

Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation

Raise of Short-term Prime Rate

TOKYO, July 28, 2006 --- Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (SMBC, President Masayuki Oku) hereby announces that it has decided to raise short-term prime rate on Monday, August 21, 2006.

1. New level of short-term prime rate

1.625% per annum (former rate: 1.375% per annum)

2. Date of raise

Monday, August 21, 2006

3. Application

The new rate will be applied for loans newly originated on and after August 21, 2006. For existing loans, the new rate will be applied on the first interest payment date after the August 21, 2006.