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Notice Regarding Establishment of an Overseas Subsidiary (sub-subsidiary) by Our Subsidiary

ARE Holdings, Inc. has resolved at its Board of Directors meeting held today that Asahi Pretec Corporation, a consolidated subsidiary of ARE Holdings, Inc. will establish a subsidiary in Thailand (a sub-subsidiary of ARE Holdings, Inc.) in order to expand its precious metals recycling business in the Thailand.

1. Purpose of Establishment

One of the growth strategies in our medium- to long-term vision announced in April this year is to "expand overseas markets." Based on this growth strategy, we have been conducting research into markets, primarily in Southeast Asia, where the jewelry and electronics industries are expanding. We believe that further market growth can be expected in Thailand for two (2) reasons: the country is home to many jewelry-related factories, including major jewelry manufacturers, and in recent years the country has also focused on developing the automobile and electronics industries.

Therefore, we have decided to establish a local subsidiary in Thailand to strengthen our precious metals recycling business in Southeast Asia.

2. Overview of the Subsidiary to be Established (our sub-subsidiary)

The outline of the subsidiary to be established will be disclosed on our website and in other IR materials as soon as the details are decided. The subsidiary is scheduled to be established in November or December 2024, and the factory is scheduled to start operation in 2026.

3. Impact on Business Performance of the Company

The impact of this matter on our business results for the fiscal year ending March 2025 is expected to be minimal. If any matters that require disclosure arise in the future, we will promptly disclose them.

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