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HEADQUARTERS I CORPS
APO 301 (Osaka, Honshu)

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Date 25 February 1946

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SUBJECT: Permit for Reconversion from War Production and for Resumption of Production of Essential Civilian Commodities.

OSAKA YAKIN KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA.

TO

(Name and address of firm)

22 2-chome, Nishiki-cho, Higashi-ku, Osaka.

(Name and location of plant)

1. In accordance with the provisions of paragraph 3 of Directive No. 3 from the Supreme Commander Allied Powers, dated 22 September 1945, you are authorized to commence operation of your plant, and to manufacture the essential civilian commodities listed in annex 1 to this permit.

2. This permit grants authority only to operate. The acquisition of materials, parts, and sub-assemblies, as well as the disposition of finished products and establishment of sales prices, will be in accord with the regulations of the Imperial Japanese Government.

3. You will notify this Headquarters in writing of the exact date upon which you commence manufacturing operations. This notice will be mailed not later than date of commencement of operations.

4. Two months after the date of commencement of operations, and at the end of each month thereafter until notified to the contrary by this Headquarters, a report will be made to the Commanding General, I Corps, APO 301, Attention: Military Government Section. This report will be written in English and will list each item, by name, type, and quantity produced by the above identified factory. This report will be delivered to Corps Headquarters not later than fifteen (15) days after the conclusion of the period to which the report pertains.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WOODRUFF:

W. A. Sweetser
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Lt. Colonel AGD
Adjutant General

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Imperial Japanese Government (Osaka)

(Liaison Bureau)

1 Incl:
Annex 1

HEADQUARTERS I CORPS
APO 301 (Osaka, Honshu)

Date 25 February 1946

ANNEX NO. 1

PERMIT NO. 10-257266

Permission is granted to OSAKA YAKIN KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA.

22 2-chome, Fushimi-cho, Higashi-ku, Osaka.

(Name and address of company)

to produce at the

(Name and location of plant)

the following items listed below:

a. Aluminum, Copper, Pipes and Rods.

b. Aluminum, Copper, Brass Casted Articles.

c. Reclaimed Aluminum, Copper and Brass Ingots.

(NOTHING FOLLOWS)

Incl. 1

MONTHLY REPORT
ENDING JULY 1946

1. Head office : *D* Osaka Yakin Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisha.
No.22 2chome, Fushimi-machi, Higashi-ku, Osaka.
2. Factory : Osaka Yakin Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisha, Amagasaki
Factory.
No.40, Naniwa-hon-machi, Amagasaki City.
3. Permit Number and Date : No.IG-²⁶⁰~~257~~ ddo. Feb. 25, 1946.
4. Permission granted on :
- (a) Manufacture of Aluminium Copper, Pipes and Rods.
 - (b) Manufacture of Copper and Brass Casted Articles.
 - (c) Manufacture of Reclaimed Aluminium Copper and Brass Ingots.
5. Production for month of July.
- | | |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| (a) Copper Pipe | 5 tons valued at ¥97,500,00 |
| (b) Brass Bar | none none |
| (c) Aluminium Pipe | " " |
| (d) Aluminium Rods | " " |
- Remark: (a) Production has ceased from the shortage of coal which is the most important fuel necessary for our production.
- (b) Shortage of food necessitated us to have workers take 2 days holiday enabling them to go to the country, however taking advantage of this opportunity, they have not returned for work.
- (c) Increase in wage to meet present inflation is becoming a vital item toward production.

Osaka Yakin Kogyo Kabushiki Kai-
sha
Jaiichiro Hirano.
President: Jaiichiro Hirano

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Jaichiro Hirano
President: Jaichiro Hirano

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Saichiro Hirano.
President: Saichiro Hirano

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ENDING MAY 1946

Osaka Yakin Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisha
No.22, 2-chome, Fushimi-machi,
Higashi-ku, Osaka

1. Number of plants in operation at end of month:

One (1)

2. Production during month:

Copper Pipe	20 Tons	Brass Pipe	0	Aluminium Pipe	10 Tons
Copper Wire	50 Tons	Brass Wire	0	Aluminium Wire	0

