

## **Nomura Asset Management becomes a signatory to the UN PRI**

**London, March 2, 2011 – Nomura Asset Management has become a signatory of the United Nations-backed Principles for Responsible Investment (UN PRI) from 1<sup>st</sup> March 2011.**

**Nomura Asset Management believes that by agreeing to the principles, it is confirming its commitment to addressing environmental, social and corporate governance issues in investment management.**

Former UN Secretary General Kofi Annan launched UN PRI in 2006. The six principles below provide a framework to incorporate environmental, social and corporate governance (ESG) issues into investment decision-making.

1. We will incorporate ESG issues into investment analysis and decision-making processes.
2. We will be active owners and incorporate ESG issues into our ownership policies and practices.
3. We will seek appropriate disclosure on ESG issues by the entities in which we invest.
4. We will promote acceptance and implementation of the Principles within the investment industry.
5. We will work together to enhance our effectiveness in implementing the Principles.
6. We will each report on our activities and progress towards implementing the Principles

By applying these principles, institutional investors are encouraged to better align their investment activities with broader objectives of society.

We agree with the principles and believe our investment activities are already in line with them. These principles will enhance the understanding of the importance of ESG issues to the companies in which we invest and also help to raise enterprise value over the long term. Nomura Asset Management aims to fulfill its social responsibilities as an institutional investor and as a UN PRI signatory.

Nomura Asset Management, as a signatory to the UNPRI has established an ESG committee, which is chaired by our Chief Investment Officer (CIO), Yoshihiro Namura, and includes divisions from Investment Management and Research, Client Services, and Corporate Office. The committee will discuss the company's key policies relating to ESG issues.

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