

Concerning Minamata Disease Countermeasures

(December 15, 1995)

Cabinet decision)

The support measures provided to Chisso Corporation based on 'About Measures Against Minamata Disease' (agreed by cabinet on December 15, 1995) are based on a policy by the national government, with the cooperation of Kumamoto Prefecture, formed of the view that a complete and final solution to the Minamata disease problem is essential to the rejuvenation and promotion of the Minamata and Ashikita region.

The support given to Chisso Corporation as agreed above is a proposal by the national government, based on the June 20, 1978 cabinet agreement 'About Measures Against Minamata Disease', to provide financial support to Chisso Corporation in the event that it becomes difficult for Chisso Corporation to secure the resources for payment of local bonds.