

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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**Notice Regarding Change in Business Year**

Tokyo, Japan – Otsuka Holdings Co. Ltd. (the “Company”) announces that the Board of Directors, at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on the date hereof, resolved a change in the Company’s business year, which is subject to approval of a partial amendment to Articles of Incorporation at the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of Shareholders to be held in late June 2014.

## 1. Reasons for the change

By standardizing the Company’s business year with its overseas consolidated subsidiaries, the Company aims to make more timely and accurate disclosure of management information about global activities by our group whose overseas sales represent a large percentage of total sales.

## 2. Changing the closing date

At present:	March 31 of every year
After the change:	December 31 of every year

(Note 1) FY2014, a transitional period for the change in the business year, will cover nine months from April 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014.

(Note 2) The same change in the business year will be applied to the Company’s consolidated subsidiaries in Japan, whose current closing date is other than December 31 of every year.

## 3. Future outlook

The operating results forecast for FY2014 will be announced in the FY2013 Business Results to be disclosed in May 2014.