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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM F-3 REGISTRATION STATEMENT

**UNDER** 

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

# ORIX KABUSHIKI KAISHA

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

# **ORIX CORPORATION**

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

**Japan** (State or Other Jurisdiction of

13-2792249 (I.R.S. Employer

**Incorporation or Organization**)

**Identification Number)** 

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after this Registration Statement becomes effective.

If the only securities being registered on this form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box.

If any of the securities being registered on this form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, check the following box. x

If this form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this form is a registration statement pursuant to General Instruction I.C. or a post-effective amendment thereto that shall become effective upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 462(e) under the Securities Act, check the following box. x

If this form is a post-effective amendment to a registration statement filed pursuant to General Instruction I.C. filed to register additional securities or additional classes of securities pursuant to Rule 413(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box.

#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Amount To Be Registered/ Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price Per Unit/ Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price

Amount Of Registration Fee

(1) An indeterminate amount of senior debt securities to be offered at indeterminate prices is being registered pursuant to this registration statement. The registrant is deferring payment of the registration fee pursuant to Rule 456(b) and is excluding this information in reliance on Rule 456(b) and Rule 457(r).

# **ORIX CORPORATION**

## SENIOR DEBT SECURITIES

By this prospectus, ORIX Corporation, or ORIX, may offer and sell from time to time senior debt securities.

This prospectus provides you with a general description of the senior debt securities ORIX may offer.

Each time securities are sold using this prospectus, ORIX will provide a supplement to this prospectus that contains specific information about the offering. The supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. You should read this prospectus and any supplement carefully before you invest.

The securities will be offered through underwriters, dealers or agents or directly to investors. The supplements to this prospectus will provide the specific terms of the plan of distribution.

The applicable prospectus supplement will contain information, where applicable, as to any listing on any securities exchange of the securities covered by the prospectus supplement.

Investing in the securities involves risk. See Risk Factors in Item 3 of ORIX s most recent annual report on Form 20-F filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and any additional risk factors included in the applicable prospectus supplement under the heading Risk Factors.

Neither the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, or the SEC, nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the adequacy or accuracy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is July 2, 2009.

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#### ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we filed with the SEC utilizing a shelf registration process. Under this shelf registration process, we may, from time to time, sell the securities described in this prospectus in one or more offerings.

This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities which we may offer. Each time we sell securities, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of the offering. The prospectus supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. You should read both this prospectus and any prospectus supplement together with additional information described under the heading. Where You Can Find More Information beginning on page 21 of this prospectus before purchasing any of our securities.

You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus and the applicable prospectus supplement. Incorporated by reference means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to another document filed separately with the SEC. We have not authorized any other person to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. We are not making, nor will we make, an offer to sell securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should not assume that the information appearing in this prospectus and any supplement to this prospectus, including any information incorporated by reference, is accurate as of any date other than its respective date. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since those respective dates.

Unless the context otherwise requires, references in this prospectus and any supplement to this prospectus to ORIX refers to ORIX Corporation and we, us, our and similar terms refer to ORIX Corporation and its subsidiaries, taken as a whole. We use the word you to refer to prospective investors in the securities.

Our consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, or U.S. GAAP. Unless otherwise stated or the context otherwise requires, all amounts in such financial statements are expressed in Japanese yen.

In this prospectus and any prospectus supplement, when we refer to dollars, US\$ and \$, we mean U.S. dollars, and, when we refer to yen and we mean Japanese yen. This prospectus contains a translation of some Japanese yen amounts into U.S. dollars solely for your convenience.

Certain monetary amounts, ratios and percentage data included in this prospectus have been subject to rounding adjustments for the convenience of the reader. Accordingly, figures shown as totals in certain tables may not be equal to the arithmetic sums of the figures which precede them.

Our head office is located at Mita NN Building, 4-1-23 Shiba, Minato-ku, Tokyo 108-0014, Japan and the telephone number is +81-3-5419-5112.

#### CAUTIONARY NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus contains statements that constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, or the Exchange Act. Words such as believe, will, should, expect, intend, anticipate, estimate and similar expressions, an others, identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements, which include statements contained in Item 5. Operating and Financial Review and Prospects and Item 11. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosure About Market Risk of our annual report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2009, are inherently subject to a variety of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those set forth in such statements.

