



TOKYO AUTO SALON 2025

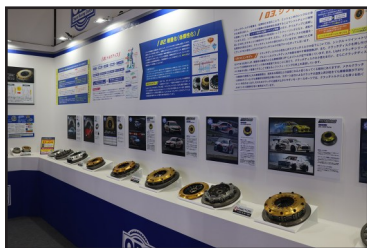
Tokyo, Japan

Last quarter, one of the world's largest custom car exhibitions, the "TOKYO AUTO SALON 2025," was held in Japan, featuring Ogura's participation once again this year. The exhibition saw a substantial turnout, with 258,406 visitors, marking a notable increase from the previous year.



Visitors at the Ogura Clutch booth

The exhibits showcased the entire ORC series clutch lineup along with several new products, including a lightweight clutch for the Toyota Yaris, a metal twin clutch for the Nissan Fairlady Z (RZ34), a silent damper disc for the Toyota 86/Subaru BRZ 400Light, and a metal single clutch for the Toyota



Ogura ORC clutches

Hilux (intended for the Thai market). Additionally, motor cycle slipper clutches and two-wheel clutch cases were prominently displayed.

Ogura featured three vehicles: a GR86 from team ORC ROOKIE

Racing, which participated in last year's Super Taikyu race, alongside GR86 and 86 models from the Ogura Clutch team that took part in the TOYOTA GAZOO Racing Rally Challenge.

On the final day, members of the "ROOKIE Racing" team took the stage to share their experiences, detailing how the team was formed and discussing their future aspirations.

The merchandise corner offered exclusive products available only at the Ogura Clutch booth. ●

IATF 16949/ISO 9001 AUDIT

Kiryu, Japan

Last quarter, the First, Third, Akabori, and Kobayashi factories, along with their sales offices, underwent recertification audits for their quality management system IATF 16949 and maintenance audits for ISO 9001.

The audits uncovered a total of 19 nonconformities related to IATF and ISO standards and identified 25 opportunities for improvement. These opportunities can be attributed to the revisions made in the 6th edition of the audit rules and the shift in focus resulting from the recertification audit. The most commonly noted requirement was the IATF standard 8.5.1.1 (control plan), consistent with last year's findings; however, thanks to Ogura's improvement efforts, the number of issues has decreased to about one-third of last year's total. Additionally, the auditor stated, "Overall, quality performance has been maintained at a high level, and improvements to internal performance and processes have also been actively promoted."



2025 IATF inspection

When any nonconformities are identified, an initial corrective action is implemented, then a corrective plan, including a root cause analysis, is approved by the auditor. This corrective plan is then executed, and a corrective report is submitted, which includes an evaluation of its effectiveness. At each phase, Ogura conducts an investigation into the impact on similar processes, along with horizontal deployment as necessary. Once the report is approved, the company is expected to return, and if the effectiveness of the corrective action is verified in a follow-up audit, the identified issues will be considered resolved, and the certification will be renewed. ●

Ogura Sales Rep Profile

Todd Ramatowski
Innovative Industrial Motion

Todd has spent 25+ years working in the electric motor and automation industries. Starting in motors with Leeson and Baldor/Reliance/ABB District Offices, he managed the day-to-day operations of the order entry, quoting, customer service, and technical support departments for 13 years. His natural progression led him to HIWIN and SMAC to be a Territory Manager and Sales Manager. He managed territories selling linear and automation products extending from Texas to the Carolinas. Todd has a degree in Business Management. His wealth of knowledge in these industries will be an asset to helping grow Ogura. ●



Todd Ramatowski

OCD RECEIVES SUPPLIER AWARD

Weihai City, Shandong Province, China

Last quarter, a vendor conference for Zhixiang Technology Co., Ltd., a company invested in by Lenovo, was held at a hotel in China.

The conference was attended by approximately 150 of the company's suppliers, making it a significant event. OSD (Ogura Seiko Electronics) has been supplying electromagnetic micro clutches for printers to Zhixiang Technology for the past five years. Throughout this period, OSD has consistently responded flexibly and reliably to significant fluctuations in order volumes. OSD's stable product quality earned the Delivery Contribution Award which was presented during the conference. ●



Award ceremony

THE 2025 SALES REPRESENTATIVE CONFERENCE

Tokyo, Japan

Last quarter, the 2025 Sales Representatives Conference was held at Ogura's Tokyo office. Presidents and executives from representative companies attended, along with President Ogura, other relevant executives, and department heads from Ogura.



Sales Conference in Tokyo

President Ogura opened the event by stating, "I believe the reason we have successfully made strict price adjustments for our customers, gaining their understanding and approval, is due to the trust they have placed in us over time. To maintain this trust, we will continue to enhance our commitment to quality and supply and build even stronger relationships with our customers as their valued partners."

Representatives commented: "Sales in the first half of last year were sluggish, partly due to a decline in orders the year prior. However, the semiconductor-related industry began to show an upward trend in the latter half of the year, resulting in a slight recovery. This year, the impact of the Chinese economy and the actions of the second Trump administration on the global economy are unpredictable, leaving us with a sense of uncertainty. Nonetheless, we will closely monitor our customers' information and trends to secure new projects and expand our sales."

Following this, Ogura presented order results for 2024, highlighted sales promotion activities, provided an overview of the Production Headquarters, and shared a report from the Technology Headquarters.

