

To whom it may concern,

Company name: Seven & i Holdings Co., Ltd.

Representative: Noritoshi Murata

President and Representative Director (Code No.3382/First Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange)

Company name: AIN PHARMACIEZ INC.

Representative: Kiichi Ohtani

President and Representative Director

(Code No.9627/Second Section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange)

## Announcement of Establishment of Seven Health Care Co., Ltd.

Seven & i Holdings Co., Ltd., AIN PHARMACIEZ INC., and two of Seven & i Holdings consolidated subsidiaries – Ito-Yokado Co., Ltd., and Seven-Eleven Japan Co., Ltd. – will establish Seven Health Care Co., Ltd., on June 1, 2009, in accordance with a basic agreement concluded by the companies on April 9, 2009. Details are provided below.

## 1. Objectives of the Establishment

As a result of the introduction of the registered sales person system under the revisions to the Pharmaceutical Affairs Law that will take effect on June 1, 2009, retailers other than dispensing pharmacies and drug stores are expected to make full-fledged entries into the OTC pharmaceutical market, and major changes are forecast to occur in the pharmaceutical field.

Seven & i Holdings and AIN PHARMACIEZ completed a business and capital tie-up on August 5, 2008, and subsequently have moved ahead with collaborative activities in a variety of areas. In order to respond to rapidly changing market environments, each company has been utilizing the strengths of the other, namely, Seven & i Holdings' powerful network that spans several areas of operations and AIN PHARMACIEZ's expertise as a leading operator of dispensing pharmacies. The companies have been working to build a new business model centered on the safe and secure supply of pharmaceuticals. Based on the results of these activities, the establishment of Seven Health Care is expected to increase the enterprise value of each company.

## 2. Company Outline

(1) Name: Seven Health Care Co., Ltd.

(2) Representative: Toshihide Mizushima, President and representative director

(currently Managing Director, AIN PHARMACIEZ)

(3) Location of head office: 8-8, Nibancho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

(4) Establishment: June 1, 2009

(5) Area of operation: Drug store management; planning and development of private brand

pharmaceuticals; overall coordination of both Group's

pharmaceutical-related operations, including product development,

purchasing, and distribution

(6) Fiscal year end End of February(7) Registered capital 450 million yen

(8) Equity interest Ito-Yokado Co., Ltd. 50%

AIN PHARMACIEZ INC. 30% Seven & i Holdings Co., Ltd. 10% Seven-Eleven Japan Co., Ltd. 10%

## 3. Outlook for the Future

The effect of the establishment of Seven Health Care on the Company's consolidated results will be insignificant, but from a medium-to-long-term perspective, it is expected to contribute to the profits of each of the establishing companies.