We have identified some of the risks inherent in forward-looking statements in Item 3 of our most recent annual report on Form 20-F, Key Information Risk Factors. Other factors could also adversely affect our results or the accuracy of forward-looking statements in this prospectus, and you should not consider the factors discussed here or in Item 3 of our most recent annual report on Form 20-F, Key Information Risk Factors, to be a complete set of all potential risks or uncertainties.

The forward-looking statements made in this prospectus speak only as of the date of this prospectus. We expressly disclaim any obligation or undertaking to release any update or revision to any forward-looking statement contained herein to reflect any change in our expectations with regard thereto or any change in events, conditions or circumstances on which any statement is based.

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#### RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The following table shows the consolidated ratio of earnings to fixed charges for ORIX for the periods indicated.

	As of the year ended March 31,				
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Ratio of earnings to fixed charges	x3.605	x4.853	x4.402	x3.046	x1.767

In calculating the ratio of earnings to fixed charges, we used the following definitions:

The term fixed charges means the sum of the following: (a) interest expense, (b) capitalized interest expense, (c) amortized premiums, discounts and capitalized expenses related to indebtedness, and (d) an estimate of the interest within rental expense.

The term earnings is the amount resulting from adding and subtracting the following items. Add the following: (a) pre-tax income from continuing operations before adjustment for minority interests in consolidated subsidiaries or income or loss from equity investees, (b) fixed charges, (c) amortization of capitalized interest, and (d) distributed income of equity investees. From the total of the added items, subtract the interest capitalized. Equity investees are investments that we account for using the equity method of accounting.

#### ORIX CORPORATION

ORIX Corporation is a joint stock corporation (*kabushiki kaisha*) formed under Japanese law. We were founded as a Japanese corporation in 1964 in Osaka, Japan as Orient Leasing Co., Ltd., a specialist in equipment leasing. We have grown over the succeeding decades to become one of Japan s leading financial services companies, providing a broad range of commercial and consumer finance products and services to Japanese and overseas customers.

For further information, see Information on the Company in Item 4 of our most recent annual report on Form 20-F.

#### OFFERING INFORMATION

We may sell an indeterminate amount of senior debt securities from time to time through negotiated transactions with underwriters or with other persons, through a combination of such methods of sale or otherwise, including private sales. See Plan of Distribution. We may sell senior debt securities at varying prices determined at the time of sale or at negotiated or fixed prices, in each case as determined by agreement between us and underwriters, brokers, dealers or agents, or purchasers.

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#### **CAPITALIZATION AND INDEBTEDNESS**

The following table sets forth our consolidated capitalization and indebtedness at March 31, 2009. This information should be read in conjunction with our consolidated financial statements, including the notes thereto, and the other financial data appearing elsewhere, or incorporated by reference, in this prospectus.

	As of March 31, 2009 (In millions of yen)	
Short-term debt:		
Total short-term debt (excluding current portion of long-term debt)	¥	798,167
Long-term debt:		
Total long-term debt	¥	4,453,845
Shareholders equity:		
Common stock:		
authorized 259,000,000 shares		
issued 92,217,067 shares	¥	102,216
Additional paid-in capital		136,313
Legal reserve		
Retained earnings		1,071,919
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		(92,384)
Treasury stock, at cost		(50,534)
Total shareholders equity	¥	1,167,530
Total liabilities and shareholders equity	¥	8,369,736

- (1) For a discussion of secured indebtedness as of March 31, 2009, see Note 14 to the consolidated financial statements in our annual report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2009.
- (2) As of March 31, 2009, no material portion of our consolidated indebtedness was guaranteed. For the purpose of this note, guaranteed means guarantees provided by third parties.
- (3) We and certain subsidiaries guarantee loans made by banks and other financial institutions to third parties. For a discussion of our guarantees as of March 31, 2009, see Note 30 to the consolidated financial statements in our annual report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2009.

#### USE OF PROCEEDS

Unless the applicable prospectus supplement states otherwise, the net proceeds from the sale of senior debt securities offered by us will be used for general corporate purposes.

