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New Horizon Capital Co., Ltd.

NHC Transfers All Shares of Iwata Industry to Inaba Electric

New Horizon Capital Co., Ltd. (Head Office: Minato-ku, Tokyo; Chairman: Yasushi Ando; hereinafter NHC), a leading independent private-equity fund, announced today that its third fund, NH-3, has transferred all shares of a special purpose company (Horizon 6 Corporation), which owns all shares of Iwata Industry Co., Ltd. (Head Office: Chiba-shi, Chiba; President: Haruyoshi Nakazono; hereinafter Iwata Industry), to Inaba Electric Corporation (Head Office: Chiba-shi, Chiba; Chairman and CEO: Kenji Yoshizawa; hereinafter Inaba Electric).

Since the acquisition of Iwata Industry's shares by NH3, NHC has been strengthening its management structure, assisting in the formulation of a medium-term management plan, and establishing a management structure to succeed the founding family.

NHC believe that Inaba Electric and Iwata Industry can generate a high degree of synergy, because there is potential to collaborate in their business fields and the geographical proximity of the two companies that facilitates the coordination of people, goods, and information of both companies. Additionally, the two companies have a common corporate culture of "valuing people". The decision to sell the company was based on the judgment that Inaba Electric is the optimal partner for Iwata Industry's sustainable growth. The collaboration and complementation of the two companies' business bases will enable Iwata Industry to provide higher value-added services in the field of infrastructure facilities construction.

About NHC:

New Horizon Capital (NHC) is a top-tier Japanese PE fund targeting small- to mid-cap buyout deals, with 20 years of experience and a cumulative AUM of 270 billion yen. NHC was spun off from Phoenix Capital, which was founded by Yasushi Ando. NHC has been managing three funds since its foundation and nine funds in total as Phoenix Capital and NHC. The NHC team has an excellent equity investment track record that includes Mitsubishi Motors Corporation, Teac Corporation, Tokyu Construction, Fudo Construction, Seikitokyu Kogyo, Ichida, Tsumura, Hitachi Housotec, Marumo Industry, Mag2, iae Holdings, Tachikichi, Takeda Industry, Generosity, Shibaura Fire Pump Corporation, Kawasaki Holdings, Showa Corporation, Kagayaku Cosmetics, Wood TEC, NITTO, Japan System Care, Heisei biso, BIQREA Holdings, Torque System and Ideal. NHC has the longest track record of investment in Japan, including more than 100 firms, 50 of which are equity investments.

Iwata Industry Co., Ltd.:

Founded in 1911 (incorporated in 1947), Iwata Industry has been in business for over 110 years and is one of the oldest companies in the area. Iwata Industry was founded as an ironworks, and has since changed its business type to meet the needs of the times and has been flexibly managing its business. Iwata Industry has built up a long track record of construction work and high construction quality over the years, and is expanding its business with water treatment plant construction as its main business. Iwata Industry has been praised by the Tokyo Metropolitan Government Bureau of Sewerage, the Tokyo Metropolitan Government Bureau of Waterworks, and many other municipalities as an excellent construction contractor. It's a company that is highly trusted by its customers.

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