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## **Ryobi Greenlights the Details of the Planned Split Off of a Power Tools Company, Signing an Agreement with Regard to the Partial Transfer of Its Shares in the New Company**

Ryobi Limited (hereinafter “Ryobi” or the “Company”) hereby announces that based on a resolution passed at its Board of Directors meeting held on October 31, 2017, the Company has approved the details regarding the planned establishment of a new company (hereinafter the “new company”) through a company split (hereinafter the “company split”), with the newly established company assuming Ryobi’s business related to power tools in addition to taking on all common shares outstanding of Ryobi Sales Co. presently held by the Company, and 66.6% of its equity stake in Ryobi Dalian Machinery Co., Ltd., as announced on September 29, 2017 in Japan. Moreover, in line with a basic agreement between Ryobi and Kyocera Corporation (hereinafter “Kyocera”) announced on the same date, Ryobi and Kyocera signed an agreement with regard to the transfer of 80% of the former’s shares in the new company to the latter (hereinafter the “share transfer”).

### **1. Date of the Company Split and Share Transfer**

Date of the signing of the basic agreement	September 29, 2017
Date of the signing of a share transfer agreement	October 31, 2017
Effective date of the company split	January 5, 2018 (scheduled)
Date of the share transfer	January 5, 2018 (scheduled)

### **2. Outline of the New Company (outlook as of the date of the share transfer)**

Name	KYOCERA Industrial Tools Corporation
Address	762, Mesaki-cho, Fuchu-shi, Hiroshima-ken, Japan
Name and title of representative	Kenjiro Suzuki, President
Main business	Manufacture, development and sales of power tools
Capital	¥100 million
Establishment	January 5, 2018 (scheduled)
Number of common shares outstanding	2,000
Fiscal year-end	March 31
Number of employees	Approximately 1,500 (including employees at subsidiaries)
Major shareholders (the ratio of shareholdings)	KYOCERA Corporation (80%); RYOBI LIMITED (20%)

### 3. Outlook

Due to the aforementioned share transfer, Ryobi's operating results forecasts announced on July 31, 2017 for net sales for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2018, were downwardly revised by ¥3 billion. However, the Company believes that the impact of the share transfer on its profit for said fiscal year will be insignificant.

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