

Consolidation of Four Manufacturing Subsidiaries in Eastern Japan

Sumitomo Wiring Systems, Ltd., headquartered in Yokkaichi, Mie Prefecture, with Fumikiyo Uchioke as President and CEO, hereinafter referred to as SWS, has decided that it will consolidate four manufacturing subsidiaries in eastern Japan on October 1.

Tohoku Sumidenso, Ltd. (Nanyo, Yamagata), Kyohritsu Hiparts Co., Ltd. (Ichinoseki, Iwate), Kyohritsu Harness, Ltd. (Ichinoseki, Iwate), and Kanto Sumidenso, Ltd. (Oyama, Tochigi) will be consolidated in a merger and acquisition (M&A). Of these four companies, Tohoku Sumidenso, Ltd. is the surviving company and the other three companies are merging companies.

With the production of wiring harnesses increasingly shifted overseas, we hope the consolidation of the four companies in eastern Japan will enable us to exercise extensive power beyond regional boundaries, as well as making us more efficient in manufacturing, having a more effective use of human resources, and a more flexible rotation; help us to clarify what we need to do as a Japan-based “global mother,” with a leaner business administration and quicker decision making; and strengthen our manufacturing capabilities and enhance our human resources development.

Outline of the subsidiary formed through the consolidation:

- (1) **Trade name:** SWS East Japan, Ltd.
- (2) **Head office:** 50-30, Higashidai, Ichinoseki, Iwate
- (3) **Business:** Manufacture and sales of automobile wiring harnesses and harness components
- (4) **Date of consolidation:** October 1, 2011 (scheduled)
- (5) **Capital:** 340 million yen (identical to the current capital of Tohoku Sumidenso, Ltd.)
- (6) **Shareholding ratio:** SWS 100%
- (7) **Representative:** President Jinichi Goto (current president of the four companies; scheduled)
- (8) **Sales:** 15,600 million yen/year (estimate for FY 2012)
- (9) **Employees:** Approximately 1,640 (estimate for FY 2012)

Outline of the existing four companies:

Trade name	Tohoku Sumidenso, Ltd.	Trade name	Kyohritsu Hiparts Co., Ltd.
Location	Nanyo, Yamagata	Location	Ichinoseki, Iwate
Capital	340 million yen	Capital	300 million yen
Investment ratio	SWS 100%	Investment ratio	SWS 100%
Business	Manufacture and sales of automobile wiring harnesses and harness components	Business	Manufacture and sales of automobile connectors
Established	April 1990	Established	April 1973
Employees	Approximately 900	Employees	Approximately 250
Trade name	Kyohritsu Harness, Ltd.	Trade name	Kanto Sumidenso, Ltd.
Location	Ichinoseki, Iwate	Location	Oyama, Tochigi
Capital	90 million yen	Capital	240 million yen
Investment ratio	Kyohritsu Hiparts 100%	Investment ratio	SWS 100%
Business	Manufacture and sales of automobile wiring harnesses	Business	Manufacture and sales of automobile wiring harnesses
Established	January 2006	Established	December 1988
Employees	Approximately 310	Employees	Approximately 210

Please note that the four subsidiaries in western Japan were already consolidated into SWS West Japan, Ltd., headquartered in Matsusaka, Mie Prefecture, in October 2010 for the same purposes.

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