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Notice Regarding Share Acquisition of Seven Pharmaceutical Wholesale Companies in Western Japan

TOHO HOLDINGS CO., LTD. (Headquarters: Tokyo; President and Representative Director: Norio Hamada; hereinafter, "TOHO HOLDINGS") is pleased to announce that it has decided to acquire all outstanding shares of the seven member companies of the TaiyoYakuhin Group engaged in the pharmaceutical wholesaling business in Yamaguchi, Hiroshima, Fukuoka, Oita, Kumamoto, Kagoshima and Okinawa Prefectures.

## 1. Purpose of the Share Acquisition

As a group of distribution companies engaged in the medical, health and nursing care sector and under the group's corporate slogan, "Total commitment to good health", TOHO HOLDINGS conducts businesses such as pharmaceutical wholesaling, management of dispensing pharmacies, development and provision of customer support systems, etc., and at the same time, actively promotes community healthcare collaboration and makes positive commitments to the home medical and nursing care sector.

The seven member companies of the TaiyoYakuhinGroup engaged in the pharmaceutical wholesaling businessdeal mainly in generic drugs. Although they have no capital ties with one another, they do work together closely to ensure a steady product supply and sharing information about the pharmaceutical industry, etc.

TOHO HOLDINGS has decided to acquire all outstanding shares of the seven companies with the purpose of further strengthening our sales capabilities in the regions where they conduct business and boosting our corporate value, by valuing and retaining the community-based operating bases they have developed, and utilizing the management resources of the TOHO HOLDINGS Group.

- 2. Seven Member Companies of the Taiyo Yakuhin Group
- (1) Taiyo-yakuhin Yamaguchi CO., LTD.

5-16-11, Asae, Hikari-city, Yamaguchi

- (2) Taiyo-yakuhin Chugoku HanbaiCO., LTD.
  - 3-1-30, Hirohonmachi, Kure-city, Hiroshima
- (3) Shinei-yakuhinCO., LTD. (Taiyo-yakuhin Fukuoka)

1-10-2, Numamotocho, Kokura Minami-ku, Kitakyusyu-city, Fukuoka

(4) Taiyo-yakuhinCO., LTD.

9-1-30, Ishigakinishi, Beppu-city, Oita

(5) Taiyo-yakuhinCO., LTD.

1-10-37, Nagaminenishi, Higashi-ku, Kumamoto-city, Kumamoto

(6) Taiyo-yakuhinCO., LTD.

1-1, Shimizu-cho, Kagoshima-city, Kagoshima

(7)Okinawa Taiyo-yakuhinCO., LTD.

3-10-3, Iso, Urazoe-city, Okinawa

## 3. Schedule

Conclusion of agreement on the stock transfer September 12, 2016 (planned)
Proposed effective date September 16, 2016 (planned)

## 4. Performance outlook

There will be little influence on its consolidated financial results in FY ending March 2017.

