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## ***NEWS RELEASE***

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### **Aozora Extends New Deposit Account Campaign Period**

Tokyo December 22, 2008 – Aozora Bank, Ltd. (“Aozora” or “the Bank”), a leading Japanese commercial bank, today announced the extension of its new deposit account campaign from the scheduled end date of December 30 this year to Thursday March 19, 2009 to reflect a high level of customer demand. See below for details of the campaign.

Campaign period:

Monday October 27, 2008 until Thursday March 19, 2009.

Details:

During the campaign period, customers who are new to the Bank can choose from gift certificates amounting to 3,000 yen or the popular *Aozo-ra* elephant cuddly toy when they deposit 3 million yen or more into a new deposit account.

Note:

This campaign is available only to individual retail customers.

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