partial Amendments to the Agreement on Integration of Their Lead Frames and Copper Products Businesses

We hereby announce that Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd. (head office: Minato-ku, Tokyo, President and Representative Director: Nobumasa Kemori; hereafter, “SMM”), and Hitachi Cable, Ltd. (head office: Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, President and Chief Executive Officer: Hideaki Takahashi; hereafter, “Hitachi Cable”) resolved at their respective board of directors’ meetings to make partial amendments to the announcement entitled “Sumitomo Metal Mining and Hitachi Cable Sign Agreement Integrating Their Businesses in Lead Frames and Copper Products” dated October 29, 2012 and that both parties concluded an agreement with regard to the partial amendments to the business integration agreement.

Amendments shall be made to some of the content related to the establishment of a joint venture for Hitachi Cable’s copper products business via company split and stock transfer (hereafter, the “integration of the copper products business”). No amendments shall be made to content related to the integration of SMM’s lead frame business and Hitachi Cable’s lead frame business via company split and stock transfer (hereafter, the “integration of the lead frame business”) from the announcement dated as of October 29, 2012.

In addition, we hereby announce that partial amendments shall be made to the announcement dated October 29, 2012 with regard to the company split, with Hitachi Densen Shoji, Ltd. (hereafter, “Hitachi Densen Shoji”) as the splitting stock company and Hitachi Cable as the successor company (hereinafter, the “company split of Hitachi Densen Shoji”), which will be conducted in order to realise the succession of Hitachi Densen Shoji’s sales functions in the lead frame business and the copper products business by Hitachi Cable as preparation for the integration of the lead frame business and the integration of the copper products business.

1. Amendments to the Integration of the Copper Products Business

(1) Schedule

(i) Contents of Amendments

Specific parts to be affected by the amendments are underlined.

[Before amendments]

Approval of agreement on absorption-type company split at the Board of Directors' Meeting: To be announced (by Hitachi Cable and HS Copper Products)

Conclusion of agreement on absorption-type company split: To be announced (by Hitachi Cable and HS Copper Products)

Approval of agreement on absorption-type company split at the General Shareholders' Meeting: To be announced (by HS Copper Products)

Effective date of company split: April 1, 2013 (Tentative)

Stock transfer date: April 1, 2013 (Tentative)

Notes 1. Prior to the integration of the copper products business, Hitachi Cable is planning to establish HS Copper Products, Ltd. (provisional) (hereinafter, "HS Copper Products"), the successor company for the copper products business as its wholly-owned subsidiary. Specific timing of the establishment of the new company is to be announced.

2. Hitachi Cable as the splitting company will perform the contemplated company split without obtaining shareholder approval of the agreement on absorption-type company split pursuant to the provision of the "simplified absorption-type company split" set forth in Paragraph 3 of Article 784 of the Companies Act of Japan.

3. Dates specified above are tentative and subject to change due to reasons including the progress of procedures related to the integration of the copper business (including but not limited to notifications with authorities related to competition laws in Japan and overseas, approval and license procedures, etc.) among others.

[After amendments]

Approval of agreement on absorption-type company split at the Board of Directors' Meeting: December 27, 2012 (by Hitachi Cable)

Approval of agreement on absorption-type company split at the Board of Directors' Meeting: January 8, 2013 (Tentative) (by SH Copper Products)

Conclusion of agreement on absorption-type company split: January 9, 2013 (Tentative) (by Hitachi Cable and SH Copper Products)

Approval of agreement on absorption-type company split at the General Shareholders' Meeting: January 10, 2013 (Tentative) (by SH Copper Products)

Effective date of company split: March 1, 2013 (Tentative)

Stock transfer date: April 1, 2013 (Tentative)

Notes: 1. Prior to the integration of the copper products business, Hitachi Cable is planning to establish SH Copper Products Co., Ltd. (hereinafter, "SH Copper Products"), the successor company for the copper products business as its wholly-owned subsidiary. The establishment of the new company is scheduled on January 7, 2013.

