## ENC PRODUCTION SYSTEM INTRODUCED IN J.H.D.

A new Electronic Navigational Chart (ENC) Production System was installed in the Hydrographic Department of Japan, and its unvailing ceremony was held on 26 January 1994.

The new system is composed of ENC System Control Unit and the other seven units, each being connected by Ethernet LAN.

With the introduction of the new system, the Hydrographic Department of Japan is now proceeding with production of ENC as well as updating and management of its data base. The production of contemporary paper charts and correction

chartlets are also being carried out by using the system, simultaneously.

The first ENCs for the areas covering from Tokyo Bay to the south coast of Sikoku are now being prepared from about 30 sheets of existing paper charts at small and medium scales, and will be published in a CD-ROM in the Japanese Fiscal Year 1994. ENC for major bays as well as the other coastal and offshore areas in and around Japanese waters at a smaller scale will be published by JFY 1996, and for ports and harbours on the larger scale will be successively published from 1997.



System Units Layout

