

July 1, 2025 SAKATA INX CORP.

Start of joint delivery in the metropolitan area by 3 printing ink companies to streamline logistics and to solve societal issues

The 3 printing ink companies, SAKATA INX CORPORATION (Headquarters: Chuo-ku, Osaka City; Yoshiaki Ueno: Representative Director President & CEO), TOYO INK CO., LTD. (Headquarters: Chuo-ku, Tokyo, Hideki Yasuda: President and Representative Director) and DIC Graphics Corporation (Headquarters: Chuoku, Tokyo, Toshiyuki Kai: Representative Director President & CEO), announce that we will start joint delivery, against a backdrop of "2024 Problem in Logistics," in the metropolitan area from November 2025 to streamline logistics and to solve societal issues. Joint delivery will be conducted primarily on offset ink for information media as the market is shrinking and other related products.

Since a cap on overtime hours for truck drivers went into effect from April 2024, comprehensive logistics optimization of the shipper is required. To respond to this situation, the above 3 companies will propel to streamline logistics through joint delivery.

Although many of the areas of business partners at each company are currently overlapping, this joint delivery will help to reduce the number of delivery trucks, decrease in CO₂ emissions, and the shortage in truck drivers, which is the major issue that the logistics industry is facing. This will also result in controlling the rise in shipping costs.

Beginning with the initiative taken in the metropolitan area, we will examine the possibility of nationwide joint delivery. We will continue to make efforts in pursuing further optimization in logistics and a stable logistics system.

■About SAKATA INX CORPORATION

Description of Business: Manufacture and sale of various printing inks and auxiliary agents Manufacture and sale of digital and specialty products Representative: Representative Director, President & CEO Yoshiaki Ueno Location: Urbannet Midosuji Building 7F and 8F, 4-2-13 Awajimachi, Chuo-ku, Osaka-shi, Osaka 541-0047, Japan Incorporated : September 5, 1920

URL: https://www.inx.co.jp/english/

■About TOYO INK CO., LTD.

Description of Business: Manufacture and sale of printing, information-related and packaging-related

printing inks

Representative: President and Representative Director Hideki Yasuda Location:

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Incorporated: April 1, 2011 URL: <u>https://www.artiencegroup.com/en/group/toyo-ink/</u>

■About DIC Graphics Corporation

Description of Business: Manufacture and sale of printing inks, etc. Representative: Representative Director, President and CEO Toshiyuki Kai Location: DIC Building, 7-20, Nihonbashi 3-chome, Chuo-ku, Tokyo 103-8233, Japan Incorporated: October 1, 2009 URL: <u>https://www.dic-graphics.co.jp/en/</u>

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