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Ricoh Tokyo headquarters move to Ginza, to integrate sales offices

Ricoh's corporate headquarters has moved to a new building (8-13-1 Ginza, Chuo-ku), where it shares facilities with sales offices. The new building is a 25-story structure with 50,000 m² of floor space. Ricoh leases floors 1 to 15 of the building. As of December 4, 2005, some 1,800 employees have moved to the new

building.

The new office not only improves productivity, but is also designed to be testing grounds for even higher work flows and work styles. Customers, suppliers, and so on are encouraged to come see the new office in action.



Ricoh's Exclusive Cargo Containers to Promote Modal Shift

Ricoh RS division, which produces consumables for copiers and printers such as toners, has begun using exclusive cargo containers bearing the Ricoh corporate logo mark and Ecorail mark, in March 2006 as a facet of promoting the modal shift. These cargo containers were constructed with the support of Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport and Ministry

of Economy, Trade and Industry after the modal shift study of RS was certified as the ministries' Green Distribution Partnership Model Project. By using the cargo containers to improve the distribution channel, we expect to reduce carbon dioxide emission to one-seventh the previous level and also reduce costs.



Ricoh Arena in UK awarded the Best UK Venue 2005

Ricoh Arena has been awarded the Best UK Venue for 2005. Ricoh Arena is a 32,000-seat stadium, for which Ricoh is the naming sponsor, opened in Coventry in South-central England in September 2005. The stadium is part of a complex that also includes a 6,000 m² exhibition hall, 8,000-seat concert hall, hotel, banquet

hall, and office building. The Best UK Venue is awarded to the candidate judged as the best venue by International Confex, a trade show organization composed of event and trade show companies from around the world. Ricoh Arena was selected for its facility and service excellence.



Ricoh ships next-generation recordable DVDs

The Ricoh Group has developed the next-generation DVDs, the recordable Blue-ray Disc and HD DVD discs. Samples of the new DVDs were shipped to hardware manufacturers in March 2006. The new DVDs are BD-R and HD DVD-R, or recordable Blue-ray Disc and recordable HD DVD disc,

respectively. These DVDs boast approximately twice to five times the capacity of conventional DVDs, or 25 GB for BD-R and 15 GB for HD DVD-R. Using a newly developed highly sensitive inorganic storage material and a high precision stamper, the new DVDs offer high reliability in both writing and reading.



Domestic maintenance and service operations are integrated into Ricoh Techno Systems Co., Ltd. (RTS)

On October 1, 2005, the Ricoh Group integrated the maintenance and service operations of 31 domestic sales companies into Ricoh Techno Systems Co., Ltd. (headquarters in Taito-ku, Tokyo), an IT service provider wholly owned by the Ricoh Group. As a result, we now have a one stop service system where RTS alone can provide maintenance services for such imaging

systems as copiers and printers and those for comprehensive IT environment, including PCs and network devices, anywhere in the country. The integration has increased RTS' employees to approximately 9,000, making it one of the largest total service companies in Japan.