3. Number of plants that commenced operation during month & capacity:

Copper Pipe.....	20 Tons	(Estimated capacity 50 Tons)
Copper Wire.....	50 Tons	(Estimated capacity 80 Tons)
Brass Pipe & Wire...	None	
Aluminium Pipe.....	10 Tons	(Estimated capacity 60 Tons)
Aluminium Wire.....	None	

4. Number of plants that stopped operation during month & capacity:

Plant..... None
Capacity..... None

5. Capacity of industry as of end of month:

Copper Pipe.....	20 Tons
Copper Wire.....	50 Tons
Aluminium Pipe.....	10 Tons

6. Number of persons employed. Specify increase and decrease and estimated number of persons necessary to industry:

Employed..... 11 (No changes)
Number of persons necessary to industry..... 50

7. Stocks of raw materials including scrap and products on hand at end of month. Specify increase or decrease as compared to preceding month.

None

8. Give number of factories converting to production in other fields

None

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ENDING MAY 1946

9. List all mergers, amalgamations and changes of ownership or names of plants.

None

10. List critical shortages hindering production.

Raw Material, Electricity, Copper and Coal shortage.

11. Estimated production for coming month:

Copper Pipe.....	50 Tons
Copper Wire.....	80 Tons
Aluminium Pipe....	60 Tons

I certify that the above is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Saichiro Hirano
 Saichiro Hirano
 President: Osaka Yakin Kogyo
 Kabushiki Kaisha

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President: Osaka Yakin Kogyo
Kabushiki Kaisha

HEADQUARTERS
107TH MIL GOVT HQ & HQ CO
APO 660 (Osaka, Japan)

file

21 Feb 46

SUBJECT: Application for Reconversion - Osaka Yakin Kogyo
K.K.

TO: CG, I Corps, APO 301 (Kyoto)

1. In making survey and inspection of the above-mentioned plant, it was found that the equipment was not correct and that our check showed the following furnaces:

- a. 1-ton reverberating aluminium furnace, 1
coke type
- b. 2-ton reverberating aluminium furnace, 1
coke type
- c. 10-ton copper furnace, coke type 1
- d. annealing furnaces, stoker type 3
- e. electric annealing furnace 1
- f. electric furnace - to melt brass, 1
(1-ton)
- g. 1-ton electric furnace - brass 1
melting
- h. Annealing furnace - coke type 1
- i. small electric annealing furnaces 2
- j. 4 small pits, 1 wind furnace, 30 kg
aluminium
- k. electric duraluminum tempering furnace 1 .

Hq, 107th Mil Govt Hq & Hq Co, APO 660 (Osaka, Japan), 21 Feb 46

2. There was also the following additional machinery not listed on application:

6 lathes
1 shaper
1 drill.

3. On the list of products to be manufactured, the owner claims that the aluminium pipes will be used in the construction of houses and other building projects. Under the list of present stocks, the item listed as scrap is really not scrap but pipes and rods left over from their wartime production.

4. Although it would seem that this application is really the continuance of operation, instead of a conversion, it will be necessary to make many changes in the plant in order to start operation.

5. It is recommended that approval be granted for reconversion.

For the Commanding Officer:

1 Incl
appl Osaka Yakin
Kogyo K.K.(quadr)

BEN LOCKE
Maj, AC
Resources & Ind. Officer

Serial No. of Report

APPLICATION FOR OPERATION OF AND REPORT ON INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES

*now not operating
make more complete
list - no holes on list*

TO: _____

THRU: _____

Name and Address of Reporting Unit

_____ Date

1. Name of Facility Osaka Yakin Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisha

2. Location No. 22, 2-chome, Fushimi-cho, Higashi-ku, Osaka
(Osaka Metal Industry Co. Ltd.)

3. Name of President or Manager President: Sai-ichi-ro Hirano

4. History

a. Date of construction July 1, 1937

b. Date of first operation September 10, 1937

c. 1935-1941 Production (Annual value in Yen; quantities of principal products by units or weights.)

