

External Awards and History of Activities

■ We received the following awards in recognition of the Oki group's environmental protection programs and activities.

Awards and Citations in Connection with the Environment

Month/Year	Recipient	Award/citation name (sponsor)	Reasons for reception
Oct. 1998	Miyagi Oki Electric	President's Award, The 17th National Plant Greening Promotion Assembly (Japan Greenery Research and Development Center)	Plant arrangement with consideration for protecting the natural environment and maintenance of seasonal trees.
Feb. 1999	Miyazaki Oki Electric	Director's Award, Superior Energy Control Plant category, Kyushu Bureau of Ministry of International Trade and Industry	Remarkable results in rationalization of plant energy usage
Feb. 1999	Miyagi Oki Electric	Director General's Award, Superior Energy Control Plant category, Agency of Natural Resources and Energy	Remarkable results in rationalization of plant energy usage
Oct. 1999	Oki Honjo District	Certificate of Appreciation for Greening Efforts (City Government of Honjo City)	Contributions to the creation of "Honjo, city of green and health."
Oct. 1999	Oki Hachioji District	President's Award, High-Pressure Gas Safety Institute of Japan	Evaluated for the proper adherence to the laws and regulations, status of education and training of employees, daily operation conditions, and the no-accident record.
Feb. 2000	Oki Hachioji District	Highest Award, Kanto Region Electricity Usage Rationalization Committee	Outstanding records in electrical power usage rationalization activities.
Feb. 2000	Nagano Oki Electric	Director's Award, Superior Energy Control Plant category, Chubu Bureau of Ministry of International Trade and Industry	Remarkable results in rationalization of plant energy usage
May 2000	Miyazaki Oki Electric	Superior Award, High-Pressure Gas Safety Institute of Japan	Contribution to disaster prevention and safety assurance through the promotion of voluntary maintenance of high-pressure gases.
Nov. 2000	Oki Honjo District	Certificate of Appreciation for Greening Efforts (City Government of Honjo City)	Contributions to the creation of "Honjo, city of green and health."
Feb. 2001	Oki Hachioji District	Highest Award, Kanto Region Electricity Usage Rationalization Committee	Outstanding records in electrical power usage rationalization activities.
Jan. 2002	Miyagi Oki Electric	Minister's Award, Superior Energy Control Plant category, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry	Remarkable results in rationalization of plant energy usage
Jan. 2002	Miyazaki Oki Electric	Director General's Award, Superior Energy Control Plant category, Agency of Natural Resources and Energy	Remarkable results in rationalization of plant energy usage
Nov. 2002	Oki Honjo District	Certificate of Appreciation for Greening Efforts (City Government of Honjo City)	Contributions to the creation of "Honjo, city of green and health."

■ Progress of Environmental Protection Activities

May. 1981	Environmental audit begins at Oki group companies.
Apr. 1984	Environmental Management Standard is established.
Mar. 1993	Oki Environmental Protection Activity Plan is initiated.
Mar. 1993	Certain chlorofluorocarbons are totally eliminated.
Sep. 1993	1,1,1-trichloroethane is totally eliminated.
May. 1995	An advance evaluation system for the environmental impact of product design and packaging is established.
Mar. 1996	Trichloroethylene and dichloromethane are totally eliminated.
Aug. 1996	"Basic Environmental Policy" and "Environmental Protection Activity Plan" are initiated.
Mar. 1998	Major production sites become ISO14001 certified.
Jul. 1999	Used Product Recycling Center is established at Honjo District.
Aug. 1999	"Oki Eco Plan 21" is established.
Sep. 1999	"Environmental Report 1999" is issued.
Nov. 2000	Used products recycling company is established.
Dec. 2000	"Oki Eco Product Registration Standard" is established.
Feb. 2001	Head Office Safety Audit starts.
Aug. 2001	"Site Environmental Reports" for six Oki sites are disclosed.
Jan. 2002	Miyagi Oki Electric receives the Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry Award for Superior Energy Control Plant category.
Mar. 2002	All domestic production sites of Oki group are ISO14001 certified.
Sep. 2002	"Green Procurement Standard" is issued.
Mar. 2003	Major domestic production sites of Oki group achieve zero emission.