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Expansion of Plating Operations in China Meeting Increased Demand for Precision Fabricating Services and Precision Components*

JX Nippon Mining & Metals Corporation (head office: Otemachi 2-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo; president: Yoshimasa Adachi) is boosting its investment in plating facilities in its Chinese subsidiaries Nippon Mining & Metals (Suzhou) Co., Ltd. and Nikko Fuji Precision (Wuxi) Co., Ltd. to meet rising demand in China for precision fabricating services and precision components.

With China's growing role as a smartphone production base, along with the increased use of electronic components in automobiles, demand is rising for high-function parts and materials used in these products.

In our Suzhou subsidiary, which combines precision rolling technology and precision fabricating technology to provide products and services unique to our Group, we responded to this situation in November 2013 by adding new silver plating lines, boosting our silver plating capacity six-fold. Then at our Wuxi subsidiary, which specializes in precision plating, we increased gold and tin plating lines in January 2014 and will be adding a new nickel plating line in April.

The Lake Tai area in Jiangsu Province is subject to environmental regulations that are among the strictest in China. Both subsidiaries, however, were able to win approval for the equivalent of nine plating lines that meet these regulations, enabling them to build the readiness for future demand growth.

Through coordination between our two subsidiaries in Suzhou and Wuxi, our Group is working to enhance customer services to meet the demand for precision fabricating services and precision components, which is growing in China especially in IT and vehicle-mounted electronics applications.

^{*}Precision components: Precision rolled products to which precision stamping, plating, or other precision fabricating has been applied.

Reference Data

1. Overview of Nippon Mining & Metals (Suzhou) Co., Ltd.

(1) Representative

Chairman and General Manager: Kazuaki Aramaki

- (2) Paid-in capital and equity ownership
 - Capital: USD80 million

Equity ownership: A wholly owned subsidiary of JX Nippon Mining & Metals Corporation

(3) Location

Suzhou Industrial Park, Suzhou, Jiangsu Province, PRC

(4) Established in 2003

(5) Main operations

Precision rolling of stainless steel Precision stamping and plating Slitting of copper alloy products Electronic parts assembly

- 2. Overview of Nikko Fuji Precision (Wuxi) Co., Ltd.
- (1) Representative

Chairman and General Manager: Kazuaki Aramaki

- (2) Paid-in capital and equity ownership
 - Capital: USD4 million

Equity ownership: A wholly owned subsidiary of JX Nippon Mining & Metals Corporation

(3) Location

Wuxi Metal Surface Processing Science & Technology Industrial Park, Luoshe-zhen, Huishan, Wuxi, Jiangsu Province, PRC

- (4) Established in 2005
- (5) Main operations

Precision plating

Nippon Mining & Metals (Suzhou)



Nikko Fuji Precision (Wuxi)



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