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To whom it may concern

DAIBIRU CORPORATION

Introduction of Carbon Neutral City Gas in Company-owned Buildings and Participation in Demand Response

- Steadily promoting initiatives toward realizing a carbon-free society -

DAIBIRU CORPORATION (Head office: Kita-ku, Osaka; Representative Director, President Chief Executive Officer: Toshiyuki Sonobe) would like to announce that it has decided to introduce **carbon neutral city gas**,^{*1} supplied by Osaka Gas Co., Ltd. through its subsidiary Daigas Energy Co., Ltd., in Shin-Daibiru Building and Umeda Daibiru Building from April 2022 and to participate in the **demand response** aggregated by the Daigas Group from July 2022, whose scope will cover Daibiru-Honkan Building, Nakanoshima Daibiru Building, Shin-Daibiru Building, Umeda Daibiru Building, and Tosabori Daibiru Building.

■ Carbon neutral city gas

Carbon neutral city gas is a type of city gas that uses LNG whose greenhouse gas emissions associated with its overall lifecycle, including production, transport, processing, and end-use, are offset with nature-based credits. Through this program, greenhouse gas emissions from the overall lifecycle of city gas amounting to approximately 504,000 m³ per year^{*2} will be offset with nature-based credits. When converted to CO₂, this will contribute to reductions of about 1,000 tons per year (equivalent to emissions from about 3,000 households).

■ Demand response

The demand response is a mechanism for maintaining the balance of electricity supply and demand by conserving the use of electricity on the user side, based on requests from power transmission and distribution business operators when the supply is tight due to extreme heat, harsh winter, and other inclement weather conditions. Aggregator refers to an intermediary between power transmission and distribution business operators and users. In response to a tight electricity supply, the Company will take measures such as turning off some of the lights and air conditioning in the common areas of each building, to an extent that does not inconvenience its tenants. The Company believes the spread of renewable energy will further increase the need for a capacity to adjust electricity demand in this manner, raising its social significance even higher.

The Daibiru Group has included “addressing environmental problems” in its Group Code of Conduct, and has been proactively working to save energy, promote recycling, introduce emissions-free power, etc. Through these efforts as well as the introduction of carbon neutral city gas and participation in the demand response, we will continue promoting our initiatives toward realizing a carbon-free society.

For the Daibiru Group’s materiality, please visit our [website](#).

■ SDGs corresponding to this initiative



*1 Excluding city gas used in the target buildings for which the Company has not concluded the purchase contract.

*2 Calculated based on total city gas consumption of the target buildings for fiscal 2019.