

Third-Party Review of the Environment Action Report

Kyushu Electric Power's 2002 Environment Action Report was subjected to a third-party review by Tohmatsu Environmental Research Institute Ltd. to improve the report's reliability.



Briefing of environmental administrators concerning environmental activity progress (Genkai Nuclear Power Station)



An environmental administrator explains the management status of a coal storage yard (Matsuura Power Station)

1. Report on the Review Results

Report from the Review of 2002 Kyushu Electric Power Environment Action Report

Starting this fiscal year, Tohmatsu Environmental Research Institute Ltd. implemented third-party review on the reliability of environmental activity records, environmental accounting and other related information described in "2002 Kyushu Electric Power Environment Action Report" by Kyushu Electric Power Co., Inc.

The main items found during the review process are listed below aside from those of the "Third-Party Opinions on the Environment Action Report". The figures in parentheses found in the descriptions below are the page numbers in "2002 Kyushu Electric Power Environment Action Report".

1. Merits

- (1) The status of the Kyushu Electric Power Group companies' environmental activities is included in the Related Information (pp.46-51) this year, in addition to that of Kyushu Electric Power. The Group companies made positive efforts in information disclosure.
- (2) A new idea for baselines (p.35) is introduced in environmental accounting this year to express the cumulative effects of environmental measures implemented over several years. It is a unique environmental accounting method adapted to the needs of the industry.
- (3) This year's Environment Action Report is compiled with consideration for the interests of stakeholders in addition to those of the Ministry of the Environment, and with reference to the guidelines set by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

2. Items requiring further consideration

- (1) For environmental accounting, the disclosure of respective baselines that are set, as well as a comparison of environmental costs and their benefits from those of the previous fiscal year are desirable.
- (2) The basis of the report is the guidelines from the Ministry of the Environment and the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry. However, it is advisable to establish the company's own guidelines and standards for the Environment Action Report's preparation and to include them in the report.
- (3) Achievements on main targets are compared with those from the previous fiscal year. However, it is better to explain the status of progress and achievement in comparison to the guidelines and targets within the fiscal year.

2. Third-Party Opinions about the Environment Action Report



Report by Tohmatsu Environmental Research Institute

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Objective of our review

We have carried out a review of 2002 Environment Action Report of Kyushu Electric Power Co., Inc., which is the sole responsibility of the Company's management. Our objective was to express an independent view on the information contained in the report.

Our review procedures

In accordance with your instructions, we performed the following review procedures, which were agreed upon with the Company's management. Since our review is commenced in fiscal 2001, it is to be noted that data and information before fiscal 2000 are not included to our scope of review.

- (1) A review of the reasonableness of the procedures for collecting and collating the information contained in the report, and
- (2) Discussions with, and inquiries of, the Company's management and staff who have responsibility for the preparation of the report, a review of the minutes of the Company's relevant committee, site inquiries, and comparison of the information contained in the report with documents regarding ISO14001, other documents prepared internally, and available published information.
Concerning the environmental data from Kyushu Electric Power Group companies, perusal and collation of records submitted, and inquiries of the Company's staff responsible for the preparation of the data.

Our conclusions

Based on these procedures, our conclusions are as follows:

- (1) The data contained in the report was properly summarized from the data prepared by the Company in relation to their daily operations, and
- (2) The information contained in the report is consistent with the supporting data obtained during our review.

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