2. As SH Copper Products is a Company without Board of Directors, the agreement on absorption-type company split will be resolved with the decision to be made by the President on January 8, 2013.

3. Hitachi Cable as the splitting company will perform the contemplated company split without obtaining shareholder approval of the agreement on absorption-type company split pursuant to the provision of the “simplified absorption-type company split” set forth in Paragraph 3 of Article 784 of the Companies Act of Japan.

4. Dates specified above are tentative and subject to change due to reasons including the progress of procedures related to the integration of the copper business (including but not limited to notifications with authorities related to competition laws in Japan and overseas, approval and license procedures, etc.) among others.

(ii) Reasons for Amendments

The amendments are aimed at completing various procedures as early as possible and realizing the smooth launch of operations of the new company by accelerating procedures for absorption-type company split related to the integration of the copper products business ahead of the initial plan.

(2) Name of the Succeeding Company of the Absorption-type Company Split Related to the Integration of the Copper Products Business

(i) Contents of Amendments

[Before amendments] HS Copper Products, Ltd. (Provisional)

[After amendments] SH Copper Products Co., Ltd. (Tentative)

(ii) Reasons for Amendments

The amendments are aimed at making the company name more conscious of the global market with the intention of expanding and reinforcing operations in Japan and overseas as a comprehensive copper products manufacturer.

2. Amendments Related to the Company Split of Hitachi Densen Shoji

(1) Schedule

(i) Contents of Amendments

Specific parts to be affected by the amendments are underlined.

[Before amendments]

Approval of agreement on absorption-type company split at the Board of Directors’ Meeting: To be announced (by Hitachi Cable and Hitachi Densen Shoji)

Conclusion of agreement on absorption-type company split: To be announced (by Hitachi Cable and Hitachi Densen Shoji)

Effective date of company split: April 1, 2013 (Tentative)

Note: Hitachi Densen Shoji as the splitting company and Hitachi Cable as the successor company will perform the contemplated company split without obtaining shareholder approval of the agreement on absorption-type company split pursuant to the provision of the “summary form absorption-type company split” set forth in Paragraph 1 of Article 784 and the “simplified absorption-type company split” set forth in Paragraph 3 of Article 796 of the Companies Act of Japan, respectively.

[After amendments]

<Lead Frame Business>

Approval of agreement on absorption-type company split at the Board of Directors' Meeting: To be announced (by Hitachi Cable and Hitachi Densen Shoji)

Conclusion of agreement on absorption-type company split: To be announced (by Hitachi Cable and Hitachi Densen Shoji)

Effective date of company split: April 1, 2013 (Tentative)

Note: Hitachi Densen Shoji as the splitting company and Hitachi Cable as the successor company will perform the contemplated company split without obtaining shareholder approval of the agreement on absorption-type company split pursuant to the provision of the “summary form absorption-type company split” set forth in Paragraph 1 of Article 784 and the “simplified absorption-type company split” set forth in Paragraph 3 of Article 796 of the Companies Act of Japan, respectively.

<Copper Products Business>

Approval of agreement on absorption-type company split at the Board of Directors' Meeting: December 27, 2012 (by Hitachi Cable and Hitachi Densen Shoji)

Conclusion of agreement on absorption-type company split: December 27, 2012 (by Hitachi Cable and Hitachi Densen Shoji)

Effective date of company split: March 1, 2013 (Tentative)

Note: Hitachi Densen Shoji as the splitting company and Hitachi Cable as the successor company will perform the contemplated company split without obtaining shareholder approval of the agreement on absorption-type company split pursuant to the provision of the “summary form absorption-type company split” set forth in Paragraph 1 of Article 784 and the “simplified absorption-type company split” set forth in Paragraph 3 of Article 796 of the Companies Act of Japan, respectively.

(ii) Reasons for Amendments

The amendments are aimed at completing various procedures as early as possible and realizing the smooth launch of operations of the new company by accelerating procedures for the absorption-type company split related to the integration of the copper products business out of the company split of Hitachi Densen Shoji ahead of the initial plan.