

Daiwa Securities SMBC Principal Investments Co. Ltd.

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Regarding the Investment to Hon Chuan (China) Holdings Co., Ltd.

Attention

This document is an unofficial translation and summary of a press release announced on August 25, 2008 by Daiwa Securities SMBC Principal Investments Co. Ltd. The original press release is in Japanese.

Daiwa Securities SMBC Principal Investments, a wholly owned subsidiary of Daiwa Securities SMBC Co. Ltd., acquired newly issued ordinary shares of Hon Chuan (China) Holdings Co., Ltd. (“Hon Chuan (China)”) with a purchase amount of USD 22 million.

Hon Chuan (China), a leading original equipment manufacturer (OEM) in the beverage industry in China, manufactures plastic bottles including preforms, caps, and labels. Utilizing the proceeds of the issue, Hon Chuan (China) plans to expand its production capability.

About Hon Chuan (China) Holdings Co., Ltd. (Hon Chuan (China))

Foundation:	November, 2002
Location:	Buckingham Square, 3rd Floor, 720 West Bay Road, P.O. Box 30691 SMB, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands
Capital:	USD 43 million (as of 31 December, 2007)
Revenue:	USD 79 million (for the year ended 31 December, 2007)
The number of Employees:	1,327 (as of April, 2008 including temporary employees)
Business Summary:	Hon Chuan (China), a subsidiary of Taiwan Hon Chuan Enterprise Co., Ltd, is an original equipment manufacturer in the beverage industry in China, which manufactures plastic bottles including preforms, caps, and labels.