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YAMATO HOLDINGS CO., LTD.

YAMATO ASIA PTE. LTD.

Yamato 365 Express Co., Ltd.

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Yamato 365 Express acquires international standard certification – PAS 1018 – for small-lot, refrigerated delivery services

The subsidiary of Yamato Asia Pte. Ltd., Yamato 365 Express Co., Ltd. (Headquarters: Ho Chi Minh, Vietnam, Representative Chairman: Dinh Vinh Cuong; Representative President: Matsuda Hiroshi, hereinafter referred to as “Yamato365”) hereby announces the acquisition of PAS 1018:2017 (hereinafter referred to as “PAS 1018”¹), an international standard certification for refrigerated delivery services.

1. Objective of obtaining the certification

As a result of rising economic growth and expanding e-commerce, the needs for refrigerated parcel delivery services are increasing not only in Japan, but all over the world. As testament to the high quality of service for refrigerated parcel deliveries, and to give even greater assurance to our customers, Yamato365 had undergone an independent third-party review and obtained the PAS 1018 certification.

Vietnam is experiencing rapid economic growth. Many companies in various industries, including manufacturing, have invested into the country in recent years. This trend is also observed in Japanese companies, which are establishing bases in Vietnam to complement their other operating locations in Asia, such as in China and Thailand. Backed by a population of over 90 million people with rising disposable income, economic growth in Vietnam is also expected to be sustained by rising domestic consumption. As the Vietnamese population with middle-income and above expands, there is now heightened interest and demand in fresh produce from Japan and Japanese food, as well as food quality and safety.

Yamato365 started the Cool Ta-Q-Bin service in Ho Chi Minh city from September 2017. The delivery service for refrigerated parcels (fresh food and produce) imported from Japan, which is being offered to food & beverage outlets and supermarket chains, is of the same service quality as Japan. By

¹ PAS 1018: An international standard for the delivery services of refrigerated parcels that need to be transhipped. Apart from focusing on the temperature control of refrigerated compartments in delivery vehicles, the standard also stipulates the necessary requirements and procedures related to the handling of the parcels during the transshipment process. The standard was launched on February 28, 2017, with the participation of Yamato Holdings, various other delivery service providers that also handle refrigerated parcels, as well as several overseas industry organizations.

obtaining the PAS 1018 certification, Yamato365 will strive to offer even greater peace-of-mind and safety standards for refrigerated delivery services in Vietnam.

2. Summary

The following table summarizes the details of the company (i.e. Yamato365) that was certified.

Registered entity that was certified	Yamato 365 Express Co., Ltd.
Certification number	TCDS 660200
Scope of certification	Cool Ta-Q-Bin, International Cool Ta-Q-Bin
Certifying Authority	BSI Group Japan K. K.
Date of Certification	November 19, 2017

3. Future undertakings

As Yamato Group expands its Cool Ta-Q-Bin service in Asia, the Group is also proactively seeking to enhance the delivery service quality in the respective regions. The PAS 1018 certification obtained in Vietnam serves not only to offer higher service quality and re-assurance of safety standards to customers in Vietnam, but also to encourage other logistics service providers within Asia to obtain the certification. This would in turn, be able to contribute to the sustainable growth and market expansion for small lot, refrigerated delivery services in the region.

4. PAS 1018 certification ceremony

The certification ceremony was held on December 18, 2017.



[From left] Le Anh Thu, Training Director of BSI Vietnam; Dinh Vinh Cuong, Chairman of Yamato 365 Express; Hiroshi Matsuda, General Director of Yamato 365 Express

5. About BSI Group Japan

BSI Group Japan is a British Standards Institution (“BSI”)-affiliated entity that was established in Japan. It offers a range of standards-related services, primarily through the provision of its certification services and training courses for management systems and medical equipment. This industry leading assessment and certification body provides the widest range of standards certification services, and has also awarded more standards certificates than any other assessment body (from a list of more than 60 such assessment bodies that are registered in Japan).

URL: <http://www.bsigroup.com/ja-JP/>

6. Other related releases

- (1) BSI Group Japan (British Standards Institution) Issues International Standard PAS 1018 for Refrigerated Parcel Delivery Services – News Release on March 1, 2017.

URL: http://www.yamato-asia.com/en/news/20170301_en.pdf

- (2) Six Yamato Group Companies Acquire International Standard PAS 1018 Certification for Refrigerated Parcel Delivery Services – News Release on May 30, 2017.

URL: http://www.yamato-asia.com/en/news/20170530_en.pdf

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