

A History of Caring for Our Environment

1971		Set up a pollution prevention organization.
1974	July	Constructed wastewater treatment facilities in accordance with municipal bylaws.
1987	May	Began studying environmental assessments.
1989	Oct.	Established a chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) reduction committee.
1991	Apr.	Formed the Global Environmental Protection Promotion Department.
1993	Feb.	Assigned an executive director of environmental management and formed a corporate global environment committee.
1994	Aug.	Reported on the results of voluntary environmental activities in 1993.
	Dec.	Completed the phasing-out of specific CFCs and trichloroethane for cleaning.
1995	June	Decided to obtain ISO14001 certification as the first step to becoming an environmentally friendly enterprise, and so combined a voluntary environmental plan with the plan to obtain certification.
	Oct.	Reformed the corporate global environment committee.
1996	Mar.	Established corporate rules for environmental protection management.
	May	Formed a global environment committee at each plant site (Headquarters, Kofu plant, and Komine plant [now Akiruno plant of Yokogawa Electronics Manufacturing Corp.]).
1997	July	Kofu plant obtained ISO14001 certification.
1998	Feb.	Headquarters and Komine (now Akiruno plant of Yokogawa Electronics Manufacturing Corp.) plant obtained ISO14001 certification.
	May	Employed a co-generation system (two 585-MW generators).
1999	Sep.	Issued Yokogawa Environmental Report 1999, putting environmental accounting on public display.
	Dec.	Rated as the number-two company in the manufacturing industry by the Nikkei Shimbun newspaper in the third study on the extent of environmental operations.
2000	July	Headquarters accomplished zero landfill waste.
	Aug.	Employed returnable tote box delivery service for non-specific customers in Japan, the first company to do so.
	Sep.	Issued Yokogawa Environmental Report 2000, which employed third-party verification.
	Nov.	Suzhou Yokogawa Meter Co. joined Japan-China 3Es (Energy, Environment, and Economy) Research Project, and was selected as the model corporation for a study on environmental accounting.
2001	Mar.	Issued Basic Environmental Management Rules for Yokogawa Group.