

The JFTC Issued the Cease and Desist Orders and Surcharge Payment Orders against Participants in Bidding for Engineering Works ordered by Ishikawa Prefecture and the City of Wajima

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Japan Fair Trade Commission

The Japan Fair Trade Commission (JFTC) today issued cease and desist orders, and surcharge payment orders against the participants in bidding for engineering works ordered by Ishikawa Prefecture and the City of Wajima (hereinafter “the works concerning the cases”) since they substantially restrained competition in the field of the works concerning the cases by, in concert with each other, appointing the designated successful bidder and managing to have the designated successful bidder win the bidding. The total amount of the surcharge payment is 670.05 million yen.

Before issuing the cease and desist orders, and surcharge payment orders, the JFTC had given the enterprises in question an advance notification on the contents of the orders and an opportunity to present their views and to submit evidence. Considering the views and evidence from them, the JFTC issued the orders. The recipients dissatisfied with the orders may request the JFTC to initiate a hearing regarding the orders within sixty days of the date on which the transcript of the orders were served.