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Fujita Kanko Announces Opening of Hiroshima Washington Hotel

October 2, Tokyo – On October 10th, leading Japanese hospitality company <u>Fujita Kanko Inc.</u> will open its 30th Washington Hotel in Hiroshima, Japan. An excellent addition to the reasonably-priced modern hotels offered by the company's Washington Hotels group, the new <u>Hiroshima Washington Hotel</u> will deliver convenience, comfort and efficiency to business and leisure travelers.

Ideally located in the center of Hiroshima City, capital of Hiroshima Prefecture, the hotel's 266 guest rooms, all with free wi-fi, and a restaurant will occupy ten floors (4th-14th) of the new construction. Restaurants and shops occupy the first three floors.

To promote Hiroshima designers, Fujita Kanko held a contest to design rooms featuring Hiroshima. Three were selected to design their one-of-a-kind rooms for the hotel.

The hotel also boasts a female-guests-only floor accessed by a special key for extra security. The rooms feature amenities and decor to meet the specific needs of female guests.

Hiroshima Prefecture, in Japan's Chugoku region, offers diverse scenic beauty throughout its 100+ islands in the Seto Inland Sea and the Chugoku Mountains. Its famous cuisine includes oysters and "okonomiyaki," a traditional savory Japanese pancake. Hiroshima's two World Heritage sites attract visitors from around the world: the A-Bomb Dome, a 15-minute walk from the hotel, and the historic Miyajima Itsukushima shrine. The city itself embodies the liveliness of a major Japanese metropolis mixed with a rich history.

"The hotel is a three-minute walk from the Hatchobori train station, with four streetcar lines spreading in all directions," said Shinichi Tamai, the hotel's general manger. "Hiroshima City has the biggest streetcar network in Japan. It provides an excellent way to see the city, including spots such as Hiroshima Castle."

For more information and reservation, visit http://hiroshima.washington-hotels.jp/

About Fujita Kanko Inc.

Fujita Kanko Inc., a publicly-traded tourism industry corporation headquartered in Tokyo, was established in 1955, but has roots going back to 1877, when the founding Fujita family opened predecessor company Fujita Denzaburo Shosha (Trading Company). In addition to its core hospitality business, the company offers wedding and banquet facilities, high-end resorts, leisure facilities and related services. The company has 60 properties/facilities, including its five-star flagship, Hotel Chinzanso Tokyo, and 30 mid-priced hotels throughout Japan in the Gracery Hotels and Washington Hotels groups.

Fujita Kanko will open the 31st Washington Hotel in Sendai, Japan, in December.