

KIOXIA

Sustainability Report 2020



KIOXIA Holdings Corporation

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CSR Reporting Policy

We report on CSR issues that are a priority for KIOXIA Group and our stakeholders.

In updating the CSR website of KIOXIA Holdings, we have taken into consideration and incorporated issues that are material for both the Group and our stakeholders.

In FY2019 these were the following:

1. Top level commitment from the executive officer in charge of CSR to engage in CSR activities on behalf of KIOXIA Group.
 - > Message from the Executive in Charge of CSR
2. Reporting on CSR material issues that have been identified
 - > CSR Material Issues and Goals
3. Group performance in the area of CSR
 - > CSR Performance

Organizations covered in this report

In principle, KIOXIA Group is covered in this report, but individual entities are referenced in cases where the information provided does not apply to the whole KIOXIA Group.

Note: “KIOXIA” in this report refers to KIOXIA Holdings Corporation and KIOXIA Corporation.

“KIOXIA Group in Japan” refers to KIOXIA Holdings Corporation and its consolidated subsidiaries in Japan. “KIOXIA Group overseas” refers to consolidated subsidiaries overseas.

Reporting period

This report focuses on the results of activities in FY2019 (April 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020). It also includes some details of activities initiated prior to FY2019 as well as more recent ones.

Publication

Current issue: September 2020 (next issue scheduled for September 2021; previous issue: October 2019)

Reference Guidelines

- GRI (Global Reporting Initiative)

This report contains standard disclosures from the GRI Sustainability Reporting Standard.

- United Nations Global Compact [COP(Communication of Progress) Advanced level]

- ISO 26000

Company information

Company Outline of KIOXIA Holdings

Address	1-21 Shibaura 3-chome, Minato-ku, Tokyo
President and CEO	Naruke Yasuo
Capital	10 billion yen
Shareholders	Toshiba Corporation (40.64%) BCPE Pangea Cayman, L.P. (25.92%) BCPE Pangea Cayman2, Ltd. (14.96%) BCPE Pangea Cayman 1A, L.P. (9.37%) BCPE Pangea Cayman 1B, L.P. (5.99%) Hoya Corporation (3.13%) Total 100.00% Note: Above shows the voting shareholding ratio as of August 27, 2020.
Business	Group strategy formulation and management oversight
Employees	113, Consolidated 13,512 (As of July 31, 2020)

Management

Directors

Representative Director	Nobuo Hayasaka
Director	Stacy J. Smith
Director	Yuji Sugimoto
Director	David Gross-Loh
Director	Hiroshi Suzuki
Director	Michael R. Splinter

Statutory Auditors

Statutory Auditors	Isao Morita
Statutory Auditors	Koichi Hatano
Statutory Auditors	Masashi Suekane

Executive Officers

President and Chief Executive Officer	Nobuo Hayasaka
Executive Chairman	Stacy J. Smith
Vice Chairman	Lorenzo A. Flores
Executive Vice President and Executive Officer	Tomoharu Watanabe
Managing Executive Officer (Chief Financial Officer)	Hideki Hanazawa
Executive Officer (Chief Strategy Officer)	Shinichi Hashimoto
Executive Officer (General Manager, Legal Affairs Division)	Takahiro Asakura
Executive Officer (General Manager, Human Resources and Administration Division)	Kyota Okishiro

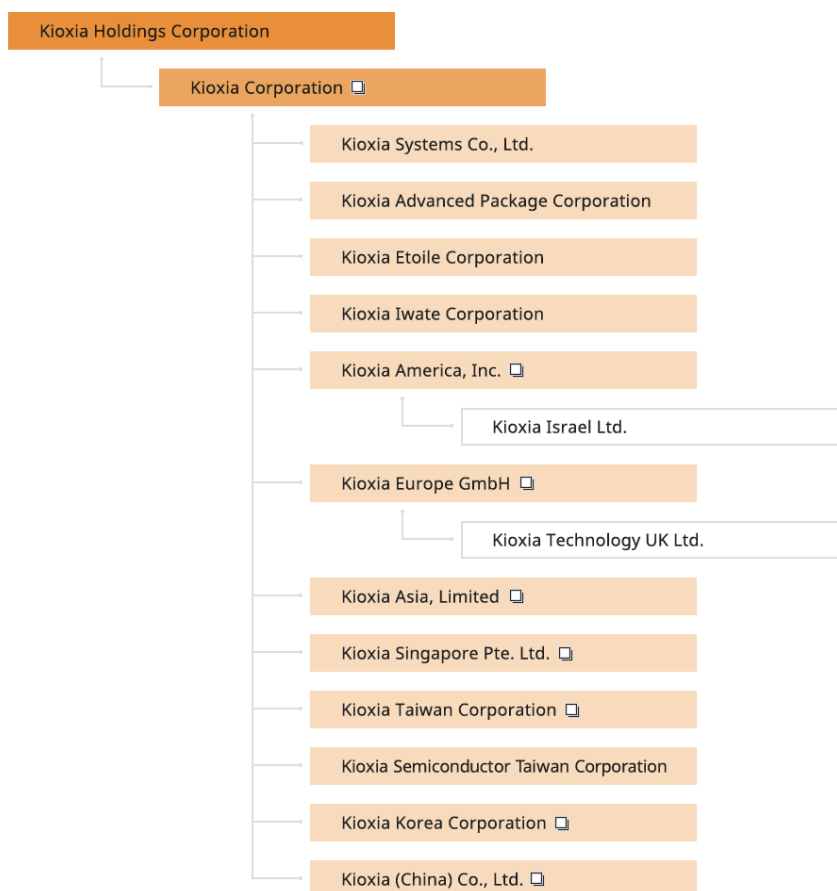
Financial Result

FY2019

Sales	987.2 billion yen
Operating Income	(173.1) billion yen
Net Income	(166.7) billion yen

Group Company

Group structure



History

1987	Invention of world's first NAND flash memory
1991	World's first mass production of NAND flash memory
1992	Yokkaichi Plant established
2007	World's first 3D flash memory technology announced
2014	World's first 15nm 128Gbit NAND flash memory
2016	Mass production of 48-layer BiCS FLASH™
2017	Toshiba Memory Corporation established Mass production of 64-layer BiCS FLASH™
2018	Mass production of 96-layer BiCS FLASH™
Oct 1, 2019	Changed company name to Kioxia Holdings Corporation

Mission

Uplifting the world with “memory”

By evolving “memory,” we create uplifting experiences and change the world.

Vision

With progressive memory technology at our core, we offer products, services, and systems that create choice and define the future.

Message from the Executive Officer in Charge of CSR



KIOXIA Group makes the lives of people around the world more convenient and contributes to the development of industry and society through supplying NAND flash memory and SSDs which are indispensable for many electronic devices, including smartphones and data servers. As the structures of many industries change as a result of technical innovation and huge growth for some, we will contribute to the development of a more sustainable society through our provision of cutting-edge technologies and products.

As the globalization of our business advances day by day, the expectations and demands placed on companies by society—such as reducing greenhouse gas emissions under the Paris Agreement and participation in the UN's Sustainable Development Goals—are steadily growing. In response, in addition to observing laws and regulations, as well as social norms, we will strive to help address social issues through our business operations.

In FY2019, we launched a Diversity Promotion Committee and commenced preparations to address CDP disclosure requirements, with particular reference to carbon emissions and water quality. These steps form part of our continued efforts to address the four CSR material issues that we selected during the previous fiscal year, namely Respect for Human Rights, Diversity Promotion, CSR Management in the Supply Chain, and Environmental Management Promotion. In FY2020, all of us in KIOXIA Group are working together to progress these activities.

KIOXIA Group will continue to aim to become a company trusted by its stakeholders and will continue its sincere commitment to CSR activities.

Nobuo Hayasaka
President and CEO
KIOXIA Holdings Corporation

CSR Strategy

**Our Approach to Addressing Global
Social Issues**

CSR Management

CSR Material Issues and Goals

**Major Sustainability Issues and
Initiatives in the Value Chain**

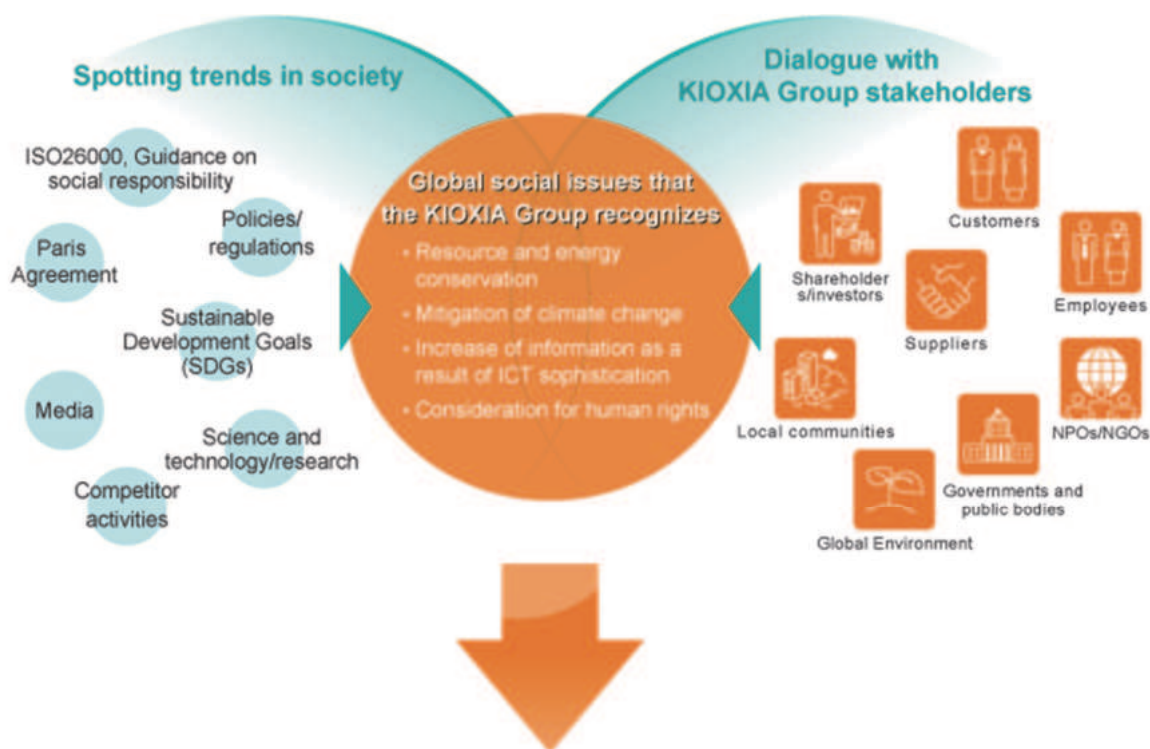
Stakeholder Engagement

Our Approach to Addressing Global Social Issues

Through the development, manufacturing and sale of memory and SSDs, the KIOXIA Group enables the creation of smaller, faster and higher capacity electronic devices which consume less power and are deeply embedded in people's everyday lives. We also facilitate the operation of the data centers and data servers required to support our advanced information-oriented society.

Through the lens of our international business activities and with the support of our stakeholders, we spot emerging trends in the international community and create new value, and in so doing, contribute to the development of society.

Recognition of Global Social Issues



Sphere of activities

- Increasing the capacity and speed while reducing the size and energy consumption of components used in smartphones, automated driving, Internet of Things (IoT), and artificial intelligence (AI).
- Finding solutions to the challenges posed by the enormous volumes of data circulating in advanced information-based societies.

KIOXIA Group's Business Activities

Development, manufacturing and sales of memory and related products.

Human Capital	Financial Results	
Employees Approx. 12,400 (As of March 2020)	Net Sales 987.2 billion yen (FY2019 actual)	Operating Income (173.1) billion yen (FY2019 actual)

Latest Human Capital Input and Financial Results

※In FY2020 we continue investing by business priority, using operating income up to previous fiscal year and borrowing from financial institution.



KIOXIA Group's Solutions

The Value We Create

Providing storage devices that meet the demand for increased capacity and speed while conserving space

- Helping people live convenient and comfortable lives through the provision of resilient and inexpensive storage infrastructures.
- Developing and promoting IoT- and AI-related technologies, thereby helping to improve productivity.

