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JASDEC (JAPAN) AND CCDC (CHINA) SIGN MOU ON INFORMATION SHARING AND COOPERATION

Tokyo and Beijing - Japan Securities Depository Center, Inc. (JASDEC) and China Central Depository & Clearing Co., Ltd. (CCDC) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on April 24, 2012.

Under the terms of the MOU, JASDEC and CCDC will develop a closer working relationship. The MOU includes a mechanism for board members, senior management and staff of both sides to meet on a regular basis, with the aim of supporting the prosperity of their financial markets, promoting cross border investment, and exploring opportunities for cooperation in both depository and settlement operations.

Yoshinobu Takeuchi, Chairman of JASDEC, said: “I hope that the signing of this MOU between JASDEC and CCDC will act as a catalyst for friendly and cooperative ties between the two central securities depositories, and that through information sharing and communication we can together contribute to the development of the securities markets in Japan and China.”

LU Shiyun, President and Vice Chairman of CCDC, commented: “Both institutions bear the historical task of integrating domestic capital market, play channel role in enhancing Sino-Japan cross-border investment and financial exchanges, and have common interests and concerns in promoting Asian bond market building.”

About JASDEC

Japan Securities Depository Center, Inc. (JASDEC) provides securities book-entry transfer services for stocks, bonds with share options, REITs, commercial paper, corporate bonds, investment trusts, and ETFs. In addition, JASDEC operates a DVP settlement service for non-exchange transactions through its subsidiary, JASDEC DVP Clearing Corporation (JDCC).

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About CCDC

China Central Depository & Clearing Co., Ltd. (CCDC) provides issuance, registration, depository, settlement and principal & interest payment agency services for government bonds, financial debentures, corporate bonds and other fixed-income securities. CCDC also technically supports the Open Market Operation system. In addition, CCDC provides consultant service and bond information products.

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