News Release

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Astellas Pharma Inc.: Details of Company Wide Measures to Conserve Electricity in Summer

Astellas Pharma Inc. (Headquarters: Tokyo; President and CEO: Yoshihiko Hatanaka) announces details of its conserving electricity measures in summer season taken in response to electricity consumption reductions called for in the regions service by Tokyo Electric Power Company and Tohoku Electric Power Co., Inc.

In addition, Astellas views the requests of the various electric power companies, including Tohoku Electric Power Co., Inc. and Hokuriku Electric Power Co., seriously and will exert every effort to conserve electricity by as much as possible at all of its facilities around the country. At the same time Astellas has called for its employees to cooperate in conserving their power at home as well.

<Basic Thinking and Objectives>

- During the period of potential electricity shortage, Astellas will strictly comply with all laws and regulations and pay close attention to the various needs of society, while at the same time pursuing its corporate principle of providing stable supplies of pharmaceutical products by achieving high levels of operational productivity. Also, the Company will pursue appropriate operations to achieve a balance in the work and private lives of our employees.
- While the Fuji Plant (Fuji City, Shizuoka Prefecture) and Nishine Plant (Hachimantai City, Iwate Prefecture) of Astellas Pharma Tech Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of the Astellas Group, have received official approval as "legally relaxed regulation status" (Allowing them to avoid any mandatory reductions in electric power, "0" Reduction Rate), the Astellas Group, including the above mentioned facilities, as a whole will implement voluntary measures to reduce its electricity consumption by over 15% during peak consumption periods.

<Specific Measures>

(Company Wide)

- Extended summer holidays will be implemented on a rolling basis at major facilities within the areas supplied by Tokyo Electric Power (*1) as a measure to conserve electricity by large margins during the peak electricity consumption period (Between mid-July to mid-August).
- Astellas will also implement the following measures at all of its facilities during the entire period when conserving electricity are called for in order to reduce its fundamental electricity consumption.
 - Control of air conditioning temperature (Minimum 28 degrees Celsius) and temporary suspension of some air conditioning functions
 - Reduction or suspension of lighting
 - Suspension of some elevators operations
 - Encouraging employees to leave work early

- · Reduction in the number of shared office equipment operated
- ➢ At individual research facilities, plants
 - · Installing of emergency power generators
 - · Consolidation of freezer, refrigeration facilities
 - · Consolidation of space used for experiments
 - Extended summer vacation implemented in exchange for operations conducted during the normal vacation period of Golden Week in May (Already implemented)

(*1) Details of summer vacation plans

(Research related functions)

- Tsukuba Research Center: Two periods of nine day vacations (July 16 to 24, August 6 to 14)
- Tsukuba Biotechnology Research Center: One nine day vacation (August 13 to 21)
- Takahagi Chemistry & Technology Development Center: One four day vacation (August 13 to 16)

(Production related functions)

- Astellas Pharma Tech, Fuji Plant: One 16 day vacation (July 23 to August 7), one 9 day vacation (July 23 to 31)
- Astellas Pharma Tech, Nishine Plant: One 9 day vacation (August 13 to 21)

• Astellas Pharma Tech, Takahagi Technology Center: One four day vacation (August 13 to 16) (Sales office related)

- Headquarters: One six day vacation (August 12 to 17)
- branches and their sales offices: One seven day vacation (August 11 to 17)

(Headquarters)

• Headquarters, Hasune Office: One ten day vacation (August 12 to 21)

Some of the operations at the Fuji Plant have remained open during the Golden Week Holiday from May 2 to 6.

Furthermore the Tsukuba Research Center will operate on some Saturdays and holidays during the months of June, September and October. Also Astellas headquarters and its Hasune Office will also operate on some Saturdays and holidays during September and October.

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