Reducing CO2 emissions by means of our business activities and energy-saving products.

- Helping to realize a global environment less affected by climate change, where people can live safely and with peace of mind.

Our Efforts to Help Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development was unanimously adopted at the United Nations

headquarters in New York in September 2015. The agenda calls for no one to be left behind and stipulates 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as important guidelines to help the international community realize sustainable development and the elimination of poverty by 2030.

In the KIOXIA group, we are working towards identifying how our companies' businesses are related to each of the 169 targets set for the 17 Sustainable Development Goals and are considering ways of contributing to the achievement of these.

In fiscal 2019, we continued hosting CSR lectures and internal conferences focusing on the SDGs, and discussed how we can help achieve these – not only through our current business operations but also through future businesses that are still under development. We will continue to work on measures to help achieve the SDGs.

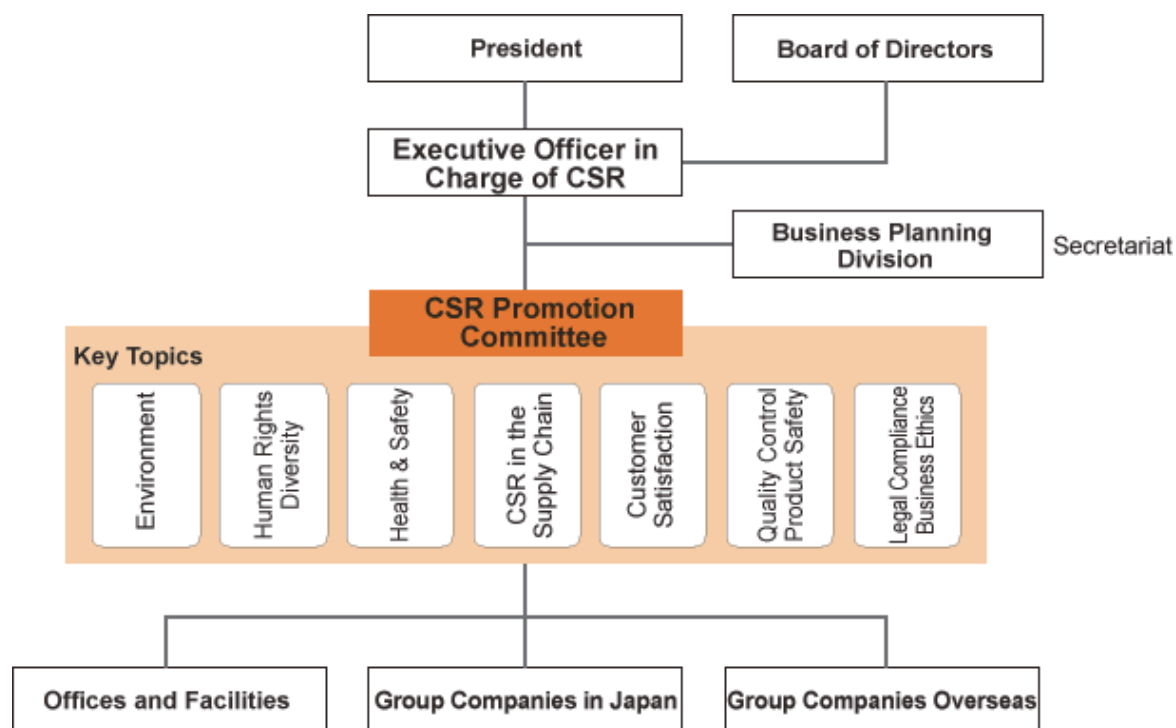


CSR Management

KIOXIA Group manages its CSR activities under the banner of “By evolving ‘memory’, we create uplifting experiences and change the world”, as defined in our corporate mission. Through communication and collaboration with a range of stakeholders including customers, suppliers, employees and their families, we aspire to gain an understanding of issues that affect them and build relationships with them founded on trust.

Organization of CSR Management

In order to ensure that CSR management is integrated with our day-to-day corporate management, KIOXIA Group established a team responsible for CSR within the Business Planning Division of KIOXIA Holdings Corporation. In November of the same year, we appointed CSR managers and CSR promotional staff within each department closely aligned with CSR management. The CSR Promotion Committee comprising these members meets monthly to deliberate and determine CSR-related measures and ways to promote them. The Committee reports its decisions to the Board of Directors through the Executive Officer in charge of CSR as necessary, and communicates them to each business site and across all the group companies to ensure implementation of the measures.



CSR Management Structure

CSR Material Issues and Goals

KIOXIA Group is committed to communicating with integrity and transparency, reporting CSR issues that it considers material.

Our CSR Material Issues

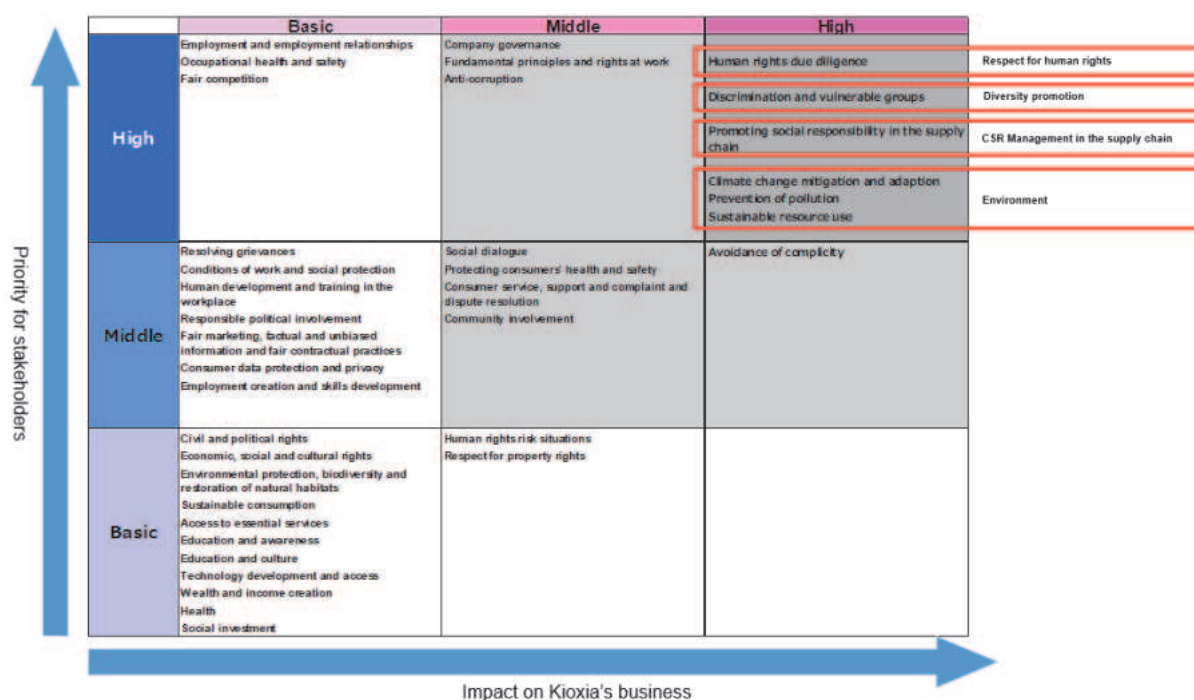
KIOXIA Group is working on the following four CSR material issues.

Four CSR Material Issues

Respect for Human Rights	Observe universal principles on human rights and promote fair and sound business activities
Diversity Promotion	Show respect for diversity and work-life balance, and create a work environment in which individuals can maximize their capabilities
CSR Management in the Supply Chain	Promote human rights, labor, safety, environmental and other initiatives in cooperation with suppliers
Environmental Management	Promote environmental management allowing people to lead fulfilling lifestyles in harmony with the Earth

Process to identify CSR Material Issues

In FY2017, on the basis of self-assessment in regard to the 345 items stated in ISO 26000, assessment by a third-party institution, and communication with stakeholders, KIOXIA Group identified and mapped 37 core subjects, with the vertical axis representing the degree of interest of stakeholders and the horizontal axis representing the importance to our business, in the order of high, medium and low priority. Then, based on the results of this analysis, we identified high priority items in both axes and selected these as our CSR material issues.



Results of Mapping of Core Subjects (37 Items)

Respect for Human Rights

Setting up a System of Human Rights Due Diligence

We observe universal principles on human rights and promote fair and sound business activities. In FY2019, we reviewed our rules and disciplinary measures governing domestic employment in preparation for Japan's new anti-harassment law, which came into force in June 2020. In FY2020, we will collect information that will help us formulate our human rights policies and create a human rights due diligence process, and enhance the harassment consultation service and related processes in our group companies.

Midterm Plan for Realizing Corporate and Social Value

Item	Content
Midterm Plan (FY2022)	Set up and launch a system of human rights due diligence, etc.
Value to Realize	Realize a better working environment for all employees of KIOXIA Group

Diversity Promotion

Promoting the Career Development of Female Employees

We value diverse individualities and work-life balance and are working to create a work environment in which individuals can maximize their capabilities. Promoting the career development of female employees, in particular, is becoming an important focus of Japanese government policy. In FY2019, we launched our Diversity Promotion Committee and commenced discussion of measures to promote the career development of female employees. In FY2020, we will continue to work on these and on creating a work environment in which everyone, regardless of nationality or any disability, can work at ease.

Midterm Plan for Realizing Corporate and Social Value

Item	Content
Midterm Plan (FY2022)	Considering and implementing measures that contribute to improving the ratio of female in new employee recruitment, the retention percentage of female employees and improving the ratio of employees with disabilities, etc.
Value to Realize	Realizing a workplace with gender equality where people with diverse talents can demonstrate their expertise.

CSR Management in the Supply Chain

Promoting Supplier Management in Accordance with RBA Code of Conduct

In order to promote CSR in the field of human rights, labor practices, occupational health & safety, the environment and supply chain ethics, KIOXIA Group undertakes activities that are in keeping with the principles of the RBA Code of Conduct, that is promoting CSR activities inside own group and requesting suppliers to adopt a similar approach as well. In FY2019, we promoted supplier assessment based on the Responsible Business Alliance methodology in order to improve compliance across our procurement chain, and we also added CSR-related items as criteria for supplier evaluation. In FY2020, we will further improve compliance and enhance both internal and external training.

Midterm Plan for Realizing Corporate and Social Value

Item	Content
Midterm Plan (FY2022)	Further deepen the management of suppliers based on the RBA system
Value to Realize	Improve working environment for all employees working in our supply chains

Environmental Management

Mitigation of climate change

As highlighted by the UN's Paris Agreement which aims to restrict the increase in average global temperatures to within 2 degrees Celsius, society's awareness of climate change is growing, as are expectations and demands made of companies in this regard. KIOXIA Group is positioning our efforts to protect the environment as one of our most important drivers; in particular we intend to promote activities that align with international frameworks related to climate change. In FY2019, we responded to a survey by the Carbon Disclosure Project, an environmental standards evaluation organization, and were rated "B" in the Climate Change and Water Security categories. In FY2020, we will work to further improve our CDP scores, set long-term goals of reducing greenhouse gas emissions that comply with the SBT initiative*, and prepare for TCFD declaration.

