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Yokohama Rubber to Participate in World's Largest Offshore Show

Tokyo – The Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd., today announced that the company would exhibit its products at the 2007 Offshore Technology Conference (OTC .07), the world's largest showcase for high-tech marine products, to be held from April 30 through May 3 in Houston, Texas.

Yokohama Rubber manufactures and markets important marine products including pneumatic fenders and marine hoses. The Tokyo-based company has the largest share in the former and the third largest share in the latter in the global marketplace. At the OTC .07, it will emphasize the high quality and wide variety of these products by exhibiting their prototypes and explanatory panels. Also introduced will be Yokohama Rubber's systems and software for operating those products with safety and efficiency. With this, Yokohama will demonstrate its strengths as a marine products maker capable of offering consultancy and proposal beyond mere supply of hardware products, thus differentiating itself from other companies.

The exhibits will include Super Stream Hose for use in offloading crude oil from floating facilities, which produce and store crude oil, to oil tankers and Globuoy series buoys for mooring ships at offshore oilfields. In addition, panel displays will illustrate products in Yokohama's Seaflex line of marine hoses, including hoses equipped with flashing lights powered by solar cells to improve nighttime safety and double-carcass hoses that allow for prompt, visual detection of any leakage through their inner lines.



Yokohama booth at OTC .07 (Conceptual drawing)

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In systems and software, Yokohama will use an explanatory panel to introduce a new system based on a new concept combining pneumatic fenders developed for LNG tankers that are floaty vessels. In addition, the company will show actual operations of Fender Watch, a system for monitoring the air pressure in pneumatic fenders by remote sensing, and demonstrate the performance of IAMOS, a simulation software product for mooring systems.

Founded in 1917, Yokohama Rubber is a world-leading maker of tires and various rubber products. In addition to the tire business ranked at No. 7 in terms of worldwide sales, the company offers hoses, adhesives, industrial products, aircraft components and golf products. Net sales of the company reached 452 billion yen in a fiscal year ended March 31, 2006.