

IRCJ to sell equity in Kanto Jidosha K.K.

Tokyo, May 30, 2006 – The Industrial Revitalization Committee of the Industrial Revitalization Corporation of Japan (“the IRCJ”) has decided to sell the equity it holds in Kanto Jidosha K.K. (“Kanto Jidosha”). As a result of this sale, the IRCJ will no longer hold any debt or other obligations of Kanto Jidosha.

1. Name of companies concerned

Kanto Jidosha K.K.

Kanto Jidosha Seibi K.K.

Kanto Bus Sogo Service K.K. (merged with Kanto Jidosha K.K. on April 1, 2005)

KT Bus K.K.

2. Process to date

On November 26, 2004 the IRCJ approved an application for assistance by Kanto Jidosha under Article 22, Clause 3 of the Industrial Revitalization Corporation Act of 2003. On January 13, 2005, the IRCJ reached agreement on the purchase of Kanto Jidosha’s debt from financial institutions under Article 25, Clause 1 of the same act.

In March 2005, in accordance with the revitalization plan, a capital decrease and subsequent recapitalization was carried out and, through a capital investment of ¥50 million, the IRCJ acquired ordinary shares corresponding to 33% of voting rights.

In cooperation with the Tochigi Region Corporate Revival Fund (a silent partnership managed by Tochigi Friendly Capital), which acquired ordinary shares corresponding to 66% of voting rights through its participation in the capital decrease and subsequent recapitalization, the IRCJ has been carrying out a range of management support activities for the target companies. A measurable degree of progress has been made towards revitalization, allowing the IRCJ to make preparations for the sale of the equity that it holds. As a result of this, the IRCJ, along with the Tochigi Region Corporate Revival Fund, will transfer all of the equity that it holds in Kanto Jidosha to the special purpose company JPJ Limited, which has been established by J Will Partners Co., Ltd. A sale contract has now been concluded and the share transfer is scheduled to take place in June 2006.

Note: An overview of the recipient company and J Will Partners are provided on the separate sheet.

3. Capital amounts, etc.

Through a capital investment of ¥50 million, the IRCJ acquired ordinary shares in Kanto Jidosha corresponding to 33% of voting rights. The IRCJ will sell all of its ordinary shares in Kanto Jidosha.

4. Debt amounts, etc.

The principal value of Kanto Jidosha's debt was ¥1 million, for which the IRCJ paid ¥204,000 to financial institutions. Following debt forgiveness of ¥786,000 payment was received in full for the remaining debt of ¥214,000 in March 2005.

5. Comment from the State Ministers in charge of the Industrial Revitalization Corporation of Japan

None expressed

Note on comments from ministers: The IRCJ is a quasi-governmental organization. As such, the IRCJ is required to obtain comments about decisions to assist private-sector companies from the three government ministers in charge of the IRCJ.

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About the IRCJ

The IRCJ was established jointly by the public and private sector on April 16, 2003, with the aim of providing revitalization assistance beneficial to both the industrial and the financial sectors in Japan. It targets assistance at companies that have sound business fundamentals but are unable to thrive because of excessive debt levels or other factors. The IRCJ has approximately 200 employees and is based in Tokyo. For more information please visit www.ircj.co.jp

Recipient company

JPJ Limited

Location: 2-6-5- Nihonbashi, Chuo-ku, Tokyo
Representative: Kenji Hikabe

J Will Partners Co., Ltd.

Location: 1-7-1 Yurakucho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo
Representative: Masanori Sato
Established: April 21, 2003
Paid-in capital: ¥270 million
Number of employees: 24
Main business: Management of funds established by domestic investors