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## **Panasonic Announces Delisting Schedule** **from New York Stock Exchange**

Osaka, Japan, April 1, 2013 - Panasonic Corporation ([NYSE:PC/TSE:6752] "Panasonic"), today announced the delisting schedule from the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") and notified to the NYSE on April 1, 2013 (Eastern Time in the U.S.) that it will apply for voluntary delisting of its American Depositary Shares ("ADSs"), in connection with its announcement on March 28, 2013 relating to its intention of delisting from the NYSE.

### **1. Reason for Delisting**

Panasonic listed its ADSs on the NYSE in December 1971 mainly to promote trading of its shares and to raise the visibility of the Panasonic brand in the U.S. Since then, Panasonic has made efforts to enhance disclosures for shareholders and investors with the goal of deepening their understanding of Panasonic, in addition to complying with the disclosure requirements of U.S. securities laws and regulations, providing financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("U.S. GAAP"), and establishing internal controls in accordance with the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. Meanwhile, the external environment has significantly changed as indicated by the increases in trading volume of Japanese stocks through stock exchanges in Japan by overseas investors due to the internationalization of the Japanese financial and capital markets, as well as the narrowing of the gap between U.S. and Japanese disclosure standards with respect to financial reporting due to a series of amendments to Japanese laws and regulations and accounting standards.

While Panasonic believes the initial objectives of the U.S. ADS listing were mainly achieved, it judges that the continued listing on the NYSE is not economically justified, taking into account the fact that the trading volume of Panasonic's ADSs on the NYSE accounts for only a small fraction of the total trading volume of Panasonic's shares. Therefore, Panasonic has decided to apply for voluntary delisting of its

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ADSs from the NYSE and for termination of registration of its ADSs with SEC under the Exchange Act.

## **2. Listed Stock Exchange**

Tokyo Stock Exchange, Osaka Securities Exchange, Nagoya Stock Exchange

## **3. Delisting schedule (Eastern Time in the U.S.)**

April 1, 2013	Panasonic to provide NYSE with a written pre-notice of the delisting application
April 11, 2013	Panasonic to file Form 25 with the SEC for NYSE delisting and SEC deregistration
April 22, 2013	Delisting to become effective Panasonic to file Form 15F with the SEC to terminate Panasonic's reporting obligations under the Exchange Act
July 2013	Deregistration with SEC to become effective Termination of Panasonic's reporting obligations under the Exchange Act to become effective

The schedule provided above including the anticipated effective dates may be delayed if the SEC objects or requests an extended review or for other reasons.

## **4. Future Plans**

While Panasonic's reporting obligations under the Exchange Act (including the obligation to file annual reports on Form 20-F) will be terminated, Panasonic will continue to prepare English consolidated financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP and disclose them on Panasonic's website, in addition to English translations of disclosure documents pursuant to Japanese law and relevant information such as news releases, in order to facilitate comparisons with past disclosure. Continuous efforts will be made to maintain and enhance governance and disclosure for shareholders and investors.

After delisting its ADSs from the NYSE, Panasonic intends to maintain its American Depositary Receipt Program in the U.S., and therefore anticipates that its ADSs will continue to be traded in the U.S. on the over-the-counter market.

## **5. Contact Information for inquiries regarding Panasonic's ADSs**

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