

October 4, 2013

To whom it may concern:

Mizuho Securities Co., Ltd.

### **Notice of Consolidation of Branches**

Mizuho Securities Co. Ltd. (President & CEO: Hiroshi Motoyama) hereby announces the following consolidations of branches adjudged to be overlapping (in terms of serving clients in the same geographical area) based on a review of the company's retail network carried out in the light of the January 2013 merger with Mizuho Investor Securities.

Following the seven consolidations listed below, the number of consolidated branches will stand at 36, and the company's post-merger retail framework under the Corporate Investment Services & Retail Business Division will consist of 103 branches, one sales office, 165 planet booths, and one financial advisors sales department.

The company will continue to strive to achieve merger synergies as soon as possible and develop the optimal retail network to serve the needs of clients.

Branches to be closed	Branches absorbing closed branches	Scheduled date of consolidation
Hamamatsu-Chuo Branch	Hamamatsu Branch	Monday, February 24, 2014
Toyama-Chuo Branch	Toyama Branch	Monday, March 10, 2014
Kobe-Motomachi Branch	Kobe Branch	
Hiroshima-Chuo Branch	Hiroshima Branch	
Sapporo-Chuo Branch	Sapporo Branch	Monday, March 24, 2014
Sendai-Chuo Branch	Sendai Branch	
Takamatsu-Chuo Branch	Takamatsu Branch*	

\*The Takamatsu Branch will move into the same building as the Mizuho Bank Takamatsu Branch on Monday, March 10, 2014, forming a joint branch in the process. Subsequently, the Takamatsu-Chuo Branch will be consolidated into the Takamatsu Branch on Monday, March 24, 2014. The address of the consolidated branch will be the same as the address of the joint branch, which is as follows:

1-6-8 Bancho, Takamatsu-shi, Kagawa-ken

End.