~~Copper Tubes (Pipes) 1,200 # Annually valued at ¥1,680,000.00~~

d. Present capitalization in Yen 1,600,000.00 besides borrowed money

Yen 1,500,000.00

e. Changes made in capital structure since since 1935 _____

July, 1937 - ¥ 400,000.00 July, 1939 - ¥ 800,000.00

June, 1944 - ¥ 1,600,000.00

f. Name and address of parent company None

g. Number of shares outstanding None

h. Number of stockholders (Give names of those owning 10% or more of total) Total Stocks..32,000 Number of stockholders..7

Hirano Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisha Asia Tetsu-gyo Kabushiki Kaisha

Saiojima Kinzoku Kabushiki Kaisha

i. Funds received from Government (Bounties, subsidies, etc.)

None

List of Machinery - Furnaces

- 1. 1 ton - Reverberating - Aluminum Furnace - coke
- 1. 2 ton " " " "
- 1. 10 ton Copper " "
- 3. Annealing Furnaces - Stoker type
- 1. Electric Annealing Furnace -
- 1. Electric Furnace - (to melt Brass) - 1 ton N.G.
- 1. Hot Electric Furnace Crucible Brass melting
- 1. Annealing Furnace - coke
- 2. Small Electric Annealing Furnaces
- 4 pits (small) hand furnace - Alum - 30 kg
- 1. Electric ^{Durdenman} ~~Tempering~~ Furnace -

annealing
furnaces

- 2 - (Report on Industrial Facilities)

j. On reverse side give outline sketch of plant layout with approximate dimensions.

5. Description

a. Principal Products

1. wartime Aluminium Pipes & Rods Copper Pipes & Rods
Aluminium Alloy Pipes & Rods Brass Pipes & Rods
2. At Present Factory not in operation
3. Planned for 1946-1947 Aluminium, Copper, Brass Pipes and Rods
Cast Aluminium, Copper, Brass Cast Articles
Re-manufactured Aluminium, Copper, Brass Ingots

*MT
Aluminium
Pipe Warehouse
Building*

b. Capacity

1. wartime Aluminium Pipes & Rods..... 480 # Annually
Aluminium Alloy Pipes & Rods... 360 # "
Copper Pipes & Rods..... 600 # "
Brass Pipes & Rods..... 1200 # "
2. At Present (See reverse side)
3. 1946-47 (With unrestricted access to materials) _____
(See reverse side)

c. Number of Employees

1. Wartime Men...190 Women...65 Total....255
2. At Present Men... 10 Women... 7 Total.... 17
3. 1946-47 (At maximum capacity) Men..220 Women..100 Total..320

6. Machinery & Equipment in Plant

Description	Quantity	Condition
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Copper Melting 10 Ton Reverberating Furnace	1	Good
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Copper Melting 8 Ton Reverberating Furnace	1	Good
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aluminium Melting 2 Ton Reverberating Furnace	1	Good
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aluminium Melting 1 Ton Reverberating Furnace	1	Good
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aluminium Melting Furnace	4	Good
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brass Melting 1 Ton Electric Furnace	1	Good
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brass Melting Furnace	10	Good

(For Additional Machinery & Equipment...See reverse side)

