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Press release

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Notice Regarding Acquisition of Credit Rating

Kokuyo Co., Ltd. announces that it has obtained a new credit rating from Rating and Investment Information, Inc. ("R&I") effective August 6, 2026.

1. Rating Target and Rating

Rating Agency	Rating Target	Rating	Rating Outlook
R&I	Issuer Rating	A	Stable

2. Date of Rating Acquisition

August 6, 2026

3. Purpose of Obtaining the Rating

By obtaining an objective evaluation of the Kokuyo Group's business and financial condition from a third-party institution, we aim to increase management transparency and signal our external credit worthiness. Furthermore, by diversifying and stabilizing our funding sources and applying them in our financial strategy, we are building a dynamic funding framework that will enable further growth investments after we embark on the Fifth Medium-Term Plan, with the aim of enhancing corporate value over the medium to long term.