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#### DESCRIPTION OF SENIOR DEBT SECURITIES

The following description of senior debt securities sets forth the material terms and provisions of the senior debt securities to which any prospectus supplement may relate. Our senior debt securities would be issued under a senior indenture between us and a trustee to be named prior to or at the time we issue any senior debt securities. ORIX and the trustee will execute the indenture, a form of which is included as an exhibit to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part, prior to or at the time we issue any senior debt securities. Any supplemental indentures will be filed with the SEC on a Form 6-K or by a post-effective amendment to the registration statement of which this prospectus is a part.

The particular terms of the senior debt securities offered by any prospectus supplement, and the extent to which the general provisions described below may apply to the offered senior debt securities, will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement. The indenture is qualified under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, or the Trust Indenture Act. The terms of the senior debt securities will include those stated in the indenture and those made part of the indenture by reference to the Trust Indenture Act.

The indenture does not limit our ability to enter into a highly leveraged transaction or provide you with any special protection in the event of such a transaction. In addition, the indenture does not provide special protection in the event of a sudden and dramatic decline in our credit quality resulting from a takeover, recapitalization or similar restructuring.

Because the following summary of the material terms and provisions of the indenture and the related senior debt securities is not complete, you should refer to the form of the indenture for complete information on some of the terms and provisions of the indenture, including definitions of some of the terms used below.

#### General

We may issue senior debt securities from time to time in one or more series. The senior debt securities will be our direct, unsecured and unsubordinated general obligations and will have the same rank in liquidation as all of our other unsecured and unsubordinated debt. All senior debt securities will be issued in fully registered form.

Specific Japanese and U.S. federal income tax consequences and other special considerations applicable to any series of senior debt securities issued by us will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement. Owners of senior debt securities or beneficial interests in senior debt securities may have to provide information relating to their jurisdiction of residency to avoid Japanese withholding taxes.

#### **Payments**

The senior debt securities may be denominated and payable in Japanese yen, U.S. dollars or other currencies. We may also issue debt securities from time to time with the principal amount or interest payable on any relevant payment date to be determined by reference to one or more currency exchange rates, securities or baskets of securities, commodity prices or indices. Holders of these types of debt securities will receive payments of principal or interest that depend upon the value of the applicable currency, security or basket of securities, commodity or index on the relevant payment dates.

The senior debt securities may bear interest at a fixed rate, which may be zero, a floating rate, or a rate which varies during the lifetime of the debt security. Senior debt securities bearing no interest or interest at a rate that at the time of issuance is below the prevailing market rate may be sold at a discount below their stated principal amount.

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that series; and

#### Terms Specified in the Applicable Prospectus Supplement

The applicable prospectus supplement will contain, where applicable, the following terms of and other information relating to any offered senior debt securities:

the specific designation; the aggregate principal amount, purchase price and denomination; the currency in which the senior debt securities are denominated and/or in which principal, premium, if any, and/or interest, if any, is payable; the date of maturity; the interest rate or rates or the method by which the calculation agent will determine the interest rate or rates, if any; the interest payment dates, if any; the place or places for payment of the principal of and any premium and/or interest on the senior debt securities; any repayment, redemption, prepayment or sinking fund provisions, including any redemption notice provisions; whether we will issue the senior debt securities in definitive form and under what terms and conditions; any agents for the senior debt securities, including trustees, depositaries, authenticating or paying agents, transfer agents or registrars; whether and under what circumstances we will pay additional amounts on senior debt securities for any tax, assessment or governmental charge withheld or deducted and, if so, whether we will have the option to redeem those senior debt securities rather than pay the additional amounts; whether certain payments on the senior debt securities will be guaranteed under a financial insurance guaranty policy and the terms of that guaranty; any applicable selling restrictions;

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whether we will be able to reopen a previous issue of a series of senior debt securities and issue additional senior debt securities of

any other specific terms of the senior debt securities, including any modifications to or additional events of default, covenants or modified or eliminated acceleration rights, and any terms required by or advisable under applicable laws or regulations, including laws and regulations that stipulate requirements for the senior debt securities to be afforded certain capital treatment for regulatory or other purposes.

