## **Authorization of "Transmission Service Agreement"**

Tokyo Gas Co., Ltd.

Tokyo Gas Co., Ltd. (Head office: Minato-ku, Tokyo; President: Mr. Michiaki Hirose, "Tokyo Gas") gets authorization of "Transmission Service Agreement" (hereinafter referred to as "Agreement") today, which has been submitted to the Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry for authorization of The "Agreement" prescribed in Article 48 Paragraph 1 of the Gas Business Act (5th revision), pursuant to Article 18 Paragraph 1 of this Act<sup>\*1, \*2</sup>. (released on December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016)

The "Agreement" is provisions which prescribe the tariffs and other supply conditions in cases where businesses newly participating in gas sales and other gas retailers aside from Tokyo Gas use the gas pipelines and facilities of Tokyo Gas. The present transmission service agreement has been revised to reflect the revisions of various laws toward the full liberalization of the gas retail market to be implemented on April 2017 as well as the contents of deliberations at national councils\*3.

The "Agreement" is to be applied on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.

We are going to improve management efficiency as well as "stable supply" and "securing safety".

- \*1 upplementary Provisions of the Act on Partial Revision to the Electricity Business Act, Etc. (enacted on June 24, 2015).
- \*2 The "Agreement" is revised reflecting the instructions of revision based on the policy of assessment by Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry on 7th December 2016.
- \*3 National councils include the Gas System Reform Subcommittee of the Strategic Policy Committee of the Advisory Committee for Natural Resources and Energy etc.