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Revision of electricity rates and wheeling rates

As the President explained at the regular press conference held on June 27, the revision of electricity rates and wheeling rates has been under consideration. We hereby inform you that rates for both electricity and wheeling will be revised by around September 2008.

Since the July 2006 revision of electricity rates, fuel prices have risen—and continue to rise—steeply, thus fuel-related expenses are showing a substantial increase. With respect to facilities-related expenses, we are beefing up facilities to secure safe and reliable supply of energy while at the same time making efforts to streamline costs across the Company.

Against this backdrop, where assumptions on which rate-calculations are based are experiencing significant change, we have decided to revise electricity rates and wheeling rates.

With regard to electricity rates, while current market prices will be reflected in rates regarding fuel expenses, streamlining efforts will also be factored in to a maximum extent so that the revised rates to come into effect in September can be maintained at a before-revision level, fuel cost adjustments included.

In addition, the average fuel price on which calculation of fuel cost adjustments will be based will be revised based on customs statistics covering the period from January to March 2008. However, we are considering that no fuel cost adjustments will be made on electricity rates applicable to the period from October to December 2008.

With respect to wheeling rates, streamlining efforts that we have put in place to date are expected to result in rate reductions.

Please be advised that we will announce further details once they are finalized.