Expansion of production capacity of glass tubing for pharmaceutical use in Malaysia

- Meeting growing demand for high-quality glass tubing for pharmaceutical use in overseas markets -

Nippon Electric Glass Co., Ltd. (Head Office: Otsu, Shiga Prefecture, Japan; President: Motoharu Matsumoto) will increase its production capacity of glass tubing for pharmaceutical use, such as ampoule and vial containers and medication prefilled syringes, at its subsidiary in Malaysia, Nippon Electric Glass (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.* The Malaysian subsidiary will expand its production facilities to introduce new technologies for the glass melting and forming process. It will start from July 2016. The global demand for glass tubing for pharmaceutical use is growing, mainly in Asian countries including China, where improving healthcare standards require high-quality glass tubing with excellent chemical resistance and adaptability to various types of medicinal substances. The planned expansion of production capacity aims to respond to such demand. The outline of this business plan is as follows.

- Major facility: Glass melting furnace and forming equipment
- Product: Glass tubing for pharmaceutical use
- Amount of investment: Approximately 2 billion yen
- Start production: July 2016 (scheduled)
- Production capacity: Group capacity will increase by about 25% compared to current production volume.

(Glass tubing for pharmaceutical use)
* Profile of Nippon Electric Glass (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. (as of December 2015)
  - Location: Selangor, Malaysia
  - Founded: 1991
  - Capitalization: 1,303 million Malaysian Ringgit
  - Equity share: 100% owned by NEG
  - Representative: Shigeru Goto (Managing Director)
  - Main Products: Glass fiber, Glass tubing for pharmaceutical use, etc.