

## PRESS RELEASE

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ALPS ALPINE CO., LTD.

### **The former Sendai R&D Center (Izumi Ward, City of Sendai), an Alps Alpine R&D site, will be consolidated into the Sendai R&D Center (Furukawa)**

Alps Alpine Co., Ltd. (TSE: 6770; President & CEO: Hideo Izumi; Headquarters: Ota Ward, Tokyo; hereinafter referred to as “Alps Alpine”) announces that it will close its former Sendai R&D center (Izumi Ward, City of Sendai, Miyagi Prefecture) in September 2023 and transfer its functions to the Sendai R&D Center (Furukawa) (City of Osaki, Miyagi Prefecture). Technological development and approximately 90 employees at the former R&D site will be transferred to the Sendai R&D Center (Furukawa) in August 2023, and technological development will continue.

#### **Objectives and the Future**

In April 2023, Alps Alpine opened a new R&D building at the Sendai R&D Center (Furukawa) in the City of Osaki, Miyagi Prefecture. The former Sendai R&D Center (Izumi Ward, City of Sendai, Miyagi Prefecture) was responsible for IC design and material analysis. Technological development and employees at the site will be transferred to the new R&D building. This is intended to improve the efficiency of development and reduce fixed costs, to produce intellectual exchanges among engineers in different areas of operation and access to diverse information, and to create synergy by improving technological capabilities and leading to new innovations.

Approximately 100 engineers from Alps Alpine’s Wakuya Plant (Town of Wakuya, Miyagi Prefecture) are scheduled to join the R&D team to develop volume/resistive component switches and power train sensors. The new R&D building at the Sendai R&D Center (Furukawa) will be a large-scale R&D site with a total of 1,400 engineers working on technological innovation.

#### **Overview of the Site**

##### **Overview of the New R&D Building (Building No. 3) at Alps Alpine’s Sendai R&D Center (Furukawa)**

Location	6-3-36 Furukawanakazato, City of Osaki, Miyagi Prefecture
Number of stories	4 floors above ground
Building area	7,291.40 m <sup>2</sup>
Total floor space	23,683.65 m <sup>2</sup>
Use	Laboratory
Capacity	1,500 people
Items developed	Currently: Development of automotive modules, components, devices, and software.

	After the transfer of the former Sendai R&D Center (Izumi Ward, City of Sendai): Development of automotive modules, components, devices, and software, IC design, and material analysis
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**Overview of Alps Alpine's Former Sendai R&D Center (Izumi Ward, City of Sendai)**  
**\*Scheduled to close in September 2023**

Location	3-31 Akedori, Izumi Ward, City of Sendai, Miyagi Prefecture
Number of stories	4 floors above ground
Building area	2588.55 m <sup>2</sup>
Total floor space	6884.28 m <sup>2</sup>
Use	Laboratory
Items developed	IC design, material analysis

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