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To whom it may concern,

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Establishment of Joint Venture with US Aircraft Leasing Major

IBJ Leasing Co., Ltd. (“the Company”) announces that its Board of Directors on February 18 approved the establishment of a joint venture with Aircastle Limited (“Aircastle”), a major aircraft leasing company listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

The new joint venture will receive capital increase from the Company and the Aircastle Group in March and become a specified subsidiary of the Company.

1. Purpose of establishing the Joint Venture

The Company entered the aircraft financing business in 1982 and through its efforts over the subsequent 30-plus years has accumulated and helped spread knowledge about aircraft finance, building a strong and broad operational foundation in the process.

The Company is currently in the midst of implementing its Fourth Medium-term Management Plan, which positions aircraft-related business as a growth sector. As such, the Company has been accumulating high-quality operating assets focused on loans to leading overseas airlines and operating lease companies that use aircraft as collateral. In April 2015, the Company reorganized its aircraft sales group, further strengthening its sales structure with the goal of building a more diversified business that is not limited to traditional finance businesses.

To expand the Company’s aircraft-related business platform and establish a stronger global presence in this business, the Company decided to collaborate with US aircraft leasing company Aircastle to develop its aircraft leasing business through the establishment of IBJ Air Leasing Limited, a joint venture that will specialize in aircraft operating leases.

Aircastle is one of the few groups of aircraft leasing companies listed on the New York Stock Exchange. Aircastle owned 162* aircraft on lease with 53* airline companies around the world. Aircastle’s broad-based business network and advanced aircraft management capability have made it one of the world’s leading aircraft leasing companies.

With the aircraft-related business expected to benefit from an expanding market, the IBJ Leasing Group looks forward to leveraging Aircastle’s aircraft leasing knowhow to build a new business based on aircraft ownership, while also continuing its efforts to expand its other financing businesses. Through such efforts, the Group aims to accumulate a larger and stronger portfolio of operating assets. The Group also aims to enhance the Group’s earning power, by broadening its business base as a multimodal financial services group.

* As of end-December 2015

2. Overview of the Joint Venture

(1) Corporate Name	IBJ Air Leasing Limited
(2) Location	Clarendon House, 2 Church Street, Hamilton HM 11, Bermuda
(3) Director	Shinichiro Maruyama (Managing Director of the Company) Yoshiyasu Mizutomi (Executive Officer of the Company) Michael Inglese (CFO of Aircastle Limited)
(4) Description of Business	Aircraft Leases
(5) Capital	USD 23.2 million (expected by the end of March 2016)
(6) Major Shareholders and Shareholding Ratio	IBJ Leasing Company, Limited 75.0% Anfield Funding Limited* 25.0% *A wholly owned subsidiary of the Aircastle group
(7) Fiscal Year End	December

3. Overview of the Joint Venture's Partner (Aircastle)

(1) Corporate Name	Aircastle Limited
(2) Location	300 First Stamford Place, 5th Floor, Stamford, Connecticut 06902, USA
(3) Representative	CEO Ron Wainshal
(4) Description of Business	Aircraft Leases
(5) Capital	USD 1,550.3 million
(6) Date of Establishment	October 29, 2004
(7) Net Assets	USD 1,779.5 million
(8) Total Assets	USD 6,570.0 million
(9) Major Shareholders and Shareholding Ratio	Marubeni group 27.0% Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan Board 10.0% The Vanguard Group, Inc. 6.9%
(10) Relationship between the Company and Aircastle	<p>Capital Relationship</p> <p>There is no capital relationship between the Company and Aircastle that is required to be disclosed.</p> <p>In addition, no significant capital relationship exists between related persons or affiliates of the Company and related persons or affiliates of Aircastle.</p>
	<p>Personnel Relationship</p> <p>There is no personnel relationship between the Company and Aircastle that is required to be disclosed.</p> <p>In addition, no significant personnel relationship exists between related persons or affiliates of the Company and related persons or affiliates of Aircastle.</p>
	<p>Business Relationship</p> <p>There is no business relationship between the Company and Aircastle that is required to be disclosed.</p> <p>In addition, no significant business relationship exists between related persons or affiliates of the Company and related persons or affiliates of Aircastle.</p>
	<p>Applicability to Related Parties</p> <p>Aircastle is not a related party of the Company.</p> <p>In addition, related persons and affiliates of Aircastle are not related parties of the Company.</p>

4. Number of shares to be acquired and acquisition price (expected by the end of March 2016)

(1) Number of shares to be acquired	1,738,645,375 shares (Number of voting rights: 1,738,645,375) (Ratio of voting rights: 75.0%)	
(2) acquisition price	Share of the Joint Venture	USD 17.4 million
	Advisory fees, etc. (estimated amount)	approximately USD 0.1 million
	Total (estimated amount)	approximately USD 17.5 million

5. Schedule

(1) Date of decision	February 18, 2016
(2) Date of agreement	February 18, 2016 (scheduled)
(3) Date of establishment	February 19, 2016 (scheduled)
(4) Date of capital increase	March 2016 (scheduled)

6. Future Outlook

The effect of the new specified subsidiary on the Company's consolidated results for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2016 is minor, and the results forecast for the fiscal year remains unchanged.