

**Effect of the Great East Japan Earthquake on the Asahi Kasei Group
(6th announcement)**

The Asahi Kasei Group expresses its sincere sympathy to all those affected by the Great East Japan Earthquake. It is our genuine hope that the afflicted areas will be restored and revitalized as soon as possible.

As a follow-up on our announcement of May 10, 2011, regarding the outlook for resumption of operation at a damaged plant, we hereby provide notification of its current status.

Asahi Kasei Metals Ltd. Tomobe Plant (Ibaraki Prefecture)

The plant partially resumed production in early May. As a result of subsequent repair work on manufacturing equipment, etc., the plant has been in normal operation since mid-June.

All Asahi Kasei Group plants whose operations were suspended due to the earthquake are now operating normally.