Some of the senior debt securities may be issued as original issue discount senior debt securities. Original issue discount securities bear no interest or bear interest at below-market rates and may be sold at a discount below their stated principal amount. The applicable prospectus supplement will contain information relating to any material income tax, accounting, and other special considerations applicable to these.

#### **Registration and Transfer of Senior Debt Securities**

Holders may present senior debt securities for exchange, and holders of registered senior debt securities may present these securities for transfer, in the manner, at the places and subject to the restrictions stated in the senior debt securities and described in the applicable prospectus supplement. We will provide these services without

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charge except for any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection with these services and subject to any limitations or requirements provided in the indenture or the applicable supplemental indenture or order under which that series of senior debt securities is issued. If any of the securities are held in global form, the procedures for transfer of interests in those securities will depend upon the procedures of the depositary for those global securities.

#### **Authentication and Delivery**

At any time after the execution of the indenture, we may deliver senior debt securities of any series to the trustee for authentication, and the trustee or its agent shall then authenticate and deliver such securities to or upon our written order, signed by an authorized officer of ours, without any further action by us. In authenticating the senior debt securities and accepting the additional responsibilities under the indenture the trustee shall be entitled to receive, and shall be fully protected in relying upon, various documentation from us, including copies of the resolution of our board of directors authorizing the issuance of securities, any supplemental indenture, officer s certificates and opinions from legal counsel.

The indenture permits the trustee to appoint an authenticating agent or agents with respect to the notes. Such authenticating agent will be authorized to act on behalf of the trustee to authenticate the notes and notes authenticated by such authenticating agent will be entitled to the benefits of the indenture and valid and obligatory for all purposes as if authenticated by the trustee.

Under the indenture, the trustee also has the right to decline to authenticate and deliver any senior debt securities if the trustee, being advised by counsel, determines that we may not lawfully issue the senior debt securities or if the trustee in good faith determines that allowing us to issue the senior debt securities would expose the trustee to personal liability to our existing senior debt security holders.

#### **Events of Default under the Indenture**

The indenture provides holders of senior debt securities with remedies if we fail to perform specific obligations, such as making payments on the senior debt securities, or if we become bankrupt. Holders should review these provisions and understand which actions trigger an event of default and which actions do not. The indenture permits the issuance of senior debt securities in one or more series, and, in many cases, whether an event of default has occurred is determined on a series-by-series basis.

An event of default is defined under the indenture, with respect to any series of senior debt securities issued under that indenture, as any one or more of the following events, subject to modification in a supplemental indenture, each of which we refer to in this prospectus as an event of default, having occurred and be continuing:

default is made for more than 15 days in the payment of principal and premium, if any, and for more than 30 days in the payment of interest in respect of such series of the securities;

we are in default in the performance of any provision of the applicable indenture for a period of 90 days after receipt of notice from the trustee, or 25% of the holders of such series, of such default;

due to our default, we (i) are bound to repay prematurely indebtedness for borrowed moneys with a total outstanding principal amount of \$50,000,000 (or its equivalent in any other currency or currencies) or greater, (ii) have defaulted in the repayment of any such indebtedness at the later of its maturity or the expiration of any applicable grace period or (iii) have failed to pay when properly called on to do so any guarantee of any such indebtedness, and in any such case the acceleration, default or failure to pay is not being contested in good faith and not cured within 15 days of such acceleration, default or failure to pay;

a final and non-appealable order is made or an effective resolution is passed for our winding up or liquidation;

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an encumbrancer shall have taken possession, in bankruptcy, of all or substantially all of our assets and such possession continues for 90 days;

we shall cease to carry on business or shall be unable to pay our debts as and when they fall due;

we become bankrupt, insolvent or become subject to reorganization under any applicable bankruptcy, civil rehabilitation, reorganization, insolvency or insolvency related law; or

any other event of default provided in the supplemental indenture under which that series of senior debt securities is issued. *Provision and Withholding of Notice of Default.* Pursuant to the indenture, the trustee shall give notice by mail to the holders of any series of senior debt securities of all defaults known to the trustee which have occurred with respect to such series. The trustee shall transmit the notice within 90 days after the occurrence of an event of default, unless the defaults have been cured before the transmission of such notice. However, except in the case of default in the payment of principal of or interest on, or in the payment of any sinking or purchase fund installment with respect to the senior debt securities of any series, the trustee may withhold notice of default if and so long as the board of directors, the executive committee, or a trust committee of directors of the trustee determine in good faith that the withholding of the notice is in the interests of the holders of such series.

