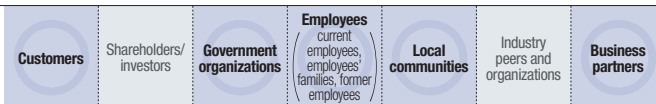


Conserving Nature and Local Living Environments

Building a sustainable society requires not only reducing the environmental impacts of our business operations, but also the direct protection of nature and local living environments. NTT Group companies engage in environmental conservation activities nationwide, while also protecting the environment and managing environmental risks.

Preserve biological diversity



Fiscal 2009 priority topics

Forest conservation initiatives



As part of NTT Groups' environmental protection activities, each company within the Group is taking action to protect forest lands. As an example, since 1999 NTT DOCOMO has used the government's Company Forest Program and Green Fund Program and municipal forest areas to create DOCOMO Woods throughout the country.

NTT West has also participated in Wakayama Prefecture's Corporate Forest project and a similar scheme in Oita Prefecture, and has also planted cherry trees in Hyogo prefecture. NTT COMWARE too has been planting trees as part of its Forests of Corporations/NTT Comware (Ome) communal forest program.

Preserving ecosystems near wireless relay stations



The NTT Communications Group strives to preserve habitat and mitigate environmental impacts around wireless relay stations through careful maintenance of telephone and television network facilities. As of March 31, 2009, NTT Communications Group has 102 wireless relay stations nationwide, with 24 in national parks. Because some areas in national parks lack road access, roads need to be constructed to perform regular relay station maintenance. In addition to strict adherence to relevant laws and regulations, the company uses its own environmental assessment methods to ensure that construction has minimum impacts on local biodiversity.

Managing environmental risks



Fiscal 2009 priority topics

Safety assessments for chemical substances



The NTT Science and Core Technology Laboratory Group has created an environmental management system to conduct environmental conservation activities. The Group has obtained approval as an Environmental Management Office under the local Kanagawa Prefectural Ordinance on the Protection of Local Living Environments, and conducts annual chemical emissions hazard assessments based on Kanagawa Prefecture's approved assessment methods. Following the same result in fiscal 2008, the fiscal 2009 assessment showed the impacts on the ecosystem and human health of the Laboratory Group's activities to be low and requiring no immediate actions.

Assessing the environmental impacts of research activities



Environmental impacts of the NTT Science and Core Technology Laboratory Group stem from chemical use, wastewater, gas emissions, material waste, as well as the power consumed by air conditioning for research clean rooms.

In addition to constant monitoring of water quality, the Group conducts periodical surveys of the atmosphere, rain and ground water, odors, soil, as well as noise and vibration in order to track and assess its environmental impacts. It has also established voluntary standards that are stricter than legally mandated pollution standards. A fiscal 2009 atmospheric environmental study found no atmospheric pollutants that exceeded these strict voluntary standards.

Communication between people and their communities

Communication between people and the global environment

Safe and secure communication

Team NTT communication