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## Joint Operation of Data Center Businesses with the NTT Group in Chicago, US

Tokyo Century Corporation ("TC") is pleased to announce that TC Global Investments Americas LLC, a TC Group company, has decided to invest in data center businesses in the United States and to jointly operate data centers with NTT Global Data Centers Americas, Inc.

Since the formation of a capital and business alliance with Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation in February 2020, TC has accelerated collaboration with the NTT Group in a wide range of fields, including auto leasing, data centers, renewable energy, and real estate, as well as joint venture NTT TC Leasing Co., Ltd., on the strength of providing its "Finance x Services x Business Expertise." This is the third collaboration for data centers following the data center project in India in 2021.

Amid growing demand for data centers in Japan and overseas, driven by the expansion of the use of generative AI, TC has identified investment in data center businesses as one of the main growth strategies in its Medium-Term Management Plan 2027. This investment focuses on collaboration with the NTT Group, which has exceptional knowledge and operates the world's third-largest data center provider (148 data centers in more than 20 countries worldwide ).\*

In order to expand collaboration between TC and the NTT Group, it will be essential that TC supports the growth strategies of the NTT Group and provides optimal financial services that lead to a win-win relationship.

This is a large-scale project with three data centers with a total planned capacity of 104 MW. Chicago, the United States, is a hub of data centers and has strong demand from hyperscalers. Therefore, we believe this is an excellent investment project leading to further business growth.

Going forward, as a partner company of the NTT Group, TC will continue to promote socially meaningful initiatives that contribute to developing digital infrastructure and related issues, by providing high-value-added financial services and realizing further growth through investments in the data center business where demand is increasing.

\*: Exclude Chinese service providers.