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Rule 12g3-2(b) Exemption
of Kobe Steel, Ltd.,
File number:82-3371

Dear Madam/Sir:

In connection with Kobe Steel Ltd.'s exemption pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) from the registration and reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and in compliance with its ongoing requirements under Rule 12g3-2(b)(iii), please find enclosed a copy of the Company's release today covering

" Issuance of domestic unsecured yen bonds"

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Thank you for your assistance in handling it as required.

Sincerely yours,

Yasuo Koyama
Finance Department
Kobe Steel, Ltd.

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Yasuo Inubushi
President, Chief Executive Officer &
Representative Director
Kobe Steel, Ltd.
(Tokyo Stock Exchange Code No. 5406)

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ISSUANCE OF DOMESTIC UNSECURED YEN BONDS

Kobe Steel, Ltd. hereby gives notice that it has decided to issue Domestic Unsecured Yen Bonds under the terms as set forth below:

Domestic Unsecured Yen Bonds due 27 July, 2015

1. Name: Kobe Steel, Ltd.
Series 42 Unsecured Bonds
(Limited Inter-Bond Pari Passu Clause)
 2. Total Amount of Issue: 10 Billion Yen
 3. Denomination of Bond: 100,000,000 Yen each
 4. Interest Rate: 1.57% per annum of the principal of the Bonds
 5. Issue Price: 100% of the principal amount of the Bonds
 6. Redemption Price: 100% of the principal amount of the Bonds
 7. Maturity Date: To be redeemed in a lump sum on 27 July 2015
 8. Offering Period: 13 July 2005
 9. Closing Date: 27 July 2005
 10. Method of Issue: Public offering in the domestic market
 11. Date of Payment of Interest on the Bonds: Semiannually on 27 January and 27 July
 12. Status of the Bonds: Unsecured by assets or guarantees
 13. Fiscal Agent: Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation
 14. Underwriters: Nomura Securities Co.,Ltd.
- Use of Proceeds: To be applied toward repayment of loans and/or redemption of bonds