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Taiyo Nippon Sanso Corporation

## **Notice Regarding Acquisition of Sales Rights for GEFERTEC 3D Printer**

Taiyo Nippon Sanso Corporation (“TNSC”) hereby announces that it has acquired sales rights for GEFERTEC GmbH (“GEFERTEC”), a 3D printer manufacturer based in Germany.

### **1. Overview on the Sales Rights Acquisition**

TNSC is promoting our business globally in accordance with the innovation strategy in the medium-term management plan Ortus Stage 2 of Nihon Sanso Holdings, which designates metal additive manufacturing as a target domain. TNSC believes that it applies its own long-term technical expertise, such as welding, purification and heat treatment technologies, to this fields in order to achieve innovative products and production optimization.

TNSC conducted sales agreement with GEFERTEC, the global leader in the field of Wire Arc Additive Manufacturing, WAAM(\*) process. Through its sales network in Japan, TNSC aims to make GEFERTEC’s products penetrate into Japanese industries such as heavy, machinery, shipbuilding, railways and automotive industries, while also create synergistic effects for the industrial gas business within this technology.

Note (\*): Wire Arc Additive Manufacturing system

A 3D printing process is based on the experienced arc welding, and can use conventional metal wire. It features high production throughput, and wide range of adaptive wire alloys. Arc series machines are applied for a variety of purposes such as manufacturing and repairing of larger parts.

### **2. Overview of GEFERTEC**

Name : GEFERTEC GmbH  
Head Office and plant : Berlin, Germany  
Establishment : 2015  
Representative : Tobias Kruemberg