#### Acceleration of Senior Debt Securities Upon an Event of Default

The indenture provides that, unless otherwise set forth in a supplemental indenture:

if an event of default occurs due to specified events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization, the principal of all senior debt securities and interest accrued on the senior debt securities to be due and payable immediately; and

if any other event of default occurs and is continuing, either the trustee or the holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding senior debt securities of each affected series, voting separately by series, by notice in writing to us may declare the principal of and accrued interest on the senior debt securities of such series to be due and payable immediately.

#### **Annulment of Acceleration and Waiver of Defaults**

In some circumstances, if any or all of the events leading to acceleration under the indenture, other than the non-payment of the principal of the securities that has become due as a result of an acceleration, have been cured, waived or otherwise remedied, then the holders under such indenture of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the securities of the affected series may annul past declarations of acceleration or waive past defaults of the senior debt securities with respect to such series.

#### **Application of Proceeds**

Any money collected from us by a trustee under the indenture by acceleration, through insolvency proceedings or by other means as a result of our breach of the terms of the indenture, shall be applied in the order described below:

first, to the payment of costs and expenses applicable to the series of senior debt securities for which money was collected, including reasonable compensation to the applicable trustee and any paying agent;

second, if payment is not due on the principal of the series of senior debt securities for which money was collected, to the payment of interest on the series in default;

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third, if payment is due on the principal of the series of senior debt securities for which money was collected, to the payment of the whole amount then owing and unpaid upon all of the senior debt securities of such series for principal and interest; and in the case the money collected shall be insufficient to pay in full the whole amount so due and unpaid upon the senior debt securities of such series, then to the payment of principal and interest without preference or priority of principal over interest, ratably to the aggregate of such principal and accrued and unpaid interest; and

finally, to the payment of the remainder, if any, to us or any other person lawfully entitled thereto.

#### **Paying Agents**

Whenever we appoint a paying agent to make payments required under the indenture and the relevant series of securities, such paying agent will hold all sums received by it for the payment of the principal and interest on the securities in trust for the benefit of the holders of the securities and will make payments to such holders as provided for in the indenture and the securities.

#### **Indemnification of Trustee for Actions Taken on Your Behalf**

The indenture provides that the trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the holders of senior debt securities issued under the indenture relating to the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred upon the trustee. In addition, the indenture contains a provision entitling the trustee, subject to the duty of the trustee to act with the required standard of care during a default, to be indemnified by the holders of senior debt securities issued under the indenture before proceeding to exercise any right or power at the request of holders. Subject to these provisions and specified other limitations, the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of each series of outstanding senior debt securities of each affected series, voting as one class, may direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the trustee.

#### Limitation on Actions by You as an Individual Holder

The indenture provides that no individual holder of senior debt securities may institute any action against us under the indenture, except actions for payment of overdue principal and interest, unless the following actions have occurred:

the holder must have previously given written notice to the trustee of the continuing default;

the holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding senior debt securities of each affected series, treated as one class, must have:

requested the trustee to institute that action; and

offered the trustee reasonable indemnity;

the trustee must have failed to institute that action within 60 days after receipt of the request referred to above; and

the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding senior debt securities of each affected series, voting as one class, must not have given directions to the trustee inconsistent with those of the holders referred to above.

The indenture contains a covenant that we will file annually with the trustee a certificate of no default or a certificate specifying any default that exists.

#### Covenants

Our covenants and agreements relating to a series of senior debt securities will be set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement.

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Consolidation, Merger, Conveyance or Transfer. The indenture contains provisions permitting us, without the consent of the holders of senior debt securities, to consolidate with or merge into any other corporation or convey or transfer all or substantially all of our assets to any person or persons, provided that the successor corporation or corporations, if an entity other than we, assume our obligations on the senior debt securities and under the indenture and certain other conditions are met.

