

Production at new Hangzhou, China manufacturing subsidiary and factory scheduled to begin

Dainippon Screen Mfg. Co., Ltd. (Headquarters: Kyoto, Japan/ President: Akira Ishida) has finished construction of a CTP (Computer to Plate)* equipment manufacturing factory for Dainippon Screen MT (Hangzhou) Co., Ltd., the wholly owned subsidiary Screen started in Hangzhou, China this past April. Production at the new factory will begin in October 2004.

The factory will employ 30 persons, including local employees, and will manufacture equipment and peripherals for the growing CTP market in China. Sales in 2005 are expected to reach 500 million yen. Screen plans to expand the factory and add personnel in the future.

There are over 160,000 companies in the print-related industry in China, and the market for printing equipment is expected to continue to expand, in keeping with the dramatic growth of the economy as a whole. The launch of this new factory is intended to increase the share of Screen equipment in China's increasingly lively printing market, and to contribute to the development of China's print-related industry as a whole.

Screen held a ceremony to celebrate the completion of this factory, which is sure to prove crucial to future business development, on September 23. About 200 guests from print-related industry and local suppliers, including many from Hangzhou, attended the ceremony.

* CTP (Computer To Plate)

CTP equipment uses laser light to image edited digital data directly onto printing plates. CTP technology has become increasingly common worldwide in recent years. CTP is now poised to become the standard method for printing plate production.



Dainippon Screen MT (Hangzhou) Co., Ltd.

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<New Company Overview>

Company name: Dainippon Screen MT (Hangzhou) Co., Ltd.

Location: East of No. 7 road, South of North Loop road, Qiaonan Area,
Xiaoshan Economic & Technological Development Zone,
Xiaoshan District, Hangzhou, Zhejiang, China

Operation start date: October 2004

Capital: 200 million yen (wholly owned subsidiary of Dainippon Screen Mfg. Co., Ltd.)

Personnel:

- Chairman (non-resident): Tomitsugu Morino (also Acting Executive Director, Dainippon Screen Mfg. Co., Ltd.; President, Media Technology Company)
- Director/President: Hideki Hiraoka
- Director (non-resident): Makoto Hirosawa (also Acting Executive Director; Vice-President, Media Technology Company)
- Director (non-resident): Masao Hatomi
- Director (non-resident): Yoshihiro Usui
- Director (non-resident): Ichiro Takada
- Auditor (non-resident): Shin Minamishima

No. of employees: 30

Cost of construction: Approximately 150 million yen

Site area: 23,300 m²

Building: Total floor space: 3,450 m²; Structure: Two-story reinforced concrete (first stage)