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Announcement for Effects of the Earthquake off the Pacific Coast of Tohoku

Nippon Rika Group today announced the following information regarding the effect on Nippon

Rika Group from the earthquake off the Pacific Coast of Tohoku, which struck Northeastern

Japan on March 11.

**Status of Production Bases** 

Our production sites in Tochigi, Shimotsuke, and Fukushima, have suffered damages such as a part of wall, ceilings and products. We will continue to gather details on the status of damages

to production facilities and make efforts to operate our facility system.

In addition, we will cooperate with Tokyo Electric Power Company's (TEPCO) request to cut

electricity consumption by operating only those of its businesses related to provision of essential

services required for social and economic activities. This decision extends to Nippon Rika

Group and covers production facilities in areas where TEPCO plans controlled power outages.

Due to irregular electricity and impassable streets, we may have a difficulty to meet customers'

requests for deliveries and customer supports.

**Status of Employees** 

We are reported that all of our employees got no injury and were safe from the earthquake.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused you, your company and your clients.

Our sales force will continue confirming detailed information regarding to the effects of the

earthquake and make contact to each client as soon as possible.

We really appreciate your understanding and support.

Very truly yours,

Nippon Rika Group

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