Update on safety verification

(As of May 18, 2018)

(1) Customers' responses at present

For customers to which nonconforming products were shipped, found through the self-inspections conducted by the Kobe Steel Group and through the investigations by the Independent Investigation Committee (the "IIC") covering the past one year, and for products other than those delivered directly to customers, Kobe Steel at this time has not confirmed cases that would require the immediate suspension of use or immediate recall of the products.

(2) Current progress of safety verification

Owing to the enormous amount of cooperation from its customers, the Kobe Steel Group has been earnestly proceeding with safety verification. At this time as outlined below, the safety of the nonconforming products has been confirmed at 525 out of the 525 companies (or 100.0%) as announced on October 26, 2017, and 162 companies out of an additional 163 companies (or 99.4%) identified since the establishment of the IIC on October 26, 2017 as announced on March 6, 2018.

The Kobe Steel Group will continue to wholeheartedly devote itself to cooperating with its customers in order to complete the safety verification at an early time.

Updates on safety verification will be posted on our website when progress is made.

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							As of	May 18, 2018
Major category	Company name	Material	Main purpose	Announced of			ne IIC's	
				20		establishment		
				<u>-</u>			(October 26, 2017)	
				No. of customers	Safety verification		No. of customers	Safety verification
Aluminum & Copper	Kobe Steel, Ltd. Aluminum & Copper Business	Aluminum	Can stock				7	7
		sheets	Cars	57	<u>57</u>		/	/
		Aluminum	Aircraft					
		cast &	Rolling stock	67	67		4	<u>4</u>
		forged parts Aluminum	Cars			_		
		extrusions	Rolling stock	34	34		-	-
		Copper	Semiconductors	20	20	-		
		sheets	Terminals	38	38		2	2
	Kobelco & Materials Copper	Copper	Air	23	23		88	88
	Tube Co., Ltd.	tubes	conditioning		20	_		
	Shinko Metal Products Co., Ltd.	Copper	Electrical machinery,	176	176			<u>28</u>
		alloy tubes,	Steelmaking				29	
		Molds	equipment					
	Domestic subsidiary: 1 Overseas subsidiaries: 3*2	Copper						
		tubes	Air conditioning Terminals	36	36		-	-
		Copper strips						
		Aluminum						
		wires						
	Shinko Moka Sogo Service	Aluminum	Prototype	_	_		1	1
	Ltd.	plate	materials			-	•	•
Other	Kobelco Research Institute, Inc.	Sputtering target	FPD					
		materials	Optical disks Prototype alloys Corrosion	70	70		14	14
		Prototype						
	inc.	alloys						
		Corrosion	analysis					
	Kobe Steel, Ltd. Iron & Steel Business Steel Powder Division	analysis						
		Steel	Sintered parts	1	1		_	-
		powder	Sintered parts		·			
	Domestic subsidiaries, etc.: 2 Overseas subsidiaries, etc.: 2*3	Steel wire	Bearings	22	22			-
		Stainless						
		steel wire Heat	Springs				-	
		treatment						
	Shinko Kohan Kako, Ltd. Koshuha All Metal Service	Heavy plate processing	Heavy plate		1			
			processed products	1		-	-]	
								
	Co., Ltd.	treatment	Heat treatment	-	-		1	1
	Kobe Steel, Ltd. Machinery Business Shinko Engineering Co., Ltd.	Machinery	Industrial	-	-			
			machinery				10	10
			Standard				10	10
			compressors Industrial			-		
	Simko Engineering Co., Ltd.	Machinery	machinery	-	-		3	3
	Kobelco Eco-Solutions Co.,	Water	Water analysis	_	_		4	4
	Ltd.	analysis	water unarysis	525* ¹				
Total					525		163*1	162
Previous report (April 26, 2018)				525* ¹	520	I"	163*1	158
Report on March 30, 2018				525* ¹	520	'	163*1	155
•	Report on March 23			525*1	520	'	163*1	141
Report on March 6, 2018				525* ¹	520		163*1	129

Changes in the number of companies reported on April 26 are underlined.

^{*1} The 525 customers announced on October 26, 2017 and the 163 customers affected by the Misconduct detected after the establishment of the Independent Investigation Committee are cumulative numbers.

^{*2} Shinko Aluminum Wire Co., Ltd., Kobelco & Materials Copper Tube (M) Sdn. Bhd., Kobelco & Materials Copper Tube (Thailand) Co., Ltd., and Suzhou Kobe Copper Technology Co., Ltd.

^{*3} Nippon Koshuha Steel Co., Ltd., Shinko Wire Stainless Company, Ltd., Jiangyin Sugita Fasten Spring Wire Co., Ltd., and Kobelco Spring Wire (Foshan) Co., Ltd.