7. Present stocks of Raw Materials, Supplies and Finished Goods

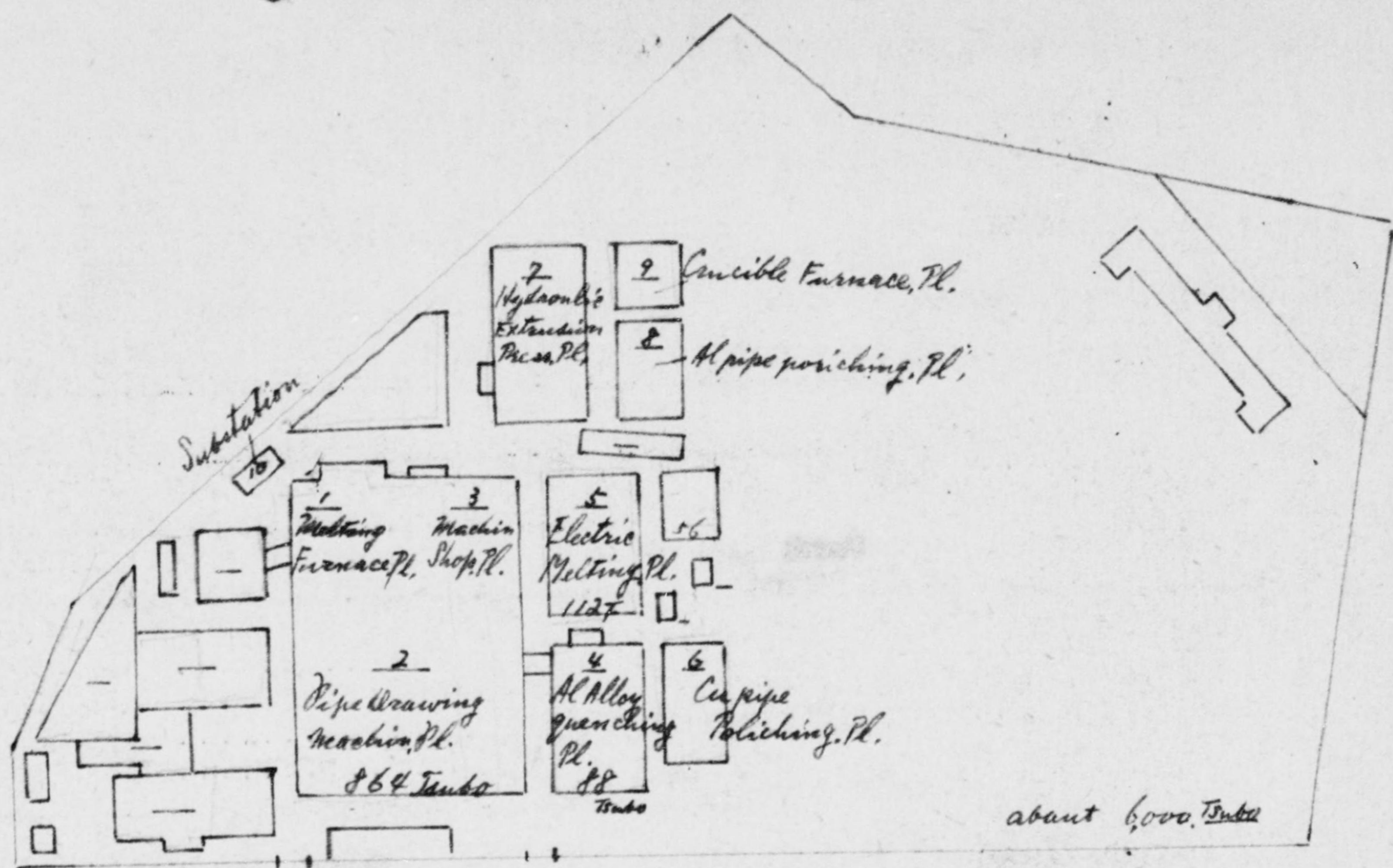
Description	Quantity	Condition
<u>Aluminium (Raw Material)</u>	<u>15 #</u>	<u>Good</u>
<u>Copper Scrap (Raw Material)</u>	<u>6 #</u>	<u>Bad</u>
<u>Brass Scrap (Raw Material)</u>	<u>7 #</u>	<u>Bad</u>

~~Satojima~~ + 1 warehouse in City
 No. 10000 Satojima Satojima & Co.

8. Present stocks of Finished Goods

Description	Quantity	Condition
<u>None</u>	<u>None</u>	<u>None</u>

*No. 1 Ichome, Tamae-cho
Kitaku, Osaka*



*6. boiler
7. shop
8. mill*

6 Machinery & Equipment (Continued)

Description	Quantity	Condition
Tempering Electric Furnace.....	3	Good
Piercing Roll (Making Holes).....	1	Good
1200 W Extruding Machine (Pressing out).....	1	Good
800 W " " (" ").....	1	Being installed
Draw Bench.....	28	Good
adjustable Rolling Machine.....	2	Good
Shearing Machine (Cutting).....	2	Good
Annealing Electric Furnace.....	3	Good
Electric Motors (Total 1,000 HP).....	30	Good

