# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## FORM SD

## SPECIALIZED DISCLOSURE REPORT

NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORPORATION

(Exact name of the registrant as specified in its charter)

JAPAN (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 1-8910 (Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

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Check the appropriate box to indicate the rule pursuant to which this form is being filed, and provide the period to which the information in this form applies:

Rule 13p-1 under the Securities Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13p-1) for the reporting period from January 1 to December 31, 2015.

#### Introduction

NTT Group is the largest provider of fixed and mobile voice-related services, IP/packet communications services, telecommunications equipment, system integration and other telecommunications-related services in Japan and operates one of the largest telephone networks in the world. NTT Group consists of Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation ("NTT," the holding company), its 918 subsidiaries and its 124 affiliated companies (as of December 31, 2015). The principal business segments of NTT Group are its regional communications business, long-distance and international communications business, mobile communications business, and data communications business. NTT Group also has an "other" business segment. Details of each principal business segment are described below.

The principal services in the regional communications business segment are intra-prefectural communications services and related ancillary services.

The principal services in the long-distance and international communications business segment are inter-prefectural communications services, international communications business services, solutions business services and related services.

The principal services in the mobile communications business segment are mobile phone services and related services.

The principal services in the data communications business segment are system integration services and network system services.

The other business segment includes the operations of NTT, and the real estate, finance, construction and power, systems development and development of advanced technologies businesses.

#### **Main Services**

NTT Group provides fixed-line broadband and fixed-line telephone services through Nippon Telegraph and Telephone East Corporation ("**NTT East**") and Nippon Telegraph and Telephone West Corporation ("**NTT West**"), and is the largest provider of such services in Japan. As of December 31, 2015, the aggregate number of combined NTT East and NTT West broadband service subscriptions for the FTTH (fiber to the home) service "FLET'S Hikari (including Hikari Collaboration Model)" and for the ADSL (asymmetric digital subscriber line) service "FLET'S ADSL" was 19,157 thousand subscriptions and 1,090 thousand subscriptions, respectively. The aggregate number of subscriptions, which is the sum of fixed-line telephone service subscriptions and ISDN service subscriptions, was 23,121 thousand subscriptions. In addition, NTT Group provides ISP services through NTT Communications Corporation and other NTT entities. As of December 31, 2015, the aggregate number of ISP service subscriptions was 11,514 thousand subscriptions.

NTT Group provides mobile broadband and mobile voice communications services through NTT DOCOMO, INC. ("**NTT DOCOMO**"). This service is provided through two networks, LTE and W-CDMA. As of December 31, 2015, NTT DOCOMO had 69,602 thousand subscribers and was the largest provider of mobile phone services in Japan.

NTT Group provides data communications services through NTT DATA CORPORATION ("**NTT DATA**"). NTT DATA is the leading provider of data communications systems and information systems using computer networks as a platform in Japan. NTT DATA primarily engages in strategic planning, designing, installing and operating data communications systems and information systems using computer networks as a platform, and providing IT services.

In addition, through its subsidiaries, NTT Group provides financial services, including providing equipment leasing services, credit cards, real estate services, including building rentals and apartment sales, systems development services, and construction-related services, including the design, construction and maintenance of buildings.

### **Product Categories**

NTT Group offers the following two categories of products for sale to customers:

• Mobile devices:

Provided by: NTT DOCOMO.

Products: Mobile phones, smartphones, etc.

• Other products:

Provided by: NTT East, NTT West, and other NTT Group companies.

Products: Residential routers, business phones, network LSIs, video codecs, etc.

## **Policy on Non-use of Conflict Minerals**

NTT Group's policy on non-use of conflict minerals is as follows:

## NTT Group's Approach to Conflict Minerals

Some of the minerals originating in areas affected by conflict, such as the Democratic Republic of the Congo and adjoining countries (the "**Covered Countries**"), have been suspected of serving as a source of financing for violent armed groups, fomenting conflict and committing serious human rights abuses.

