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TOPY INDUSTRIES, LIMITED

Regarding the Establishment of a Joint Venture Company in India for the
Manufacture and Sales of Passenger Steel Wheels

Topy Industries Ltd. (head office: Shinagawa-ku Tokyo, CEO Yasuo Fujii, “Topy”) and Wheels India Limited (“WIL”) have agreed to establish a joint venture company (shareholding structure: WIL 74%, Topy 26%) for the manufacture and sales of passenger steel wheels.

WIL will curve out its passenger car steel wheel business and establish a new company. Topy will then acquire 26% of the shares of this new company. Operations of the new company are scheduled to commence in September of this year, and a new factory is to be constructed near Chennai. The new factory is scheduled to commence production in 2019.

Due to the global expansion of automobile manufacture and severe competition, major automobile manufacturers are expanding the production of common platform automobiles in different countries and are seeking global suppliers who are able to supply wheels of a common design anywhere in the world. To respond to these needs and to formulate a global supply structure, the Topy Industries Group has utilized its manufacturing sites in Japan, the United States, China and Mexico along with its alliance with overseas passenger car steel wheel manufacturers.

This joint venture business will make the existing technical cooperation between WIL and Topy stronger and enable the supply of common design wheels in India. With this, the Topy Industries Group will assure the acquisition of the Indian market demand where mid-and-long term expansion of automobile manufacture is expected, and will strive to enhance its presence as a global supplier.

The Topy Industries Group is promoting the “continued growth and innovative changes of the company to a best place to work” as one of the basic principle of the mid-term management plan “Growth & Change 2018”. Topy will achieve sustainable growth of business by continuing to be the recognized global supplier from global major automobile manufacturers.

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【Reference】

1. Summary of Joint Venture Partner

(1) Company Name	Wheels India Limited
(2) Location	Chennai, Tamil Nadu; India
(3) Name of Representative	Srivats Ram
(4) Business Description	Manufacture and sales of passenger, commercial, agricultural steel wheels
(5) Turnover	Rs. 2,176 crores (approx. 372 hundred million Yen)
(6) Capital	Rs. 12 crores (approx. 2 hundred million Yen)

3. Future Prospects

Effect to the consolidated business performance for 2018 March-year-end is minimal.