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New Yashima Aquarium Provides Training for Aquarists of DMM Kariyushi Aquarium

Japan (April 11th 2019) - DMM RESORTS Co., Ltd. ("DMM RESORTS") announces its plans to enhance the aquarist training system in cooperation with Yashima Aquarium Co., Ltd. ("Yashima Aquarium"), a subsidiary of Nippura Co., Ltd ("Nippura").



▲ Dolphin theater in New Yashima Aquarium

With DMM Kariyushi Aquarium scheduled to open in April 2020, the preparation is well under way now. Since last year, DMM RESORTS has started to have their aquarists go through a series of training organized by New Yashima Aquarium. The training program includes facility management, care and husbandry of marine animals and education of new aquarists. DMM RESORTS and New Yashima Aquarium will work together to achieve continuous improvement in services and facilities. Joint educational research is also planned after opening.

■About Yashima Aquarium Co., Ltd.

The company was established as Setonai Shinko Co., Ltd. in May 1967. Yashima Sanjo Aquarium was opened two years later. After renovation, the New Yashima Aquarium reopened in December 2006 as the world's first facility that adopted acrylic aquarium. Visitors especially enjoy the new donut-shaped tank installed by Nippura, which allows visitors to view the seals frolic round and round above and below the natural water level.

—— Corporate Profile ——

Company Name : Yashima Aquarium Co., Ltd.
Head Office : 1785-1 Yashimahigashi-machi, Takamatsu-shi, Kagawa
CEO : Tetsuhiro Shikiyama
Establishment : July 2005
Main Business : Operation of New Yashima Aquarium
URL : <http://www.new-yashima-aq.com/newYAO/home/home.html>

■About Nippura Co., Ltd.

Nippura engages in manufacturing of aquarium windows, as well as designing and construction of aquariums around the world. It is renowned for its business in the aquarium industry as well as its projection screens. Nippura's processing technology is also used in various acrylic products, including light guide panels and soundproofing boards.

—— Corporate Profile ——

Company Name : Nippura Co., Ltd.
Head Office : 3800-1 Inoue, Miki, Kita, Kagawa
CEO : Tetsuhiro Shikiyama
Establishment : September 1969
Main Business : Design, manufacture, and installation of large size acrylic aquarium windows "Aqua-Wall"; aquarium waterproof lining construction "Sumilining"; manufacturing and sales of Blue Ocean projection screens; designing and consulting of aquariums and related facilities; and manufacturing and sales of light guide panels.
URL : <http://www.nippura.com/>

■About DMM RESORTS

DMM RESORTS Co., Ltd. is a subsidiary of DMM.com LLC established on May 24th 2018. It is a local subsidiary in Tomigusuku-shi, Okinawa, aiming to work with Tomigusuku City, as well as other local Okinawan authorities and businesses on a long-term basis, with the objective of operating DMM Kariyushi Aquarium.

—— Corporate Profile ——

Company Name : DMM RESORTS Co., Ltd.
Head Office : 3-59 Toyosaki, Tomigusuku-shi, Okinawa
CEO : Daisuke Ichikawa
Establishment : May 24th 2018

Main Business : Planning and management of the aquarium, entertainment and administration of the resort, development of imaging exhibition and others
URL : <https://dmm-resorts.co.jp/en/>

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Note to Editors:

About DMM Kariyushi Aquarium

DMM Kariyushi Aquarium is expected to be located in the premises of the shopping mall, currently under development by Daiwa House Industry Co., Ltd., near Chura Sun Beach area, in Toyosaki, Tomigusuku-shi, Okinawa Prefecture. It is approximately a 20 minutes drive* from Naha Airport.

DMM Kariyushi Aquarium bears the theme of a “new entertainment aquarium”, which combines the latest visual expression and spatial representation. The beauty of nature displayed, including fauna & flora native to the Okinawa region, will allow visitors to forget their physical presence in a commercial facility. The building housing DMM Kariyushi Aquarium is a three-story unit, of which the ground and first level (total floor area: 6,937.9m² (2,102 tsubo)) are due to be occupied by the aquarium. The aquarium aims to attract 2,100,000 visitors in the first year.

*The distance from the airport is approximately 5km, and the commute varies depending on the traffic.