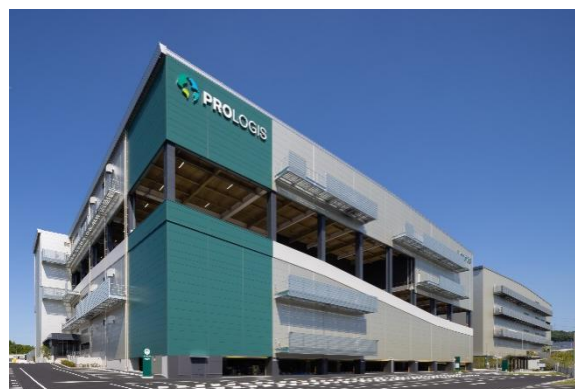


SENKO Group Provides One-stop Support for Storage, Delivery and Export Business to Streamline Noritz Corporation Operations - Noritz West Japan Distribution Center in Kobe City -

SENKO Co., Ltd. (Head office: Kita-ku, Osaka; President: Kenji Sugimoto; "SENKO") provides comprehensive support for logistics operations of Noritz Corporation (Head office: Chuo-ku, Kobe City; President: Satoshi Haramaki; "Noritz"), and opened the "Noritz West Japan Distribution Center," covering logistics operations in the West Japan area, within "Kita-Kobe PD Center (Nishi-ku, Kobe City; "the new center"), and held an opening ceremony on December 6. Operations are scheduled to begin from March 2023.



1. Cutting the ribbon, second from left: Noritz Corporation President Haramaki, center SENKO President Sugimoto
2. Appearance of Noritz West Japan Distribution Center (SENKO Kita-Kobe PD Center)

Until now, Noritz had been covering its own in-plant logistics as well as storage, delivery and export operations, but has outsourced all logistics operations to the SENKO Group and consolidated its eleven warehouse around Japan, excluding Hokkaido, to two sites in East Japan and West Japan with the aim of streamlining logistics operations.

Following the start of operations at the eastern site (within SENKO's "Kurihashi PD Center" logistics site in Kazo City, Saitama Prefecture) in December 2022, both sides including the western site will begin operating from March 2023.

The new center is around 600 m from "Kobe Nishi IC" on the Sanyo Expressway, in a location with excellent access around 30 minutes from the Port of Kobe and around 60 minutes to the Port of Osaka and inside Osaka City. Its inland location means it has a low risk of flood or landslide damage, and the firm bedrock also allows reliable logistics services to be provided even in the event of a disaster.

By leveraging its know-how built on its extensive expertise as a 3PL business operator, SENKO is

focusing efforts on further streamlining Noritz's logistics operations and environmental conservation with initiatives like improving operations, modal shift, and using environmentally friendly transportation method such as A-double trucks, in order to support supply chains and pursuing joint logistics for with manufacturers of residential equipment and construction materials, with the aim of further expanding its residential logistics business.

<New Center overview>

1. Head office location: 4-11-5 Mitsugaoka, Nishi-ku, Kobe, Hyogo, JAPAN
2. Total floor area: 18,252 m² (1st/2nd floor area)
(leased section)
3. Structure: steel-framed, 4 story building
4. Equipment: berths (for 28 large trucks), mobile racks, 2 vertical conveyors, 4 dock levelers, etc.
5. Lessor: Prologis, Inc.

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