Midterm Plan for Realizing Corporate and Social Value

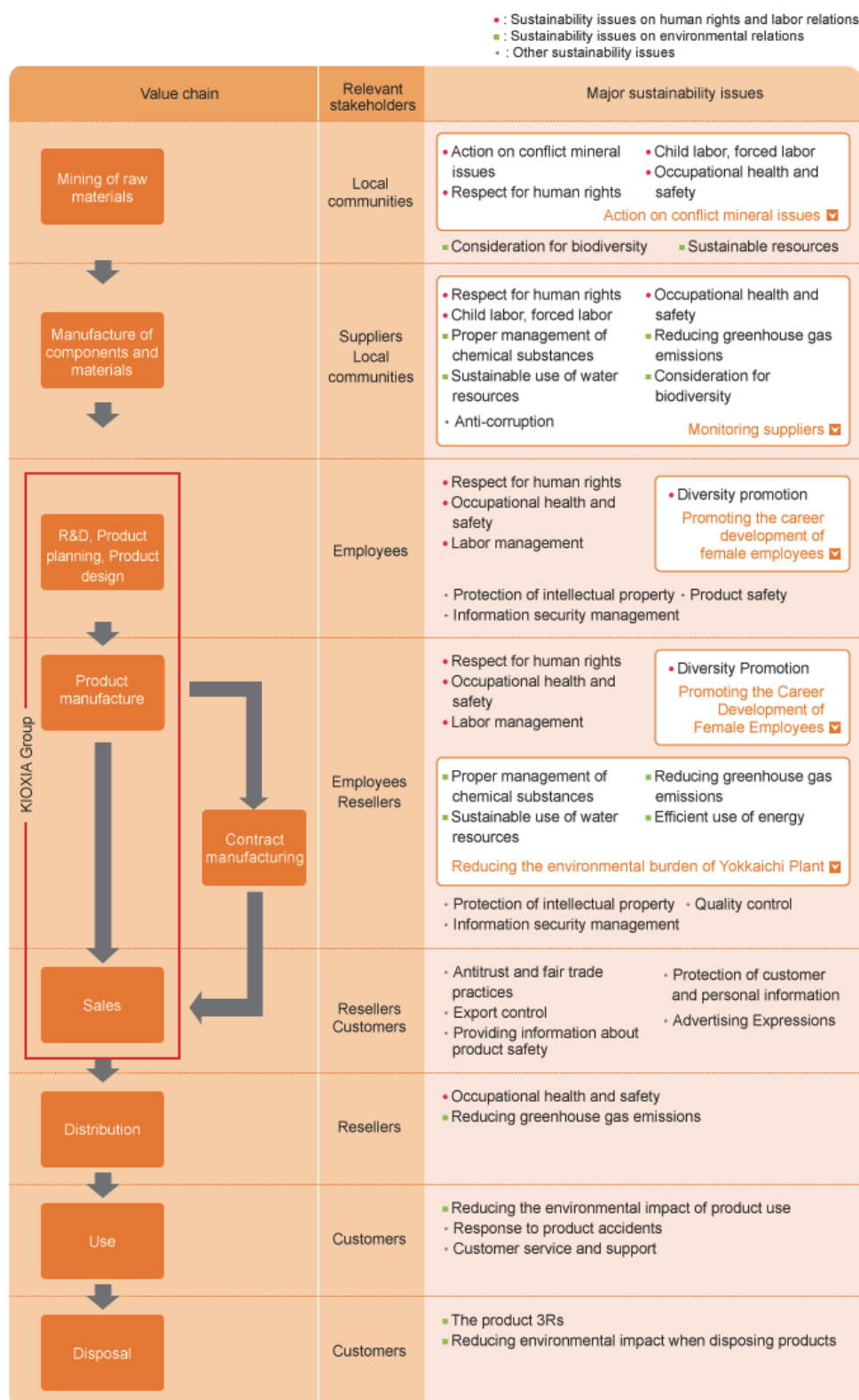
Item	Content
Midterm Plan (FY2022)	Setting goals for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions that comply with SBT* initiatives, TCFD declaration, etc.
Value to Realize	Contributing to the achievement of the 2° Celsius target defined by the Paris Agreement. Realizing a global environment where people around the world can live safely and with peace of mind.

*Science-Based Targets; an initiative which encourages businesses to set greenhouse-gas emissions targets consistent with scientific knowledge which align with the goal of keeping global temperature increases due to climate change to within 2° Celsius of pre-industrial levels.

*Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures; an initiative of the Financial Stability Board (FSB) to develop consistent climate-related financial risk & opportunity disclosures.

Major Sustainability Issues and Initiatives in the Value Chain

As the structure of our various business segments differs and their value chains and stakeholders vary, KIOXIA Group performs mapping and analyzes CSR challenges and risks for each segment, doing our utmost to avoid and mitigate risks.



Respect for Human Rights - Action on Conflict Minerals Issues

Among the raw materials required to manufacture memory products, four minerals in particular* that are mined in conflict areas have become a serious issue, in that they fuel the conflicts as well as encourage inhumane activities such as forced labor.

So as not to aid such inhumane activity through our procurement, we annually survey our suppliers to investigate any use of conflict minerals, and to gather and list the details of smelters, in accordance with our Conflict Mineral Policy.

* The four materials are tin, tantalum, tungsten and gold

Diversity Promotion - Promoting the Career Development of Female Employees

The maximization of the different capabilities and strengths of diverse employees is critical for active innovation and corporate growth. Promoting the career development of female employees in particular is an important issue for companies, as this is not only in line with Japanese government policy, but is also one of the ESG criteria selected by the Government Pension Investment Fund. At KIOXIA, we are developing frameworks and implementing mechanisms and processes that further promote the career development of female employees.

CSR Management in the Supply Chain - Monitoring Suppliers

As global procurement proliferates and accelerates, there is an increase in the potential for CSR risks that could damage our business and our reputation. In order to reduce the incidence of such risks, and in order to promote CSR in areas such as human rights, labor practices and the environment, we monitor the situation across our suppliers based on global standards such as the Responsible Business Alliance Code of Conduct.

Environmental Management - Reducing Environmental Burden of Yokkaichi Plant

KIOXIA Yokkaichi Plant is working to reduce various environmental burdens. At our 5th Fabrication Plant, which was completed in FY2018, we have achieved high efficiency production processes by cultivating the energy-saving measures we implemented in the past, by improving the transportation links between multiple manufacturing buildings, and by introducing AI and IoT technology into production management. In FY2019, Yokkaichi Plant reduced CO2 emissions per unit of production on a GB (gigabyte; memory capacity) basis by more than 10% compared to the previous year.







6th Fabrication Plant at Yokkaichi Plant

Stakeholder Engagement

KIOXIA Group's business activities involve relationships with diverse stakeholders as outlined below.

Here we clarify our relationships with our major stakeholders, the relationship between KIOXIA Group and each stakeholder, the points of dialog, and examples of communication.

Major Stakeholders

Stakeholders	Relationship with KIOXIA Group
Customers 	<p>We sell a wide range of memory and SSD products around the world. They are mainly used in smartphones, laptop PCs, data centers and data servers.</p>
Shareholders /Investors 	<p>Toshiba Corporation (40.64%) BCPE Pangea Cayman, L.P. (25.92%) BCPE Pangea Cayman2, Ltd. (14.96%) BCPE Pangea Cayman 1A, L.P. (9.37%) BCPE Pangea Cayman 1B, L.P. (5.99%) Hoya Corporation (3.13%) Total 100.00%</p> <p>Note: Above shows the voting shareholding ratio as of August 27, 2020.</p>
Suppliers 	<p>We deal continuously with some 600 suppliers worldwide (as of March 31, 2019)</p>
Employees 	<p>13,512 people work in KIOXIA Group (as of July 31, 2020)</p>
Local communities 	<p>In carrying out our business operations, we respect the cultures, history and customs of people in each country or region.</p>
Governments & public bodies 	<p>We observe the laws and regulations of the respective countries and regions in which we do business.</p>
NPOs/NGOs 	<p>We cooperate with and draw on the strength of NPOs and NGOs in areas such as the environment, human rights and our contribution to society, and always endeavor to engage in constructive dialogue with them.</p>



We are tackling climate change and other environmental challenges so that the habitats of diverse life-forms, including our own offspring, can be maintained.

Customers



Key responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing safe, secure products and services that offer great value • Providing appropriate product information • Offering excellent customer relations and support
Major means of identifying stakeholders' views and requests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Routine sales activities • Call center contact (phone, email, etc.)
Stakeholder point of contact	Corporate Sales & Marketing Headquarters, Each division

Communication Method and Case Study

Education and Training of Employees on Dealing with Customers

We provide e-learning for employees aimed at improving customer satisfaction. In FY2019, we held e-learning sessions for KIOXIA Group employees in Japan, the theme of which was "Enhancement of Customer Satisfaction".

Sharing and reflecting on Customer Feedback

We receive comments and requests for products and services in our daily operations; these are shared among related personnel including top management and used to improve product quality and adjust our services.

Shareholders/Investors



Key responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disclosing information in a timely and appropriate manner
Major means of identifying stakeholders' views and requests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timely disclosure, press releases • Meetings with investors based on individual request
Stakeholder point of contact	Legal Affairs Division, Business Planning Division

Communication Method and Case Study

Communication with Media and Securities Analysts

In FY2019, we held events for the press, including a briefing session in September when the company was renamed, a ceremony performed by KIOXIA Iwate to pray for safety in October, a press conference to announce the new company president in January, and "TEZUKA 2020," a project that unveiled a new manga created by AI technology and humans to challenge Osamu Tezuka in February. In addition, we responded to individual requests for dialogue from institutional investors and securities analysts.

Suppliers



Key responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selecting suppliers fairly and engaging in fair trading practices • Respecting human rights, promoting labor management and environmental management in the supply chain
Major means of identifying stakeholders' views and requests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Routine procurement activities • Partner's Day (to explain our procurement policy) • CSR survey, audit, guidance • Clean Partner Line
Stakeholder point of contact	Procurement Division

Requesting Suppliers to Undertake CSR Management

We ask suppliers to undertake their own CSR management through regular meetings which we call Partners' Day, where we explain our procurement policy and daily procurement operations. In addition, we conduct surveys of suppliers based on the RBA Code of Conduct to confirm the status of their compliance.

Employees



Key responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Respecting human rights• Maintaining appropriate employment and labor-management relations• Conducting fair assessment, treatment and development of human resources• Respecting diversity• Supporting diverse working styles• Ensuring occupational health and safety
Major means of identifying stakeholders' views and requests	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dialogue, information exchange meetings• Labor-Management Congress• Employee engagement survey• Risk hotline
Stakeholder point of contact	Human Resources and Administration Division, Legal Division, Business Planning Division

Messages from Top Executives

In FY2019, KIOXIA's president and top-level executives shared a video with employees outlining our management vision and strategies; it was shown via video conferences and via the intranet at the beginning of the half semester. The aim was to increase employee motivation by directly delivering messages following management decisions that affect the whole company.

Promoting Labor-Management Dialogue

KIOXIA supports the principles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the United Nations Global Compact, and the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, and works to ensure that its employees enjoy fundamental labor rights. The labor agreement concluded with the KIOXIA Labor Union stipulates that the Labor Union has the three basic rights - the right to association, the right to collective bargaining and the right to act collectively.

At the KIOXIA Labor-Management Congress held every six months, KIOXIA discusses its business policies with representatives of the Association of KIOXIA Union in Japan. KIOXIA Group companies overseas hold similar discussions with their labor unions or employee representatives in accordance with the laws and regulations of the countries and regions in which they operate.

Employee Engagement Survey and Disclosure of Results

KIOXIA has conducts an employee engagement survey in order to solicit feedback from employees, and to periodically monitor the level of employee understanding of, and agreement with the company's policies. We share the survey results with employees, and our President sends a message addressing and commenting on these; in this way we leverage the survey to create a more open corporate culture.

Local Communities



Key responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stimulating local economies• Respecting different customs and cultures• Engaging in social contribution activities in local communities• Preventing accidents and disasters at business sites
Major means of identifying stakeholders' views and requests	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dialogue, information exchange meetings• Factory visits• Holding summer festivals to promote communication with residents and to revitalize communities• Providing opportunities for community workshops to sell their products

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employee participation in community activities
Stakeholder point of contact	Each business site

Communication Method and Case Study

Environmental Communication

We communicate with local communities about our environmental efforts by means of such initiatives as factory visits and by running classes at elementary schools. This is so that a wide range of stakeholders, such as the communities around Yokkaichi Plant— including schools, customers, companies and students—can learn about KIOXIA Group's activities.

Supporting Local Community Development

KIOXIA Group sees it as our responsibility as a good corporate citizen and as a member of the local community to not just leverage our business activities to address issues faced by local communities, but to engage in business activities that are rooted in the area, such as promoting regional employment and trade with regional companies.

