

B-e-2 Overview of the Environmental Impacts: Material in balance

HORIBA's environmental policies are aimed at establishing a production system that minimizes the impact on the global environment and satisfies customer needs through its products and services.

We provide a range of analytical and measuring equipment and peripheral equipment required for environmental measurement. In order to fulfill social responsibilities, we also develop products designed to be environmentally friendly with life cycles in mind, and which comply with environmental laws and regulations. At the same time, together with our suppliers, we have made consistent efforts to conserve resources and energy during production. Our employees also have a strong interest in environmental issues and participate in environmental volunteer work, including cleaning and collecting trash in areas such as alongside rivers and around company offices, conducting environmental classes in elementary and junior high schools, and working at environmental events organized by government organizations.

Environmental Initiatives

In 2011, as in 2010, the domestic HORIBA Group companies adopted the following goals for environmental conservation under the Integrated Management System (Quality, Environment and Occupational Health and Safety) in order to promote efforts to build safe and highly efficient clean factories as well as to contribute to the protection of the global environment.

- 1 Develop energy and resource conservation activities in order to reduce CO₂ emissions per unit of sales
- 2 Expand eco-friendly design in new products

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We work hard to obtain an overview of the environmental impact caused by the domestic HORIBA Group as a whole during each stage of our business activities. Although environmental impact in 2011 increased in some stages compared to the previous year as a result of improvement in our business performance, thanks to initiatives for electricity and energy conservation, energy consumption and CO₂ emissions decreased.

In 2012, we expect to face a harsh economic environment but will continue our efforts to reduce the total environmental impact of our activities.

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