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JIS TO ACQUIRE NEW SHARES ISSUED BY UNITIKA

Japan Industrial Solutions (“JIS”) is pleased to announce today that it has entered into a definitive agreement to acquire new shares issued by UNITIKA Ltd. (TSE: 3103, “UNITIKA”), through its investment vehicle, Japan Industrial Solutions Fund 1.

UNITIKA is a leading material manufacturer in Japan with a polymer business as one of its core business domains. While UNITIKA’s textile business, its main business since initiation, had been supporting the development of the Japanese textile industry, UNITIKA has gradually shifted its main business domain to the profitable polymer business from the textile business in the last twenty years due to the changes in the domestic industrial structure. Under this circumstance, UNITIKA decided to raise new capital for the future growth and prepared ‘The New Mid-term Business Plan’ which includes further withdrawal from its textile business and the drastic shift of its business portfolio from low-profitability/non-core businesses to high-profitability business. The implementation of the plan will cause UNITIKA to experience a major loss of capital.

JIS aims to contribute to the reinvigoration of the Japanese economy through supporting business turnarounds and reorganizations. The acquisition of the shares of UNITIKA will serve this purpose providing funds for the business reforms and the future growth of the company, which eventually contributes to reinforce the foundations of Japanese industry.

JIS has entered into an agreement with UNITIKA, which Board of Directors have passed a Resolution today to issue new shares, to purchase ten thousand Class C Preferred Shares for an amount of ten billion yen. Completion of the investment is expected on July 31st 2014, and is subject to customary closing conditions.