

JX Nippon Mining & Metals' Acquisition of Tantalum & Niobium Division from H.C. Starck

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JX Nippon Mining & Metals Corporation – through its German Subsidiary JX Metals Deutschland GmbH – finalized the acquisition of all shares in H.C. Starck Tantalum and Niobium GmbH from H.C. Starck GmbH. The closing of the transaction is subject to the approval by the regulatory authorities.

JX Nippon Mining & Metals Corporation engages in the development, mining, smelting, refining, and marketing of non-ferrous metals that include copper, gold, and silver. The company, led by Shigeru Oi and Yasuji Yamao, is based in Tokyo.

The company has been actively expanding its electronic materials business products towards the upcoming Internet of Things society which foresees a drastic increase in use of electronic components and devices. Through the transaction, JX Nippon Mining & Metals Corporation will establish and strengthen the revenue base of its group and contribute to the development of IoT society through the stable supply of raw materials.

The H.C. Starck Group is part of the portfolio of the private equity investors Advent International and The Carlyle Group. H.C. Starck Tantalum and Niobium GmbH has its seat in Germany and conducts business in the area of development, production and distribution of Tantalum and Niobium products (high-purity metal powder) together with its subsidiaries in Japan and Thailand.

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