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Notice of the receipt of an award at DEALWATCH AWARDS 2023

Japan Investment Adviser Co., Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as "JIA") hereby announces that "the first unrated publicly offered corporate bond in Japan," which was issued in September 2023, won the "Debut Debt Deal of the Year" at "DEALWATCH AWARDS 2023," which is organized by Refinitiv Japan K.K., a subsidiary of the London Stock Exchange Group (LSEG).

1. About DEALWATCH AWARDS

This award was established for the purpose of developing and expanding the capital market related to Japan, and is operated by Refinitiv Japan of London Stock Exchange Group (LSEG). Awardees are selected while considering the appropriateness of pricing in the primary market, the pricing after the transfer to the secondary market, the contribution to the capital market, ingenuity, etc.

This is the 29th DEALWATCH AWARDS. Past Award-winning companies include major financial institutions and Nikkei 225 component companies.

| Award title | Debut Debt Deal of the Year |
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| | No.1 Japan Investment Advisor Bonds (¥3.5 billion, 2-year) |
| | (Underwriter: Mizuho Securities) |
| Award Points | In September 2023, JIA issued Japan's first publicly offered unrated corporate bond. |
| | The issuance of unrated bonds was recognized as a breakthrough in a market |
| | practice that has not been accepted in the Japanese market, although it is common |
| | in other countries. |
| Outline of DEALWATCH | https://www.lseg.com/ja/data-analytics/products/capital-markets-insight-and- |
| AWARDS | analysis/dealwatch/dealwatch-awards#past-winner-list |
| (Past award winners, etc.) | |
| Outline of DEALWATCH | https://www.lseg.com/content/dam/data- |
| AWARDS 2023 | analytics/ja_jp/documents/dealwatch/dealwatch-award-2023-ja.pdf |

In addition to the issuance of the above bond, JIA procured funds amounting to about 10.3 billion yen in March 2024 through "rights offering." Like this, JIA will procure funds effectively by diversifying fund procurement methods, and make efforts to complete the Three-year Business Plan.

- (Reference) Notice Regarding "Rights Offering" (Japanese Only) (Issued December 28, 2023) https://ssl4.eir-parts.net/doc/7172/tdnet/2377470/00.pdf
- (Reference) Three-year Business Plan 2024-2026 (Issued July 31, 2023) https://www.jia-ltd.com/assets/img/ir/library/MidtermBusinessPlan_en.pdf

[Awards Ceremony]



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