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Discussions with Robert Bosch GmbH regarding Foundation Brake Business

Following the acquisition by Akebono Brake Industry Co., Ltd., on 31 December 2009 of the North American foundation brake business of Robert Bosch GmbH (Stuttgart, Germany, "Bosch"), as disclosed to the Tokyo Stock Exchange on 6 January 2010, Bosch has approached Akebono to further study the feasibility of acquiring Bosch's foundation brake business outside of North America (Europe, Asia, Australia and Latin America). Accordingly, Akebono has positively responded and is now to commence necessary due diligence procedures.

Further details will be disclosed immediately upon further decisions will be made.

Note: "Foundation Brakes" means disc brakes, drum brakes, rotors, corner modules and parking brakes.