Contributions to Society

As a good corporate citizen, KIOXIA Group strives to build better relationships with the communities where we conduct our business.

At the eco-charity bazaar that our Yokkaichi Plant has been hosting since 2007, we recycle unwanted household goods and donate all profits from the bazaar to the Yokkaichi City Greening Fund. In FY2019, we collected and donated approximately 30,000 contact lens cases through an activity promoting corneal transplants.

Governments and Public Bodies



Key responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complying with laws and regulations, and paying taxes Supporting government policies that address social issues
Major means of identifying stakeholders' views and requests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dialogue and proposals via economic associations and industry bodies

Stakeholder point of contact	Each business site, Business Planning Division
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Communication Method and Case Study

Job Creation and Tax Contribution

KIOXIA Group is expanding its business around the world. The jobs we create help support local communities, especially production facilities that employ large numbers of local people.

By paying taxes in accordance with national laws and regulations, the group companies and their employees make an economic contribution to the countries and regions where they operate.

Participation in Industry Associations

KIOXIA actively participates in the activities of Keidanren (the Japan Business Federation), the Japan Electronics and Information Technology Industries Association and other industry organizations to help address various social issues.

NPOs • NGOs



Key responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborating on and helping to solve global social issues • Collaborating on corporate citizenship
Major means of identifying stakeholders' views and requests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dialogue through collaboration • Exchange of views during stakeholder dialogue
Stakeholder point of contact	Each business site, Business Planning Division

Global environment



Key responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mitigating climate change • Reducing waste discharges • Reducing release of chemicals • Conserving biodiversity
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Major means of identifying stakeholders' views and requests 	➤ —
Stakeholder point of contact	Environment Planning Promotion Group

CSR Performance

Environment

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Kioxia Group's Environmental Policy

Mission

Kioxia Group's Environmental Policy ensures we conduct business in a way that enhances and preserves the environment. Through purposeful, sustainable actions, we're prioritizing being responsible stewards of the environment to do our part in maintaining our planet's health for years to come.

Policy

In addition to complying with environmental laws and regulations in the regions in which it operates, Kioxia Group considers environmental stewardship to be one of our primary responsibilities. We take actions to limit our environmental impact throughout our supply chain of memory, applied and related software products that support information infrastructure. From taking systematic and globally accredited steps to reduce our pollution and greenhouse gas emissions from our manufacturing processes, to regularly auditing and reviewing our activities to constantly improve our environmental management system, Kioxia Group takes deliberate action to ensure efficient and effective operations.

1. Compliance and sustainability

1. We position environmental preservation as one of management's primary responsibilities and are continuously promoting environmental activities in harmony with economic activities.
2. Toshiba Memory Corporation complies with all applicable laws and regulations, industry guidelines it has endorsed, and its own standards concerning the environment.
3. Toshiba Memory Corporation strives to continuously improve and effectively apply its environmental management system through internal audits and reviews in order to enhance environmental activities level and environmental performances.

2. Execution

Toshiba Memory Corporation strives to assess the environmental impact of its business activities including with regard to biodiversity, set objectives and targets with respect to the

reduction of environmental impact, pollution prevention and development of energy saving technologies, and execute proactive environmental measures including the following:

1. We contribute to reducing environmental impact on society through product development according to high capacity, small-sized and resource-saving technologies, environmental assessment of products, and provision of NAND flash memory and SSDs by appropriate control of raw materials and reduction of material usage.;
2. Promoting reduction of our emission of greenhouse gases by developing energy saving technologies, productivity improvements, energy saving measures for power systems and manufacturing equipment, and other effective measures;
3. Contributing to a recycling-based society through efforts to promote 3R (reduce, reuse, recycle) measures proactively along with improving productivity, developing technologies to reduce, reuse or recycle resources used during our manufacturing processes. In terms of efficient water management, we cautiously use water resources withdrawing from the Kiso river water system, and discharge water after effective purification treatment;
4. Promoting risk reduction on environmental issues by appropriately controlling and using chemical substances and developing technologies to effectively reduce the use of certain chemical substances along with making efforts to reduce the total amount of chemical substances released into the environment and the amount of chemical substances treated;
5. In order to preserve biodiversity, Toshiba Memory Corporation strives to assess and mitigate the environmental impact of its business activities on biodiversity and seeks to make a better contribution to society;
6. Facilitating mutual understanding with stakeholders by disclosing information through public relations, exhibitions, and mass-media regarding NAND flash memory and SSD products from the energy-saving viewpoint, and collaborating with local communities and society at large;
7. Striving to enhance the awareness of employees with respect to environmental management, and considering the environment in business activities and processes throughout the Toshiba Memory Corporation.

Toshiba Memory Corporation discloses this Statement of Environmental Philosophy to the public, promotes awareness of this Statement of Environmental Philosophy throughout Toshiba Memory Corporation, and promotes its business activities according to this Statement.

Revised on October 1, 2018

Yasuo Naruke
President,
Toshiba Memory Corporation

Current Status of Environmental Impact and Environmental Targets and Outcomes

Current Status of Environmental Impact

The following tables outline the environmental impact (material balance) of manufacturing activities at KIOXIA.

Although the environmental burden shows an increasing trend due to KIOXIA's increased production capacity resulting from expansion of our information infrastructure, we continue to work on reducing this burden by means of various initiatives.

For details of the environmental impact of Yokkaichi Operations and their environmental activities, see the "2019 Yokkaichi Plant Environmental Report".

Input

		FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
Chemicals*	ton	44,974	47,661	47,147
City water	thousand m ³	60	78	30
Industrial water	thousand m ³	16,879	19,463	19,766

*Chemicals targeted for reduction

Output

		FY2017	FY2018	FY2019
Greenhouse gas	thousand ton	1,726	2,065	2,186
Chemicals*	ton	687	653	518
Waste	ton	70,075	80,203	81,211
Waste water	thousand m ³	13,590	14,777	14,733

NOx	ton	21.5	28.0	27.0
SOx	ton	0	0	0

*Chemicals targeted for reduction

CO2 emissions from business operations

Greenhouse gases (CO2 equivalent) emissions from KIOXIA's business operations in FY2019 are shown in the below chart.

(Hyphenated cells are not applicable, and we have not calculated "use of sold products")

			CO2 emissions in FY 2019 (t-CO2)	Outlines of categories
SCOPE1 (Direct emissions)			484,100	Direct greenhouse gas emissions in our own operations
SCOPE2 (Indirect emissions, electricity)			1,702,000	Emissions associated with the purchased energy
SCOPE3 (Indirect emissions through the value chain except for SCOPE1, SCOPE2)	Category			
	1	Purchased goods and services	2,822,000	Emissions from activities up to manufacturing of raw materials
	2	Capital goods	558,541	Emissions from construction and manufacturing of the capital goods
	3	Fuel- and energy-related activities not included in SCOPE1 or SCOPE2	146,000	Upstream emissions of purchased fuels/electricity, etc.
	4	Upstream transport and delivery	218	Emissions from transportation of products and waste in Japan (except for overseas transportation and suppliers' transportation)
	5	Waste generated in operations	14,810	Emissions from treatment of waste
	6	Business travel	4,117	Emissions from business travel by employees
	7	Employee	16,318	Emissions from transportation of

		commuting		employees when commuting
	8	Leased assets (upstream)	-	-
	9	Downstream transportation and delivery	-	-
	10	Processing of sold products	-	-
	11	Use of sold products	-	-
	12	End-of-life treatment of sold products	-	-
	13	Downstream leased assets	-	-
	14	Franchises	-	-
	15	Investments	-	-
		SCOPE3 (Total)	3,562,002	

Targets and Outcomes

KIOXIA group promotes business activities that contribute to the sustainability of society by setting environmental targets and objectives. The following table summarizes the environmental targets of KIOXIA for 2019 and their achievement status.

We again achieved all environmental targets in FY2019 thanks to our energy-saving activities promoted across the organization and efforts to reduce the amounts of used and discarded chemical substances at our flash memory manufacturing plants. We are also actively carrying out social contribution activities with employee participation and biodiversity conservation activities, primarily at our manufacturing plants.

We adopted the “rate of change of environmental impacts per unit of GB (gigabyte) from FY2013 basis” as our targets, excluding the reduction of CO2 emissions from energy sources.

Accompanying our plans for production line expansion, the environmental impact of KIOXIA is expected to increase in 2020 compared with the previous year, and we will continue to undertake cross-functional environmental initiatives.

Environmental targets and objectives		FY2019 Target	FY2019 Result	FY2019 Achievement Status
Development of products that aim to reduce the environmental impact of society	Reducing the environmental impact of production processes through miniaturization of devices	3 or more measures per year	3 measures	○
Mitigation of global warming	Reduction of CO2 emissions from energy sources	≥ 19,513 t-CO ₂	20,667 t-CO₂	○
	PFC emissions (Rate of change from FY2013)	≤ 76.5%	70.1%	○
Promoting efficient use of resources	Total amount of waste generated minus amount of valuable waste (Rate of change from FY2013)	≤ 40.5%	36.5%	○
	Total waste generated (Rate of change from FY2013)	≤ 28.4%	25.8%	○
	Water intake (Rate of change from FY2013)	≤ 35.2%	27.3%	○
Reduction of environmental risk	Emissions of chemical substances to air and water (total amount, rate of change from FY2013)	≤ 32.1%	23.9%	○
Biodiversity conservation	Biodiversity conservation	Periodic monitoring of indicator species	Periodic monitoring of indicator species	○

Promotion of environmental communication	Social communication	Charity eco bazaars, collection of recyclable wastes, donations, etc.	Held charity bazaars, collected recyclable garbage, made donations, etc.	○
	Community communication	Local communication	Communicated with local people (e.g., meetings with local residents' associations)	○
Raising environmental consciousness	Raising environmental consciousness	Measures for raising consciousness	Held consciousness-raising programs (e.g., monthly environmental events)	○

(t : ton)

Environmental Protection System

Monitoring System

1. Items specified by laws and regulations

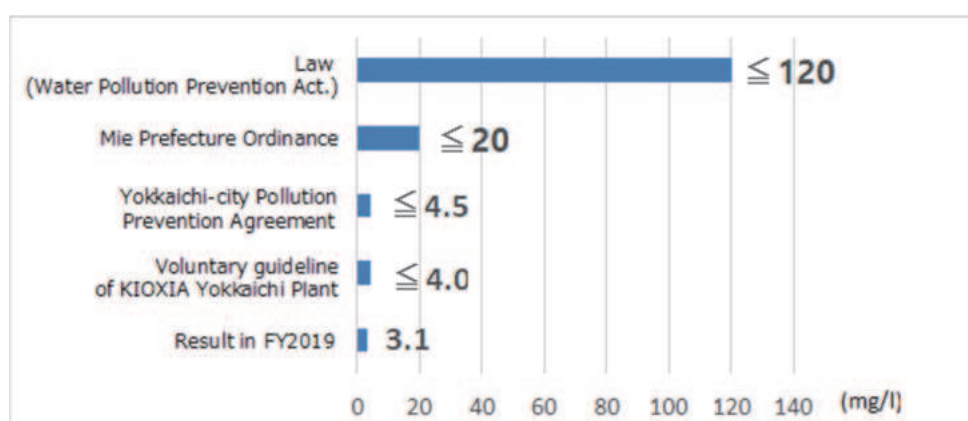
In each of its manufacturing operations, KIOXIA deploys automatic analyzers performing around-the-clock monitoring of wastewater and waste gases including nitrogen oxide (NO_x), sulfur oxide (SO_x), total nitrogen (T-N), total phosphorus (T-P), chemical oxygen demand (COD), suspended solids (SS), fluorine, and power of hydrogen (pH). Other items are monitored by sampling.

2. Analysis Center

We analyze approximately 38,000 items of wastewater and waste gas per year at the Analysis Center in Yokkaichi Plant.

