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Tokyo Gas Yamanashi Absorbs Tokyo Gas Kofu Branch - Launches Integrated Operations -

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Tokyo Gas Yamanashi Co., Ltd. (Kofu City, Yamanashi Prefecture; President Koushin Nakamura, hereafter “Tokyo Gas Yamanashi”), which is a subsidiary of Tokyo Gas Co., Ltd. (Minato-ku, Tokyo; President Mitsunori Torihara), has merged with Tokyo Gas Kofu Branch (Kofu City, Yamanashi Prefecture; Branch Manager Koushin Nakamura) effective October 1, 2009 and taken over all of its business assets, liabilities and contractual positions. As of the same date, the Kofu office of Tokyo Gas Customer Service Co., Ltd. (Kofu City, Yamanashi Prefecture; Branch Manager Shigeru Kushima) is also being closed, and all future gas equipment periodic maintenance and inspection, meter reading and other customer service works will be conducted by Tokyo Gas Yamanashi.

With this business consolidation, Tokyo Gas Yamanashi will become an integrated energy supplier adding the city gas business formerly conducted by Tokyo Gas Kofu Branch to its existing LP gas operations. Tokyo Gas Yamanashi will now strive to further enhance customer satisfaction with its locally based operations and service structure, and to expand its business as a gas company that gives consideration to the global environment and contributes to the development of local society.

Along with this merger, Inpex Corporation (Minato-ku, Tokyo; President Naoki Kuroda, hereafter “Inpex Corporation”) is making a 10% investment in Tokyo Gas Yamanashi.

To date, the Tokyo Gas Group has separately developed city gas and LP gas in Yamanashi Prefecture as independent businesses. Tokyo Gas Kofu Branch has been supplying city gas to about 30,000 customers in Kofu City, Chuo City and Showa Town (all in Yamanashi Prefecture) using natural gas purchased from Inpex Corporation for gas resources. Meanwhile, Tokyo Gas Yamanashi has been supplying LP gas to about 13,000 customers in Yamanashi Prefecture as the LP gas utility of the Tokyo Gas Group.

Tokyo Gas was reviewing its Yamanashi Prefecture operations as a gas company based in local communities, and made a decision to reorganize and integrate the city gas and LP gas businesses conducted by group companies in Yamanashi Prefecture on Sept. 30, 2008. Various preparations toward the consolidation have been advanced since that time, and Tokyo Gas Kofu Branch has now been merged with Tokyo Gas Yamanashi effective October 1, 2009.

As a member of the Tokyo Gas Group, Tokyo Gas Yamanashi will continue working to spread and expand the use of natural gas and LP gas as energy sources, and to grow together with the local community by advancing comfortable lifestyles and environmentally sensitive urban development. Tokyo Gas Yamanashi aspires to be a trusted company, chosen by customers, where employees can embrace their dreams.

Tokyo Gas and the Tokyo Gas Group will continue striving to improve services in accordance with local characteristics, to realize more efficient management, and to boost corporate value to satisfy customers, local communities and shareholders.

Tokyo Gas Yamanashi Co., Ltd. Outline (As of Oct. 1, 2009)

Company History	Tokyo Gas Kofu Branch	Tokyo Gas Yamanashi (formerly Showa Bussan)
	March 1911 Established as Kofu Gas Co., Ltd. Dec. 1911 Name changed to Kanto Gas Co., Ltd. Feb. 1945 Merged with Tokyo Gas Co., Ltd., which established a Kofu office August 1949 Kofu office becomes Tokyo Gas Kofu Branch	Nov. 1954 Established as Showa Gas Sales Co., Ltd. July 1971 Name changed to Showa Bussan Co., Ltd. Dec. 2002 Became a Tokyo Gas affiliate May 2009 Name changed to Tokyo Gas Yamanashi
	Oct. 2009 Tokyo Gas Yamanashi absorbs Tokyo Gas Kofu Branch, and the Kofu office of Tokyo Gas Customer Service Co., Ltd. is closed. Tokyo Gas Yamanashi prepares systems to directly conduct all gas equipment periodic maintenance and inspection, meter reading and other customer service works and becomes a city gas business and LP gas business integrated energy supplier.	
Businesses	Gas business, sales of LPG and gas appliances, etc.	
Address	3-1-12 Kitaguchi, Kofu City, Yamanashi Prefecture	
Offices	Isawa Office, Nirasaki Office, Asake Refilling Station	
Supply Areas	City Gas: Kofu City, Chuo City and Showa Town (all in Yamanashi Prefecture) LP Gas: Throughout Yamanashi Prefecture	
Number of Customers	City Gas: 30,190 (as of March 31, 2009) LP Gas: 12,790 (as of March 31, 2009)	
Officers	President and Representative Director: Yoshiaki Tajima Managing Director: Koushin Nakamura Managing Director: Hiroshi Okura Director (Outside): Masaki Mori (General Manager, Regional Development Planning Department, Tokyo Gas Co., Ltd.) Auditor: Hideo Maruyama Auditor (Outside): Shuhei Miyamoto (Executive Officer, Inpex Corporation)	
Capital	¥428 million	
Shareholders	Tokyo Gas Co., Ltd. 90%; Inpex Corporation 10%	
Total Assets	¥7.566 billion (estimated)	
No. of Employees	112	
Gas Sales Volume	City Gas: 65,419,000 m ³ (FY2008, 43.14MJ) LP Gas: 4,356 tons (FY2008)	
Gross Sales	Tokyo Gas Kofu Branch: Approx. ¥3.9 billion (FY2008) Tokyo Gas Yamanashi (formerly Showa Bussan): Approx. ¥1.0 billion (FY2008)	