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JFE Shoji Corporation

Acquisition of Steel Frame Manufacturing Company in the United States

JFE Shoji Corporation (President: Toshinori Kobayashi hereinafter called “JFE Shoji”) and its subsidiary JFE Shoji America Holdings, Inc. (CEO: Junji Yamada hereinafter called “JFESAHD”) has agreed with the shareholders of California Expanded Metal Products Co. (CEO: Ted Poliquin registered office at Los Angeles County, California hereinafter called “CEMCO”) to acquire 100% of the share of CEMCO. (*1)

CEMCO is one of the largest manufacturers in the United States of Steel Framing and Metal Lath for exterior and interior usage in construction market. CEMCO operates four facilities in nationwide two in California, Los Angeles and Pittsburg, one in Denver, Colorado and one in Fort Worth, Texas.

Apparent steel consumption in the United States is steady at approximately 100 million metric tons per annum and more than 30% of steel is considered being consumed in construction market. Construction spending in the United States is the world largest and is anticipated to be grown with continuous population growth.

As we have been seeking the initiatives to grow in the construction market overseas in the JFE Shoji Group’s Medium-Term Management Plan, JFE Shoji anticipates from the acquisition that CEMCO and subsidiaries relating to construction market under JFESAHD, JFE Shoji America LLC, Vest Inc. and Kelly Pipe Co., LLC will enhance synergies and capture demand of the construction market in North America.

[Company Information of CEMCO]

Name:	California Expanded Metal Products Co. (CEMCO)
Corporate Office:	City of Industry, California
Facilities:	1. Los Angeles, California 2. Pittsburg, California 3. Denver, Colorado 4. Fort Worth, Texas
Establishment:	1974
Business:	Manufacturer of Steel Framing, Metal Lath, Specialty Products and Accessories
CEO:	Ted Poliquin
Employees:	503 (As of year-end 2021)

*1 – Above acquisition is subject to the HSR Approval from Federal Trade Commission and the Department of Justice.

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