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NAGASE & CO., LTD.

Announcement of Transfer of Shares of Nagase Medicals Co., Ltd.

NAGASE & CO., LTD. (Chuo-ku, Tokyo; Representative Director and President: Kenji Asakura, hereafter “Nagase & Co.”) has decided to transfer all held shares of Nagase Medicals Co., Ltd. (Itami, Hyogo; Representative Director and President: Mitsuru Akasaka), a consolidated subsidiary of NAGASE that is engaged in the development and manufacture of pharmaceuticals, to Shionogi Pharma Co., Ltd. (Settsu, Osaka Pref.; Representative Director and President: Ryuichi Kume), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Shionogi & Co., Ltd. (Chuo-ku, Osaka; Representative Director and President: Isao Teshirogi).

Based on the manufacturing technology of sterile formulations and highly active formulations, Nagase Medicals has proceeded with a business structure reform in order to strengthen the company’s competitive advantage in the contract manufacturing of injections and the development of its proprietary generic drugs. Under these circumstances, Nagase & Co. has negotiated with Shionogi Pharma, which focuses on the contract development and manufacturing organization (CDMO) business and aims to become an industry leader in highly potent injectables and active solid formulations. After examining a variety of possible options, the two companies have come to agree that the transfer of shares would lead to further growth of both Shionogi Pharma and Nagase Medicals. Equipped with GMP (Good Manufacturing Practice)-compliant injectable production facility, Nagase Medicals will continue its business at its present location, mainly as a manufacturing base for highly active injectable drug.

The shares of Nagase Medicals will be transferred but Nagase & Co. will continue to actively engage in the pharmaceutical business (distribution of formulations, APIs, intermediates, raw materials, and APIs for generic drugs, etc.), as well as the pharma medical business including the development of software in the medical imaging field. With life and healthcare positioned as one of its focus areas, Nagase & Co. will continue to select and concentrate its businesses in order to increase corporate value by creating synergies within the NAGASE Group.

■ Outline of Nagase Medicals Co., Ltd.

(1) Name	Nagase Medicals Co., Ltd.
(2) Head Office	Itami, Hyogo Prefecture
(3) Representative	Representative Director and President Mitsuru Akasaka
(4) Established	1972
(5) Business Areas	Development, manufacture and import/export of ethical drugs, medical equipment, medical materials and veterinary drugs
(6) URL	https://www.nagase-medicals.co.jp/en/

■ Outline of Shionogi Pharma Co., Ltd.

(1) Name	Shionogi Pharma Co., Ltd.
(2) Head Office	Settsu, Osaka Prefecture
(3) Representative	Representative Director and President Ryuichi Kume
(4) Established	2018
(5) Business Areas	Manufacturing, sale, analytical testing and pharmaceutical engineering of medicinal drugs and investigational drugs
(6) URL	https://www.shionogi-ph.co.jp/en/

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