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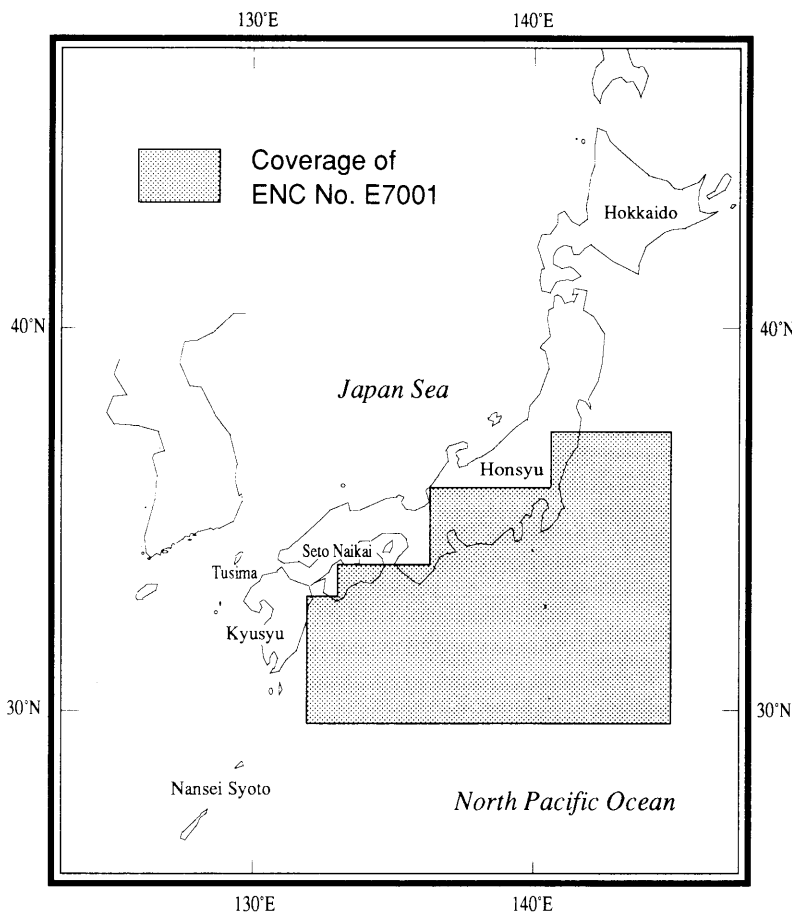
The Hydrographic Department of Japan published its first Electronic Navigational Chart (ENC) No. E7001 on 31 March 1995.

The ENC E7001 "Tokyo Wan to Asizuri Misaki" contained in the CD-ROM is compiled and produced in conformity with the IHO Standard S-57, the internationally adopted format DX90. All chart information, except for some on land, given on 21 different sheets of the existing Japanese nautical charts covering from Sioya Saki on the Honsyu east coast to Asizuri Misaki on the Sikoku south coast at scales from 1:100,000 to 1:500,000 are incorporated in this first ENC.

The ENC E7001, which is based on the Tokyo Datum, can be used only with the hardware and software, ECDIS, which can read the IHO Standard Format DX90.

Notices for small corrections which may be made to the ENC will be given by means of floppy disks for updating it automatically, and its temporary corrections to be given in printed Notices to Mariners may be entered manually into ECDIS from the key board as interim measures before receiving floppy disks for updating it.

The ENC has already been put on sale at a price of 99,500 yen at the Japan Hydrographic Association and other chart sales agents.



