

# Message from the Management

## Mizuho Bank



I would like to thank you for your continued interest in and support of our business.

### Services Provided by Mizuho Bank

The former Mizuho Bank and Mizuho Corporate Bank formally merged on July 1, 2013, resulting in the formation of the new Mizuho Bank.

As a leading financial institution with one of the largest customer bases in Japan, the new Mizuho Bank will build on its current strengths and characteristics, and fully leverage the comprehensive capabilities of the Mizuho group to meet our customers' diverse financial needs and contribute to the economic and social development of Japan and countries around the world. We are similarly committed to fulfilling our public duty as a financial institution by facilitating our customers' access to a stable supply of funds.

### Dedicated to Becoming our Customers' Most Trusted Financial Partner

As the largest financial institution in the Mizuho group, during fiscal 2013, Mizuho Bank worked further to improve all individual and corporate customer convenience by providing an effective and multifaceted range of comprehensive financial services through promoting a strategy of close collaboration between the Mizuho group's banking, trust banking and securities entities, based on the One Mizuho New Frontier Plan that was formulated by our parent company, Mizuho Financial Group. Through these initiatives, in fiscal 2013, we steadily expanded income and the customer base in our Customer Groups both domestically and overseas, and through pursuit of our One MIZUHO strategy, we realized further major synergies. We believe these accomplishments were a steady beginning for the first year of our Medium-term Management Plan.

In the interest of further developing the One MIZUHO strategy, during fiscal 2014, we aim to improve our profitability through our differentiated cross-functional strategies and expand the customer base in Japan and overseas that underpins our business expansion. To our individual customers, we will seamlessly provide a diverse mix of financial products and services across the banking, trust banking and securities segments. For our corporate customers, we will enhance our lending function by demonstrating our ability to take intelligent risks and improve our ability to provide solutions based on Mizuho's unique competitive advantages, such as industry expertise and capabilities in developing new products. Also, we will support Japanese customers' overseas businesses and will further enhance relations with non-Japanese customers in markets around the world.

To become our customers' most trusted financial partner, we will further accelerate our integrated management of banking, trust banking and securities functions under the slogan of "One MIZUHO."

Everyone at Mizuho shares a commitment to providing our customers with the financial services best suited to helping them achieve their goals.

We sincerely appreciate your continuing support.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nobuhide Hayashi". The signature is fluid and cursive, written on a white background.

Nobuhide Hayashi  
President & CEO  
Mizuho Bank, Ltd.