

April 3, 2012

To whom it may concern:

Subject: Notification related to petition to start civil rehabilitation  
proceedings

Dear Madam/Sir:

We have resolved at the meeting of the board of directors held on March 23, 2012 to petition for start of civil rehabilitation proceedings, and as a result, we petitioned to the Tokyo District Court. Such petition was accepted on March 29, 2012, and a protective order for prohibition of repayment and a supervision order were issued by the court on March 30, 2012.

We sincerely apologize to the creditors, our customers and business partners who have extended support and cooperation to us for causing so much trouble because of our petition as explained above.

1. Reason for the petition

Our company was established in 1980, and we have deployed our business mainly in the field of manufacturing and sales of screen printers and semiconductor manufacturing equipment.

However, due to the Lehman shock in 2008 and unprecedented high yen situation thereafter, the sales of our company, where we sell 60% overseas, continued to decline both overseas and domestic.

While we have taken every possible measure, we have determined that we will be put in an extremely difficult position to continue our business, and we had no choice but to petition as explained above.

2. Outline of the petition

- 1) Petition date: March 29, 2012
- 2) Issuance of protective order: March 30, 2012
- 3) Court of petition: Tokyo District Court
- 4) Petition attorney: Attorney at law: Takayuki Miyaoka et al  
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6) Content of the protective order:

Prohibition of repayment of debts caused based on the reasons which occurred on or before March 29, 2012 (excluding the following) and provision of security.

- ① Tax and other debts to be collected according to the example in National Tax Collection Act.
- ② Debts caused based on the employment relationship between the rehabilitation debtor and their employees.
- ③ Debts related to the rent for the office space and place of business, cost of utilities and communication of the rehabilitation debtor.
- ④ Lease expense for the furniture and fixture in the office space and place of business of the rehabilitation debtor.

### 3. Explanatory meeting for the creditors

We are planning to hold an explanatory meeting for the creditors at the time and place as described below.

Date and time: Registration at 3:30PM of April 6, 2012

Venue: Japan Education Center (Hitotsubashi Hall)

Rooms 701 and 702 on the 7<sup>th</sup> floor

Location: 2-6-2 Hitotsubashi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 101-0003

Sincerely,

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