Wastewater voluntary rules

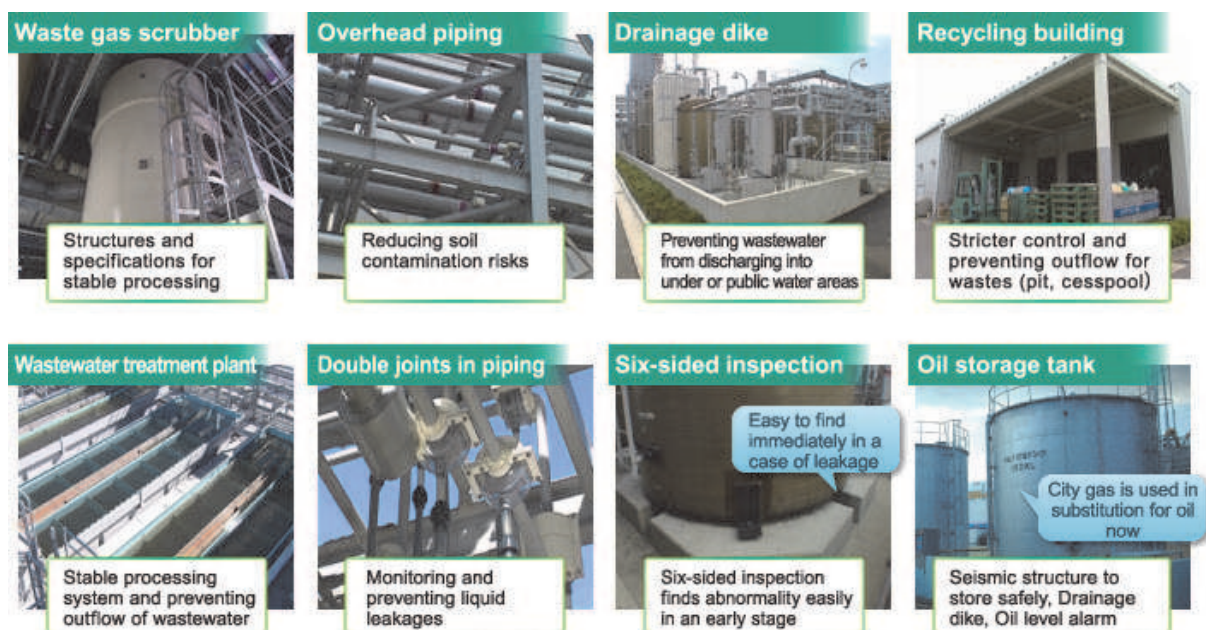
We continuously manage the water and gas discharged by Yokkaichi Plant under our own voluntary guidelines to ensure compliance with all appropriate laws and regulations.



COD guidelines

Introduction of environmental-related facilities

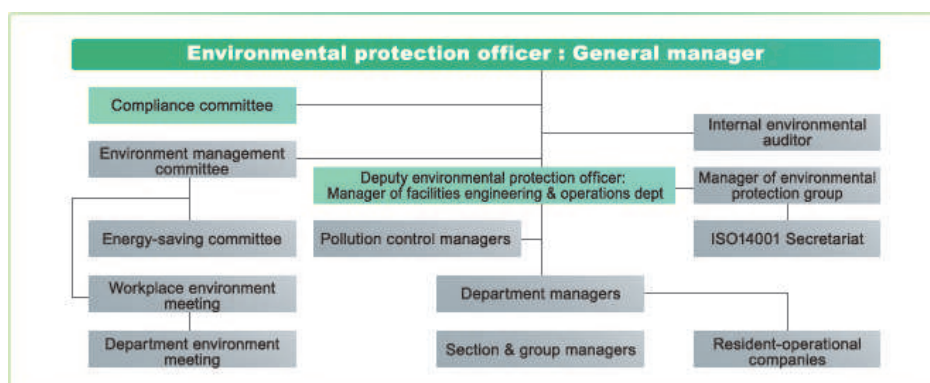
In order to prevent contamination by chemical substances and reduce contamination risk, KIOXIA has established Structural Design Guidelines to reduce the risk of a leak of chemicals at environmental facilities.



Examples

Environmental Preservation System

To promote environmental preservation activities continually and efficiently, in each manufacturing site of KIOXIA we have established environmental preservation procedures overseen by a General Manager with clearly defined responsibilities and authority. An Environment Management Committee deliberates environmental preservation across the entire spectrum of environmental activities, including environmental management systems, environmental policies and environmental objectives. We have further established a Compliance Committee to supervise and ensure full compliance with all relevant environmental laws and ordinances.

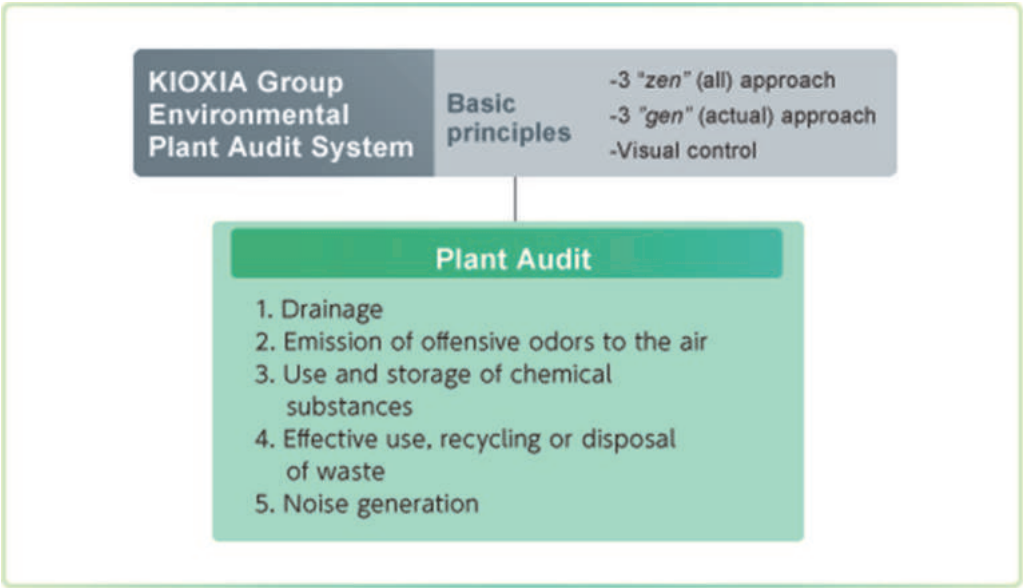


Environmental Preservation System

Environmental Plant Audit System

KIOXIA Group audit teams conduct annual environmental audits of its sites based on the following principles: 3 “Zen” approach, 3 “Gen” approach, and visual control (management to watch and show) approach.

Through audits, we promote improvement in compliance with laws and regulations, measurement and management of controlled substances, and the 4S approach (sorting, straightening-up, sanitation, sweeping). These audits target eight facilities, including the legally mandated wastewater treatment facilities.



KIOXIA Group Environmental Plant Audit System

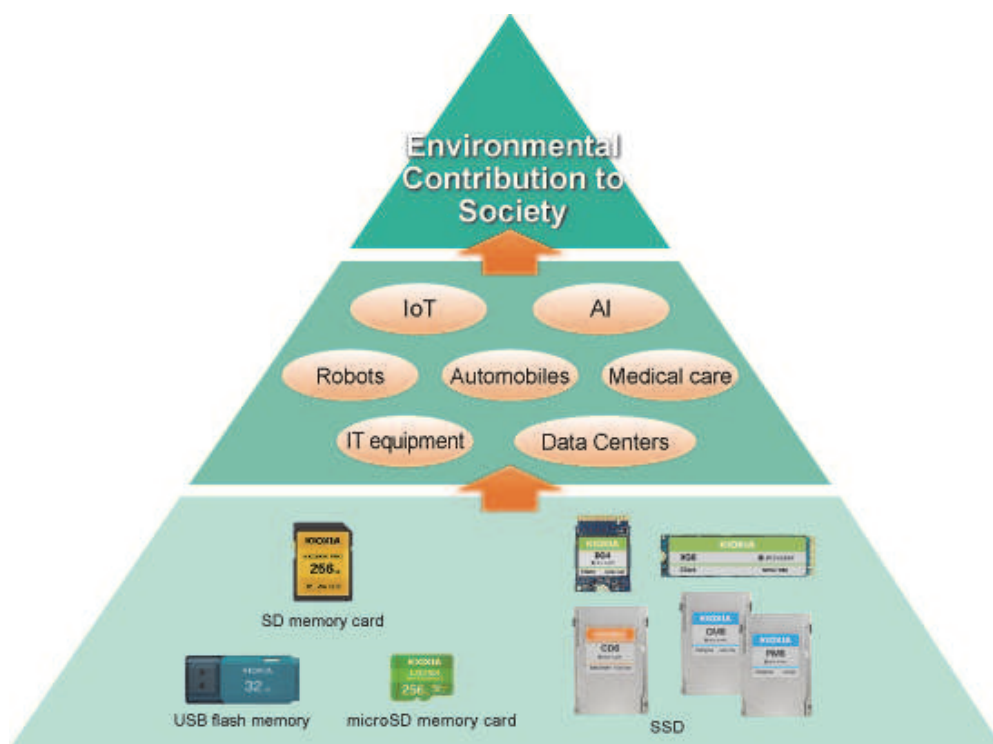
Contributing to the Environment through Our Products

The semiconductor memories and solid-state drives (SSDs) that KIOXIA supplies are integrated into a wide range of products and used throughout the world. We believe that we can contribute to the realization of a low carbon society by supplying large-capacity products and low-power-consumption products, and we are engaged in a number of initiatives to this end.

Amidst the recent acceleration in the use of AI and IoT, there is a growing need to increase the capacity and speed of flash memory and SSD products. By promoting increases in the capacity of flash memory through the development of integration technology, KIOXIA is working to reduce CO₂ emissions per capacity both in manufacturing and use of flash memory and SSDs.

Specifically, we contribute to the reduction of CO₂ emissions by reducing the amount of electricity used per unit of capacity and materials used when manufacturing, and by lowering the power consumption of our products when in use.

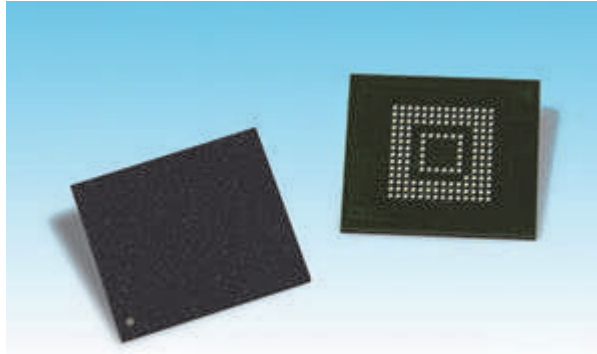
We believe that KIOXIA flash memories and SSDs will play an important role in the area of 5G (the fifth-generation mobile communication system), which is expected to become more widespread in the future. Since faster, higher capacity devices are expected to be necessary in the 5G world, we envisage that the cutting-edge large-capacity flash memory and low-latency SSDs we provide will contribute to society in various fields. Thus, we are supporting the provision of increased capacity by developing advanced integration technology as our top priority.



Examples of fields that KIOXIA products contribute to

Product Case Studies: UFS Ver. 3.1 Embedded Flash Memory Devices

KIOXIA has developed the UFS product, an embedded flash memory that complies with the JEDEC UFS [1] Version 3.1 interface.



UFS Ver. 3.1 embedded flash memory device (11.5 × 13 mm standard JEDEC package)

Next-generation mobile 5G devices will improve communication speeds and process a high volume of data communications; thus, embedded storage must be high-performance and more energy-efficient as well as consume less standby energy.

The UFS product is an embedded flash memory with a control function that integrates with our 3D flash memory BiCS FLASH™ and a controller chip. To meet the aforementioned requirements and diverse needs, it comes in three different storage sizes, namely 128 GB, 256 GB and 512 GB [2].

The UFS product incorporates the following major functions in order to achieve high performance, higher energy efficiency, and lower standby power consumption: WriteBooster*, Host Performance Booster (HPB) Ver. 1.0, and UFS-DeepSleep Power Mode*.

Thanks to the WriteBooster function, the UFS product's sequential write speed is approximately two to three times faster than that of our previous product (Ver. 3.0), thereby contributing to reduced data transfer times and improved power efficiency.

