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#### Panasonic to Reorganize Systems & Communications Company

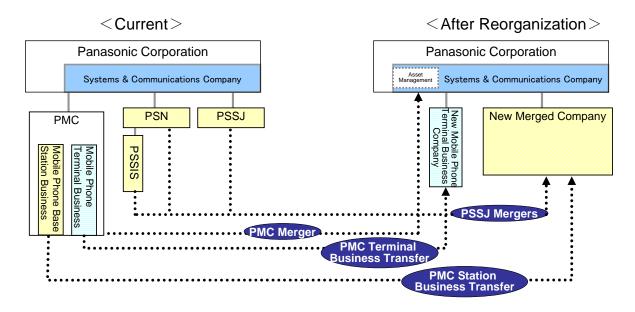
Osaka, Japan, October 31, 2012 – Panasonic Corporation ([NYSE:PC/TSE:6752] "Panasonic") today announced that its Board of Directors decided to conduct mergers ("PSSJ Mergers") where Panasonic System Solutions Japan Co., Ltd ("PSSJ"), a wholly-owned consolidated subsidiary of Panasonic, will absorb Panasonic System Networks Co., Ltd. ("PSN"), a wholly-owned consolidated subsidiary of Panasonic, and Panasonic System Solutions Infrastructure Co., Ltd. ("PSSIS"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of PSN. PSSJ Mergers are expected to take effect on March 1, 2013.

It was also decided that the mobile phone base station business of Panasonic Mobile Communications Co., Ltd. ("PMC"), a wholly-owned consolidated subsidiary of Panasonic, will be transferred, through a corporate split ("PMC Station Business Transfer"), to the newly merged company after implementation of PSSJ Mergers. At the same time, the mobile phone terminal business of PMC will be transferred to a new mobile phone terminal business company which will be newly incorporated through a corporate split of PMC ("PMC Terminal Business Transfer"). Then, Panasonic will absorb the remaining PMC (having only a function to hold and manage its assets) through a merger ("PMC Merger") with an expected effective date of April 1, 2013. Details of the mergers and corporate splits are summarized below.

#### 1. Purpose of the Reorganization

Panasonic aims for expansion of the solution business through unification of several functions for solution business, by integrating, through the merger, PSN and PSSIS, which are the companies for development and manufacture of systems, with PSSJ which is the sales and solution company, and switching to the business which is closely connected to the market and customers with an integrated operation of product development, manufacturing and sales. Further, Panasonic will seek improvement of its development capability and enhancement of its business capability, by integrating the PMC's mobile phone base station business. With respect to the PMC's mobile phone terminal business, by establishing a company specialized in the relevant

business, Panasonic will enhance its business capability and aim for maintenance and expansion of its business in the mobile phone terminal market. At the same time, Panasonic will effectively utilize assets of PMC by absorbing the entity left with the function to manage PMC's assets.



# 2. <u>PSSJ Mergers (Simplified Procedure)</u>

### (1) Purpose of PSSJ Mergers

By unifying the system solution businesses which are currently divided into the company for development and manufacture, and the company for sales and solution, we ensure such business closely connected to the market and customers. At the same time, through unification of several functions for system solution, we will aim for expansion of the solution business.

# (2) Summary of PSSJ Mergers

#### (a) Schedule of PSSJ Mergers

In the middle of December, 2012 (planned): Resolution of the Board of Directors on the merger

In the middle of December, 2012 (planned): Signing of the merger agreement March 1, 2013 (planned): Effective date of the merger

(Note: Among PSSJ Mergers, the merger of PSN by PSSJ will be conducted through the simplified procedures provided under the Company Law of Japan, by which resolutions of the shareholders' meeting of PSSJ will not be required, and the resolution of the shareholders' meeting of PSN is scheduled to be made in the middle of February 2013.

Furthermore, among PSSJ Mergers, the merger of PSSIS by PSSJ will be conducted through the simplified procedures provided under the Company Law of Japan, by which resolutions of the shareholders' meetings of PSSJ and PSSIS will not be required.)

# (b) Method of PSSJ mergers

PSSJ, as the continuing company, will absorb PSN and PSSIS, which will be dissolved upon the merger.

### (c) Allotment in relation to the merger

There shall be no allotment of shares or any other consideration upon PSSJ mergers.

