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To whom it may concern

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Obtainment of Approval of Transfer of Gas Business in Nikaho City

Nikaho Gas Co., Ltd.(headquarters: Nikkaho, Akita Prefecture, Representative Director: Takeshi Matsushita, hereinafter 'Nikaho Gas'), a subsidiary of TOKAI Gas Co., Ltd.(Headquarters: Fujieda City, Shizuoka Prefecture, Head Office: Yaizu City, Shizuoka Prefecture, Representative Director: Shoji Uematsu, hereinafter 'TOKAI Gas') received approval from Tohoku Bureau of Economy, Trade and Industry on October 25 for the transfer of the gas business operated by Nikaho City in Akita Prefecture.

TOKAI Gas operates the city gas business in the Shida area (Yaizu City, Fujieda City, and Shimada City) of Shizuoka Prefecture as a founding company of our group. In April of this year, we acquired the city gas business of Shimohita-cho, Gunma Prefecture, and expanded the city gas business outside of the prefecture.

Based on the idea that “The city gas business is closely related to the daily lives of people living in its service area, and the Company’s growth lies on the development of a trusting relationship with customers,” we conduct the following initiatives: 1) strengthening of customer contact points through activities with themes closely linked with people’s daily lives; 2) proactively promoting advanced energy systems by leveraging high-level technological capabilities; 3) efforts to build trust through various local contribution activities; and developing the business into a “role model” business of TOKAI Group’s TLC Vision.

In the Nikaho City area, a new service area, TOKAI GAS will make an effort to provide stable supply of gas as a local energy company. In addition, the Company will aim to improve customer satisfaction and enhance its service levels by offering the TOKAI Group’s array of lifestyle-related services, thus strengthening its businesses.

This is part of the wide-area expansion of the city gas business under the "Innovation Plan 2020 JUMP" medium-term management plan ending in fiscal 2020, and we will continue to aim for further expansion of the city gas business in the future.

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