

To whom it may concern

September 29, 2006

Maruho Co.,Ltd.

Announcement about the conclusion of commitment line agreement by syndicate financing system

Here we make an announcement that we entered into a commitment line agreement on total sum of 10 Billions Yen with the Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd. as managing bank.

1. Outline of commitment line

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| (1) Total sum arranged | 10 Billions Yen |
| (2) Term of agreement | from September 29, 2006 to September 28, 2009 |
| (3) Arranger | The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd. |
| (4) Agent | The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd. |
| (5) Syndicate bankers | The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd.
Mizuho Bank, Ltd.
Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation
Nippon Life Insurance Company |

2. Purpose of commitment line arranged

- (1) To secure a strategic financing with a view to make further investments for research and development of new ethical drugs and to strengthen the management base.
- (2) To secure the stable financing base during the long-term agreement of three years.

Inquiry to

Maruho Co., Ltd.

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Profile of Maruho

Company name	Maruho Co., Ltd.
President	Koichi Takagi
Inauguration	July 1915
Capital	382 million yen
Operation	Research and development, Manufacture, Marketing of Pharmaceuticals
Sales	41,617 million yen (FY 2005)
No. of Employees	836 (As of Sept. 30, 2005)