

Environmental Strategy and Results of Main Activities for Fiscal 2001

The Nitto Denko Group has established an environmental strategy to realize “environmental management,” of which main activities are decided for each fiscal year, and the entire group works as a unit primarily through the environment committee.

Environmental strategy concept and measures

Constructing a recycling society for sustainable development is as social proposition and is also the proposition of the Nitto Denko Group. As part of the intermediate plan for the environment, we have therefore drawn the “ideal form” and have propose and environmental strategy for building a recycling society. Based on this environmental strategy, we clearly state problems concerning each measure, assign a priority ranking, decide the activities for each fiscal year and follow the results.

Main activities of fiscal 2001

The main activities of fiscal 2001 and their results are as follows:

1) Revision of voluntary plan targets

- Targets for reduction of industrial waste revised upward.

2) Chemical substance management

- Nitto Denko voluntary chemical management guidelines established for 1,711 substances to be prohibited, reduced or controlled. Applied to new products since September
- Chemical management system begun to be implemented at Nitto Denko headquarters.

3) LCA

- Standards for assessing environment-conscious products established.

4) Establishment of Green procurement guidelines

- Prepared by Materials Department and Environmental Technology Development Department and distributed to business partners. Posted on Nitto Denko Web site.

5) Publication of environmental report (fiscal 2001 version)

- Environmental report published in June. English version also posted on Web site.

6) Environmental accounting / environmental budget

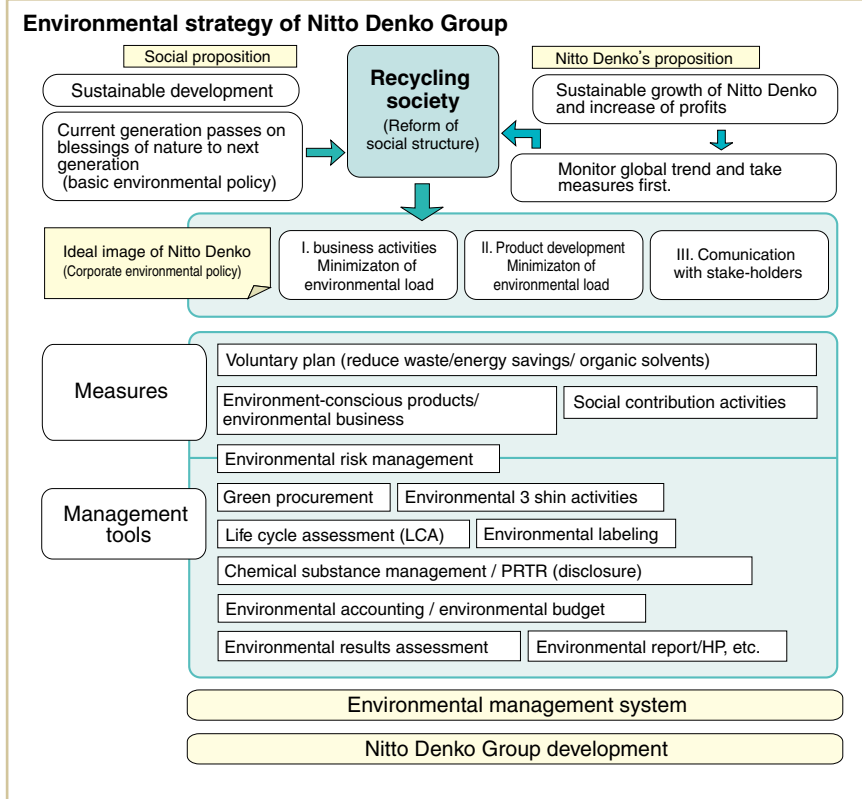
- Carried out at all domestic Nitto Denko Group companies beginning the current fiscal year. Fiscal 2002 environmental budget drawn up including overseas Nitto Denko Group companies.

7) Integrated internal environmental audit

- Carried out at 8 plants according to plan.

8) Establishment of award system for reduction of industrial waste

- Value of industrial waste reduction award (1% of effect amount awarded) and Award for waste-free plant established.



Group promotion system

The “environment committee” that meets twice a year is the Nitto Denko Group’s highest deliberative organization. The matters decided by the committee are passed on to all plants. In domestic manufacturing plants, the plant general manager is in charge of environmental matters. Each plant has its own environ-

ment committee, director of environmental management, and internal environmental auditor. Environmental management suitable for the plant is constructed, implemented, maintained and improved and environment conservation activities are carried out based on the respective policies.

