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Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha, Ltd.

"K" LINE Group-Managed TEXAS HIGHWAY Receives the Minister of Land, Infrastructure,
Transport and Tourism Award from the Japan Meteorological Agency

Kawasaki Kisen Group ("K" LINE Group) is pleased to announce that the vessel TEXAS HIGHWAY, managed by "K" Line RoRo Bulk Ship Management Co., Ltd. ("K" Line RoRo Bulk Ship Management), our in-house ship management company, received the Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Award at the Meteorological Memorial Day ceremony on June 3. The award recognizes the vessel's longstanding contributions to maritime weather observation and reporting, which have greatly advanced the country's meteorological services.

The Japan Meteorological Agency (JMA) presents the Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Award and the Director-General of the Japan Meteorological Agency Award to vessels engaged in maritime weather observation and reporting every June 1*¹ which is the Meteorological Memorial Day.

The "K" LINE Group will continue to contribute to the development of meteorological services in Japan by providing maritime observation data to the JMA.

*1 Meteorological Memorial Day:

The Tokyo Meteorological Observatory, the JMA's predecessor, began Japan's first meteorological and seismological observations on June 1, 1875. To commemorate this event, the Central Meteorological Observatory declared June 1 to be Meteorological Memorial Day in 1942. The annual Meteorological Memorial Day ceremony honors individuals and organizations that have significantly contributed to meteorological services. This year marks 149 years since the Tokyo Meteorological Observatory began its observations.

[TEXAS HIGHWAY receiving the Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism Award]



[A scene from the ceremony (presented by Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, Tetsuo Saito)]



On the top right, from left to right:

"K" Line RoRo Bulk Ship Management, Sohachi Takimoto (Director & S.M.E. Officer)

"K" Line RoRo Bulk Ship Management, Katsuhiro Saito (General Manager, Tokyo Branch)