In this context, Section 1502 of the "Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act" (the "Act"), signed into law in the USA in July 2010, requires companies listed in the USA to disclose certain information regarding conflict minerals, including the extent to which they use conflict minerals originating in the Covered Countries in their products. Under the Act, "Conflict Minerals" includes tantalum, tin, gold, tungsten and other minerals designated by the Secretary of State ("**Conflict Minerals**").

To continue to be socially responsible with respect to this issue, NTT Group is working with its suppliers to conduct procurement in a way that improves supply chain transparency and, in consideration of the Act, is taking steps to avoid the use of Conflict Minerals, the proceeds from which could finance armed groups. At the same time, in view of the fact that areas affected by conflict also produce minerals that do not finance armed groups, NTT Group will work to implement its approach to socially responsible procurement without hindering the use of these minerals in its products.

NTT Group asks for the understanding of its suppliers and their cooperation with its surveys. NTT Group also asks that its suppliers endeavor to promote socially responsible procurement of minerals that are used in NTT Group's products, together with the NTT Group.

A copy of NTT Group's policy on non-use of conflict minerals is available at:

http://www.ntt.co.jp/ontime/policy/conflict/index.html (Japanese)

http://www.ntt.co.jp/ontime/e/policy/conflict/index.html (English)

#### Section 1 - Conflict Minerals Disclosure

#### Item 1.01 Conflict Minerals Disclosure and Report

Pursuant to its policy of non-use of conflict minerals, NTT Group surveyed the usage status of conflict minerals in its products and manufactured goods during 2015. NTT Group has manufactured and contracted to manufacture products for which "conflict minerals" are necessary to the functionality or production of such products (such minerals, "necessary conflict minerals").

NTT Group conducted a reasonable country of origin inquiry, which employed a combination of measures to determine whether the necessary conflict minerals in NTT Group's products originated from the Covered Countries. NTT Group's primary means of determining the country of origin of necessary conflict minerals was a supply chain survey of its tier 1 suppliers using the CFSI Conflict Minerals Reporting Template.

NTT Group surveyed all products manufactured or contracted to be manufactured by NTT Group during 2015 that are intended to be sold to its customers.

NTT Group adopted the above described reasonable country of origin inquiry and received responses from its tier 1 suppliers. The response rate (based on the aggregate number of suppliers) for each NTT Group product category was as follows:

- Mobile devices: 100%
- Other products: 95%

Based on its reasonable country of origin inquiry, NTT Group has determined that a portion of the conflict minerals (tantalum, tin, gold and tungsten) that are necessary to the functionality or production of its products may have originated in the Covered Countries and further determined that such necessary conflict minerals may not be from recycled or scrap sources.

In accordance with Rule 13p-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, NTT has filed this Specialized Disclosure Form (Form SD) and the attached Conflict Minerals Report. Both Form SD and the Conflict Minerals Report will be publicly available on NTT's website at http://www.ntt.co.jp/ir/library\_e/sec/index.html.

## Item 1.02 Exhibit

The Conflict Minerals Report is provided as Exhibit 1.01 to this Form SD.

## Section 2 – Exhibits

Item 2.01 Exhibits

Exhibit 1.01 – Conflict Minerals Report as required under Item 1.01 and 1.02 of this Form.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the duly authorized undersigned.

## NIPPON TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE CORPORATION

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Hiroo Unoura

May 31, 2016

Name: Hiroo Unoura

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

#### NTT Group's Conflict Minerals Report Pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Rule 13p-1

This report is NTT Group's Conflict Minerals Report for 2015, in accordance with the provisions of Rule 13p-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("**Rule 13p-1**"). However, this report excludes conflict minerals that were located outside of the supply chain of NTT Group prior to January 31, 2013. Numerous terms used in this report are defined in Rule 13p-1 and Form SD, as well as the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Release No. 34-67716 (August 22, 2012).

In accordance with Rule 13p-1, NTT Group conducted due diligence to determine whether conflict minerals in each NTT Group product category were DRC conflict-free.

In terms of the supply chain, the products and manufactured goods that NTT Group sells are at the furthest point downstream from the mining of conflict minerals. In other words, NTT Group itself does not purchase unprocessed ore or unrefined conflict minerals from anywhere, including the Covered Countries. It is difficult to identify with confidence the location of origin (i.e., mine location) of conflict minerals once the raw ore has been smelted, refined and converted into other forms containing conflict materials, such as ingots and bars. The smelters and refiners are the point at which the unprocessed ore is concentrated, and NTT Group believes that the smelters and refiners are in the best position in the supply chain to identify the origin of ore mining.

