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Editorial Policy

This environmental report describes the environmental protection and social responsibility activities of Cosmo Oil Group for FY 2001 (from April 1, 2001 to March 31, 2002).

For clarity, the GRI Guidelines* were used as a reference for reporting on the triple bottom line—the environment, society, and the economy. Cosmo Oil Group provides products that have less environmental impacts through their entire life cycle, and places great importance on environmental protection and social responsibility in its activities; such as the provision of a stable supply of petroleum and the prevention of accidents. In this report, issues related to the environment and society are reported together in one section, “Environmental and Social Performance”. In addition, the Environmental Reporting Guidelines released by the Japanese Ministry of the Environment were followed to ensure systematic disclosure of information about our business processes.

While actively participating in environmental protection activities, Cosmo Oil is also promoting the efficient use of oil and developing multi-energy technologies. This report emphasizes our efforts to develop environmental technologies and our new energy businesses.

*The GRI (Global Reporting Initiative) Guidelines are a global framework for comprehensive sustainability reporting, which includes environmental reporting. The Guidelines emphasize the triple bottom line—the environment, society, and the economy.

Scope of Report

This report mainly covers FY 2001; however, some of our activities in FY 2002, such as case examples and organizational structure for environmental management, are also included.

The scope of the data in this report is the Cosmo Oil Group. See page 44 for the outline of the Cosmo Oil Group.

The data on “Reduction of Environmental Impacts” contained in this report mainly cover oil refineries and other related businesses. The data on “Environmental Accounting” and “Recognition of the Environmental Impacts from Business Activities” cover the Research and Development Center and Cosmo Matsuyama Oil Co., Ltd., etc. as well as the above.