

News Release

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Akebono Brake Organizational and Personnel Changes Effective October 19, 2012

Akebono Brake Industry Co., Ltd. announced organizational and personnel changes to take effect October 19, 2012. The main changes are as outlined below.

Organizational change

VSET

VSET (Value Settlement Engineering Team) is to be created.

Personnel changes at the level of Executive Officer and above effective October 19

Name	New responsibilities	Former responsibilities	Continuing responsibilities
Toshiyuki Negishi	In-charge, VSET		Executive Officer Assistant Head of the R&D Division, In-charge, European R&D In-charge, VCET COO (R&D), Akebono Europe S.A.S. Managing Director, Akebono Advanced Engineering (UK) Ltd.
Yutaka Nishikawa	Assistant-in-charge, VSET		Senior Expert R&D Division

Note: Where more than one executive share the same assignment or responsibility, the lower ranking executive assumes an assisting role.