

Press Information

KYOCERA to Build New Plant in Kagoshima, Japan, for Ceramic Microelectronic Packages

New facility will produce ceramic packages for electronic and semiconductor components, including SMD and CMOS devices, to support IoT growth

Kyoto/London – March 29th, 2018. Kyocera Corporation (President: Hideo Tanimoto) announced today that it will construct a new manufacturing plant on the premises of its Kagoshima Sendai manufacturing complex to increase production of ceramic microelectronic packages. The company entered into a site location agreement with local governments, and a signing ceremony was held March 16 at the Satsumasendai municipal office in the presence of the governor of Kagoshima Prefecture and mayor of Satsumasendai. Construction is scheduled to begin in April 2018 for the new plant, which will be the 22nd facility at Kyocera's Kagoshima Sendai manufacturing complex.

The new facility, which Kyocera plans to open in August 2019, will bring a 25 percent increase in the company's total production capacity for ceramic packages used to house SMD¹ electronic devices and CMOS² image sensors.



Architect's rendering

Kyocera's heritage is rooted in ceramics – the company's name is derived from *Kyoto* and *ceramic*. In 1959, Kyocera began manufacturing ceramic insulators for TV picture tubes and later became the world leader in fine (advanced) ceramics, producing electronic components, semiconductor process components, and parts for LCDs and LEDs, among other applications.

¹ SMD: Surface-mount device

² CMOS: Complementary metal oxide semiconductor



The company's original Kagoshima Sendai Plant opened in 1969 to produce multilayer ceramic packages for ICs used in desktop calculators.

The electronics industry is now experiencing new growth fueled by big data, artificial intelligence, and the Internet of Things (IoT). The development of advanced driver-assist systems (ADAS) and technology that supports minimally invasive medical treatments will drive future growth as well. The new Sendai facility will significantly increase Kyocera's production capacity for two key enablers of these applications — SMD ceramic packages and packages to house CMOS image sensors — as well as ceramic packages for automotive and medical devices.

Kyocera's investment will contribute to Kagoshima's local economy, strengthening the supply chain for semiconductor components and creating job opportunities in the area.

Details of the New Plant

Name	Kyocera Corporation Kagoshima Sendai Plant (the 22 nd facility on the premises)
Location	On the premises of Kyocera's existing Kagoshima Sendai Plant, 1810 Taki-cho Satsumasendai, Kagoshima 895-0292 Japan
Total investment	Approximately 5.5 billion yen (approx. USD 52.4 million)
Building area	8,235 m ² steel construction with 6 stories
Total floor space	42,283 m ²
Construction plan	Begin construction: April 2018; start manufacturing: August 2019
Main products	SMD ceramic packages, ceramic packages for CMOS image sensors
First-year production plan	Approximately 3.8 billion yen (from August 2019 through March 2020)

For more information on KYOCERA: www.kyocera.co.uk

About KYOCERA

Headquartered in Kyoto, Japan, Kyocera Corporation is one of the world's leading manufacturers of fine ceramic components for the technology industry. The strategically important divisions in the Kyocera Group, which is comprised of 231 subsidiaries (as of March 31, 2017), are information and communications technologies, products which increase quality of life, and environmentally friendly products. The technology group is also one of the oldest producers of solar energy systems worldwide, with more than 40 years of experience in the industry.

The company is ranked #522 on Forbes magazine's 2017 "Global 2000" listing of the world's largest publicly traded companies. With a global workforce of over 70,000 employees, Kyocera posted net sales of approximately €11.86 billion in fiscal year 2016/2017. The products marketed by the company in Europe include printers, digital copying systems, microelectronic components, and fine ceramic products. The Kyocera Group has two independent companies in the United Kingdom: Kyocera Fineceramics Ltd. and Kyocera Document Solutions.



The company also takes an active interest in cultural affairs. The Kyoto Prize, a prominent international award, is presented each year by the Inamori Foundation — established by Kyocera founder Dr. Kazuo Inamori — to individuals and groups worldwide who have contributed significantly to the scientific, cultural, and spiritual betterment of humankind (converted at approximately €400,000 per prize category).

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