The sequential read speed of the UFS product exceeds that of the previous product by approximately 30%.

As for random read performance, the UFS product supports Host Performance Booster (HPB) Ver. 1.0 (extended in Ver. 3.1) thus allowing better utilization of the host's memory and increasing the number of transfers per unit time. In addition, it supports UFS-DeepSleep Power Mode* to reduce standby energy consumption compared to our previous product. The UFS product can be utilized in 5G smartphones as well as in a wide range of devices, such as PCs and VR/AR equipment.

*New features of JEDEC UFS Version 3.1

[1] UFS (Universal Flash Storage): A standard for embedded flash storage stipulated by JEDEC. Because it uses a duplex serial interface, reading and writing can be performed simultaneously between the storage unit and the host device.

[2] The description of this product is based on the amount of built-in flash memory, not on the amount of memory available for use. As a portion of the memory is used as a management area, please refer to the relevant specifications for details of the available memory space (user area).

Product Case Studies: Fifth-generation 3D flash memory BiCS FLASH™

KIOXIA has developed the fifth generation of our 3D flash memory BiCS FLASH™ by applying a 112-layer process. This product is a 512-gigabit (64-gigabyte) 3-bit-per-cell (TLC). We have optimized the circuit techniques and processes in order to minimize the chip size, thereby increasing the memory capacity per unit of area by approximately 20% compared to the fourth generation 96-layer BiCS FLASH™. This makes it possible to increase the memory capacity per silicon wafer, thereby reducing the amount of resources used and cost per capacity unit. In addition, this product has 50% better interface performance and achieves improved program and read performance, thereby realizing approximately 20% better energy efficiency per data transfer unit.



112-layer fifth-generation 3D flash memory BiCS FLASH™

KIOXIA will respond to the ever-growing demand for SSDs for datacenters, enterprise SSDs, SSDs for PCs, and products for smartphones, as well as the new demand that will be created by 5G networks, AI, and self-driving systems.

Note: The above company names, product names and service names may be trademarks of their respective companies.

Product Case Studies: KIOXIA CM6 series: PCIe®4.0 and NVMe™1.4-compliant enterprise SSD Fifth-generation 3D flash memory BiCS FLASH™

As companies accelerate their digital transformations, larger and faster storage that supports data processing and analysis has become increasingly important.

The enterprise KIOXIA CM6 series is a lineup of fourth-generation 96-layer three-dimensional flash memory SSDs that support PCIe®4.0 and NVMe™1.4.

These SSDs achieve a maximum sequential read speed of 6.9 GB/s, enterprise SSDs deliver best-in-class [1] and more than twice as fast as the maximum sequential read speed of our previous KIOXIA CM5 series.

Because PCIe®4.0 support can enhance performance, but only in exchange for a higher temperature inside the SSD, we have improved the shapes of the thermal interface materials compared to our previous product, thereby achieving better performance.



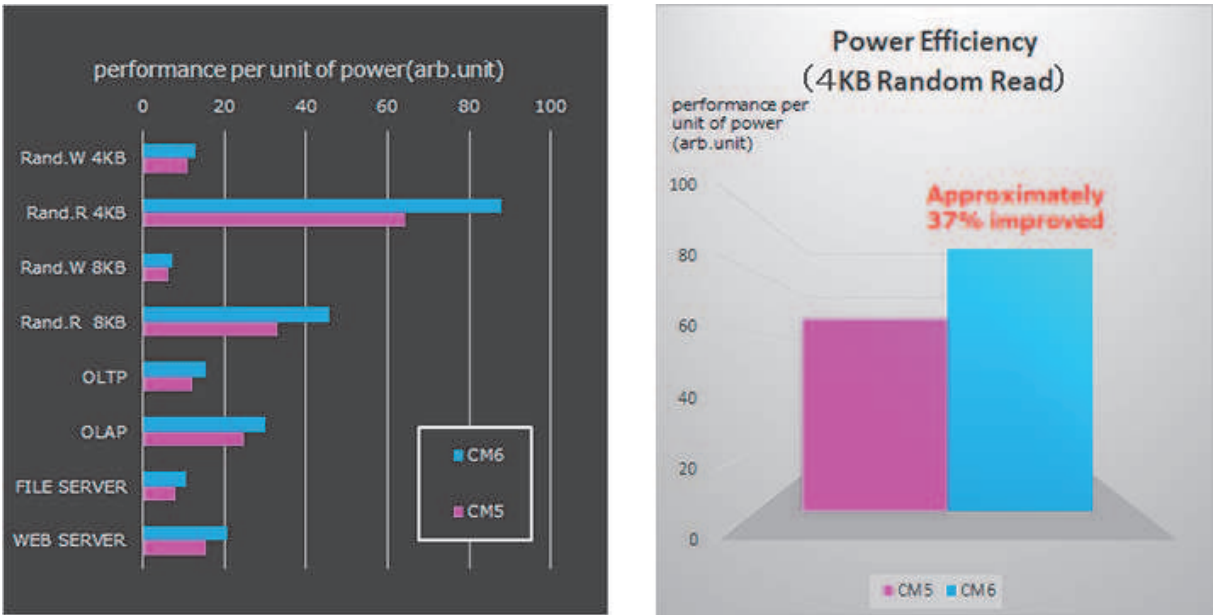
**KIOXIA CM6 series:
Enterprise SSD with improved power efficiency**

The KIOXIA CM6 series boasts superior throughput per unit of electric power and improved power efficiency.

The bottom graphs show the measured values per unit watt [2]. The KIOXIA CM6 series is more power-efficient than the previous product in almost all areas. In particular, for 4 KB random read performance, the KIOXIA CM6 series is approximately 37% more power-efficient than the previous product.

In tests that measure performance by simulating the read-write ratios of online transaction processing, online analytical processing, file server, and webserver (which perform to common data read and write ratios), the KIOXIA CM6 series achieves 25–35% better performance per watt, as shown in the graph; thus, it can process more data while consuming less power.

In addition to the improved power efficiency, the KIOXIA CM6 series includes models with capacities of up to 30.72 TB [3]. The larger capacity and smaller footprint significantly contribute to reducing the number of servers and total cost of ownership.



Comparison of Power Efficiency

[1] As of February 21, 2020, in the category of enterprise SSDs: KIOXIA Corporation survey.

[2] As of June 2020. Measured CM5 (Read-Intensive, 3.84TB) and CM6 (Read-Intensive, 3.84TB) under KIOXIA's test environment (using FIO, part of which simulates an enterprise environment).

[3] Definition of capacity: KIOXIA defines a gigabyte (1 GB) as 1,000,000,000 (10 to the power of 9) bytes, and a terabyte (1 TB) as 1,000 gigabytes (GB). Some computer operating systems, however, report storage capacity using powers of 2 under a definition of 1 GB = 1,073,741,824 (two to the power of 30) bytes; therefore, they show a lower storage capacity figure for the same actual amount of storage. The available storage capacity varies based on file size, disk formatting, settings, software, the operating system, and other factors. Actual formatted capacity may vary.

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Environmental Evaluation by External Parties

Introducing KIOXIA Corporation's awards and evaluation by external parties.

Results of disclosing environmental information to CDP (FY2019)

In FY2019, KIOXIA responded to CDP, the world's largest environmental information evaluation organization, for the first time.

Our responses were evaluated as follows:

•**CDP Climate Change:** This evaluates a company's risks, opportunities, and responses regarding climate change. In FY2019, we were rated B (management level).

•**CDP Water Security:** This evaluates a company's efforts on water stewardship. In FY2019, we were rated B (management level).



About CDP: CDP is an international not-for-profit organization established in 2000 to tackle environmental issues, including climate change and water risks. It collects information from major companies around the world using questionnaires on the subject of management risks that climate change and other environmental issues pose to companies, and it rates them on an 8-point scale from A to D- (A is the highest grade) based on the received responses. In 2019, it received responses from over 8,400 companies and provided information to over 500 institutional investors.

Received the “Yokkaichi City Environmental Activity Award” (FY2019)

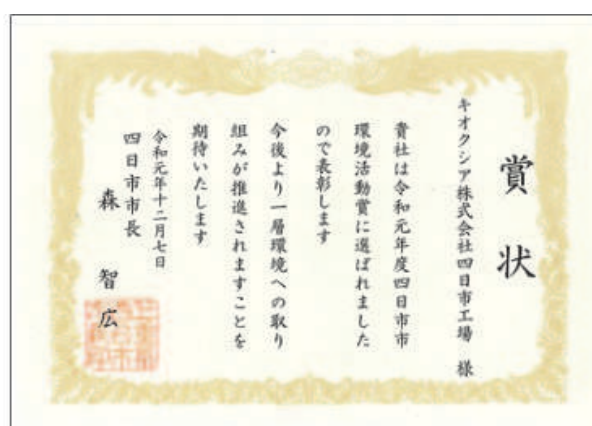
In December 2019, KIOXIA Yokkaichi Plant received the "Yokkaichi City Environmental Activity Award" from Yokkaichi City, which established this award in 2015 to raise awareness of the need for environmental conservation. Yokkaichi Plant was commended for making joint efforts with the local community and government.

Since 2006, Yokkaichi Plant has been holding on-demand environmental lectures in a few local schools. The aim is to raise awareness of global warming and other environmental problems by discussing and presenting energy-saving activities that people can carry out at home. The cumulative total number of attendees now exceeds 3,000.

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In 2017, Yokkaichi Plant signed the Mie Biodiversity Partnership Agreement with Yokkaichi-Nishi High School and Mie Prefecture in order to help Yokkaichi-Nishi High School with their owl protection activities by, for example, providing and installing equipment to observe owls.

Going forward, KIOXIA will continue to carry out community-based environmental preservation



activities.

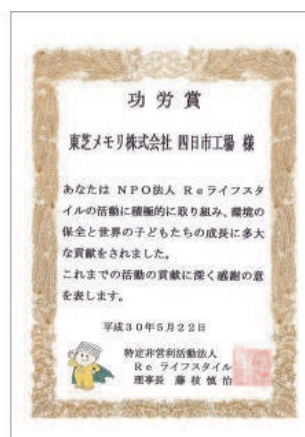
Received the "Award for Distinguished Service" from Re-Lifestyle (NPO) (FY2018)

KIOXIA Yokkaichi Plant received the "Award for Distinguished Service" from Re-Lifestyle, a non-profit organization engaging in the PET-bottle cap collection business, in May 2018.

The collection of 500 PET bottle caps allows one person to receive a polio vaccine. At the Yokkaichi Plant, they have collected and donated over one million PET bottle caps.

Toshiba Environmental Solutions Corporation cooperates by collecting PET bottle caps at our Yokkaichi Operations, and Toshiba Logistics Corporation contributes by delivering the caps to Re-Lifestyle, which is located in Kanagawa Prefecture.

Everyone at Yokkaichi Plant will continue these activities into the future, with the aim of contributing to the growth of healthy children around the world.



