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We have made it very easy to access information on the NTT Group environmental website. A search window is provided on the top page of the website (http://www.ntt.co.jp/kankyo/e/2004report/). Enter a section header number from the written report, and you will be taken to the corresponding page on the website. Note that the online version of the report provides some additional information that is not included in the written report.	

Guidelines Used to Edit this Report

- We made every effort to organize the report in a simple, intuitive way so that the greatest number of readers can readily understand NTT group's thinking, policies, and activities regarding environmental protection.
- This report is compiled based on the "NTT Group Company Environmental Report Guidelines," which in turn were developed by referring to the guidelines of the Ministry of the Environment and Global Reporting Initiative (GRI).
- Following our practice started with the 2002 version of this report, only the most essential information and data are provided to conserve paper. For more detailed information, please go to our website. Instructions for accessing the website are provided at the end of the report.
- Although this report was not certified by an independent third party, we regard this report as an honest and unbiased declaration based on the "NTT Group Environment Accounting Guidelines," and an essential communication tool.

Time Frame and Scope of the Report

- The Environmental Protection Activity Report 2004 has been compiled from data collected from April 1, 2003 to March 31, 2004, and also includes activities after April 1, 2004 as well as our future projections.
- This report consolidates the 2003 date collected mainly from NTT (holding company), NTT EAST, NTT WEST, NTT Communications, NTT Data, NTT DoCoMo, and their various affiliates. Note that data prior to 1998 was collected by NTT before the company's restructuring. Refer to pages 23-26 in the data section of this report for details.
- Names of organizations are current as of March 31, 2004.
- This report was issued in September 2004. The 2005 edition of NTT Group Environmental Protection Activity Report is scheduled for release in September 2005.

Achieving a richer and more comfortable future through the creation of an environment for resonant communication, contributing to the formation of a sustainable society with less impact on the natural environment.

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The NTT Group through its business activities has contributed greatly to the creation of a richer society, yet the scale of our operations has inevitably had a substantial impact on the environment. While continuing to promote improved lifestyle and business solutions, we must focus greater attention on providing products and services that minimize our environmental impact and contribute to the formation of a sustainable society.

In line with its "Vision for a New Optical Society," the NTT Group is committed to put in place a world of resonant communication where people and companies are connected and able to interact anytime, anywhere, and with anyone through networks. The availability of IT services supporting this kind of resonant interpersonal communication will convey such a clear sense of presence that it feels like you are face to face even though all the energy of actually traveling to meet the other person is saved. The further development of e-commerce based on IT and digitization of public services will curtail superfluous travel by people, unnecessary transport of goods, and save enormous amounts of energy by society as a whole. We believe that by promoting IT services through ubiquitous deployment of broadband networks, we can significantly reduce our impact on the environment while at the same time

contributing to a better more interesting quality of life for our customers.

Yet we must give equal attention to cutting back the additional energy and resources that are needed to deploy IT services. This means we must carefully consider the environmental implications of everything we do—from focused R&D on environmentally friendly energy-efficient technologies and energy-thrifty network equipment to the recycling of used equipment and telephone directories—and redouble our efforts to conserve and protect the environment.

To preserve this wondrous planet of ours for future generations, each and every one of our employees must do his or her part, but this is bigger than just us. The magnitude of the challenge calls for the widest possible involvement with our customers and partner companies, with all working together and talking together and pooling our collective wisdom. We publish this report to make our environmental initiatives known to the widest possible audience and to stimulate communication. We are continually striving to improve our environmental protection efforts and refine this Environmental Protection Activity Report, so we would certainly welcome your candid assessment and suggestions.

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