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**Establishment of a New Facility to Strengthen R&D Capabilities
and Human Resource Development**

YUKIGUNI FACTORY CO., LTD, (the “Company”) hereby announces that it has decided to establish a new facility in the Kanto region to strengthen its R&D capabilities and the growth of its research personnel.

1. Purpose of Establishment

In the Medium-Term Business Plan, the Company has set goals to strengthen its existing premium businesses in the domestic market and to create new business opportunities.

To accelerate this growth, the Company expanded the R&D Office to a Division in October 2025, aiming to create new value through focused investment in research activities. In March 2026, the Company established a new “Business Development Division” tasked with expanding its market presence through new business and processed foods, as well as creating new business models, thereby building a framework to sustain its growth.

To further accelerate growth across all our business segments, including new businesses, and in line with the recent strengthening of its research and development capabilities, the Company has decided to establish a new facility in the Kanto region. Establishing a presence in the Kanto region will not only expand our network of contacts with customers and research institutions, including universities, and facilitate the exchange of information and technology, but will also enable the Company to respond more swiftly to market needs by enhancing collaboration with the Sales Division and the Business Development Division, both of which play central roles in its sales operations.

In addition, this will support the recruitment and development of the talent needed to drive innovation and create new value, while enabling flexible work arrangements tailored to researchers’ life stages, thereby contributing to the creation of a work environment in which employees can work with confidence and peace of mind.

Through the establishment of this new facility, the Company will further strengthen its R&D capabilities, bring out the full potential of mushrooms, and pursue sustainable business growth driven by innovation.

2. Overview of the Facility

- (1) Facility Name KINOKO MIRAI Lab
- (2) Origin of the name The name reflects the integration of the “KINOKO Research Institute,” which advances research on existing mushroom products, and the “MIRAI Research Institute,” dedicated to the development of functional materials and new technologies.
- (3) Location 2-chome, Totsukahigashi, Kawaguchi-shi, Saitama
- (4) Commencement of Operations July 2026 (tentative)

3. Impact on Business Performance

The impact of this matter on the Company’s consolidated financial results for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2027, is expected to be minimal. Should any matters requiring disclosure arise in the future, the Company will disclose them promptly.

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