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Notice Regarding Merger between Consolidated Subsidiaries and Change of Trade Name of Surviving Company

Takara Holdings Inc. (the “Company”) hereby announces that its Board of Directors resolved at a meeting held on November 9, 2023, to approve an absorption-type merger between its wholly owned subsidiaries, Taihei Printing Co., Ltd. and Takara Yoki Co., Ltd., in which Taihei Printing Co., Ltd. will be the surviving company and will change its trade name.

1. Purpose of the merger

The merger is intended to further strengthen the businesses of the two companies by expanding their broad lineup of containers and packaging materials through the combination of their commercial products and enhancing their ability to deliver proposals, including digital and print solutions, that help improve the value of customers’ products and services.

In addition, the consolidation of personnel and organizations involved in the procurement of containers and packaging materials will strengthen the Takara Group’s procurement function for containers and packaging materials.

2. Outline of the merger

(1) Schedule of the merger

Board of Directors meetings (of the merging companies) resolving the merger	November 9, 2023
Conclusion of the merger agreement (by the merging companies)	November 9, 2023
General Meetings of Shareholders (of the merging companies) to approve the merger agreement	November 10, 2023
Date of the merger (effective date)	April 1, 2024 (scheduled)

(2) Method of the merger

The merger will be conducted as an absorption-type merger in which Taihei Printing Co., Ltd. will be the surviving company and Takara Yoki Co., Ltd. will be dissolved.

(3) Details of allotment pertaining to the merger

There will be no allotment of shares, money or other assets in connection with the merger.

(4) Handling of stock acquisition rights and bonds with stock acquisition rights upon the merger
 Not applicable

3. Overview of the merging companies

	Surviving company	Absorbed company
(1) Name	Taihei Printing Co., Ltd.	Takara Yoki Co., Ltd.
(2) Location	1 Butai-cho, Fushimi-ku, Kyoto, Japan	20 Naginataboko-cho, Shijo-dori Karasuma Higashi-iru, Shimogyo-ku, Kyoto, Japan
(3) Representative	Tsutomu Mizuno, President	Ikuo Ura, President
(4) Business	Printing, web production, and digital services	Wholesale of glass bottles
(5) Capital	90 million yen	30 million yen
(6) Established	March 23, 1957	April 1, 1985
(7) Number of issued shares	178,200 shares	300 shares
(8) Fiscal year-end	March 31	March 31
(9) Shareholders and percentage of sharesheld	Takara Holdings Inc. 100%	Takara Holdings Inc. 100%

4. Status after the merger (scheduled on April 1, 2024)

(1) Name	Takara Supply Communications Co., Ltd.
(2) Location	1 Butai-cho, Fushimi-ku, Kyoto, Japan
(3) Representative	Ikuo Ura, President
(4) Business	Wholesale of containers and packaging materials, printing, web production, and digital services
(5) Capital	90 million yen
(6) Fiscal year-end	March 31

Note: Taihei Printing Co., Ltd., the surviving company in the merger, is scheduled to change its trade name to Takara Supply Communications Co., Ltd. on the date of the merger (effective date).

5. Future Outlook

Since the merger is between wholly owned subsidiaries of the Company, the impact on its consolidated financial results is expected to be immaterial.