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(Progress of Disclosure) The Resumption of Operations at the Hot Strip and Plate Mill

We deeply apologize once again for the inconvenience and concern caused by the fire that occurred on Saturday, September 12, 2026, in the hot strip and plate mill of the Company's Funamachi Plant. As previously disclosed, the hot strip and plate mill was expected to resume operations in mid-October. However, the decision to resume operations was made on Friday, October 16, and operations resumed on Saturday, October 17. Details are as follows.

1. Recovery Measures until Resumption of Operations

September 14: Completion of the On-Site Inspection Conducted in the Presence of Relevant Organizations

September 15: Commencement of Restoration Work

October 14: Completion of Safety Confirmation Conducted with Attendance of Relevant Organizations

October 16: Completion of Restoration Work and Commencement of Resumption Preparations

October 17: Resumption of Operations

The Company will gradually return to normal operations for the downstream production lines that were partially adjusted.

2. Causes of Fire and Recurrence Prevention Measures

(1) Causes of Fire

The Company is continuing to investigate the cause of the fire with the cooperation of relevant organizations.

(2) Recurrence Prevention Measures

The Company is currently taking steps to address the probable causes of the accident, but based on the findings of the above investigation, the Company will strengthen measures to prevent a recurrence.

3. Impact on Financial Results

The Company will promptly disclose the impact on the financial results as soon as it becomes possible to reasonably estimate the extent of that impact, as the Company is currently reviewing the production plan following the resumption of operations and restoration work and other related expenses, to assess the impact of this matter on financial results.