Precision Machinery Company, to which the Robot Division belongs to, changed its name to **Precision Machinery and Robot Company** on April 1. Thanks to your support, Kawasaki’s robot business is growing rapidly, and we celebrate our 50th anniversary this year. We are evolving from an industrial robot manufacturer to a fully-integrated robot manufacturer.

As from April 1, Yasuhiko Hashimoto (Managing Executive Officer) has been promoted to President of Precision Machinery and Robot Company, while Shinji Fujita (Executive Officer) has been appointed General Manager of the Robot Division. Thank you for your continued patronage.

**A New Production Line for Clean Robots**

A new production line for clean robots is completed at Kawasaki’s Nishi-Kobe Works; the opening ceremony was held on March 2. Clean-room robots have been manufactured in our Akashi Works so far. The new production line at Nishi-Kobe Works will almost triple the total production capacity.

Kawasaki has over 50% of the world market for wafer-handling clean-room robots, which is one of our major businesses. We will continue to enhance quality and performance to contribute to the electronics industry and society.