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Credit Saison Co., Ltd. (8253)

**Alliance between Kyushu's biggest gas supplier, Saibu Gas, and Credit Saison  
More opportunities for utility bill payments with SAISON Card  
Payment of gas bills by credit card to be possible in Kyushu area**

**Credit Saison Co., Ltd. (Head Office: Toshima-ku, Tokyo; President and CEO: Hiroshi Rinno) has formed an alliance with Saibu Gas Co., Ltd. (Head Office: Hakata-ku, Fukuoka; President: Hiroki Ogawa) to make natural gas bills payable by credit card. Applications will be accepted from January 2005, and payments by SAISON Card will be possible from February 2005.**

- Saibu Gas Co., Ltd. is Kyushu's biggest gas supplier and supplies natural gas to about 1.12 million households in and around Fukuoka and Kitakyushu areas. The existing payment methods have been limited to the following three: automatic bank transfer, payment at convenience stores and post offices, and payment at the Saibu Gas counters. The new payment method by credit card will therefore increase the options for customers. Applications for the new payment method for gas bills will be accepted from January 2005, and bills can be paid by SAISON Card from the following month. Payment by SAISON Card will enable customers to earn "SAISON Permanent Points" for monthly gas charges.
- List of main allied companies that accept utility bill payments by SAISON Card

Allied companies	Applications accepted from	Service available from
THE KANSAI ELECTRIC POWER Co., Inc.	April 2003	May 2003
The Chugoku Electric Power Co., Inc.	October 2004	December 2004
CHUBU Electric Power Co., Inc.	November 2004	January 2005
ITOCHU ENEX HOMELIFE KYUSHU CO., LTD.	October 2003	November 2003
Tokyo Gas Co., Ltd.	September 2004	October 2004
TOKYO GAS ENERGY CO., LTD.	October 2004	November 2004
Saibu Gas Co., Ltd.	January 2005	February 2005

**Credit Saison is expanding the areas in Japan where utility bills are payable by SAISON Card. We will continue our effort to facilitate the use of the SAISON Card on various occasions in our customers' daily lives so that our card can be their "First Card." s**

◇Information regarding this matter◇

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◇Information regarding the use of the new service◇

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