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Editorial Policy

This brochure reports on the environmental preservation activities of Furukawa Electric in fiscal 2003. In addition to the articles covered last year, this report will include human resource activities for better disclosure of our initiatives in society. We also tried to make this report clearer and more reader-friendly.

In compiling this report, we made reference to Environmental Reporting Guidelines (Fiscal Year 2003 Version) published by the Ministry of the Environment as well as Sustainability Reporting Guidelines 2000 by Global Reporting Initiative.

Covered business bases

1. All the business bases of Furukawa Electric

- (1) Chiba Works
- (2) Nikko Works
- (3) Hiratsuka Works
- (4) Oyama Works
- (5) Mie Works
- (6) Osaka Works
- (7) Fukui Works
- (8) Shiga Works
- (9) Kambara Works
- (10) Shinagawa Works
- (11) Yokohama R&D Laboratories

Sheet plant of Nikko Works, Oyama Works, Fukui Works and Shiga Works became a manufacturing base related to Furukawa-Sky Aluminum Corp. on October 1, 2003. However, in this report, we include them on a parent basis, using their former names as of April 2003.

2. Affiliated companies

Nippon Foil Mfg.
 FURUKAWA AUTOMOTIVE PARTS
 Riken Electric Wire and 37 other companies
 (Refer to page 27 for environmental activities of affiliated companies)

Period Covered

From April 1, 2003 to March 31, 2004

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For Furukawa-Sky Aluminum Corp. which commenced operations during fiscal 2004

The light metals division of The Furukawa Electric Co., Ltd. integrated with SKY Aluminum Co., Ltd. on October 1, 2003 to commence as Furukawa-Sky Aluminum Corp. and it is currently an affiliated company on consolidated account. The environmental impact from this division is extremely huge and thus the impact on data collection given by the division is significant, thus we have collected and compiled data of the division on a full year basis in order to secure continuity of data from activities of the year.