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Construction of Ono's New Corporate Headquarters Building Completed

Ono Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. (Headquarters: Osaka City; President: Kimiichiro Matsumoto) announced today that the completion ceremony for its long-awaited new corporate headquarters building was held yesterday, September 2. Head office functions will be progressively shifted to the new building from September 12 through 15, with operations scheduled to recommence from Tuesday, September 16.

The registered address of the company's head office will remain unchanged (1-5, Doshomachi 2-chome, Chuo-ku, Osaka), and after partial refurbishment, Osaka Branch Office and Ono Pharmaceutical Health Insurance Society will move into the current building in mid-November. Ono Medical Research Foundation, and the affiliate company, Oriental Pharmaceutical and Synthetic Chemical Co., Ltd. will also lease space in the building.

* The building previously occupied by Osaka Branch Office will be leased to the affiliate company, Bee Brand Medico Dental Co., Ltd.

The new headquarters building assures excellent safety in the event of an earthquake, featuring a hybrid base-isolated structural system incorporating an intermediate-layer base-isolation technique, and offers flexible work spaces by combining a base-isolated structure with CFT construction that is superior in terms of stiffness and yield strength.

The building also promises to aid progress toward a paperless office environment and speedier decision-making by utilizing state of the art information technology, including a twin-screen, multi-point TV conference system and audiovisual systems in meeting rooms. Meanwhile, the building incorporates various energy-saving initiatives — slashing heat radiation inputs with supply-type air-flow windows fitted to sashes that receive extended solar heating, and curbing lighting energy requirements through an illumination control system that uses daylight sensors.

As a measure to mitigate the urban heat island problem, the building incorporates a roof-top thin-layer greening system, in which most of the roof is covered with vegetation in a bid to maintain a natural environment and block the emission of heat to the atmosphere.

[Outline of the new corporate headquarters building]

Location:	8-2, Kyutaromachi 1-chome, Chuo-ku, Osaka [Tel: +81 (0)6-6263-5670 (Main)]
Construction commenced:	November, 2001
Structure:	Eleven-story, steel-framed reinforced concrete structure with two basement floors and one penthouse level.
Lot area:	1708.50 m ² (approx. 18,391 ft ²)
Building area:	1123.76 m ² (approx. 12,096 ft ²)
Total floor area:	14300.00 m ² (approx. 153,929ft ²)
Construction cost:	Approximately 7 billion yen (of which the site purchase accounted for approximately 3 billion yen)
Design:	Joint venture between Rui Design Room and Obayashi Corporation
Construction:	Joint venture between Obayashi Corporation and Takenaka Corporation