(d) Treatment of stock acquisition rights and convertible bonds of the dissolving company

There are no stock acquisition rights or convertible bonds issued by PSN and PSSIS.

# (3) Basic information of PSSJ, PSN and PSSIS

(As of September 30, 2012)

	Continuing Company	Dissolving Company	Dissolving Company
(1) Corporate name	Panasonic System Solutions Japan Co., Ltd. (PSSJ, which will change corporate name)	Panasonic System Networks Co., Ltd. (PSN)	Panasonic System Solutions Infrastructure Co., Ltd. (PSSIS)
(2) Head office	21-1, Ginza 8-chome, Chuo-ku, Tokyo, Japan	3-8, Shimomeguro 2- chome, Meguro-ku, Tokyo, Japan	600 Saedo-cho, Tsuzuki- ku, Yokohama City, Kanagawa, Japan
(3) Name and title of representative	President, Tsugio Iwasa	President, Toshiyuki Takagi	President, Akinori Yanase
(4) Principal lines of business	Sales of system equipment and AV equipment, plan, development and manufacture of software, etc., design and management of constructions, providing repair, maintenance and management support, and sales of information service, etc.	Development, manufacture and sales of surveillance and monitoring systems, verification and settlement systems, PBX, IP related equipment, business phone, document related equipment, etc.	Development and manufacture of wireless system network, infrastructure green power system, social infrastructure systems, etc.
(5) Stated capital	350 million yen	29,845 million yen	90 million yen
(6) Date established	April 1, 2008	December 24, 1955	September 1, 1988
(7) Number of shares issued	137,601 shares	175,140,851 shares	4,000 shares
(8) Fiscal year end	March 31	March 31	March 31
(9) Major shareholders and shareholding ratio	Panasonic Corporation 100%	Panasonic Corporation 100%	Panasonic System Networks Co., Ltd. 100%

(10) Operating results and financial conditions for the year ended March 31, 2012	Panasonic System Solutions Japan Co., Ltd. (Non-consolidated, Japan G.A.A.P.)	Panasonic System Networks Co., Ltd. (Non-consolidated, Japan G.A.A.P.)	Panasonic System Solutions Infrastructure Co., Ltd. (Non-consolidated, Japan G.A.A.P.)
Net assets	37,011	74,188	5,071
Total assets	97,201	141,182	14,983
Shareholders' equity per share (yen)	268,543.61	422.62	1,266,798.64
Net sales	261,490	256,163	27,409
Operating profit (loss)	9,447	(6,108)	331
Ordinary income (loss)	9,597	(4,027)	217
Net income (loss) attributable to the company	4,666	(15,085)	49
Net income (loss) per share attributable to the company per share (yen)	33,914.28	(86.14)	12,488.60

Note: In millions of yen, unless otherwise specified.

#### 3. PMC Terminal Business Transfer

# (1) Purpose of PMC Terminal Business Transfer

Panasonic intends to build a business structure which is specialized in the mobile phone terminal business in order to concentrate on such business and quickly respond to changes, thereby aiming to enhance business capability and to maintain and expand business in the relevant market.

#### (2) Summary of PMC Terminal Business Transfer

On April 1, 2013, upon changing its corporate name, PMC will transfer its mobile phone terminal business to Panasonic Mobile Communications Co., Ltd., which will be newly incorporated by a corporate split.

(Note: With respect to PMC Terminal Business Transfer, the resolution of the shareholders' meeting of PMC is scheduled to be made in the middle of February 2013.)

#### 4. PMC Station Business Transfer

### (1) Purpose of PMC Station Business Transfer

Panasonic intends to improve development and other business capabilities with respect to the mobile phone base station business of PMC by transferring to the newly merged company after implementation of PSSJ Mergers with the wireless-related system business.

#### (2) Summary of PMC Station Business Transfer

The mobile phone base station business of PMC will be transferred to the newly merged company after implementation of PSSJ Mergers through a corporate split with an expected effective date of April 1, 2013.

# 5. PMC Merger (Simplified Procedure)

### (1) Purpose of the PMC Merger

Panasonic intends to effectively utilize assets by absorbing the PMC entity, which will only have the function to hold and manage those assets, after the implementation of PMC Station Business Transfer and PMC Terminal Business Transfer.

