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Kioritz and Shindaiwa Corporations Merge Operations With Yamabiko Corporation

Tokyo, Japan – October 1, 2009 – As announced earlier this year, the operations of Kioritz Corporation and Shindaiwa Corporation officially merge today with Yamabiko Corporation. Previously, both companies operated as subsidiaries of Yamabiko.

The merger is part of the company's overall plan to gain efficiencies and improve global competitiveness. Integrating the strengths of the ECHO and Shindaiwa organizations will assist Yamabiko in serving its global customer base with reliable and dependable products in the outdoor power equipment, agricultural and industrial markets.

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