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## **Notice Regarding Acquisition of Bengo Kakumei Inc.**

Bengo4.com, Inc. (hereinafter “the Company”) announces that at a meeting held on April 17, 2024, the Board of Directors resolved to acquire all shares issued by Bengo Kakumei Inc. (hereinafter “Bengo Kakumei”) (the acquisition is hereinafter referred to as “the Acquisition”).

Since the Acquisition is not subject to disclosure under the Timely Disclosure Rules of Tokyo Stock Exchange, Inc., some disclosure items and details have been omitted.

### Details

#### (1) Reasons for the share acquisition

The digitalization of social and economic systems has been advancing rapidly in recent years, and moves to promote digitalization are also taking shape in the judicial system. In 2022, the Code of Civil Procedure was amended in relation to digitalization. In court procedures, it was previously necessary to submit printed documents and appear in person on the date on which a person was summoned by the court. Under the amended Code, documents can be submitted online and a person can attend a scheduled web conference on the appearance date, among other revisions. The digitalization of procedures for criminal trials is also planned.

This digitalization of judicial procedures will force lawyers to transform their legal practices. In 2026, the online submission of documents to courts will become mandatory in civil cases. Accordingly, it will become important for lawyers to have a style of practice that efficiently uses digitized documents. It is expected that the need to manage cases using IT tools, efficiently manage digital documents, prepare documents using AI technologies, and other needs will be greater in the future.

Against this backdrop, the Company will consolidate Bengo Kakumei Inc. (headquartered in Kyoto City, Kyoto Prefecture; Representative Director: Ryosen Yamamoto; <https://www.bengo-kakumei.jp>) as a subsidiary, because the company offers Bengo Kakumei, a digitalized case recordkeeping tool for lawyers. Developed by Mr. Ryosen Yamamoto who is a software developer and a lawyer with expert knowledge in the practice of law, Bengo Kakumei’s services offer an optimal user interface, user experience and security for lawyers to handle digital documents.

In the practice of law, it is necessary to efficiently reference to case records and events. General file folders and cloud storage are not optimal for case records, in light of the issue of decreasing operational efficiency. Bengo Kakumei is the only product that squarely addresses this issue and offers innovative services to greatly improve lawyers’ productivity.

It is strongly supported by its users and is currently used by approximately 2,000 lawyers. Due to the advancement of the digitalization of the practice of law, including the mandatory submission of documents via the internet that is scheduled to begin in 2026, these services are expected to progress in the future.

With the addition of Bengo Kakumei in the Company's product portfolio, many different synergies are expected to be created, such as the acceleration of sales leveraging the Company's customer base of 27,000 lawyers, the enhancement of product functions that combine the knowledge of both companies in the legal industry and AI technologies, and the improvement of convenience by linking the legal precedent databases of the Bengo Kakumei and Hanrei Hisho services. By contributing to the continued improvement of lawyers' productivity, the Company strives to realize a society in which more legal problems are solved.

(2) Overview of the company to be transferred

Name	Bengo Kakumei Inc.		
Location	8G16, ASTEM Building, 8F, 134 Chudoji Minami-machi, Shimogyo-ku, Kyoto		
Title and name of representative	Ryosen Yamamoto, Representative Director		
Business	Development and provision of Bengo Kakumei, a digital case recordkeeping tool		
Share capital	8,000 thousand yen		
Established	January 11, 2019		
Major shareholders and shareholding percentages	Ryosen Yamamoto: 75%		
Relationship between the listed company and the relevant company			
	Capital relationship	Not applicable.	
	Personal relationship	Not applicable.	
	Business relationship	Not applicable.	
Operating results and financial position of the company for the last three years			
Fiscal year-end	FY ended December 2021	FY ended December 2022	FY ended December 2023
Net assets	3,573 thousand yen	373 thousand yen	-6,346 thousand yen
Total assets	5,759 thousand yen	21,465 thousand yen	13,554 thousand yen
Net assets per share	4,466 yen	466 yen	-7,933 yen
Net sales	8,738 thousand yen	19,086 thousand yen	32,993 thousand yen
Operating profit	-163 thousand yen	-3,092 thousand yen	-6,485 thousand yen
Ordinary profit	2,188 thousand yen	-3,130 thousand yen	-6,650 thousand yen
Profit	2,118 thousand yen	-3,200 thousand yen	-6,720 thousand yen
Basic earnings per share	2,647 yen	-4,000 yen	-8,400 yen
Dividend per share	-	-	-

(Note) The company applies the tax-included method in accounting consumption tax, etc.

(3) Schedule

Resolution of the Board of Directors to approve the acquisition of shares	April 17, 2024
Date of the share transfer agreement	April 17, 2024
Date of share transfer	May 1, 2024 (plan)

(4) Number of shares to be acquired and the state of share ownership before and after the acquisition

Number of shares held before the transfer	0 shares (Number of voting rights: 0) (Percentage of voting rights: 0%)
Number of shares acquired	800 shares (Number of voting rights: 800)
Number of shares held after the transfer	800 shares (Number of voting rights: 800) (Percentage of voting rights: 100%)

(Note) The other party to the share acquisition and the acquisition price cannot be disclosed because of a confidentiality agreement between the parties. The acquisition price was determined upon consultation between the parties based on a share value calculated by outside experts.

(5) Future outlook

The Acquisition will not have any material effect on the Company's consolidated operating results. If any additional matters that need to be disclosed arise, the matters will be promptly announced.

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