Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd. Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd.

## Mizuho Corporate Bank and Mizuho Securities Introduce "Dual-Hat" Structure

Mizuho Corporate Bank and Mizuho Securities introduced today a "dual-hat" structure at the front offices of each company. The introduction of this structure has been made possible by the easing of firewall regulations between banking and securities' businesses under an amendment to the Financial Instruments and Exchange Act, effective June 1, 2009.

Two Corporate Banking Divisions within the Corporate Banking Unit of Mizuho Corporate Bank and two newly-established Corporate Coverage Departments within the Investment Banking Group of Mizuho Securities will form the "dual-hat" sections and a total of around 50 employees from Mizuho Corporate Bank and Mizuho Securities will be "dual-hat" employees. These two "dual-hat" sections will be located at Mizuho Corporate Bank's Head Office.

Through the "dual-hat" structure, we will, under a stringent compliance framework, further enhance and intensify the cooperation between our companies and aim to provide to our corporate customers highly sophisticated banking and securities' solutions as well as financial services best suited to our customers' needs making the most of the financial capabilities of Mizuho Financial Group.

Mizuho Corporate Bank and Mizuho Securities, as members of the Global Corporate Group of Mizuho Financial Group, are fully committed to maximizing our comprehensive financial intelligence, and as "top-tier professionals to industry, business and the markets", to become highly-valued and most-trusted "best partners" for our customers.