



Mizuho Corporate Bank Opens Atlanta Representative Office

Mizuho Opens Fifth U.S. Office and Expands U.S. Regional Coverage

ATLANTA, *February 28, 2006* - Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd., one of the world's largest global financial institutions, announced the opening today of its Atlanta Representative Office. The office will cover seven southeastern U.S. states – Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee – and focus on generating new client relationships and up-tiering opportunities with Fortune 1500 companies in the region.

“The opening of our office in Atlanta will enable us to enhance relationships with our current clients and forge important new partnerships in this strategic market,” said James Masters, senior vice president. “Mizuho’s strategy is built on long-term relationships. We offer our clients innovative thinking and timely advice that enhances their financial opportunities worldwide,” added Jack Mackmull, senior vice president.

Masatsugu Nagato, Managing Executive Officer and Head of the Americas for Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd., said, “Atlanta is Mizuho’s second new U.S. office in seven months - a confirmation of both our determination to expand Mizuho’s global business and our commitment to the U.S. marketplace. With offices in New York City, Los Angeles, Chicago, Houston, and now Atlanta, we have comprehensive geographic coverage of the U.S, and can build rapidly upon our solid business accomplishments to date and outstanding future prospects in the Southeastern region.”

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