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To All Persons Concerned

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**The Environmental Protection Agency Issues Administrative Order to AVX Corporation  
for Cleanup of New Bedford Harbor**

On April 20, 2012, AVX Corporation ("AVX"), a consolidated subsidiary of Kyocera in the United States, made an announcement that AVX received a notice that the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") has issued an enforcement order to AVX to implement ongoing remedial work at the New Bedford Harbor Superfund Site in New Bedford, Massachusetts (the "Harbor"), including dredging PCB-contaminated sediment from the Harbor on April 18, 2012.

Historical course and current situation of this issue are as follows.

In 1992, the United States (on behalf of the EPA and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts entered into a Consent Decree with AVX for payment of past and future response costs and natural resource damages, subject to certain reopener provisions. AVX paid \$66 million, plus interest, in connection with the Consent Decree.

Following the EPA's 1998 issuance of the "Record of Decision" for the remediation of the Upper and Lower Harbor areas of the Superfund site, the EPA has been performing the remedial design and remedial action work using settlement funds received from AVX and other settling defendants. The EPA estimates that the net present value of additional costs required to complete the Upper and Lower Harbor cleanup may be as much as \$401 million.

AVX has been engaged in discussions with the EPA and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts concerning AVX's potential remaining liabilities at the Harbor. The EPA's enforcement order includes a delayed effective date of sixty days to provide AVX an opportunity to continue discussions with the governments concerning the extent to which AVX would pay for and/or perform the cleanup of the Harbor.

AVX is currently evaluating the EPA's enforcement order and determining its response and course of action which may include recording a charge related to this matter in its result of operation and financial condition for the year ended March 31, 2012 ("fiscal 2012"). Any such charge is not reflected in AVX's consolidated financial results for fiscal 2012, which AVX released on April 25, 2012. Accordingly, a charge related to this matter is not reflected in Kyocera's consolidated financial results for fiscal 2012, which Kyocera released on April 26, 2012.

Kyocera plans to make an announcement immediately after any progress in this matter occurs.