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Saizen Real Estate Investment Trust Fax: 65-632 (A real estate investment trust constituted on 27 September 2007 under the laws of the Republic of Singapore (as amended))

# DIVESTMENT OF JEWEL TOWN SUEHIRO

The Board of Directors of Japan Residential Assets Manager Limited, the manager ("**Manager**") of Saizen Real Estate Investment Trust ("**Saizen REIT**"), wishes to announce the divestment of Jewel Town Suehiro (the "**Current Divestment**") from the property portfolio of Yugen Kaisha ("**YK**") Shintoku.

## **Background**

YK Shintoku has, on 9 November 2010, entered into a sale and purchase agreement for the divestment of Jewel Town Suehiro ("**JT**") to an independent private investor (the "**JT Buyer**") for a cash consideration of JPY 146,042,400 (S\$2.3 million<sup>1</sup>) (the "**JT Sale Price**"). The divestment of JT was completed on the same day upon the payment of the full amount of the JT Sale Price by the JT Buyer.

JT, located in Hakodate, was built in August 1991 and comprises 30 residential units and 8 car parking units. It contributed about 0.5% (or approximately JPY 19.1 million) of Saizen REIT's annual revenue in the financial year ended 30 June 2010 ("**FY2010**").

Given the small size of JT relative to the entire portfolio of Saizen REIT, the Current Divestment is not expected to have any material impact on the financial position of Saizen REIT.

## **Consideration**

The JT Sale Price was fully paid up by the JT Buyer on 9 November 2010. The entire proceeds from the Current Divestment will be used for partial repayment of the YK Shintoku Loan.

The JT Sale Price was arrived at on an arm's length basis, taking into account, *inter alia*, the JT Valuation (as defined below) and the prevailing market conditions.

## Property value and financial results

Based on the valuation of JT prepared by KK Asset Research, an independent valuer commissioned by the Manager, JT was valued at JPY 143.0 million (S\$2.3 million) (the "**JT Valuation**") as at 30 June 2010. The JT Sale Price therefore represents a premium of approximately 2.1% to the JT Valuation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Based on an exchange rate of S\$1.00 to JPY63.2 as at 8 November 2010, which is applied throughout this announcement unless stated otherwise.

In the past 12 months, YK Shintoku had completed the divestment of 10 properties, namely Patios Ohashi (announcements dated 21 September 2010 and 30 September 2010), Sun Park Yokokawa (announcement dated 29 September 2010), Funairi Honmachi 54 (announcement dated 29 September 2010), Residence II Yasuda (announcement dated 29 September 2010), Matoba Y Building (announcement dated 29 September 2010), Villa Kaigancho (announcement dated 8 October 2010), Higashi Hakushima Y Building (announcement dated 14 October 2010), Otemachi Y Building (announcement dated 14 October 2010), Kinyacho Y Building (announcement dated 14 October 2010), and Kamei Five (announcements dated 20 October 2010) and 28 October 2010) (collectively, the "**FY2011 Divestments**").

A summary of the net book value, sale price and resultant loss on disposal in respect of the Current Divestment and the FY2011 Divestments is as follows:

	JT	FY2011 Divestments
Net book value <sup>2</sup>	JPY 143.0 mil (S\$2.3 mil)	JPY 1,424.0 mil (S\$22.5 mil)
Sale price	JPY 146.0 mil (S\$2.3 mil)	JPY 1,357.0 mil (S\$21.5 mil)
Excess/(deficit) of sale price over the book value	JPY 3.0 mil (S\$0.05 mil)	(JPY 67.0 mil) ((S\$1.1 mil))
Profit/(loss) on disposal <sup>3</sup>	(JPY 7.4 mil) ((S\$0.1 mil))	(JPY 151.5 mil) ((S\$2.4 mil))

The net profit/(loss) attributable to the properties in respect of the Current Divestment and the FY2011 Divestments in FY2010 is as follows:

	JT	FY2011 Divestments
Net profit/(loss) attributable to property <sup>4</sup>	(JPY 1.2 mil)	(JPY 56.5 mil)
	((S\$0.02 mil))	((S\$0.9 mil))

## **Financial effects**

## Net asset value per Unit attributable to Unitholders ("NAV per Unit")

Based on the audited financial statements of the Saizen REIT Group for FY2010 and assuming that the Current Divestment and the FY2011 Divestments had been completed on 30 June 2010, the estimated aggregate pro forma financial effects which the Current Divestment and the FY2011 Divestments would have on the NAV per Unit as at 30 June 2010 are as follows:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The net book value is equal to the full valuations conducted on 30 June 2010 by independent valuers commissioned by the Manager.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The differences between the profit/(loss) on disposal and the excess/(deficit) of sale price over book value are due to transaction costs, namely agent fees and consumption taxes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> This represents the impact attributable to the properties to the net loss of Saizen REIT and its subsidiaries (the "Saizen REIT Group") in FY2010. The net loss attributable to JT in FY2010 was mainly due to write-down in property value of JPY 5.0 million. The net loss attributable to the FY2011 Divestments in FY2010 was mainly due to net write-downs in property values amounting to an aggregate of JPY 81.4 million in FY2010.

