

## Press Release

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MITSUI-SOKO EXPRESS Co., Ltd.  
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### **Engage in the Narita Airport Community to Obtain the CEIV Lithium Batteries Certification**

MITSUI-SOKO EXPRESS Co., Ltd. and MITSUI-SOKO Supply Chain Solutions Inc., based in Minato-ku, Tokyo, under the leadership of President Hisanari Ichiryu and President Takayuki Sekitori, respectively, (hereinafter collectively "we" or "our") have chosen to become part of the Narita Airport Community. This community, overseen by Narita International Airport Corporation, aims to obtain the CEIV Lithium Batteries\* certification, created by the International Air Transport Association (IATA) to ensure quality in the air transportation of lithium-ion battery products.

We have established a solid reputation in international transportation services for lithium-ion batteries. Moving forward, as supply chains grow increasingly intricate, we are committed to enhancing our safety and quality management systems to align with global standards. Our focus will also include employee training, the development of comprehensive procedural manuals, rigorous risk assessment, and other strategic initiatives. These efforts are geared towards ensuring safer handling practices and driving continual enhancement in transportation quality.

The MITSUI-SOKO Group remains dedicated to bolstering our customers' business growth by establishing and refining an advanced management system that adheres to all relevant global standards and upholds stringent quality control regulations. Our objective is to realize optimal supply chain management tailored to meet diverse customer needs across multiple industries.

\*The Center of Excellence for Independent Validators Lithium Batteries (CEIV Li-batt) is a quality certification program developed by IATA for the safe air transport of lithium-ion batteries. Its primary objective is to establish a supply chain that upholds the highest standards of safety and quality in transportation. It ensures safety, security, compliance, and efficiency by adhering to globally harmonized standards for the air transport of lithium-ion battery products.

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