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# Saizen Real Estate Investment Trust

(A real estate investment trust constituted on 27 September 2007 under the laws of the Republic of Singapore (as amended))

## **DIVESTMENT OF JOHNAN BUILDING III**

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 Johnan Building III (the "**Current Divestment**") from the property portfolio of Yugen Kaisha ("**YK**") Shintoku.

#### **Background**

YK Shintoku has, on 23 March 2011, entered into a sale and purchase agreement for the divestment of Johnan Building III ("**JB3**") to an independent private investor (the "**JB3 Buyer**") for a cash consideration of JPY 312,577,516 (S\$4.9 million<sup>1</sup>) (the "**JB3 Sale Price**"). The divestment of JB3 was completed on the same day upon the payment of the full amount of the JB3 Sale Price by the JB3 Buyer.

JB3, located in Fukuoka, was built in June 1983 and comprises 24 residential units, 6 commercial units and 21 car parking units. It contributed about 0.9% (or approximately JPY 35.9 million) of Saizen REIT's annual revenue in the financial year ended 30 June 2010 ("**FY2010**").

Given the small size of JB3 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 JB3 Sale Price was fully paid up by the JB3 Buyer on 23 March 2011. The entire proceeds from the Current Divestment will be used for partial repayment of the YK Shintoku Loan.

The JB3 Sale Price was arrived at on an arm's length basis, taking into account, *inter alia*, the JB3 Valuation (as defined below) and the prevailing market conditions.

#### Property value and financial results

Based on a desktop valuation of JB3 prepared by Le Futur Corporation, an independent valuer commissioned by the Manager, JB3 was valued at JPY 314.0 million (S\$5.0 million) (the "**JB3 Valuation**") as at 31 January 2011. The JB3 Sale Price therefore represents a discount of approximately 0.5% to the JB3 Valuation.

Based on an exchange rate of S\$1.00 to JPY 63.3 as at 22 March 2011, which is applied throughout this announcement unless stated otherwise.

In the past 12 months, YK Shintoku and YK Shingen, another TK operator of Saizen REIT, had completed the divestment of 16 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), Jewel Town Suehiro (announcement dated 9 November 2010), Reef Suite (announcements on 15 November 2010 and 24 November 2010), K1 Mansion Morioka (announcements on 24 January 2011 and 28 January 2011), Aistage Ushita Minami (announcement on 25 February 2011), Kinyacho Grande (announcement on 8 March 2011) and Wealth Meinohama (announcement on 14 March 2011 and 23 March 2011) (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:

	JB3	FY2011 Divestments
Net book value <sup>2</sup>	JPY 314.0 mil	JPY 2,503.3 mil
	(S\$5.0 mil)	(S\$39.5 mil)
Sale price	JPY 312.6 mil	JPY 2,401.4 mil
	(S\$4.9 mil)	(S\$37.9 mil)
Excess/(deficit) of sale price over the book value	(JPY 1.4 mil)	(JPY 101.9 mil)
	((S\$0.02 mil))	((S\$1.6 mil))
Profit/(loss) on disposal <sup>3</sup>	(JPY 17.3 mil)	(JPY 252.8 mil)
	((S\$0.3 mil))	((S\$4.0 mil))

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

	JB3	FY2011 Divestments
Net profit/(loss) attributable to property <sup>4</sup>	JPY 8.2 mil	(JPY 77.8 mil)
	(S\$0.1 mil)	((S\$1.2 mil))

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The net book value of JB3 and the FY2011 Divestments are equal to the latest desktop valuation or full valuation conducted on the applicable properties. These valuations are conducted 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 the FY2011 Divestments in FY2010 was mainly due to net write-downs in property values amounting to an aggregate of JPY 137.0 million in FY2010. The net profit attributable to JB3 in FY2010 had included a write-down in property value of JPY 2.0 million.

# **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:

		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	23,610,339
Number of Units <sup>5</sup>	('000)	953,203	953,203
NAV per Unit <sup>6</sup>	(JPY)	25.06	24.77
	(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 at Unitholders	tributable to (JPY' 000)	(883,878)	(1,074,971)
Weighted average Units <sup>8</sup>	number of ('000)	952,710	952,710
Basic EPU <sup>6</sup>	(JPY)	(0.93)	(1.13)
	(cents)	(1.43) <sup>9</sup>	(1.79)

<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.

## **Rationale**

Since 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\$125.6 million). The application of (i) net sale proceeds totaling JPY 2.5 billion (S\$39.5 million) from the divestments of 19 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 JPY 5.1 billion (S\$80.6 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 4.8 billion (S\$75.8 million).

Taking into account applicable cash reserves of JPY 0.4 billion (S\$6.3 million) maintained by YK Shintoku under the loan agreement, the net outstanding loan of YK Shintoku amounts to approximately JPY 4.4 billion (S\$69.5 million).

## Interest of Directors and Controlling Unitholders

A divestment fee of 0.3% of the JB3 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.	11.82% <sup>10</sup>
Rule 1006(b)	The net profits attributable to the assets disposed of, compared with the group's net profits.	7.52% <sup>11</sup>

<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>1</sup> Based on the aggregate net property income of the Current Divestment and the FY2011 Divestments in FY2010 of approximately JPY 209.1 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.

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.	25.33% <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

The aggregate figures of the Current Divestment and the FY2011 Divestments under Rules 1006(a), (b) 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

Linus Koh Kia Meng (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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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Saizen REIT's market capitalisation is computed based on the weighted average Unit price of S\$0.1441 and 1,174,844,611 Units in issue on 22 March 2011, being the market day immediately preceding the date of the sale and purchase agreement.

#### **Important Notice**

The value of Units and the income derived from them, if any, may fall or rise. Units are not obligations of, deposits in, or guaranteed by, the Manager, or any of its affiliates. An investment in Units is subject to investment risks, including the possible loss of the principal amount invested.

Investors should note that they have no right to request the Manager to redeem their Units while the Units are listed. It is intended that Unitholders may only deal in their Units through trading on the SGX-ST. Listing of the Units on the SGX-ST does not guarantee a liquid market for the Units.

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