

Kurimoto, Ltd.: system-solution provider in social and industrial infrastructure



► *"We'll foster a corporate culture that rises to the challenge. We'll expand business without rushing, overexerting ourselves, or giving up".*

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Since its foundation in Osaka 1909, Kurimoto's business ethos has been focused on the construction of a safer society through the improvement of social and industrial infrastructure. And it currently consists of six main divisions; Pipe Systems Division, Valve Systems Division, Plant Engineering & Machinery Division, Materials & Machinery Division, Construction Materials Division, and Plastic Products Division.

Social infrastructure is serviced by Kurimoto through the manufacturing of products by four of them: Pipe Systems Division in charge of producing ductile iron pipes for water supply found underground in major cities, suburbs and villages, as well as Valves Systems Division which caters the water purification and sewage systems. In addition, Construction Materials Division sells spiral ducts, and Plastic Products Division supplies fiberglass-reinforced plastic pipes for agricultural water and power cable protection.

The enhancement of industrial infrastructure is handled by Plant Engineering & Machinery Division and Materials & Machinery Division, sorting solutions to improve customers' product quality and productivity through the device of the continuous production process, such as the continuous mixer for manufacturing electrode slurry for batteries and the composite of lightweight materials for mobility and structural members.

Further new challenges include the development of lead-free copper alloys for use in drinking water lines and Magneto Rheological Fluid (MRF) that enables the senses of touch presentation.

That very same future is constantly present in the mind of Kurimoto's President, Kazutaka Kikumoto, as it is the cornerstone of his company's philosophy: "We ought to comply with Yonpo-yoshi or Four-Way Satisfaction spirit, as our products and services must be good for the seller, for the buyers, for the society as a whole and above all, they must make a positive impact on the future".

Mr. Kazutaka Kikumoto also points out that this paradigm is the tool that will further advance Kurimoto's prestigious presence in the American market, to which they supply valves to water conveying projects as well as water discharge valves and turbine inlet valves for hydroelectric power plants, and in which he assures a high reputation for technology and quality has been earned: "More than 400 special valves have been provided to the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, since the 1970's". This admired status is only meant to grow as the company's main focus goes accordingly to their spirit of 'Yonpo-yoshi', through which they unite efforts and fearlessly move forward and rise to the challenges presented by an ever changing and demanding world, striving to bring about a better future for all.

