



Tamron to expand production plant of Tamron Optical (Foshan) LTD.

Tamron Co., Ltd. announced its decision to expand the Tamron Optical (Foshan) LTD. plant in China's Guangdong Province.

Established as a wholly owned subsidiary in July of 1997, the plant has been operating as the main production facility for digital still camera lenses, video camera lenses and interchangeable lenses for SLR cameras. It has been increasing its production capabilities along with the growth of the business, and deemed necessary to expand the production capability with the 3rd plant to meet current and future demand.

The new plant is intended for production of high mega-pixel cellular phone camera lenses, automotive application lenses that are projected to grow in demand, and increased production of interchangeable lenses for digital SLR cameras.

It is planned to start operation in November of 2007.

Details of the plant are as follows:

1. Location: Foshan, Guangdong Province, China
2. Site: Approximately 18,000 sq. m.
3. Production capacity: 5 million units/months (cellular phone and automotive application)
4. Total investment: Approximately 2 billion yen