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### **Notice concerning Acquisition of Building-Housing Energy-efficiency Labelling System(“BELS”) Certification**

AEON REIT Investment Corporation (the “Investment Corporation”) hereby announces that it has received the Building-Housing Energy-efficiency Labelling System(“BELS”) Certification for AEON Minami-OSAKA RDC. Details are as follows:

#### **1. Overview of BELS**

Real estate companies and others are required to make efforts to display the energy saving performance of buildings based on the Act on the Improvement of Energy Consumption Performance of Buildings (“Building Energy Efficiency Act”).

BELS is a certification system where third party institutions evaluate the energy saving performance of buildings based on the guidelines established by the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, and the certification rank is represented by the number of stars.

As for the details of the certification, please refer to the following website.

\* website : <https://www.hyokakyokai.or.jp/bels/bels.html> (Japanese only)

#### **2. Assessment Obtained in BELS Certification**

Property name	Location	Assessment
AEON Minami-OSAKA RDC	Sakai City, Osaka Pref.	★★★

## AEON Minami-OSAKA RDC



### 3. Future Measures:

The AEON Group has adopted the AEON Sustainability Principle, a policy for the entire group aiming to achieve further progress in the development of the sustainable society. Based on this principle, the AEON Group is pursuing a course of sustainable management while addressing its priority agenda, including the “realization of a zero-carbon society,” “conservation of biodiversity,” and “promotion of resource recycling” for the environment. The agenda also includes social issues to be addressed such as the “development of products and stores that are capable of meeting people’s expectations in society,” “embedding respect for human rights across business operations,” and “collaborations with local communities.”

In recent years, moreover, the need to consider ESG has begun to earn widespread recognition in the asset management industry. This reflects the idea, based on factors such as stricter environmental regulations and changing awareness of tenants and customers, that consideration for ESG is imperative to sustain and enhance property value over the medium to long term.

With its basic philosophy of “contributing to the enrichment of people’s lives and local communities through investment in retail and related properties,” the Investment Corporation aims to ensure stable income over the medium to long term by investing in “assets that form the backbone of local communities and their lifestyle infrastructure.”

AEON Reit Management Co., Ltd., Asset Manager, to which the Investment Corporation entrusts the management of its assets, adopted a “Sustainability Policy” on January 14, 2016 and aims to consider ESG in all aspects of work cooperating with the AEON Group. It will work with stakeholders to facilitate this in order to realize these philosophies and goals.

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\* Investment Corporation’s website: <https://www.aeon-jreit.co.jp/en/index.html>