

Kyowa Medex Co., Ltd.

October 1, 2018

**Notice of Change in Company Name**

Tokyo, October 1, 2018 — Kyowa Medex Co., Ltd. (Head Office: Chuo-ku, Tokyo, “Kyowa Medex”) hereby announces that the name of the Company will be changed following resolution at the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders scheduled to be held in March 2019, as outlined below.

1. Reason for Change

In January 2018 Kyowa Medex became a consolidated subsidiary of the Hitachi Chemical Co., Ltd. In conjunction with this move, the Company’s name will be renewed as it works to further increase its competitiveness under the Hitachi Chemical brand as a core company in the Hitachi Chemical Group’s in vitro diagnostics business.

2. Overview of Change in Company Name

Name of New Company: Hitachi Chemical Diagnostics Systems Co., Ltd.

Date of Change: July 1, 2019

3. Overview of Company

Headquarters: 1- 8 - 10 Harumi, Chuo-ku, Tokyo

Representative: Toshihiro Onodera, President and Chief Operating Officer

Business Description: Development, manufacture and sale of in-vitro diagnostics and automated analyzers

Capital Ratio: Hitachi Chemical Co., Ltd.: 66.6%, Kyowa Hakko Kirin Co., Ltd.: 33.4%