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About the "Report Collection Order" Submission Deadline for a Subsidiary (SNOW BRAND SEED Co., Ltd.)

On February 15, 2018, our consolidated subsidiary SNOW BRAND SEED Co., Ltd. (main office: Sapporo; President: Masahito Akaishi, hereinafter, SNOW BRAND SEED) received a Report Collection Order from the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries (MAFF) in accordance with Article 65 of the Plant Variety Protection and Seed Act. Treating this order with the utmost seriousness, on February 20, 2018, SNOW BRAND SEED established a third-party committee, which has been conducting an investigation in order to ascertain facts.

We received an order from MAFF to submit a report by March 29 of this year but we received a report from the third-party committee that significant time would be required to complete their investigation as well as present a recommendation for appropriate recurrence prevention measures. As such, Snow Brand Seed explained this situation to MAFF, which issued a response in which they accepted our request to extend this report deadline to April 27 of this year.

We deeply regret not being able to submit a report by the stipulated deadline. The MEGMILK SNOW BRAND Group will continue to conduct an objective and thorough investigation in this matter.