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Fire in our Tanoura Plant

On July 4, 2020, a fire broke out at our Tanoura Plant (Ashikita-chou, Ashikita-gun, Kumamoto Prefecture). We sincerely apologize for the inconvenience caused and concern to everyone in the community and all related parties.

The status of the incident as of 12 pm today is as follows.

1. Date and time of occurrence

11:44 am Saturday, July 4, 2020

2. Location

Graphitization furnace facility building Tanoura Plant, Tokai Carbon Co., Ltd.

3. Background (estimation)

The entire plant was flooded due to the heavy rainfall around Ashikita-Chou from the day before. Rainwater invaded the graphitization furnace in the plant, causing a fire due to a steam explosion. The fire has been calmed down around 6 pm on 5 July, and at 2:30 pm, fire extinguishment was confirmed by the fire department.

4. Impact

There was no human injury due to the fire.

The damage to the entire production facility and its impact on future production is still under investigation, although we believe that the impact on the supply chain will be limited due to the

inventory support and the effective use of group production facilities at other site. In case of any material impact foreseen on our business performance, it will be disclosed separately.

5. About Tanoura Plant

Tanoura Plant produces isotropic graphite materials (graphite material for semiconductor, solar cell and general industries), with its 120 employee and about 45 of workers from the partner companies.

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