

May 14, 2008

**ONO PHARMACEUTICAL CO., LTD.**

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**Announcement on Partial Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation**

Ono Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (Osaka, Japan) announced that the Board of Directors meeting held on May 14, 2008 resolved a partial amendment to the Articles of Incorporation, which will be submitted to the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Shareholders Meeting planned in June 27, 2008 for approval.

1. Reasons for the amendment

Public notices of the Company have been published in the *Nihon Keizai Shimbun* so far but will be amended to be issued by electronic means. Other methods of issuing public notices in case of unavoidable circumstances such as an accident preventing the Company from issuing the notices electronically will also be provided.

2. Details of amendments

Details of the proposed amendment are provided as follows.

(Amended text is shown underlined)

Current	Proposed
Article 5. (Methods of issuing public notices) Public notices of the Company <u>shall be published in the <i>Nihon Keizai Shimbun</i>.</u>	Article 5. (Methods of issuing public notices) Public notices of the Company <u>shall be issued electronically. However, in the event that unavoidable circumstances prevent the Company from issuing them electronically the notices shall be published in the <i>Nihon Keizai Shimbun</i>.</u>

3. Schedule

Annual Shareholders Meeting for approval of the amendment: Friday, June 27, 2008

Effective date of the amendment: Friday, June 27, 2008