Sale of the shares of SFP Dining Co., Ltd.

Polaris Capital Group Co., Ltd. ("Polaris") has agreed with Create Restaurants Holdings Co. Ltd. ("Create Restaurants") on the sale of all of the shares of SFP Dining Co., Ltd ("SFP") (with 69.6% of the voting rights) owned by Polaris Private Equity Fund II, L.P..

SFP, with the mission statement "to become a group of specialist restaurants which can enrich Japanese quality of life further", owns and operates about 90 outlets under "Toriyoshi" brand of Japanese-style fried chicken wings and grilled chicken restaurants and "Isomaru Suisan" brand of fresh seafood bars in the Greater Tokyo Metropolitan area and the Osaka area. With the credo of "Tireless Pursuit of Excellence, always ahead of the Time", SFP has secured a loyal customer base due to its focus on the high quality food and services, and plans to expand through steadily opening new restaurants and developing new brands or business concepts.

Since its investment into SFP in December 2012, Polaris has been supporting SFP's plan of IPO and, in order to secure stable shareholders in advance, sold 30.4% of the shares to several strategic partners of SFP last fall. In searching for an additional stable shareholder, Polaris has come to a conclusion that Create Restaurants with their restaurants mostly in shopping centers and SFP with their outlets primarily on street-level in downtown commercial districts would be able to complement each other and SFP would have more opportunities to increase its value by proceeding to the IPO under the capital alliance with Create Restaurants.

The share transfer is expected to be completed at the end of April.

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