Environmental Communication

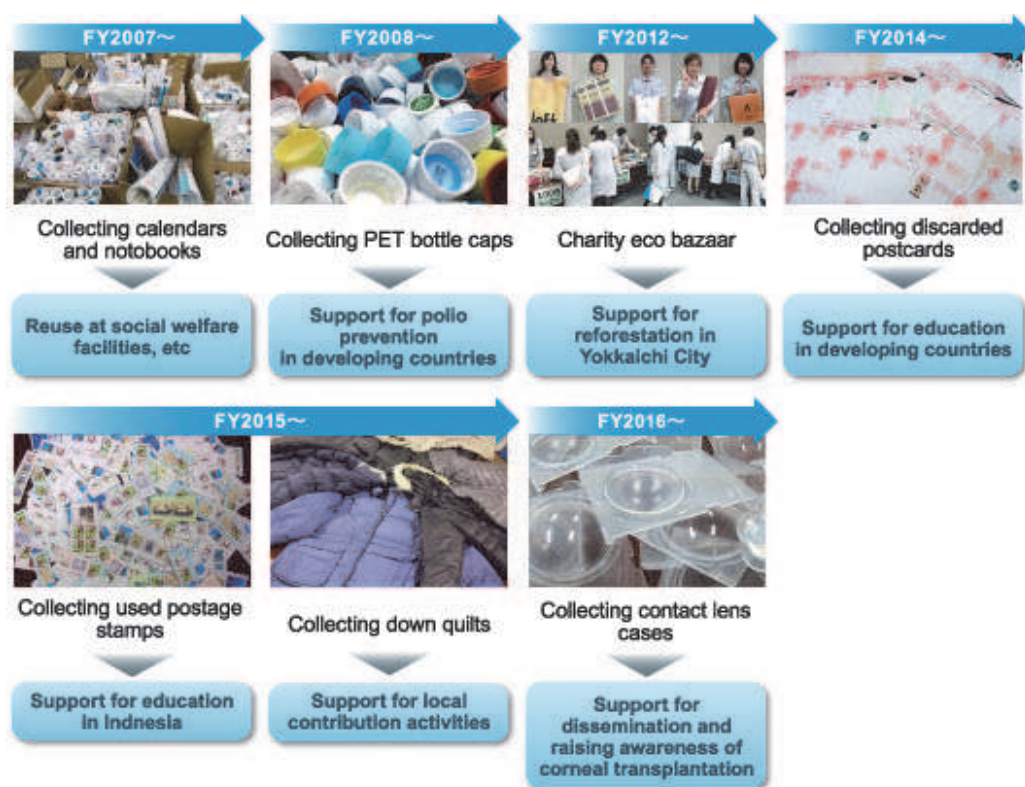
KIOXIA Corporation's flagship factory, Yokkaichi Plant, is responsible for its own social contribution activities and its environmental measures. As outlined below, current activities involve employees and resident suppliers.

This activity aims to raise awareness among employees, promote resource saving by recycling employee's resources, and make social contributions and promote greening by donating a portion of the resulting proceeds.

One of our employees' favorite events is the "Charity Eco Bazaar". Goods that can be recycled are donated to the bazaar and the proceeds from these are donated to a tree planting fund in Yokkaichi City.

In FY2019, we collected approximately 30,000 contact lens cases through an activity to promote corneal transplants. The cases were donated through eyecity, a company that sells contact lenses.

In the future, we will continue to promote environmental activities that contribute to society, and promote a sense of belonging among employees, as well as striving to improve their environmental awareness.





Charity Eco Bazaar

Biodiversity Preservation

Planting flowers

In In Yokkaichi Plant, we are running a flower project that fills the factory with flowers. This is helping to improve environmental awareness among the employees there—as well as our factory's image—and is creating a more relaxing environment.

In November 2019, the fifth potting event was held, and many employees attended.



Transplantation event in November 2019

Owl protection project

Aware Aware of the impact of our business activities on biodiversity, KIOXIA engages in biodiversity conservation activities in order to reduce the impact and promote social contribution activities.

Aiming to promote the owl protection project advanced by the Natural Study Group of Yokkaichi-Nishi High School in Mie Prefecture, in 2018 our Yokkaichi Operations signed a “Mie Biodiversity Partnership Agreement”, forming an industry, government and university partnership in March 2018. Under this partnership, we will unite with people in the region to support the activities of the partnership, which aims to pass down the region’s rich natural environment to the next generation through the provision of equipment used for observation.

As part of this activity, we have installed bird boxes in Mie Prefecture's Forest Park to allow the observation of owls inside and outside the boxes with observation cameras.

In addition, to improve observation capabilities, in December 2019 we added more equipment, including solar panels. During late February and early March 2020, we observed three laid eggs; subsequently, we observed three baby owls that hatched in April and fledged in May.



Solar battery panels powering the on-site equipment



Baby owl fledging



Observation equipment installed on trees



Baby owls inside the bird box

Activity results and plans

	Main activities and outcomes
FY2017	Signed the Mie Biodiversity Partnership Agreement.
FY2018	Provided observation equipment; started to promote the project within and outside the company.

FY2019	Improve the specifications of the observation and recording equipment, etc.
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Owl Lecture

On October 10, 2019, we invited Mr. Tange from Yokkaichi-Nishi High School to a lecture held as part of our owl protection activities. We learned about the ecology of owls and the importance of nature.



Lecture as part of owl protection activities

Acquisition of Environmental Certification

In March 2018, KIOXIA obtained ISO 14001:2015 certification, an international standard for integrated environmental management encompassing all business processes. We underwent a surveillance audit in March 2020 and maintained our certification.

KIOXIA will continue to actively promote the development of energy-efficient products that address the need for exponentially increasing volumes of data. We will also continue with communication activities at our state-of-the-art factories, as well as with communication about the environment that take regional characteristics into account, and with our biodiversity conservation activities.

Acquisition of ISO14001 certification

Scope of certification	Certified body	Registration date	Certificate expiry	Approval certificate No.
Kioxia Corporation Head Office	JACO: Japan Audit and Certification Organization for Environment and Quality	28 Mar 2018	27 Mar 2021	EC17J0025
Yokkaichi Operations				
Kioxia Iwate Corporation				

Acquisition of Sony Green Partner

* This certification was obtained under a former company name, Toshiba Memory Corporation.

MC Name / FC Name	Expiry Date	Factory Code
Toshiba Memory Corporation Yokkaichi Plant	31 Mar 2021	FC007421

Respect for Human Rights

KIOXIA Group has established Standards of Conduct incorporating a set of values that should be shared by all employees in order to achieve our Basic Commitment and Vision. In accordance with one of the Behaviors—Act with Integrity, Transparently—we commit to respecting human rights.

Policy and Framework Governing Respect for Human Rights

It is a fundamental principle that a company conducting business in the international community should understand the culture of the countries and regions in which it operates, as well as accepting diverse values and respecting the basic rights of people. KIOXIA Group promotes activities with reference to ISO26000, which is an international standard regulating the social responsibilities of organizations.

As part of the promotion framework, we have appointed a staff member who is responsible for human rights enlightenment within the Human Resources and General Affairs Department of KIOXIA Corporation. The staff member regularly attends external lectures to ascertain the latest social trends, and communicates these internally.

- [KIOXIA Group Standards of Conduct 1. Human Rights](#)

Identification of Human Rights Risks

KIOXIA Group creates a risk map based on ISO26000 covering the company's entire value chain in order to identify any human rights issues across all of our business activities.

We are also enhancing our efforts to monitor the implementation of human rights initiatives, and we will perform CSR surveys targeting both KIOXIA Group companies and our suppliers, and surveys of conflict minerals (minerals sourced from conflict zones, trade in which may perpetuate the fighting).

- [CSR Material issues and Goals](#)

Education and Awareness-Raising of the Need to Respect Human Rights

We provide training on human rights issues as part of our staff onboarding process and when employees are appointed to managerial positions.

Establishment of Whistleblower System and Consulting Service

Whistleblower System “Risk Hotline” for Employees

KIOXIA Group has established a whistleblower system – the “Risk Hotline” – to collect internal information via email and telephone on alleged violations of KIOXIA Group Standards of Conduct, particularly those concerning laws and regulations, and to deal with any wrongdoing. Under this system, an employee can report an incident and seek advice. Employees are protected from retaliation and steps are taken to ensure they are not treated disadvantageously for having provided such information.

- [Whistleblower System](#)

Fair Evaluation and Talent Development

KIOXIA Group is working to encourage diverse employees to exercise their respective capabilities; we have established fair evaluation systems, seeking to develop and deploy our human resources to their fullest extent.

Policy on Fair Evaluation and Talent Development

For KIOXIA Group to thrive in the face of global competition, we need energetic, creative people. We will strengthen our training systems to develop talent so that each of our employees can exercise his or her abilities to the fullest.

Training System for Talent Development

Training Programs

KIOXIA Group has various training systems that help create a common ground of understanding among employees, and programs based on the requirements of each career level.

Main Training Programs

Training Category	Outline
Basic Training and Development	A program that is designed to familiarize employees with the actions and values that form the shared basis for all members of the KIOXIA Group, such as compliance and CSR education.
Global Training and Development	A program that seeks to develop globally-minded people who can not only perform their jobs within the scope of their countries or regions, but at a global level, by accepting cross-cultural differences and communicating with a wide range of stakeholders. The program also aims to teach the skills that allow people to succeed globally.

Training and Development based on Levels of Responsibility	A program that seeks to improve the basic knowledge, skills, and management capabilities required for employees assigned to new positions (leader, manager, etc.). This program also includes training aimed at continuously improving the leadership capabilities of managers, as well as education aimed at imparting at an early stage the knowledge and skills required to conduct global business.
Job-specific Training and Development	Aims to equip employees, based on their career stages, with the knowledge and skills required for different job functions.
Managerial Training	Training program for the select group of individuals who are candidates to take up managerial/leadership positions.

Using Fully-Fledged Career Development Systems

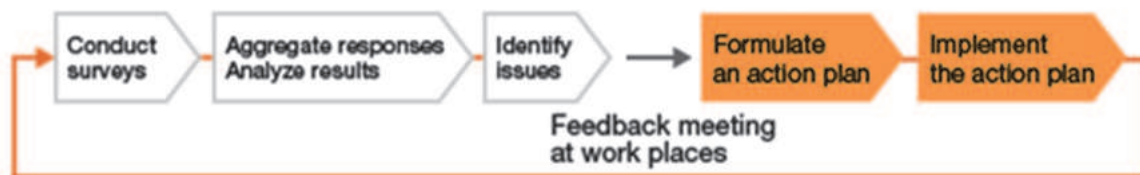
KIOXIA Group supports the career development of each employee in an effort to maximize his or her current and future job performance. The Career Design System, for example, provides each employee with an annual opportunity to discuss and share their views on their own long-term career development as well as on mid-term skill acquisition goals, improvement of these, and ways to showcase such skills with their superiors. The Performance Management System gives each employee a semi-annual opportunity to review and discuss with their superiors their job performance over the previous six months as well as their job objectives for the following six months.

Employee Engagement Survey

KIOXIA Group regularly conducts an Employees Engagement Survey for the purpose of soliciting the opinions of employees. By means of this survey, we periodically monitor the level of employee awareness of various measures and how far these have propagated into the organization. Where issues are identified, we seek to resolve them, leveraging the results of the survey to improve the corporate culture.

In FY2018, we conducted an anonymous survey targeting about 10,000 employees, and received responses from approximately 93% of them.

Employee engagement survey execution cycle (annual)



Diversity Promotion

The maximization of the capabilities and strengths of diverse employees is critical for active innovation and corporate growth. Based on this belief, the KIOXIA Group has positioned the promotion of diversity as one of its integral management policy visions.

Policy on Diversity Promotion and Management Structure

KIOXIA Group promotes diversity in order to be able to quickly respond to the business environment and diversifying market needs. We are endeavoring to create a culture that enables a diverse range of employees to play active roles irrespective of gender, nationality, or whether they live with a disability.

We are positioning KIOXIA's Human Resources and Administration Division as the organization charged with promoting diversity; it will work on advancing diversity as a general human resource issue.

Promoting the Career Development of Female Employees

KIOXIA Group is promoting ways for female employees to succeed at work.

In FY2019, we launched a Diversity Promotion Committee and identified issues that disrupt the career development of female employees.

Main data concerning promoting the career development of female employees, KIOXIA

Item	Actual
Percentage of managers who are female*1	3.3%
Percentage of officers who are female*1	0%
Percentage of recruits who are female*2	Administrative 33.3%

	Technical 7.8%
Gender balance of employers*1	Male 91.4% Female 8.6%
Average length of service*1	All 17.2 years (Male 17.6 years, Female 12.8 years)

*1 As of April 1, 2019

*2 New graduate employees as of April 1, 2019

Recruiting More Non-Japanese Employees and Utilizing Them Effectively

As part of our diversity promotion program, we are increasing the recruitment of non-Japanese employees.

In addition to employing people who have studied in Japan as foreign exchange students, we have been carrying out a global recruitment program in an effort to directly recruit students graduating from foreign universities.

Employment of People with Disabilities

As of June 2019, the percentage of employees with disabilities was 1.55%* in KIOXIA.

