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## Fujitec Rebuilds Escalator Production and Field Technical Centers

On the 60th anniversary of the company's founding, Fujitec is actively promoting a reorganization plan for further business development. An important pillar of that plan is the rebuilding of two bases: a major escalator production facility in the city of Toyooka in Hyogo Prefecture and the field training center located in the city of Ibaraki, Osaka Prefecture.

Since its start of operations in February 1989, the Toyooka Plant has been manufacturing escalators at full operating capacity. In order to expand its production system and to strengthen R&D, a new office building and plant building are being built. Both are scheduled for completion in the autumn of 2009.

The new escalator research and production base is being named "Big Step," and will have an annual production capacity of 600 units as well as an integrated system for rapid response from development to production.

At the company's former head office in Ibaraki, Osaka, the Field Engineering Research Institute and Field Training Center are currently operating to improve technologies and train field service personnel to handle installation and maintenance. These will be merged, however, with the Modernization sector, Remote Monitoring Center and Parts Center by February 2010 to become "Big Fit," Fujitec's new field technical base.

Fujitec will continue to drive forward with three consolidated bases: "Big Wing" for elevators, "Big Step" for escalators, and "Big Fit" for field service.

Artist's rendering of "Big Fit" at completion



Artist's rendering of "Big Step" at completion

## Fujitec opened a Tokyo Head Office, implementing a "Dual Head Office" System

On February 1, 2008 Fujitec upgraded the status of the Tokyo branch to a head office, joining "Big Wing" in Hikone, Shiga Prefecture, to form a "dual head office" system. At the same time, the Tokyo office was moved from Osaki to Mita in the Minato Ward.

The establishment of the Tokyo head office is aimed primarily at bolstering management and sales infrastructure in the Tokyo metropolitan area, which is the largest market in Japan, as well as to locate the management strategy functions in Tokyo. By actively collecting and disseminating information of all kinds, the company aims to build recognition of the Fujitec brand.

With the new system, the two head offices will be in close communication to integrate sales, development, production, installation and maintenance, and to promptly supply products and services to match market needs. By so doing, Fujitec endeavors to respond better to people's expectations / confidence in the company.



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## World Elevator & Escalator Expo '08 in China is a Big Success

Elevator manufacturers from all over the world gathered under one roof to announce the latest technologies and products at the World Elevator & Escalator Expo '08. The four-day Expo began on April 22 at the International Exhibition Center in Langfang, Hebei Province, China.

The venue had a vast 43,000 m<sup>2</sup> floor space for the exhibition. Five hundred and sixty manufacturers of elevators, escalators and parts from China and around the world participated in the exhibition, among them were Huasheng Fujitec and Shanghai Huasheng Fujitec.

At the Fujitec exhibition booth, we had on display a new Revita machine-room-less observation model elevator equipped with the latest multi-AV system, and an actual, new GS8000-NX escalator, which a large number of visitors took a test ride.

Huasheng Fujitec has its main plant in the city of Langfang, where the exhibition was held, so exhibition visitors from around the world were given a tour of the plant and elevator research tower, generating strong appeal for Fujitec's production and R&D systems.



The new Revita elevator



Fujitec's exhibition booth