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Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc.

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MGC Announces Business Project for N-Monomethylformamide

Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. (head office: Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, President: Kazuo Sakai) has decided to set up a new business involving N-monomethylformamide (NMF). The N,N-dimethylformamide (DMF) production facilities (production capacity of

38,000 tons per year) at Our Niigata plant (in Niigata city, Niigata prefecture) will be

partially redeployed for an operation switch between NMF and DMF. The plant will

commence production of 7,500 tons of NMF per year from the spring of 2010.

NMF is mainly used for electronic materials, but it also is broadly used in other fields - for

example, as an extractant in medical drug and agrochemical synthesizing, and as a

solvent in paints. The NMF outlook shows an increased demand of 10 to 15% per annum $\,$

principally in the electronic materials field. And, we at Mitsubishi Gas Chemical will add

this promising NMF business to our lineup of methylamine-based products, to further

enhance our business as the sole manufacturer of methylamine in Japan.

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