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MITSUI-SOKO Co., Ltd.

3 companies jointly receive the Special Award

*At the 24th Logistics Environment Award organized
by the Japan Association for Logistics and Transport*

The MITSUI-SOKO Group is pleased to announce that MITSUI-SOKO Co., Ltd. (Head Office: Minato-ku, Tokyo; President: Takanobu Kubo) won the Special Award at the 24th Logistics Environment Award organized by the Japan Association for Logistics and Transport (JALoT), together with Kao Corporation (Head Office: Chuo-ku, Tokyo; President: Yoshihiro Hasebe) and Isuzu Logistics Co., Ltd. (Head Office: Yokohama City, Kanagawa Prefecture; President: Kazuya Igeta).

The Logistics Environment Award was established by the JALoT in June 2000 to honor organizations, companies, or individuals that have contributed to the sound development of logistics by promoting environmental conservation and raising environmental awareness in the logistics sector. This time our collaborative project by the three companies was recognized for our efforts to reduce CO2 emissions and improve the operational efficiency of our drivers by using Inland Container Depot (ICD) for the round use of containers in our existing logistics scheme.

[Overview of Our Project]

Our project is related to the round use of containers by utilizing ICD in close proximity to production sites.

As part of the decarbonized logistics support menu of MITSUI-SOKO SustainaLink, a service provided by the MITSUI-SOKO Group to help customers build sustainable supply chains, we visualized the CO2 emissions in each logistics process and worked with Kao Corporation and Isuzu Logistics Limited to improve container transport, which emits large amounts of CO2.

With the urgent issue of addressing the 2024 problem in addition to society's growing interest in ESG, we have achieved a reduction in the total transportation distance through the round use of containers utilizing the ICD. This ICD with which MITSUI-SOKO Co., Ltd. is affiliated is located in southern Tochigi Prefecture, 15 km from Kao Corporation's Tochigi Plant and 45 km from Isuzu Motors' Tochigi Plant. Empty containers can now be used over a shorter distance than conventional empty container pickups from Keihin Port, which is expected to have a significant impact on reducing CO2 emissions and drivers' hours of duty.

[Estimated Effects of Our Project (Total of Kao Corporation and Isuzu Logistics Co., Ltd.)]

- Reduction of CO2 emissions by 62.9 tons (42%) per year compared to conventional transportation scheme
- Reduction of drivers' hours of duty by 960 hours (33%) compared to the conventional transportation scheme

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