

East Japan Railway Company

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Filing of Notice to Bring Forward the Date of Abolishment for Railway Operations on the Iwaizumi Line

On November 8, 2013, East Japan Railway Company (JR East) filed a notice on abolishing railway operations on the Iwaizumi Line with the Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism. Thereafter, the Tohoku District Transport Bureau held a hearing on opinions concerning securing the convenience of the public for all related parties on December 19, 2013. On January 7, 2014, JR East received a notice from the Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism granting permission to bring forward the date of abolishment to April 1, 2014.

Accordingly, JR East today filed a notice on bringing forward the date of abolition for railway operations on the Iwaizumi Line to April 1, 2014 with the Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism. This notice was filed pursuant to Article 28-2, paragraph 5 of the Railway Business Act.

JR East will provide separate notice of alternative bus transportation, which will begin operations on April 1, 2014, at a later date.

[Reference]

- Notice Regarding Iwaizumi Line (Moichi to Iwaizumi) (March 30, 2012)

<http://www.jreast.co.jp/e/press/20120302/pdf/20120302.pdf>

- Abolishment of the Iwaizumi Line (November 7, 2013)

<http://www.jreast.co.jp/e/press/2013/pdf/20131101.pdf>

- Filing of Notice to Abolish Railway Operations on the Iwaizumi Line (November 8, 2013)

<http://www.jreast.co.jp/e/press/2013/pdf/20131102.pdf>