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Construction of a Polymer Additive (High-performance Antioxidant) Plant in China —Expanding the Polymer Additives Business—

ADEKA Corporation (President: Kunihiko Sakurai) has decided to construct a new polymer additive production plant at its local subsidiary in China, ADEKA Fine Chemical (Changshu) Co., Ltd.

The annual production capacity of the new plant will be 1,500 tons. The plant is scheduled to start operation in April 2013 and the total investment will be 1 billion yen.

The type of polymer additive that will be manufactured at the new plant is a high-performance antioxidant.

Antioxidants are used to prevent the degradation of plastics caused by their reacting with atmospheric oxygen, by heat applied during their processing or by their being exposed to sunlight.

High-performance antioxidants not only provide stability during the processing of polymers, but also improve their thermal resistance and prevent their discoloration. These antioxidants are used in the processing of polyolefin and engineering plastics, which are required for automobiles, machine parts and home electrical appliances.

Since antioxidant demand is expected to continue to experience strong growth in newly developing countries, we have decided to construct our new plant in China.

We will increase our capacity for the production of high-performance antioxidants in order to improve our performance advantage and cost competitiveness. Our goal is to increase our sales in countries such as China and India, where future growth in market demand is likely, and to achieve a 20% global market share within the next five years.

We regard polymer additives as one of our core businesses. We will create an effective system for providing a stable supply to the global market and will continue to develop strategies for the expansion of this business.

Corporate Overview of ADEKA Fine Chemical (Changshu) Co., Ltd.

(1)	Representative	Kenshi Koga, Director
(2)	Paid-in capital	15.7 million US dollars
(3)	Address	No. 101 Changchun Road, Riverside Industrial Park, Changshu Economic Development Zone, Jiangsu 215513, China
(4)	Established	May 2003
(5)	Major line of business	Manufacture and sale of resin additives