Evidence of our Compliance. There are provisions in the indenture requiring us to furnish to the trustee each year a brief certificate from our principal executive, financial or accounting officer as to his or her knowledge of our compliance with all conditions and covenants under the indenture.

SEC Reports by us. The indenture requires us to file with the trustee copies of the annual report or information we file with the SEC within 30 days after we file such reports or information with the SEC.

#### Discharge, Defeasance and Covenant Defeasance

Unless otherwise set forth in a supplemental indenture, we have the ability to eliminate most or all of our obligations on any series of senior debt securities prior to maturity if it complies with the following provisions:

Discharge of Indenture. We may discharge all of our obligations, other than as to transfers and exchanges, under the indenture after it has:

paid or caused to be paid the principal of and interest on all of the outstanding senior debt securities in accordance with their terms;

delivered to the trustee for cancellation all of the outstanding senior debt securities; or

irrevocably deposited with the trustee cash or, in the case of a series of senior debt securities payable only in U.S. dollars, U.S. government obligations in trust for the benefit of the holders of any series of senior debt securities issued under the indenture that have either become due and payable, or are by their terms due and payable, or are scheduled for redemption, within one year, in an amount certified to be sufficient to pay on each date that they become due and payable, the principal of and interest on, and any mandatory sinking fund payments for, those senior debt securities. However, the deposit of cash or U.S. government obligations for the benefit of holders of a series of senior debt securities that are due and payable, or are scheduled for redemption, within one year will discharge obligations under the indenture relating only to that series of senior debt securities.

Defeasance of a Series of Securities at Any Time. We may also discharge all of its obligations, other than as to transfers and exchanges, under any series of senior debt securities at any time, which is referred to in this prospectus as defeasance. Alternatively, we may be released with respect to any outstanding series of senior debt securities from the obligations imposed by the covenants described above limiting consolidations, mergers, asset sales and leases, and elect not to comply with those sections without creating an event of default. Discharge under those procedures is called covenant defeasance.

Defeasance or covenant defeasance may be effected only if, among other things:

we irrevocably deposit with the trustee cash or, in the case of senior debt securities payable only in U.S. dollars, U.S. government obligations, as trust funds in an amount certified to be sufficient to pay on each date that they become due and payable, the principal of and interest on, and any mandatory sinking fund payments for, all outstanding senior debt securities of the series being defeased; and

we deliver to the trustee an opinion of counsel of recognized standing to the effect that:

the holders of the series of senior debt securities being defeased will not recognize income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of the defeasance or covenant defeasance; and

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the holders of the series of senior debt securities being defeased will be subject to U.S. federal income tax on the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same times as would have been the case if such defeasance or covenant defeasance had not occurred.

In the case of a defeasance, the opinion must be based on a ruling of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service or a change in U.S. federal income tax law occurring after the date of this prospectus, since that result would not occur under current tax law.

#### **Modification of the Indenture**

Modification without Consent of Holders. We and the trustee may enter into supplemental indentures without the consent of the holders of senior debt securities issued under the indenture to:

secure any senior debt securities;
evidence the assumption by a successor corporation of our obligations;
add covenants for the protection of the holders of senior debt securities;
cure any ambiguity or correct any inconsistency;
establish the forms or terms of senior debt securities of any series; or
evidence the acceptance of appointment by a successor trustee.  Modification with Consent of Holders. Each of we and the trustee, with the consent of the holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of each affected series of outstanding senior debt securities, voting as one class, may add any provisions to, or change in any manner or eliminate any of the provisions of, the indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the holders of the senior debt securities issued pursuant to the indenture. However, we and the trustee may not make any of the following changes to any outstanding senior debt security without the consent of each holder that would be affected by the change:
extend the final maturity of the security or of any installment of principal of any such security;
reduce the principal amount;
reduce the rate or extend the time of payment of interest;
reduce any amount payable on redemption;
change any of our obligations to pay any additional amounts on senior debt securities for any tax, assessment or governmental charge withheld or deducted (if any);

change the currency in which the principal, including any amount of original issue discount, premium, or interest on the security is payable;

modify or amend the provisions for conversion of any currency into another currency;

reduce the amount of any original issue discount security payable upon acceleration or provable in bankruptcy;

alter the terms on which holders of the senior debt securities may convert or exchange senior debt securities for stock or other securities or for other property or the cash value of the property, other than in accordance with the anti-dilution provisions or other similar adjustment provisions included in the terms of the senior debt securities;

impair the right of any holder to institute suit for the enforcement of any payment on any senior debt security when due; or

reduce the percentage of senior debt securities the consent of whose holders is required for modification of the indenture.