# (2) Summary of the PMC Merger

#### (a) Schedule of the PMC Merger

In the middle of December, 2012 (planned): Resolution of the Board of Directors on the merger

In the middle of December, 2012 (planned): Signing of the merger agreement April 1, 2013 (planned): Effective date of the merger

(Note: The merger will be conducted through a simplified procedure provided under the Company Law of Japan, by which resolutions of the shareholders' meetings of Panasonic and PMC will not be required.)

#### (b) Method of the merger

Panasonic, as the continuing company, will absorb PMC, which will be dissolved upon the merger.

# (c) Allotment in relation to the merger

There shall be no allotment of shares or any other consideration upon the merger.

(d) Treatment of stock acquisition rights and convertible bonds of the dissolving company

There are no stock acquisition rights or convertible bonds issued by PMC.

#### (3) Basic information of Panasonic and PMC

(As of September 30, 2012)

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	Continuing Company	Dissolving Company
(1) Corporate name	Panasonic Corporation	Panasonic Mobile Communications Co., Ltd. (PMC, which will change its corporate name before this merger)
(2) Head office	1006, Oaza Kadoma, Kadoma City, Osaka, Japan	600 Saedo-cho, Tsuzuki-ku, Yokohama City, Kanagawa, Japan
(3) Name and title of representative	President, Kazuhiro Tsuga	President, Toshinori Hoshi
(4) Principal lines of business	Manufacture and sale of electronic and electric equipment, etc.	Development, manufacture and sales of mobile phone terminal and mobile phone base station
(5) Stated capital	258,740 million yen	22,856 million yen
(6) Date established	December 15, 1935	January 17, 1958

(7) Number of shares issued	2,453,053,497 shares		188,149,982 shares	
(8) Fiscal year end	March 31		March 31	
	The Master Trust Bank of Japan, Ltd. (trust account)	5.17%	Panasonic Corporation	100%
	Japan Trustee Services Bank, Ltd. (trust account)	5.07%		
(9) Major shareholders and shareholding ratio	Nippon Life Insurance Company	3.12%		
	Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation	2.72%		
	SSBT OD05 OMNIBUS ACCOUNT-TREATY CLIENTS	2.57%		
(10) Operating results and			Panasonic Mobile	
financial conditions for the year ended March 31, 2012	Panasonic Corporation (Consolidated, U.S. G.A.A.P.)		Communications ( (Non-consolidated G.A.A.P.)	
Net assets	1,977,566		,	,563
Total assets	6,601,055			,126
Shareholders' equity per share (yen)	834.79			3.02
Net sales	7,846,216		156	,291
Operating profit (loss)	43,725		(7	384)
Ordinary income (loss)			(5,	,013)
Net income (loss) attributable to the company	(772,172)		(4,	435)
Net income (loss) per share attributable to the company per share (yen)	(333.96)		(2:	3.57)

Notes: 1. In millions of yen, unless otherwise specified.

- 2. As of September 30, 2012, Panasonic holds 141,368,990 shares of its common stock.
- 3. Panasonic's "Shareholders' equity per share" is presented in accordance with the United States Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (U.S. G.A.A.P.). As for PMC, the amount of "Net assets per share" is stated instead of "Shareholders' equity per share."
- 4. With respect to Panasonic, the item "Ordinary income" is omitted since it does not exist under U.S. G.A.A.P., which has been adopted by Panasonic on a consolidated basis.
- 5. PMC's information is as of September 30, 2012; however, as a result of PMC Station Business Transfer and PMC Terminal Business Transfer, PMC will only have a function to hold and manage its assets when the PMC Merger is conducted.

# 6. Conditions after the Merger

		Newly Merged Company	New Mobile Phone Terminal Business Company
(1)	Corporate name	Panasonic System Networks Co., Ltd. (The corporate name of continuing company, PSSJ, will be changed)	Panasonic Mobile Communications Co., Ltd.
(2)	Name and title of representative	Not yet decided	Not yet decided
(3)	Principal lines of business	Development, manufacture and sales of surveillance and monitoring camera, verification and settlement systems, PBX, IP related equipment, business phone, document related equipment and mobile phone base stations, etc.	Development, manufacture and sales of mobile phone.
(4)	Stated capital	350 million yen	5,700 million yen
(5)	Fiscal year end	March 31	March 31

# 7. Effect on Financial Outlook

Effects of these reorganizations on our consolidated financial results are reflected in our consolidated financial results for six months ended September 30, 2012 or are taken into account in the revision of our consolidated annual forecast, which were announced today.

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