The Norinchukin Bank (the “Bank”) was established in 1923 as a quasi-governmental financial institution. Privatized in 1959, the Bank is one of Japan’s largest and most distinguished banks.

The Bank is the central bank for Japanese agricultural, forestry, and fishery cooperative systems. Based on constant funds procurement from member cooperatives, the Bank carries out efficient and flexible asset management by investing in various financial products. This is carried out on a global scale. The profits from these activities are then continuously passed on to members.

The Bank has branches in the world’s major financial centers, including New York, London, and Singapore. Coupled with its head office in Tokyo, this network enables 24-hour coverage of the global financial markets.

Forward-Looking Statements
This material contains forward-looking statements pertaining to the businesses and prospects of the Bank. Such statements are based on our current expectations and are subject to the risks and uncertainties that may affect our businesses, which could cause actual results to differ materially from those currently anticipated.

Corporate Data
(As of August 1, 2003)

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Paid-in Capital*
¥1,224,999 million

Independent Certified Public Accountants
ChuoAoyama Audit Corporation

Date of Establishment
December 20, 1923

Number of Employees*
2,764

Branches in Japan
34

Overseas Network
Branches: 3
Representative Offices: 2
Subsidiary: 1

Number of Shareholders*
5,337

Principal Shareholders
Agricultural Cooperatives and Federations
Forestry Cooperatives and Federations
Fishery Cooperatives and Federations
Other Related Organizations

*As of March 31, 2003