

Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc.

**Notice regarding Business Alliance between**  
**Osaka Gas Information System Research Institute**  
**and Sakura Information System**

TOKYO, July 28, 2006 --- Sumitomo Mitsui Financial Group, Inc. (SMFG) hereby announces that its consolidated subsidiaries, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation and Sakura Information System, have published the attached press release today.

SMFG's earnings forecast for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2007 remains unchanged.

Osaka Gas Information System Research Institute Co., Ltd.  
Sakura Information System Co., Ltd.  
Osaka Gas Co. Ltd.  
Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation

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Japan, July 28, 2006--- Osaka Gas Information System Research Institute Co., Ltd. (OGIS-RI, President: Masakazu Kato), Sakura Information System Co., Ltd. (SIS, President: Ryoji Miura), Osaka Gas Co. Ltd. (Osaka Gas, President: Hirofumi Shibano) and Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (SMBC, President: Masayuki Oku) today have entered into a basic contract on business alliance in the field of information service business as basically agreed between OGIS-RI and SIS on May 23, 2006.

In addition, on the basis of the basic contract above, SMBC today transferred part of its holdings of SIS shares (equivalent to 34% of the total SIS shares) to OGIS-RI in order to reinforce the alliance.

**1. Outline of business alliance**

- (1) Cooperation in the field of system development
  - (a) System development, combining SIS's know-how and OGIS-RI's technology of "Object/UML (Unified Modeling Language) Modeling"
  - (b) Mutual exploitation of development base
- (2) Cooperation in foreign operation  
Mutually utilize the development base in Shanghai, OGIS-RI's business partner, and SIS's subsidiary in Singapore.
- (3) Cooperation in the field of system operation  
Mutually utilize OGIS-RI's computer center (Nishi-ku, Osaka) and SIS's center (Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo).
- (4) Exchange and development of human resources

**2. Outline of SIS after the transfer of shares**

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| (1) Company name            | Sakura Information System Co., Ltd.                           |
| (2) Head office             | 4-10,Nihonbashihoncho 3-chome,Chuo-ku, Tokyo                  |
| (3) Business description    | System development and data processing                        |
| (4) Date of establishment   | November 29, 1972   |
| (5) Capital stock           | 600 millions of yen   |
| (6) Number of shares issued | 775,000 shares  |
| (7) Principal shareholders  | SMBC 511,500 shares (66.0%)<br>OGIS-RI 263,500 shares (34.0%) |

## Appendix

### Profile of OGIS-RI

Company name	Osaka Gas Information System Research Institute Co., Ltd.
Head office	Minami 2-37, Chiyozaeki 3-chome, Nishi-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka
Business description	System development, data processing, and sales of computer and software
Date of establishment	June 29, 1983
Capital stock	400 millions of yen (as of March 31, 2006)

### Profile of Osaka Gas

Company name	Osaka Gas Co. Ltd.
Head office	1-2, Hiranamachi 4-chome, Chuo-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka
Business description	Gas and heat supply business
Date of establishment	April 10, 1897
Capital stock	132,166 millions of yen (as of March 31, 2006)

### Profile of SMBC

Company name	Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation
Business description	Banking
Date of establishment	June 6, 1996
Head office	1-2, Yurakucho 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo
Capital stock	664,986 millions of yen (as of March 31, 2006)