September 5, 2007

Company name: Kobe Steel, Ltd. President & CEO: Yasuo Inubushi

Stock exchange code number: 5406

Stock exchanges where shares are listed: Tokyo, Osaka and Nagoya, Japan

Kobe Steel's half-year dividend for fiscal 2007

Kobe Steel, Ltd. announces that at the Board of Directors meeting held today, September 5, 2007, the Board decided on a policy to pay an interim dividend as follows below:

1. Period: First-half fiscal 2007 (April 1 – September 30, 2007)

2. Dividend per share: 3.50 yen

(Reference)

Dividend per share in fiscal 2006 (ended March 31, 2007): 7 yen for the full year (3 yen for interim period)

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