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## **Notice of Status of Open Market Purchase of Own Shares**

(Purchase of own shares based on the Articles of Incorporation, pursuant to Article 165, Paragraph 2 of the Companies Act)

Itoham Foods Inc. announced the status of the purchase of its own shares pursuant to Article 156 of the Companies Act, as modified and applied pursuant to Article 165, Paragraph 3 of the same Act. Details are as follows.

## Details of purchase

- 1. Type of shares repurchased: The Company's common stock
- 2. Purchase period: November 12, 2012 to November 30, 2012 (Contract dates)
- 3. Total number of shares purchased: 975,000 shares
- 4. Total purchase cost: ¥329,243,998

- 5. Purchase method: Open market purchase on the Tokyo Stock Exchange (Reference)
- 1. Details of Board of Directors resolution passed on November 9, 2012
- (1) Type of shares to be purchased: The Company's common stock
- (2) Number of shares to be purchased: Up to 5 million shares
- (2.1% of all issued shares, excluding treasury stock)
- (3) Total purchase cost: Up to ¥2,000 million
- (4) Purchase period: November 12, 2012 to March 31, 2013
- 2. Cumulative number of own shares purchased based on the above Board of Directors resolution (as of November 30, 2012)
- (1) Number of shares to be purchased: 975,000 shares
- (2) Total purchase cost: ¥329,243,998