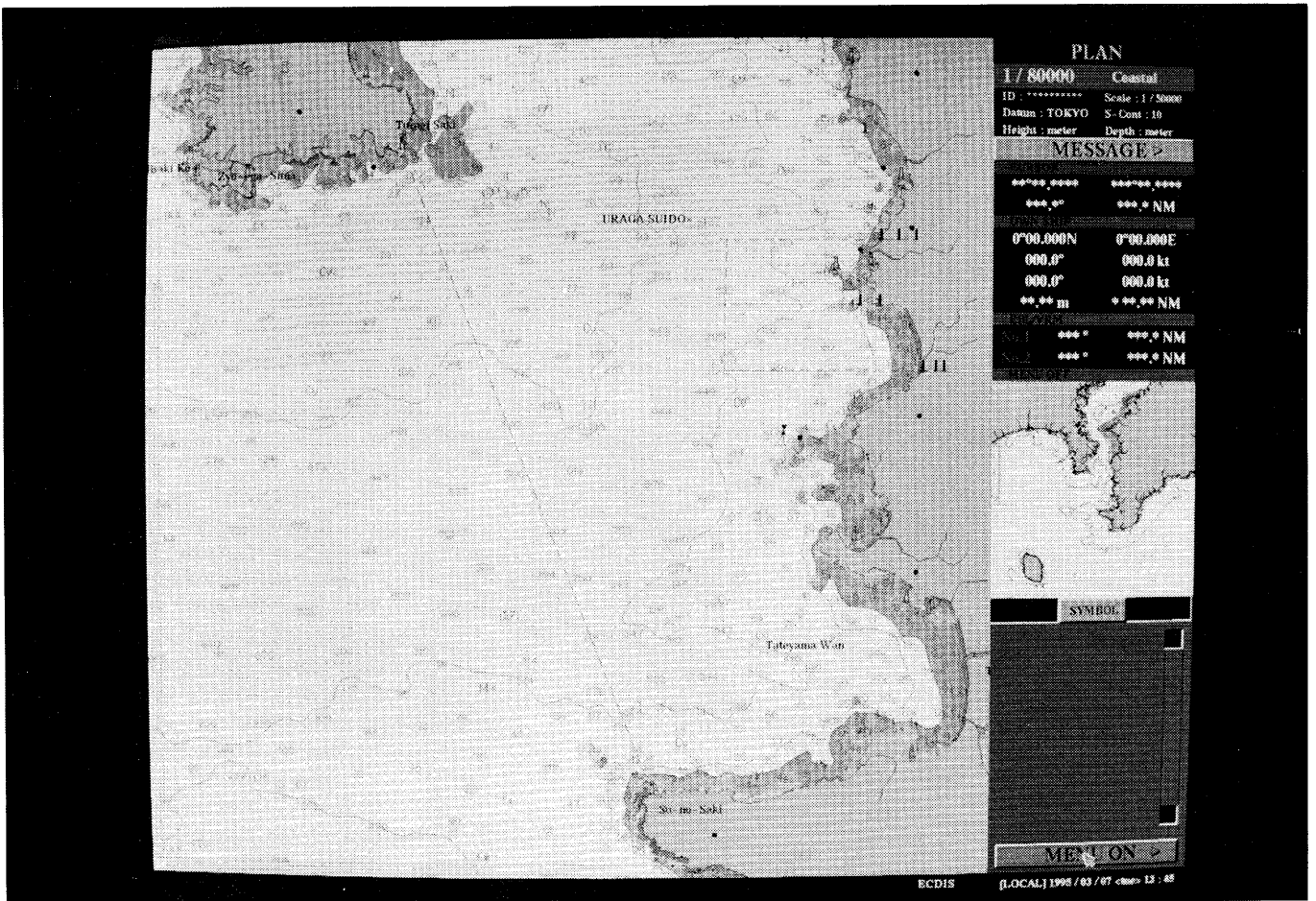
JHD is now proceeding with compilation and publication of ENCs covering the other areas in and around Japanese waters.

During the autumn of 1995 and the early spring of 1996, additional two ENCs covering areas from Kyusyu to Nansei Syoto as well as Seto Naikai (Inland Sea) and Tusima will be published, respectively. After fiscal 1996 onward Japanese ENCs to be compiled from nautical charts at scales of 1:50,000 and larger are scheduled to be produced and published.