5-b No.3...Capacity 1946-7 (with unrestricted access to materials)

Aluminium Ingots.....	1800 W	Annually
Aluminium Pipes & Rods.....	720 W	"
Aluminium Alloy Pipes & Rods.....	432 W	"
Copper Pipes & Rods.....	900 W	"
Brass Pipes & Rods.....	1800 W	"

5-b No.2 Capacity at present

Aluminium Pipes & Rods.....	1080 W	Annually
Aluminium Alloy Pipes & Rods.....	240 W	"
Copper Pipes & Rods.....	480 W	"
Brass Pipes & Rods.....	360 W	"

- 3 - (Report on Industrial Facilities)

9. Present stocks of Fuel

<u>Description</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
<u>Coal</u>	<u>5 1/2</u> 150T

10. Machinery & Equipment needed for maximum production 1946-47

<u>Description</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
<u>Aluminium Melting Reverberating 20 Ton Furnace</u>	<u>1 only</u>

11. Raw materials & supplies needed (monthly)

a. For Present Capacity (5b2above)

<u>Description</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
<u>Aluminium</u>	<u>132 Tons Monthly</u>
<u>Copper</u>	<u>70 " "</u>
<u>Zinc</u>	<u>15 " "</u>

b. For Maximum (5b3 above)

<u>Aluminium</u>	<u>255 Tons Monthly</u>
<u>Copper</u>	<u>182 " "</u>
<u>Zinc</u>	<u>61 " "</u>

12. Fuel needed (monthly) (Do not include present stocks)

<u>Description</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
<u>Coal</u>	<u>120 Tons Monthly</u>
<u>Electricity</u>	<u>75 KW "</u>
<u>Cokes</u>	<u>20 Tons "</u>
<u>Charcoal</u>	<u>10 " "</u>
<u>Firewood</u>	<u>3 " "</u>

13. Additional Personnel needed (Not locally available)

<u>Special Skills</u>	<u>Number</u>
<u>Skilled Machinist</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>Skilled Foundry Man</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>Skilled Electrician</u>	<u>1</u>

14. Prices (Give current selling prices in Yen or Principal products)

<u>Description</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Price</u>
<u>Aluminium Ingots</u>	<u>Ton</u>	<u>Yen 8,000.00</u>
<u>Aluminium Rods</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>Yen 12,500.00</u>
<u>Aluminium Pipes</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>Yen 15,000.00</u>
<u>Aluminium Alloy Rods</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>Yen 14,500.00</u>
<u>Aluminium Alloy Pipes</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>Yen 17,000.00</u>
<u>Brass Rods</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>Yen 6,700.00</u>
<u>Brass Pipes</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>Yen 8,500.00</u>
<u>Copper Ingots</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>Yen 7,500.00</u>
<u>Brass Ingots</u>	<u>"</u>	<u>Yen 5,500.00</u>

- 4 - (Report on Industrial Facilities)

15. Remarks (Include here any factors hampering production not already mentioned and any recommendations you consider necessary)

Control prices not right (Very hard to get materials on account of irregularity of prices)
Shortage of laborers (Impossible to employ at the standard wages)
Shortage of transportation facilities.
Shortage of food rations makes it impossible to expect full result.
No unified fuel distribution.

16. Certification by applicant

I certify that the information contained herein is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signed S. Hirano
Saishiro Hirano
 Title President:
Osaka Yakin Kogyo Kabushiki

17. Action by Occupation Forces

The factory described in this application has been inspected and the following action:

- a. Ordered to remain closed Yes No
- b. Ordered to cease operations immediately Yes No
- c. Authorized to produce at the following rate:

<u>Items to be manufactured</u>	<u>Monthly quantity</u>

Signature of Authorizing Officer

Designation of Authorizing Unit

INSTRUCTIONS

1. The purpose of this form is to present a complete picture of the factory concerned.
2. If exact information is not available make estimates and mark them as such.
3. Use the reverse side of any sheet for data there is not space for on the face of the form.
4. Where capacities or quantities are given state clearly unit of measure being used.

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