NTT Group's due diligence process was conducted in good faith and was designed to be compliant with a nationally or internationally recognized due diligence framework, based on the OECD Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains of Minerals from Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas (OECD 2011) and related supplements on individual conflict minerals.

NTT Group's due diligence method was as follows:

Conduct a survey of tier 1 suppliers in its supply chain using the CFSI Conflict Minerals Reporting Template. The purpose
of the survey is to identify those refiners and smelters supplying refined conflict minerals for use in NTT Group's own
manufactured goods or other products.

• Compare smelters and refiners identified through the supply chain survey against smelters and refiners designated as "DRC conflict free" on the basis of an independent third-party audit of conflict minerals (list of tantalum, tin, tungsten and gold smelters/refiners published by the CFSI through its Conflict-Free Smelter (CFS) program).

The due diligence efforts referred to above which were performed by NTT Group were designed to identify the smelters and refiners of conflict minerals supplying conflict minerals to NTT Group's suppliers. NTT Group also held an explanatory meeting with its suppliers prior to their surveys. Where the responses to the survey were assessed as indicating that the conflict mineral in question did not originate in one of the Covered Countries, NTT Group reviewed the survey responses to confirm their validity and reconfirmed such assessments with the relevant suppliers.

NTT Group requested a conflict minerals survey from each of its tier 1 suppliers, of which over 95% (based on the aggregate number of suppliers) responded. The results revealed that certain products that include conflict minerals had certain of such conflict minerals sourced from countries other than the Covered Countries.

However, in evaluating the totality of the responses, it seems that, in many cases, it was difficult to obtain sufficient information from suppliers or other information sources to determine whether or not the conflict minerals used in NTT Group's products originated in the Covered Countries, and even when such information was obtained in respect of a supplier, in many cases it was difficult to ascertain whether or not such conflict minerals were from recycled or scrap sources and whether or not such conflict minerals were from recycled or scrap sources and whether or not such conflict minerals were from recycled or scrap sources and whether or not such conflict minerals were used to finance armed groups. In many cases, the supplier responses did not provide the identity of the smelter or refiner processing the conflict mineral, or the responses indicated that the relevant supplier, or the refiner or smelter from which such tier 1 supplier sources conflict minerals, was unable to source the conflict minerals ultimately used in NTT Group's products, and no definitive information was available to properly assess whether the proceeds from such conflict minerals were used to finance armed groups, as all of the foregoing information was still under investigation.

Furthermore, it was difficult in many cases for NTT Group to obtain sufficient information from its survey participants as to the sourcing of the conflict minerals used in its products.

NTT Group is not required to obtain an independent private sector audit for this Conflict Minerals Report.

Throughout the specified period, NTT Group implemented the following measures as improvement initiatives:

- In order to improve the supplier response rate for the smelter and refiner survey, NTT Group implemented the survey in cooperation with its key suppliers (for example, by visiting suppliers and providing feedback on the survey results in order to identify obstacles and consulting on countermeasures with a view to improving the smelter and refiner identification rate).
- NTT Group exchanged its views with other SEC-registered companies and other organizations to cooperate with regard to initiatives aimed at achieving non-use of conflict minerals in the future.

NTT Group intends to continue to make every effort to identify mines or the locations of the origin of relevant minerals, including through the above due diligence procedures.

NTT Group plans to improve its due diligence efforts throughout the 2016 reporting period in order to mitigate the risk of conflict minerals benefiting armed groups, including taking the following steps:

- undertaking further efforts to improve the supplier response rate for the smelter and refiner survey;
- comparing the results of the conflict minerals survey against information obtained from independent conflict-free validation programs such as the CFSI Conflict-Free Smelter Program; and
- contacting smelters and refiners identified as a result of the conflict minerals survey, and requesting that they obtain conflict-free certification through an industry program such as the CFSI Conflict-Free Smelter Program.