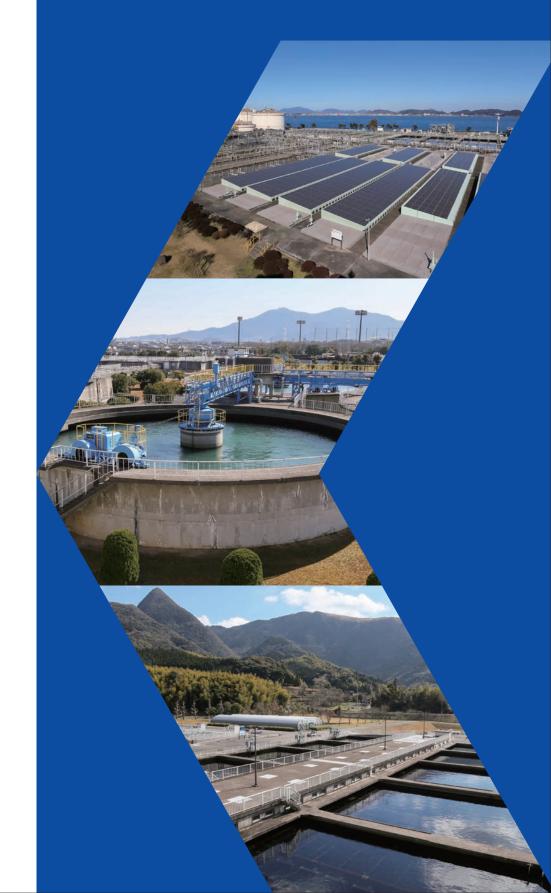


# Creating and Sustaining a Rich Water Environment Local Innovation with a Global Reach





# **Corporate Philosophy**

Kitakyushu Water Service has emerged as a new leader supporting the development of waterworks and sewerage in the City of Kitakyushu, Japan and abroad to create a diverse and rich water environment.

Kitakyushu City has dispatched engineers to Cambodia, Vietnam, and other countries to promote water services through such supports as building water purification plants since the 1990s.

Utilizing achievement and experience to further develop water services abroad, Kitakyushu City founded Kitakyushu Water Service Co., Ltd. together with private enterprises in 2015.

Water is the most basic need for humans' health and well-being.

in northern Fukuoka Prefecture

In 2022, however, 2.2 billion people still didn't have access to safely managed drinking water. Furthermore, 3.5 billion people lacked safely managed sanitation. U.N. General Assembly President once called this dire situation "a moral failure."

The 2030 agenda for sustainable development sets its goal 6: to ensure access to water and sanitation for all by 2030. We believe that without access to water, there can be no sustainable development.

We are determined to resolve such challenging issues with parties concerned and contribute to the world as well as Japan.



President & CEO **Yamamoto Koji** 

water business overseas

#### **Business scope of Kitakyushu Water Service**

#### Water and Sewer Bureau, City of Kitakyushu

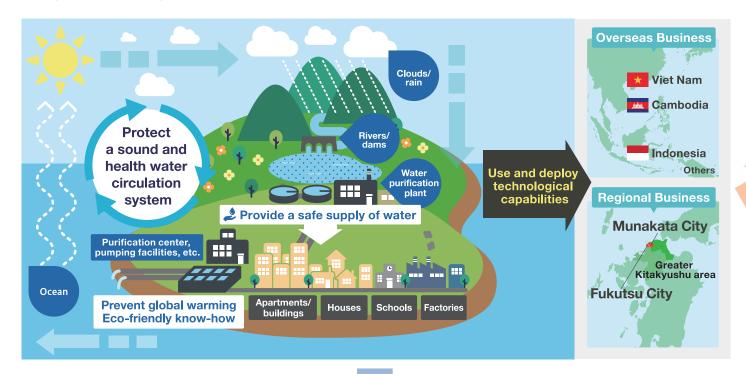
Strengthen the foundation of management for waterworks and sewerage



# **Business Planning**

KWS supports the sustainability and development of waterworks and sewerage in three areas:

- 1) Local business activities to support waterworks and sewerage in Kitakyushu City,
- 2) Regional business initiatives to support waterworks and sewerage in neighboring municipalities,
- 3) Overseas business ventures to support Kitakyushu City and private companies in their aspirations to expand their water business overseas.





#### **Local Business**









KWS operates purification plants and purification centers of Kitakyushu City (Water and Sewer Bureau) to maintain waterworks and sewerage lifelines. KWS also strives to improve technologies for waterworks and sewerage, looking ahead to a period of maintenance and management by engaging in the development of human resources and transferring technology.

## Overseas Business









Established as a semi-public corporation (known as the "third sector" in Japan), KWS serves as the secretariat for the Kitakyushu Overseas Water Business Association (KOWBA) and is currently actively involved in water business ventures overseas that are deeply rooted in past technical cooperation projects carried out by the Water and Sewer Bureau, City of Kitakyushu.

KWS contributes to the sustainability of the water environment from a variety of angles, including the stable operation of waterworks and sewerage, ensuring sustainability, developing, operating, maintaining and managing infrastructure, providing technical guidance and training human resources.

## **Regional Business**









By taking advantage of the deep well of technological competency built up in Kitakyushu City and the flexibility and speed of a corporation, KWS supports the operation of water and sewage utilities located in the Greater Kitakyushu area. KWS is also devising techniques to standardize and generalize business operations, providing flexible solutions for various needs in order to transform itself into a platform capable of passing on the technology that forms the very essence of all that KWS strives to achieve.

#### Corporate Profile As of July 1, 2024

Name Kitakyushu Water Service Co., Ltd.

Est. December 2015

Representative Yamamoto Koji, President & CEO

Capital JPY 100 million

Activities 1.Operation and maintenance of water supply and sewage facilities and other related facilities

2. Supervision, examination and inspection of the construction of water supply and sewage facilities and related facilities, equipment, machinery and materials

- 3. Surveys and analysis of water supply and sewage water quality
- 4. Research, analysis and consulting service of water supply and sewage
- 5.International technical cooperation projects and overseas water business
- 6. Management and operation of real estate

7. Any and all other business incidental or related to any of the preceding items

(Investment ratio)

Shareholders City of Kitakyushu 54%

YASKAWA AUTOMATION&DRIVES CORP. 19%
METAWATER Co., Ltd. 19%
Mizuho Bank, Ltd. 2%
THE BANK OF FUKUOKA, LTD. 2%
THE NISHI-NIPPON CITY BANK, LTD. 2%
THE KITAKYUSHU BANK, Ltd. 2%

Officers Yamamoto Koji, President & CEO

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### **Organizational Chart**