Finally, Managing Director Inokoshi concluded the meeting by stating, "Orders for domestic general industrial products in 2024 exceeded 100% compared to the previous year, but were 12% below our planned targets. This year, the global economic outlook remains uncertain due to the policies of the Trump administration in the United States. We have set an order target for 2025, representing a 12% increase from last year. We recognize that this is an ambitious goal, but we ask for even greater support and cooperation from all our representatives to achieve it." ●

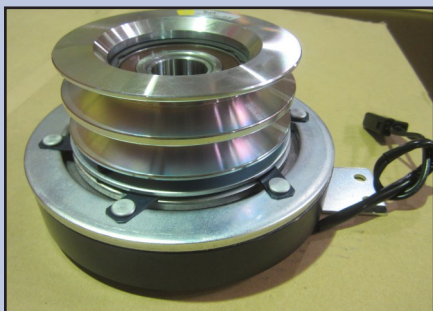
Application Story

Let It Flow, Let It Flow, Let It Flow: EH Wachs and Ogura

Clean water is something most Americans take for granted. To help keep the water flowing free and clear, water authorities and municipal workers specify specialized water valve maintenance equipment manufactured by the Wachs Utility Products division of E.H. Wachs, a Division of ITW.

Underground water valves are an important part of the water and wastewater infrastructure. To maintain these valves, to avoid them from becoming stiff or inoperable, it's necessary to "exercise" or "turn" water valves periodically. In simple terms this requires running them through a fully closed and fully open exercise program, to remove sediment and mineral deposits called tuberculation that can cause them to seize.

Failure to do so often means the valve cannot be operated or closed in an emergency, such as a water main break. Municipal workers must keep moving outward from the break until they find a valve that does operate, meaning the affected outage and boil order area can grow exponentially.



MA-7FS1 clutch

Water valves are buried underground, contained in either steel valve boxes or concrete vaults. As such these enclosures are prone to filling with dirt, rocks, and sediment, which must be removed before the valve can be accessed. Wachs VMT Valve Maintenance Trailers and truck mounted VMS Valve Maintenance Skids include all the tools needed to perform this work. This includes a high pressure washer system to blast the sediment loose in the box, plus a high powered vacuum to lift the sediment up and out.

Wachs's self-contained systems use gasoline or diesel Powerpacks paired with two (2) separate heavy-duty Ogura electromagnetic clutches to engage and disengage the high-pressure washer pump and vacuum blower on demand. The Ogura MAE-127 and MA-7FS1 clutches transfer engine power to these components only when the operator activates it, allowing crews to flush and vacuum sediment efficiently without running continuously. Designed for rugged municipal use, it withstands dozens of cycles per day—often servicing up to 40 valves—while maintaining reliable performance. By keeping valve boxes clear, the MAE-127 and MA-7FS1 clutch see that valves remain accessible and supports the broader goal of clean water infrastructure maintenance. When it comes to clean water and the crews tasked with keeping it flowing, they know they can count on Wachs Utility Products valve maintenance equipment. In turn, EH Wachs knows that they can always count on the reliability of their Ogura Clutches for safe and dependable performance. •

For More Information on E.H. Wachs Products: www.EHWachs.com

For More Information on Ogura Clutches and Brakes: www.Ogura-Clutch.com



EH Wachs LX standard diesel model



Field crew "Exercising" valve



Ogura in the News

OGURA RACING CLUTCH (ORC) SPONSORS RACER IN THRASH USA DRIFT EVENT

Apple Valley, CA

The smell of burning rubber, the sound of engines revving, the sight of smoke billowing over the race vehicles had heads turning and hearts pumping as Thrash USA held a drift racing event at Apple Valley Speedway in Apple Valley, California on April 26-27, 2025. This location in the desert had thousands attend to witness and participate in the second annual event. Just shy of 50 drivers attended with guests from all over the country, and some special guests from the drift scene in Japan.



Nissan S15 with ORC-659D-NS0210 clutch

Ogura's ORC team in the USA sponsors local driver Andrew Chval from PWR Imports and his newly built S15 that he dubbed Top Secret ORC S15. This creation was inspired by the iconic Top Secret S15 and brought to life blending old-school DNA with a modern twist by Jokerthis Designs, creating a hybrid style that fits Andrew's clean S15 perfectly.

This Nissan S15 Silvia runs an ORC-659D-NS0210 clutch. The twin disc Metal Series clutch is renowned for its exceptional performance and widespread popularity. It offers outstanding pedal feel for high-powered vehicles. Model 659 is designed to handle 650 HP and 542 lb-ft of torque. It provides a great balance of transmission power, sharpness, and half-clutch feel. ●

OGURA LAWN MOWER RACING OFF TO A FAST START

Reynolds, GA

With the storms this year, the first races in March were cancelled, but in April Chuck Miller and Bobby Cleavland restarted the 2025 season.



Chuck, Bobby and Shane

The first race was held in Reynolds, GA at the Annual strawberry festival. For this race, one of the original Ogura racers, Shane Shellnut, came out of semi-retirement. He joined Chuck and Bobby for what was a very successful team Ogura showing.

In the BP class, Shane ended up winning with Chuck Miller 3rd and Bobby Cleavland in 4th. In the BP class on the second night, Shane had a mechanical issue, but Bobby ended up in 2nd place and Chuck Miller in 3rd. Chuck also raced in the FTS class and was in the 4-way battle for 1st place but had a spin out with only 5 laps left, but Chuck was able to battle his way back up to the front and finish in second place.

Chuck and Bobby said that it was great to



BP class Bobby 2nd, Chuck 3rd place

see Shane back in action again. Follow Ogura on Facebook to catch the latest updates for Chuck and Bobby for the 2025 season. ●