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#### Form of Senior Debt Security

Each senior debt security will be represented either by a certificate issued in definitive form to a particular investor or by one or more global securities representing the entire issuance of securities. Certificated securities in definitive form and global securities will be issued in registered form.

Definitive securities name you or your nominee as the owner of the security, and in order to transfer or exchange these securities or to receive payments other than interest or other interim payments, you or your nominee must physically deliver the securities to the trustee, registrar, paying agent or other agent, as applicable.

Global securities name a depositary or its nominee as the owner of the senior debt securities represented by these global securities. The depositary maintains a computerized system that will reflect each investor s beneficial ownership of the securities through an account maintained by the investor with its broker/dealer, bank, trust company or other representative.

#### **New York Law to Govern**

The indenture and the senior debt securities will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

#### Consent to Service of Process and Submission to Jurisdiction

Under the indenture, we irrevocably designate ORIX USA Corporation as our authorized agent for service of process in any legal action or proceeding arising out of or relating to the indenture or any senior debt securities brought in any federal or state court in The City of New York, New York, and we irrevocably submit to the jurisdiction of those courts.

#### **Information Concerning the Trustee**

Information about the indenture trustee applicable to an issuance of senior debt securities will be set forth by amendment to this prospectus or in the applicable prospectus supplement. We and our subsidiaries may maintain ordinary banking relationships and custodial facilities with the trustee and its affiliates.

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#### CLEARANCE AND SETTLEMENT

Senior debt securities that ORIX issues may be held through one or more international and domestic clearing systems. The principal clearing systems we will use are the book-entry systems operated by The Depository Trust Company, or DTC, in the United States, Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, in Luxembourg, or Clearstream, and Euroclear, in Belgium, or Euroclear. These systems have established electronic securities and payment, transfer, processing, depositary and custodial links among themselves and others, either directly or indirectly through custodians and depositaries. These links allow securities to be issued, held and transferred among the clearing systems without the physical transfer of certificates.

Special procedures to facilitate clearance and settlement have been established among these clearing systems to trade securities across borders in the secondary market. Where payments for securities we issue in global form will be made in U.S. dollars, these procedures can be used for cross-market transfers and the senior debt securities will be cleared and settled on a delivery against payment basis.

If we issue senior debt securities to you outside of the United States, its territories and possessions, you must initially hold your interests through Euroclear, Clearstream or the clearance system that is described in the applicable prospectus supplement.

Cross-market transfers of securities that are not in global form may be cleared and settled in accordance with other procedures that may be established among the clearing systems for these securities.

Clearstream and Euroclear hold interests on behalf of their participants through customers securities accounts in the names of Clearstream and Euroclear on the books of their respective depositories, which, in the case of securities for which a global security in registered form is deposited with DTC, in turn hold such interests in customers securities accounts in the depositories names on the books of DTC.

The policies of DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear will govern payments, transfers, exchanges and other matters relating to your interest in securities held by them. This is also true for any other clearance system that may be named in a prospectus supplement.

We have no responsibility for any aspect of the actions of DTC, Clearstream or Euroclear or any of their direct or indirect participants. We have no responsibility for any aspect of the records kept by DTC, Clearstream or Euroclear or any of their direct or indirect participants. We do not supervise these systems in any way. This is also true for any other clearing system indicated in a prospectus supplement.

DTC, Clearstream, Euroclear and their participants perform these clearance and settlement functions under agreements they have made with one another or with their customers. You should be aware that they are not obligated to perform these procedures and may modify them or discontinue them at any time.

The description of the clearing systems in this section reflects our understanding of the rules and procedures of DTC, Clearstream and Euroclear as they are currently in effect. Those systems could change their rules and procedures at any time.

