Tokai Rubber Industries, Ltd. (TRI) (Head office: Komaki City, Aichi Prefecture, President: Yoshiaki Nishimura) announces a decision to build a new plant at TRI (Poland) Sp.zo.o (TRP in short), our subsidiary to manufacture and distribute automobile supplies located in the Republic of Poland.

Since its foundation in July 1999, TRP has been supplying automotive anti-vibration rubber and sound proof materials mainly to Japanese automakers’ production facilities in Europe. Currently, we are actively reaching European automakers in expectation of receiving more orders from them. Therefore, we will build the second plant as another production facility in Europe in addition to the existing one in order to accommodate possible production increase.

In addition, we will further enhance our development functions at TRP aiming to deliver products that can meet our customers’ demand more precisely. This will serve as the fifth development base for TRI Group following Japan (Komaki), US, Thailand, and China, allowing us to improve our development system that can cover major global automobile markets in Japan, Asia, the West, and China.

Our Group positions the sales expansion to European makers as our crucial management strategy in our mid-term management plan named “the 2015 TRI GROUP VISION.” Back in June 2012, we already opened TRI Europe GmbH (TRIEU in short) in Germany as our European sales strategy base. Therefore, expanding our production facility at TRP will pave the way for us to establish a system that can cover product development, manufacturing to sales in Europe.

**<Outline of TRP Second Plant>**

Location: Zagorze, the Republic of Poland  
Production Items: Automotive anti-vibration rubber, sound proof materials  
Start of Construction: October, 2012  
Completion: May, 2013 (Planned)  
Start of operation: August, 2013 (Planned)  
Investment Amount: About 11 million Euro (※1 about 1.005 billion yen)  
Area of plant: Site: 41,500 m², Buildings 5,000 m²  
Payroll: About 200 (estimation for FY 2015)

**<Outline of TRP>**

Location: Wolbrom, the Republic of Poland  
Capital Ratio: Tokai Rubber Industries, LTD. 77%, Mitsui&Co., Deutschland GMBH 15%, Mitsui&Co., LTD. 8%  
Representative: President Takanobu Nanno  
Payroll: About 640 (as of August 31, 2012)  
Area of Plant: Site: 20,000 m², Buildings: 11,000 m²  
Capital Stock: 32 million Zloty (※2 about 770 million yen)  
Production Capacity: 44 million Euro (※1 about 4.3 billion yen, FY2011)  
⇒79 million Euro (※1 about 7.6 billion yen, FY2015 including the second plant)

(※1) Calculated 96.8 yen/Euro  
(※2) Calculated 24 yen/Zloty

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