		Audited (as at 30 June 2010)	Pro forma financial effects of the Current Divestment and the FY2011 Divestments
Net asset value attrib Unitholders	outable to (JPY' 000)	23,882,923	23,726,557
Number of Units⁵	('000)	953,203	953,203
NAV per Unit <sup>6</sup>	(JPY)	25.06	24.89
	(S\$)	0.40 <sup>7</sup>	0.39

## Earnings per Unit ("EPU")

Assuming the Current Divestment and the FY2011 Divestments had been completed on 1 July 2009 and based on the audited financial statements of the Saizen REIT Group for FY2010, the estimated aggregate pro forma financial effects which the Current Divestment and the FY2011 Divestments would have on the EPU of FY2010 are as follows:

		Audited (FY2010)	Pro forma financial effects of the Current Divestment and the FY2011 Divestments
Loss for the year a Unitholders	ttributable to (JPY' 000)	(883,878)	(984,244)
Weighted average Units <sup>8</sup>	number of ('000)	952,710	952,710
Basic EPU <sup>6</sup>	(JPY)	(0.93)	(1.03)
	(cents)	(1.43) <sup>9</sup>	(1.63)

## **Rationale**

Since the loan of YK Shintoku (the "**YK Shintoku Loan**") went into maturity default in November 2009, the asset manager of Saizen REIT has been working closely with the loan servicer on a suitable course of action. To this end, the loan servicer has proposed the progressive and partial sale of YK Shintoku's properties to reduce the absolute amount of the YK Shintoku Loan. Such reduction in absolute amount of the loan will likely make its refinancing more acceptable to potential lenders.

## Remaining loan balance

The original balance of the YK Shintoku Loan was JPY 7.953 billion (S\$125.8 million). The application of (i) net sale proceeds totaling JPY 1.9 billion (S\$30.1 million) from the divestments of 15 properties of YK Shintoku and (ii) operational cash flow of YK Shintoku of JPY 0.3 billion (S\$4.7 million) towards loan repayment had reduced the balance of the YK Shintoku Loan to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Based on 953,203,055 Units in issue as at 30 June 2010.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> It is assumed that there is no exercise of warrants and therefore, there is no dilutive effect on the NAV per Unit and EPU.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Based on an exchange rate of S\$1.00 to JPY63.4 as at 30 June 2010.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Based on a weighted average number of Units of 952,710,118 Units.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Based on an average exchange rate of S\$1.00 to JPY65.1 between 1 July 2009 and 30 June 2010.

JPY 5.7 billion (S\$90.2 million) as at the date hereof. Following loan repayment from sale proceeds of the Current Divestment, the remaining balance of the YK Shintoku Loan is estimated to be approximately JPY 5.6 billion (S\$88.6 million).

Taking into account applicable cash reserves of JPY 0.6 billion (S\$9.5 million) maintained by YK Shintoku under the loan agreement, the net outstanding loan of YK Shintoku amounts to approximately JPY 5.0 billion (S\$79.1 million).

## Interest of Directors and Controlling Unitholders

A divestment fee of 0.3% of the JT Sale Price as well as each of the FY2011 Divestments as previously announced (collectively, the "**Divestment Fees**") is payable to the Manager. The Divestment Fees will be payable in the form of cash or units or a combination of both (as the Manager may in its sole discretion determine).

Save for the above Divestment Fees, none of the Directors or controlling shareholders of the Manager, or the Manager, the Trustee or controlling unitholder of Saizen REIT, as the case may be, has any interest, direct or indirect, in the Current Divestment.

## Relative Figures Computed pursuant to Rule 1006 of the Listing Manual

The relative figures for the Current Divestment and the FY2011 Divestments taken in aggregate and computed on the bases pursuant to Rule 1006(a) to 1006(d) of the SGX-ST Listing Manual (based on the recently announced audited financial statements of the Saizen REIT Group for FY2010) are as follows:

Rule 1006(a)	Net asset value of the assets to be disposed of, compared with the group's net asset value.	6.56% <sup>10</sup>
Rule 1006(b)	The net profits attributable to the assets disposed of, compared with the group's net profits.	4.09% <sup>11</sup>
Rule 1006(c)	The aggregate value of the consideration received, compared with the issuer's market capitalisation based on the total number of issued shares excluding treasury shares.	13.36% <sup>12</sup>
Rule 1006(d)	The number of equity securities issued by the issuer as consideration for an acquisition, compared with the number of equity securities previously in issue.	Not applicable

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> The net asset value of the Saizen REIT Group as at 30 June 2010 was JPY 23.891 million.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Based on the aggregate net property income of the Current Divestment and the FY2011 Divestments in FY2010 of approximately JPY 113.8 million and Saizen REIT Group's net property income of JPY 2,782.6 million in FY2010. A comparison of net loss for FY2010 (contributed mainly by the write-down in the value of the property portfolio of Saizen REIT) is not meaningful.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Saizen REIT's market capitalisation is computed based on the weighted average Unit price of S\$0.1592 and 1,118,274,712 Units in issue on 8 November 2010, being the market day immediately preceding the date of the sale and purchase agreement.

The aggregate figure of the Current Divestment and the FY2011 Divestments under Rule 1006(b) does not exceed 5%.

The aggregate figures of the Current Divestment and the FY2011 Divestments under Rules 1006(a) and (c) exceed 5%, but not 50%. Accordingly, the Current Divestment and the FY2011 Divestments, in aggregate, constitute a discloseable transaction as defined in Chapter 10 of the SGX-ST Listing Manual.

#### **Documents for inspection**

Copies of the sale and purchase agreement and valuation report in respect of the Current Divestment are available for inspection during normal business hours at the registered office of the Manager at 3 Anson Road, #34-01 Springleaf Tower, Singapore 079909 for three months commencing from the date of this announcement.

#### BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chang Sean Pey (Mr.) Co-Chief Executive Officer

Japan Residential Assets Manager Limited (Company Registration No. 200712125H) As Manager of Saizen Real Estate Investment Trust

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