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Otsuka Holdings Co., Ltd. Obtains Credit Rating

Tokyo, Japan, February 3, 2011 – Otsuka Holdings Co., Ltd. ("Company") announced today that the Company has newly obtained the following credit rating from Rating and Investment Information, Inc. (R&I). Please refer to the press release issued by R&I for further information, including the rationale of the rating.

1. Subject and rating:

Subject : Issuer rating

Rating : AA-

Rating outlook : Stable

2. Rating issued by:

R&I

3. Purpose of obtaining the rating:

The purpose of obtaining the credit rating is to further strengthen the transparency and creditworthiness of the Otsuka Group through an objective third-party assessment of the business and financial health.

About Otsuka Group:

The Otsuka Group is a global organization of 145 healthcare companies with nearly 39,000 employees. Otsuka Holdings Co., Ltd., is the Group's pure holding company. The main operating companies are Otsuka Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd., Otsuka Pharmaceutical Factory, Inc., Taiho Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd., Otsuka Warehouse Co., Ltd., and Otsuka Chemical Co., Ltd. The Group operates in 23 countries and regions, conducting diversified businesses in four segments all connected by a focus on health: pharmaceuticals, nutraceuticals, consumer products, and others.