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December 15, 2003

A Change of President & CEO

Asahi Glass Co., Ltd.

Following the recommendation of the Nominating Committee and approval at the Meeting of the Board of Directors that was held at 13:00 today, Asahi Glass announced a change of President & CEO as described below, subject to approval at the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders to be held in late March 2004 and the Meeting of the Board of Directors to be held on the same day.

[New Position]	[Name]	[Current Position]
Director, Chairman of the Board	Shinya Ishizu	(Representative Director, President & CEO)
Representative Director, President & CEO	Masahiro Kadomatsu	(Senior Executive Vice President, President of Display Company)

Hikomichi Seya, the current Representative Director and Chairman of the Board (the former President & CEO), will retire from the Board of Directors and become the Advisor of the company.

<Reference>

Personal Profile of Masahiro Kadomatsu, the new President & CEO

1. Date of Birth:	October 29, 1942	(age 61)
2. Place of Birth:	Tokyo, Japan	
3. Education:	March 1965	Graduate from the Faculty of Business and Commerce, Keio Univ.
4. Job History:	April 1965	Joined Asahi Glass Co., Ltd.
	April 1995	GM of Sales Div, CRT Glass Bulbs General Div.
	June 1996	Member of the Board, GM of Sales Div, CRT Glass Bulbs General Div.
	March 1997	Member of the Board, GM of Sales Div, CRT Glass Bulbs General Div. GM of Fine Glass Div, Electronic Products General Div.
	June 1998	Member of the Board, Director-GM of Electronic Products General Div.
	April 2000	Member of the Board, Director-GM of Display Glass General Div.
	June 2000	Managing Director, Director-GM of Display Glass General Div.
	June 2002	Senior Executive Officer, President of Display Company
	June 2003	Senior Executive Vice President, President of Display Company

(Abbreviation) "GM": General Manager

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