

NTT Group Global Environmental Charter

We need to recognize the extent and gravity of current environmental issues, including global warming, ozone layer depletion, destruction of the tropical rain forests, desertification, acid rain, and contamination of the oceans. We must also recognize the degree to which these issues are the direct result of current societal systems, which are intimately linked to corporate activities.

As a business enterprise, we have a responsibility to dedicate ourselves to harmonizing our business activities with global efforts to protect the environment in order to realize sustainable growth and to eliminate problems for future generations. Based on this fundamental recognition, we here establish the NTT Group Global Environmental Charter to clarify our basic policies and actions concerning these issues.

Basic Principle

To ensure the harmonious co-existence of people with nature and to achieve sustainable growth, we will do our utmost to protect the global environment in all our corporate activities.

Basic Policies

1. Compliance with laws and regulations and fulfillment of social responsibilities

To observe all laws and regulations regarding environmental protection issues and to carry out our responsibilities as global corporate citizens.

2. Reducing environmental loads

To establish action plans for energy conservation (reduction of greenhouse gas emissions), resource conservation (conservation of materials such as paper) and waste reduction, and to strive to make continuous improvements.

3. Establishing and maintaining environmental management systems

To establish an environmental management system enabling each business unit to pursue voluntary environmental protection activities.

4. Developing environmental technologies

To contribute to the reduction of environmental loads through various areas of research and development, including multimedia services.

5. Social contribution efforts

To promote daily environmental protection efforts in coordination with citizens and government agencies.

6. Disclosure of environmental information

To enhance both internal and external communications through the disclosure of environmental information.

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Editor's Postscript

This is the fifth annual edition of NTT Group's environmental report. Such corporate environmental reports tend to be difficult to understand and typically inundate the reader with information. Therefore, we try to improve both the content and the format each year.

To prepare for the Environmental Protection Activity Report 2003, we took time to discuss with our staff how we could most effectively present a report that was easy to understand. As a result we adopted a Q&A format, which was introduced in the Website version, for the printed version of the report, in which the NTT Group answers a series of questions from customers. We also attempted to use plain and simple language as much as possible. In the process of carefully reviewing report content, we selected as the major unifying theme the evolution of broadband and IT on reducing the environmental burden affecting all of society.

Nevertheless, we recognize that this report will still fall short in some areas, and will need further improvement. We are genuinely interested in hearing what you think. Please respond to the attached questionnaire, send e-mail with your frank opinions and comments, or use the questionnaire on our Website.



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