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to fulfill our foremost duty to ensure safety, and so that every employee is able to take specific actions, we substantially revised our Safety Charter to include specific action guidelines regarding safety. We will ensure that the Corporate Philosophy and Safety Charter are understood and observed by all employees, and devote our full efforts to improving safety, and regaining trust.

Our Safety Enhancement Plan dictates that the formulation of new management philosophy is a vital pillar in the establishment of a corporate culture that places a top priority on safety. Following wide-reaching discussions on the nature of the Company, its aims, and the values that it should respect, we established a new Corporate Philosophy on April 1, 2006. At the same time,

Corporate Philosophy

- We, being conscious of our responsibility for protecting the truly precious lives of our customers, and incessantly acting on the basis of safety first, will build a railway that assures our customers of its safety and reliability.
- We, with a central focus on railway business, will fulfill the
 expectations of our customers, shareholders, employees
 and their families by supporting the lifestyles of our
 customers, and achieving sustainable growth into
 the future.
- 3. We, valuing interaction with customers, and considering our business from our customers' perspective, will provide a comfortable service that satisfies our customers.
- 4. We, together with our Group companies, will consistently improve our service quality by enhancing technology and expertise through daily efforts and practices.
- We, deepening mutual understanding, and respecting each individual, will strive to create a company at which employees find job satisfaction and in which they take pride.
- 6. We, acting in a sincere and fair manner in compliance with the spirit of legal imperatives, and working to enhance corporate ethics, will seek to be a company trusted by communities and society.

Safety Charter

We, ever mindful of the railway accident that occurred on April 25, 2005, conscious of our responsibility for protecting the truly precious lives of our customers, and based on the conviction that ensuring safety is our foremost mission, establish this Safety Charter.

- Safety is ensured primarily through understanding and complying with rules and regulations, a strict execution of each individual's duty, and improvements in technology and expertise, and built up through ceaseless efforts.
- The most important actions for ensuring safety are to execute basic motions, to rigorously enforce safety checks, and to implement flawless communication.
- To ensure safety, we must make a concerted effort, irrespective of our organizational affiliation, rank or assignment.
- 4. When uncertain about a decision, we must choose the most assuredly safe action.
- Should an accident occur, our top priorities are to prevent concomitant accidents, and to aid passengers.