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## R&I Ratings Affirmed - March 10, 2010

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SEC. CODE	COMPANY NAME	R&I RATING	RATING OUTLOOK
2501	Sapporo Holdings Ltd. Issuer Rating Commercial Paper	BBB a-2	Stable
5991	NHK Spring Co., Ltd. Issuer Rating Commercial Paper	A- a-1	Stable

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<http://www.r-i.co.jp/eng/rating/rating/methodology.html>

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