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Gulf of Mexico, Withdrawal from Entrada Oil/Natural Gas Project

CIECO Energy US Limited (hereinafter "CIECO US") (Delaware, USA), a 100% owned subsidiary of ITOCHU Corporation, acquired a 50% working interest in the Entrada Field (Garden Bank Blocks 738, 782, 785, 826, and 827) in April 2008.

After drilling the first development well, which we began drilling in August 2008 and reached the target formation in November 2008, a decision was made to suspend the Project. Since then we have been carrying out a number of reviews of the Project based on newly acquired information in order to set a new development plan or, alternatively, to divest the project to third–parties. However, since none of our reviews found a suitable new development plan nor an opportunity to divest our interest, we have finally made a decision to withdraw completely from the Project after the end of our current licensing period.

For the impairment of the asset that CIECO US possesses and the estimated additional expenditure, a loss of total 37.1 billion yen before tax was recorded in our consolidated financial result for the Third Quarter of Fiscal Year 2009 ending March 31, 2009. As perspective at the moment, the final loss amount will not exceed the amount described above.

Please refer to our former announcements entitled "US Gulf of Mexico, Entrada Oil/Natural Gas Project" (announced on December 1, 2008) and "Regarding the Loss relating to US Gulf of Mexico, Entrada Oil/Natural Gas Project" (announced on February 2, 2009) for further details.