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Notice of our measure regarding judgment in lawsuit (appeal court decision)

As Sharp Corporation (“Sharp”) already reported in “Notice regarding judgment in lawsuit” dated February 25, 2015, the Intellectual Property High Court of Japan delivered a judgment against Sharp in a suit seeking cancellation of a trial decision that invalidated a registered mark “IGZO” owned by Sharp.

Sharp scrutinized contents of the judgment deliberately and considered repeatedly appealing to the Supreme Court and so on. Consequently, we decided to accept this judgment and not to appeal to the Supreme Court, judging from difficulty of Sharp’s claims in the appeal being accepted, although there is considerable disagreement between judgment of the Intellectual Property High Court of Japan and Sharp’s claims. Thus, Sharp’s trademark “IGZO targeted by this suit,” consisting of the alphabet letters “I”, “G”, “Z” and “O” will no longer be Sharp’s registered trademark.

As Sharp reported in the aforesaid “Notice regarding judgment in lawsuit”, Sharp owns registered trademarks “IGZO”, “イグゾー”, “イグゾーパネル” and so on, in addition to “IGZO”. These marks have no relation to this suit and they remain Sharp’s registered trademarks.

Meanwhile, this matter has no negative impact on Sharp’s business performance.