

Environmental Report

TDK has established the TDK Environmental Charter, consisting of the Basic Principle on the Environment and the Basic Policy on the Environment, as our entire group's environment policy, aimed at the sustainable development of society. In line with the Charter, TDK formulated the TDK Environmental Action 2015 plan as a fundamental framework for implementing specific environmental activities.

Environmental Policy and Environmental Vision

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TDK Environmental Charter

This environmental charter applies to every organization in the TDK Group worldwide.

Basic Principle on the Environment

The TDK Group recognizes care for the global environment as an important management issue and is committed to help bring about a sustainable society through the combined efforts of all of its members in all business operations.

Basic Policy on the Environment

Based on this principle, the TDK Group enlists the participation of all of its members to carry out environmental protection activities quickly and effectively, so that future generations may live in a healthier environment.

- 1 Build a framework for promoting activities to improve safety and hygiene, with clearly defined responsibilities, while the management shall provide necessary management resources for the realization of this policy.
- 2 Contribute to society by creating and supplying the market with life cycle oriented products and services.
- 3 Comply with local environmental rules and regulations in every region, establish the necessary self-imposed standards for meeting regulatory requirements and managing chemicals, and improve the level of management.
- 4 Establish an effectively functioning environmental management system, implement environmental policy, set environmental objectives and targets and carry them out, as well as aim to reduce the environmental burden on a continuous basis and prevent pollution.
- 5 Carry out regular environmental audits and continuously improve the environmental management system and environmental performance.
- 6 Disclose information on environmental activities to maintain appropriate communication with local communities and society.
- 7 Actively participate in environmental activities run by governments and local communities.
- 8 Review environmental policy, environmental objectives and targets, and environmental management system periodically and as necessary.

This Environment Charter is available for anyone if desired.

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Environmental Vision (TDK Environmental Action 2015)

TDK believes that a fundamental environmental plan designed from a long-term perspective is necessary to achieve the sustainable development of society and a recycling-oriented society. In 2002, TDK therefore formulated the "TDK Environmental Action 2010." This plan was comprehensively revised in December 2005, incorporating new long-term goals and global development of our environmental activities. Now called "TDK

Environmental Action 2015," the plan includes a new long-term roadmap with a distinctly global focus, and spells out five specific objectives. Company-wide efforts to achieve these objectives are now in place.

By making annual reviews of action items and related numerical targets based on past performance, TDK aims to promote environmental activities on an ever higher level.

From 2009, some of the action items were modified in order to implement concrete activities at TDK sites with the environmental management system.



Until FY 2009

- 1 Improving the Environmental Management System
- 2 Preventing Global Warming
- 3 Managing Waste
- 4 Managing Environmental Risks
- 5 Promoting the Creation of Environment-Conscious Products

From FY 2010

- 1 Preventing Global Warming
- 2 Managing Waste
- 3 Managing Environmental Risks
- 4 Conducting External Environment Activities
- 5 Promoting the Creation of Environment-Conscious Products

Protecting Nature and Biodiversity

In order to make its products, TDK uses various metals and oxides. These raw materials come from mineral ore and other sources mined all over the world. As is well known, mining involves the risk of damage to the environment, including landscape damage, excessive clearing of forests, changes in water sources, and possible effects on ecosystems. Once damage has been done to an ecosystem, it usually cannot be recovered. As a manufacturer of components, we cannot simply stop using raw materials, but we can try to mitigate adverse effects. We do this by engaging in activities such as tree planting, reforestation, water source protection, and more.

We are also aware that our components are found in many kinds of office equipment that use paper and thereby indirectly contributing to the use of tree resources. This is why we attach particular importance to tree planting and reforestation activities.

However, our components are also utilized extensively in sophisticated video and recording

equipment. We believe that one of the basic human aspirations is to record the beauty and mysteries of nature, and the life of the plant and animal kingdom around us. TDK therefore is engaged in various drives to protect nature for future generations.

All staff members of our organization are aware of the impact that industrial production inescapably has on the environment. We think about the complex interrelationship between business operations and the environment, and are keen to do our part in protecting the global beauty of nature.

Note: For Major source of information on our nature protection activities, Please refer the web site.
http://www.tdk.co.jp/csr_e/csr05300.htm