

## Press Release

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### Executive Position Change at Akebono Brake

**TOKYO** – Akebono Brake Industry Co., Ltd. announced an Executive Vice President change effective February 1, 2007 as follows.

Name	New position	Former position	Continuing responsibilities
Yoshimasa Ogino	Member of the Board Executive Vice President	Member of the Board Senior Managing Executive Officer	Chief Financial Officer Sensor Department VCET Project New Product Frontiers Pioneering Office

#### About Akebono Brake Industry, Co., Ltd.

Akebono Brake Industry, Co., Ltd. (TSE: 7238), founded in 1929, is a world leader in advanced brake and friction material development and production. Akebono's portfolio includes brake products for automobiles, motorbikes, rolling stock, and industrial machinery, and sensor products for automobiles. The Akebono Group operates R&D centers in Japan, the United States and France, and has wholly owned or affiliated manufacturing facilities in Japan, the United States, France, China, Thailand and Indonesia. Akebono recorded net sales of 142.3 billion yen in the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006, and employs over 6,000 people worldwide on a consolidated basis. For more information, visit [www.akebono-brake.co.jp](http://www.akebono-brake.co.jp)

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