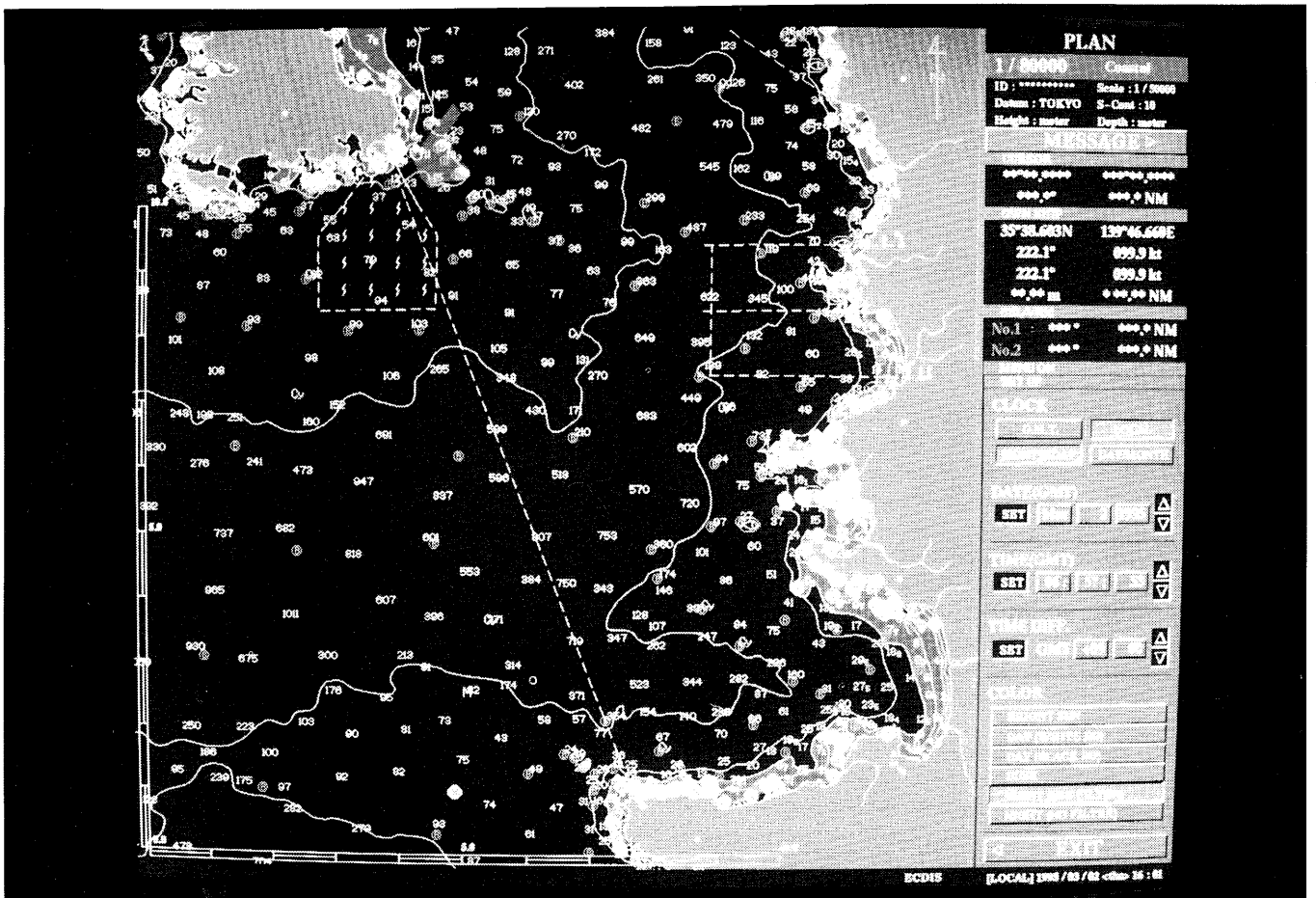
For further information on the ENC, please contact Hydrographic Department, Maritime Safety Agency, Japan.



CD-ROM containing ENC No. E7001 "Tokyo Wan to Asizuri Misaki" published by JHD on 31 March 1995



ENC daytime view displayed on ECDIS CRT



ENC nighttime view displayed on ECDIS CRT