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To the media and press

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Hokkaido Power Company Co., Inc.
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# Notice of Execution of Letter of Intent Regarding Commercialization of Data Center to Be Operated in Ishikari City, Hokkaido Using 100% Renewable Energy

Flower Communications (Head Office: Chuo City, Tokyo; Representative Director: Naotaka Yanagawa), Hokkaido Power Company Co., Inc. (Head Office: Sapporo City, Hokkaido; Representative Director, President and Executive Officer: Yutaka Fujii) and Tokyu Land Corporation (Head Office: Shibuya City, Tokyo; President and CEO: Masashi Okada) (collectively "Three Companies" below) have executed a Letter of Intent with the aim of commercializing a data center to be operated in Ishikari City, Hokkaido using 100% renewable energy ("Project" below).



Image representation of data center exterior (Figure 1)

#### [Project Overview (tent.)]

Site area	Approx. 27,300 m2
Construction area	Approx. 4,000 m2
Total floor area	Approx. 10,000 m2
Number of server racks	1,350 racks
Timing of opening	2026
Total project costs	Approx. 16.0 billion yen

### **News Release**

Recently, Ishikari City, which seeks to host renewable energy data centers, was selected as an "Decarbonization Leading Areas (First Round)" for which the Ministry of the Environment conducts an open recruitment with a view to realizing carbon neutrality by the year 2050. Additionally, having formulated a measure aimed at zero carbon entitled "Redesigning the Region through the Local Production and Utilization of Renewable Energy and Decarbonization," the city aims to supply renewable energy to data center groups and peripheral facilities in the Ishikari Bay New Port region and, in doing so, become an industry hub.

The Project is a "data center in a data center"\*1 intended to contribute to "the realization of a sustainable value co-creation platform and society through well-being"\*2 from the perspective of all people and organizations with involvement in the Project through a data center project that accommodates decarbonization with a view to realizing a sustainable global environment in the region. The Project's target opening is in 2026 with Limited Liability Company Ishikari Renewable Energy-Run Data Center No. 1, a joint venture established by Flower Communications, to serve as the main development and operation entity.

- \*1: Facility through which operators running data centers can borrow a server room and certain equipment to provide services as if they were data centers themselves
- \*2: Realization of a society that all stakeholders are highly satisfied with, one in which stakeholders keep creating value on a continuous basis

#### **Primary Mission**

- Realization of a data center project that runs on 100% renewable energy and is outfitted with disaster resilience (SDGs/ESG/RE100)
- Provision of equipment outfitted with disaster resilience to residences and corporations (Safety/security)
- Ongoing securing and development of local human capital centered on Ishikari
   City (Creation of employment opportunities/regional revitalization)

Additionally, on June 27, 2022, the Project was the sole project in Hokkaido to be selected as an entity to receive an indirect subsidy from the Digital Infrastructure Development Fund under the "Project on Strengthening Digital Infrastructure by Decentralizing Data Centers, Submarine Cables, and Other Facilities" conducted by the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications.

The Three Companies will proceed to tackle this project in order to realize the measures aiming for zero carbon that are pursued by Ishikari City and the formation of a sustainable society through decarbonization while using the knowledge cultivated up to this point in the businesses of each of those companies, namely IT infrastructure consulting for Flower Communications, the supply of electric power through renewable energy by Hokkaido Power Company Co., Inc., and the development of real estate and renewable energy by Tokyu Land Corporation



Image representation of data center exterior (Figure 2)

### [Flower Communications: Overview]

Location of head office	6-1, Ginza 6-chome, Chuo-ku, Tokyo
Representative	Naotaka Yanagawa
Business activities	IT infrastructure consulting business, etc.

### [Hokkaido Power Company Co., Inc.: Overview]

Location of head office	2, Odori Higashi 1-chome, Chuo-ku, Sapporo-shi, Hokkaido
Representative	Yutaka Fujii
Business activities	Retail electricity business, power generation business, etc.

## [Tokyu Land Corporation: Overview]

Location of head office	21-1, Dogenzaka 1-chome, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo
Representative	Masashi Okada
Business activities	General real estate developer

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