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To whom it may concern

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# Regarding the claim for damages by JTrust Asia Pte. Ltd. against Engine Holdings Asia Pte. Ltd. and filling of the provisional order to freeze assets in Singapore

We are informed that JTrust Asia Pte.Ltd. (JTA) filled the provisional order to freeze assets against our subsidiary in Singapore, Engine Holdings Asia Pte.Ltd. (EHA) to the Singapore Court of Appeal, and the court ruled the order.

## 1. Cause of action and circumstances leading to the filing of the lawsuit

JTA, a subsidiary of J Trust Co, Ltd. entered into an investment agreement to underwrite the convertible debentures of Group Lease PCL (GL), a consolidated subsidiary of the Wedge Holdings Co.,Ltd, and held the convertible bonds for a total of US\$210 million (equivalent to JPY 22.3 billion).  $\ll$  First issue: USD 30million( equivalent to JPY 3.1billion), Second issue: USD130millon( equivalent to JPY 13.8billion), Third issue: USD50millon( equivalent to JPY 5.3billion). However, JTA filed a claim for damages against GL and Group Lease Holdings Pte.Ltd. (GLH) on the ground that to promote more investment and to induce investors, GL and GLH falsified its financial statements of the group, thereby misleading those investors and others into believing that GL was in a stronger financial position than it truly was and caused the damages to such investors.

With regard to the claim, the Singapore Court of Appeal already ruled in relation to the claim for damages filed by JTA against GLH as we announced in the release of "Judgment in Civil Litigation against Group Lease Holdings PTE.LTD. by JTrust Asia Pte." on 7 October 2020. And the case was once concluded. But after that, JTA claimed that EHA was also involved in the relevant actions and filled the provisional order to freeze assets and a claim for damages against EHA in Singapore.

As a result, EHA received the order from the court in Singapore of prohibition of any

asset transaction up to USD195 million except for ordinary business operation and any asset transfer or disposal out of Singapore.

\*Please refer to the release on 7 October 2020.

https://www.wedge-hd.com/cms\_v2/assets/files/NEWS/2020/p20201007e.pdf

## 2. The counterparty of the lawsuit

- (1) Name JTrust Asia Pte. Ltd.
- (2) Location Singapore
- (3) Name and title of representative director Nobuyoshi Fujisawa, Representative Director

### 3. Details of the claim

- (1) Damage compensation in regard to the investment from JTA against EHA (The convertible bond: total USD210million (equivalent to JPY22.3 billion, and GL Stock: THB527million (equivalent to JPY170million)
  - The case proceeds up to conclusion.
- (2) The order to EHA from the court of prohibition of any asset transaction up to USD195 million except for ordinary business operation and any asset transfer or disposal out of Singapore.
  - The case proceeds up to conclusion.

### 4. Outlook for the future

The impact on the financial statements of our group is none at this point of time. Our group including EHA consider that the claim is unreasonable and unjust. Therefore, we will review with legal experts and take the best possible measures to protect our assets and recover damages for our group.

If any matters arise to be disclosed, we will make further announcements.

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