#### DTC

DTC is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a banking organization within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a clearing corporation within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a clearing agency registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. DTC holds securities deposited with it by its participants and facilitates the settlement of transactions among its participants in such securities through electronic computerized book-entry changes in accounts of the participants, thereby eliminating the need for

physical movement of securities certificates. DTC s participants include securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations. DTC is partially owned by these participants or their representatives. Access to DTC s book-entry system is also available to others, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a participant of DTC, either directly or indirectly. According to DTC, the foregoing information with respect to DTC has been provided to the financial community for informational purposes only and is not intended to serve as a representation, warranty or contract modification of any kind. The rules applicable to DTC and DTC participants are on file with the SEC.

#### Clearstream

Clearstream was incorporated as a limited liability company under Luxembourg law. Clearstream holds securities for its customers and facilitates the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between Clearstream customers through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of Clearstream customers, thus eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Clearstream provides to its customers, among other things, services for safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement of internationally traded securities, securities lending and borrowing and collateral management. Clearstream interfaces with domestic markets in a number of countries. Clearstream has established an electronic bridge with Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., the operator of the Euroclear System, to facilitate settlement of trades between Clearstream and Euroclear.

As a registered bank in Luxembourg, Clearstream is subject to regulation by the Luxembourg Commission for the Supervision of the Financial Sector. Clearstream customers are recognized financial institutions around the world, including underwriters, securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations. In the United States, Clearstream customers are limited to securities brokers and dealers and banks, and may include the underwriters for the senior debt securities offered under any prospectus supplement. Other institutions that maintain a custodial relationship with a Clearstream customer may obtain indirect access to Clearstream. Clearstream is an indirect participant in DTC.

Distributions with respect to the senior debt securities held beneficially through Clearstream will be credited to cash accounts of Clearstream customers in accordance with its rules and procedures, to the extent received by Clearstream.

#### **Euroclear**

Euroclear was created in 1968 to hold securities for participants of Euroclear and to clear and settle transactions between Euroclear participants through simultaneous electronic book-entry delivery against payment, thus eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates and risk from lack of simultaneous transfers of securities and cash. Transactions may now be settled in many currencies, including United States dollars and Japanese yen. Euroclear provides various other services, including securities lending and borrowing and interfaces with domestic markets in several countries generally similar to the arrangements for cross-market transfers with DTC described below.

Euroclear is operated by Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., or the Euroclear Operator, under contract with Euroclear Clearance System plc, a U.K. corporation, or the Euroclear Clearance System. The Euroclear Operator conducts all operations, and all Euroclear securities clearance accounts and Euroclear cash accounts are accounts with the Euroclear Operator, not the Euroclear Clearance System. The Euroclear Clearance System establishes policy for Euroclear on behalf of Euroclear participants. Euroclear participants include banks (including central banks), securities brokers and dealers and other professional financial intermediaries and may include the underwriters for the senior debt securities offered under any prospectus supplement. Indirect access to Euroclear is also available to other firms that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Euroclear participant, either directly or indirectly. Euroclear is an indirect participant in DTC.

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The Euroclear Operator is a Belgian bank. The Belgian Banking Commission and the National Bank of Belgium regulate and examine the Euroclear Operator.

The Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Euroclear and the related Operating Procedures of Euroclear, and applicable Belgian law, govern securities clearance accounts and cash accounts with the Euroclear Operator. Specifically, these terms and conditions govern:

transfers of securities and cash within Euroclear;

withdrawal of securities and cash from Euroclear; and

receipts of payments with respect to securities in Euroclear.

All securities in Euroclear are held on a fungible basis without attribution of specific certificates to specific securities clearance accounts. The Euroclear Operator acts under the terms and conditions only on behalf of Euroclear participants and has no record of or relationship with persons holding securities through Euroclear participants.

Distributions with respect to senior debt securities held beneficially through Euroclear will be credited to the cash accounts of Euroclear participants in accordance with the Euroclear terms and conditions, to the extent received by the Euroclear Operator and by Euroclear.

#### Settlement

You will be required to make your initial payment for the senior debt securities in immediately available funds. Secondary market trading between DTC participants will occur in the ordinary way in accordance with DTC rules and will be settled in immediately available funds using DTC s Same-Day Funds Settlement System. Secondary market trading between Clearstream participants and/or Euroclear participants will