

Notice regarding completion and status of repurchase of own shares

Repurchase of company shares pursuant to the provisions of
Article 165-2, the Companies Act

Tokyo, February 24, 2012 – Kyowa Hakko Kirin announced that it has executed share repurchases in accordance with an interpretation of paragraph 156 of Japan's Companies Act and based on Article 165-3 of the Companies Act.

With following acquisition, the repurchase of own shares, established at the Board of Directors' meeting held August 25, 2011, is complete. Details as follows:

(1) Class of shares repurchased:	Common stock
(2) Period of repurchase:	February 1, 2012 to February 23, 2012 (Contract basis)
(3) Number of shares repurchased:	4,890,000 shares
(4) Total amount of repurchase cost:	4,445,794,068 yen
(5) Method of repurchase:	Purchased on the Tokyo Stock Exchange

Reference:

1. Details of the resolution of the Board of Directors' meeting held on August 25, 2011

(1) Class of shares to be repurchased:	Common stock
(2) Number of shares to be repurchased:	Up to 25,000,000 shares (represents 4.39% of shares issued, excluding treasury shares)
(3) Total amount for acquisition of shares:	Up to ¥20,000 million
(4) Period for share repurchase:	August 26, 2011 to February 29, 2012

2. Total number of own shares repurchased in accordance with the above Board of Directors' meeting resolution (As of February 23, 2012)

(1) Total number of shares repurchased:	22,508,000 shares
(2) Total amount of repurchase cost:	19,999,300,003 yen

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