

January 10, 2008  
Nikko Cordial Securities Inc.

Notice Concerning Completion of Registration Change  
Regarding Investment Management Business

Nikko Cordial Securities Inc. (Head office: Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo; President & CEO: Mikio Kitabayashi, hereafter, “Company”) hereby announces that on January 9, 2008, the Company has completed the procedures for registration change regarding investment management business. On April 1, 2008, the Company will launch investment management business where the Company will be entrusted by clients with making entire or part of investment judgment based on analysis of value of financial products, and manage client assets through investment in marketable securities and other investment products upon signing discretionary investment agreements between clients. The Company positions investment management business an integral part of its business in order to provide quality service to our clients in the midst of accelerating shift “from savings to investment”.

Additionally, the Company will succeed the wrap-account related business of Nikko Global Wrap Ltd. (Head office: Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo; President & Director: Hiroaki Shiraiwa, hereafter, “Nikko GW”) through absorption type demerger (signing of the absorption type demerger agreement: December 10, 2007/effective date of the absorption type demerger agreement: April 1, 2008(scheduled)), and provide discretionary investment services currently provided by Nikko GW. With this move, the Company will not only provide the wrap accounts but also be in charge of the investment management for the wrap accounts, enabling us to offer services more effectively and in an integrated fashion.

The Company intends to create wrap-account related investment services which can satisfy our clients with an aim to drive further growth of client assets.

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