* The percentage of employees with disabilities includes those in KIOXIA and our special subsidiary KIOXIA Etoile Corporation.

Activity Example: Sign Language Club

KIOXIA Group provides employees with monthly sign language lesson at the “KIOXIA Sign Language Club”. At the club, employees with impaired hearing serve as instructors, teaching sign language to facilitate smooth communication and providing information to promote understanding of those with hearing disabilities.

Promoting Work-Life Balance

KIOXIA constantly strives to enhance our employees' work-life balance. At KIOXIA Group companies, each employee is encouraged to undertake different working styles and methods that help increase productivity.

Consideration and Reduction of Working Hours

In KIOXIA in FY2019, average annual total working hours per employee was 1,897*, and the average annual total of non-scheduled working hours per employee was 365*.

KIOXIA Group is making the transition to a style of work that does not depend on overtime. The purpose is to better utilize our diverse workforce and to promote a better work-life balance.

*Covers time-based pay employees only

Key systems and measures regulating working hours in FY2019, KIOXIA

System/measure	Overview
Flexible Work System	Flextime system
Long Leave System	Employees can take a maximum of 20 days of accumulated leave for clear and meaningful objectives, such as self-development, social contribution activities, nursing, and also for treatment of non-occupational injuries and diseases, and other conditions including infertility.
Annual paid vacation	To promote employee rejuvenation, KIOXIA is encouraging the utilization of all annual paid vacation.
Making working hours more visible	KIOXIA has introduced systems including "Work Record Display" to increase the transparency of working hours.

Addressing long working hours at workplaces	We implement measures in various divisions and business sites to address the problem of long working hours, and publish case studies on our intranet site to spread good practice among departments (e.g. having employees declare their target leaving time, forbidding employees from coming to work on Sundays in principle, banning late-night overtime in principle, setting "focus hours," and banning meetings outside normal working hours in principle).
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Activity Example: Using the system to make working hours visible

In order to effectively monitor the working conditions of our employees, KIOXIA Group has started using a "Work Record Display" system to give better visibility of working hours to employees and their managers.

The Work Record Display system draws employees' attention to overtime work hours on a weekly basis.

Supporting employees in their balancing of work with childcare/nursing care

KIOXIA Group helps employees to balance their work and personal lives. We have implemented various measures in excess of our legal obligations, and continue to make them more adaptable and flexible. Under our Hourly-Unit Annual Leave system, when taking leave in excess of one hour, employees can take leave on a quarter-hourly basis instead of hourly.

The Major Supporting Systems for Employees' Work and Childcare (FY 2019, KIOXIA)

	System		KIOXIA system	As required by law
Childbirth /Child-rearing	Childcare leave	Period	<u>Until the end of the month in which the child turns 3 years old</u>	Up to 1 year old except when certain requirements are met

		Number of times	Up to three times per child	Up to once per child
	Paternity leave		Up to 5 paid days holiday consecutively or separately, within 6 weeks of the birth	—
	Short-time shift	Target	Employees raising children who have not yet completed elementary school	Employees raising children under three years old
		Others	1. No limits on the number of times one can apply 2. Possible to combine with flextime system 3. Can be set in 15-minute units	—
	Hourly leave system		Leave is available in 1-hour units. If more than one hour is taken at a time, however, employees may take leave in 15-minute units thereafter.	—
Family care	Family care leave		Up to 365 days in total per person requiring nursing care	Up to 93 days in total per person requiring nursing care
	Hourly leave system		Leave is available in 1-hour units. If more than one hour is taken at a time, however, employees may take leave in 15-minute units thereafter.	—
Returning to work	Subsidies for	Allowance for raising the next	To be provided in respect of each eligible child (children being taken care of by a spouse working for another company are also eligible for the	

	expenses	generation	allowance.)
		Welfare system “Teatime”	For child-rearing, nursing care etc., points will be worth 1.2 to 1.5 times their normal value.
	Mutual understanding program		The program offers the opportunity for employees to discuss future career plans and any necessary arrangements with their manager and HR personnel before taking a leave of absence or after resuming work, thus helping to reduce concerns of the employees who take such leave.
	Reemployment system (return to work system)		Established a system to reemploy employees who had to resign for the following reasons: 1. In order to accompany a spouse who has been transferred (within 5 years) 2. In order to provide nursing care for those requiring it (within 3 years) 3. Childbirth, childcare, or raising children (within 3 years)

Benefits

Corporate Pension Plan

To help support employees after their retirement, we offer a Corporate Pension Plan – a defined benefit scheme. This complements their state pension provided under Japan's welfare pension insurance scheme. We also introduced a defined contribution pension scheme aimed at broadening employees' post-retirement options.

Teatime, a selective welfare system

KIOXIA offers a selective welfare system called “Teatime” which allows employees to make choices according to their needs and receive benefits from a wide range of welfare programs. The system also covers support for childcare and nursing care, including the cost of day-care centers, child-rearing, education, and nursing care.

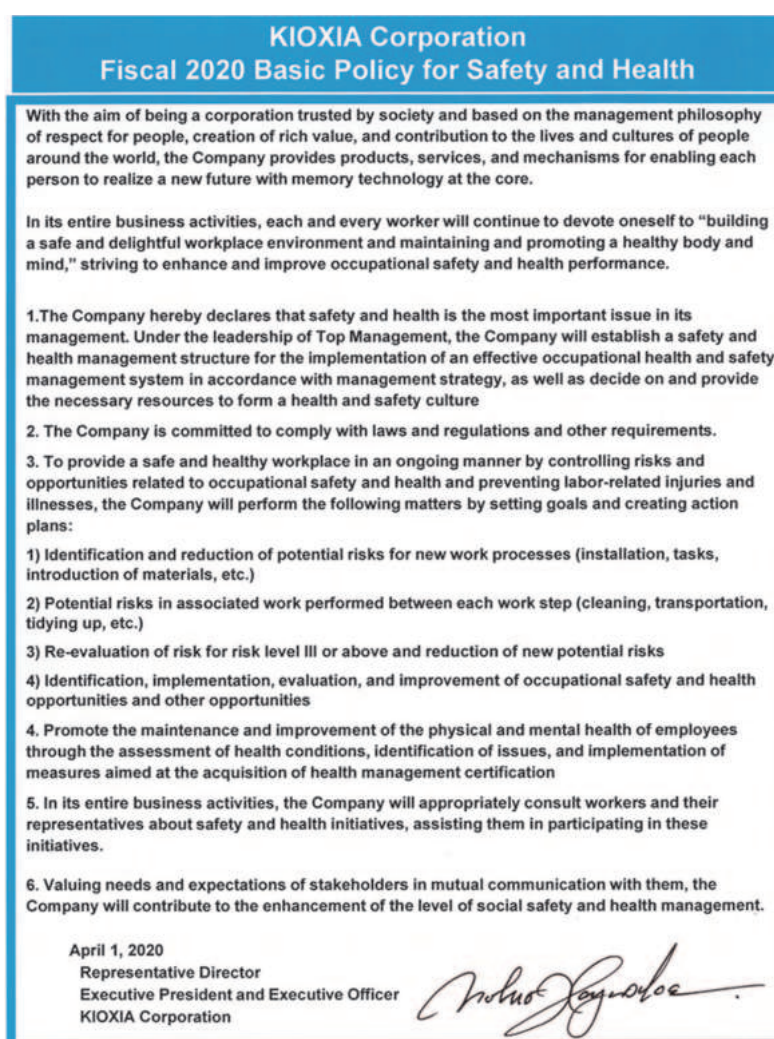
Occupational Health and Safety

It is vital for each and every employee to maintain and strengthen his or her mental and physical health in order to shine and flourish professionally. This in turn is only possible in a safe and comfortable work environment. KIOXIA Group in Japan therefore supports employees' occupational health and safety (OHS)*.

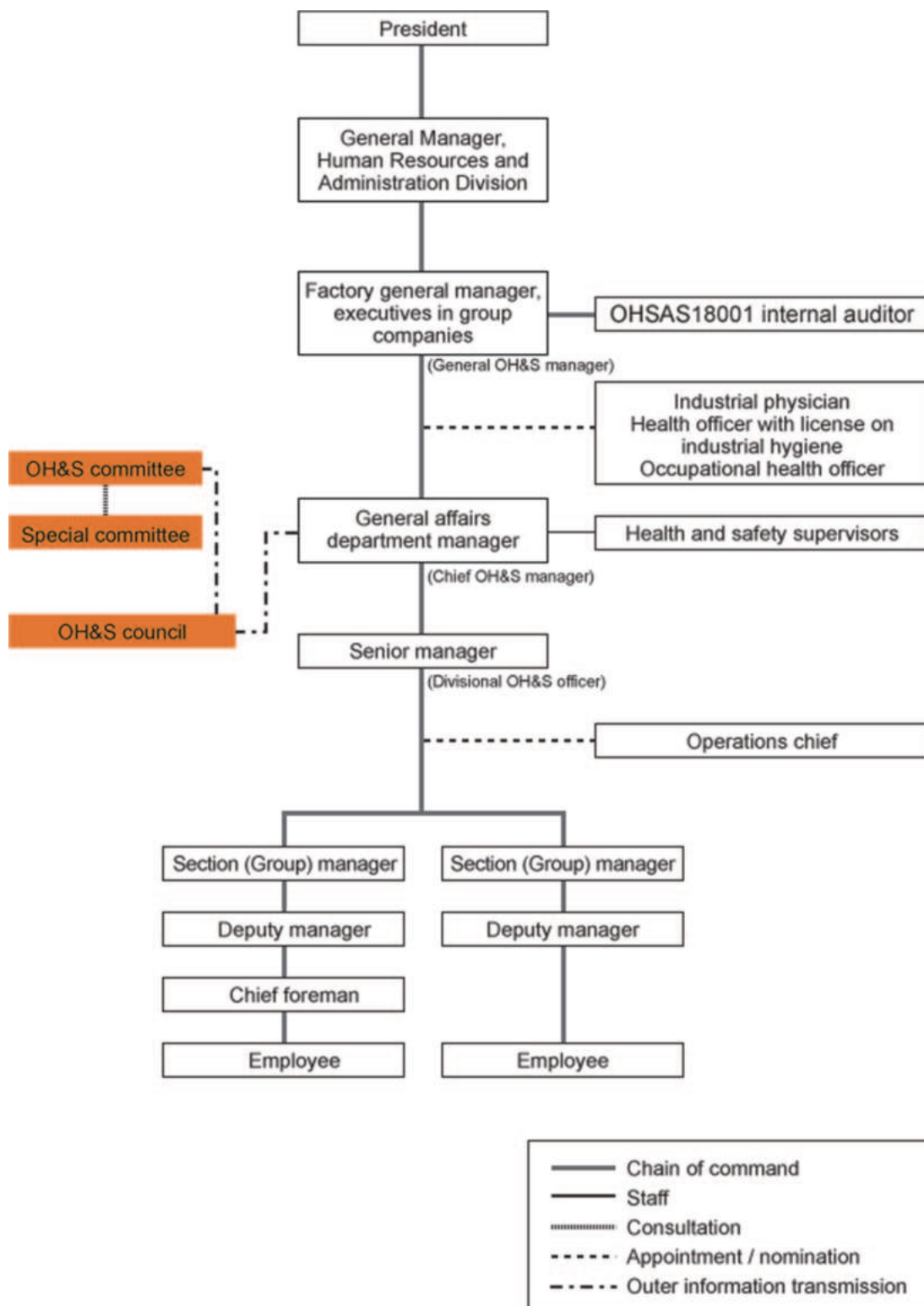
* In this section, "occupational health and safety" is abbreviated to "OHS"

OHS Policy

KIOXIA Group's OHS Management Policy in Japan was established in April 2017 following the declaration of its commitment to OHS by senior management, with the goal of having all employees embrace the same commitment.



KIOXIA Group in Japan OHS Policy (as of April 2020)



OHS Management System

KIOXIA Group in Japan has acquired OHSAS18001:2007* certification, an international standard for labor safety and health management systems, as part of its OHS management system. This high-profile system enables us to identify and assess OHS issues and make continuous improvements in order to reduce the risk of non-compliance with relevant legislation.

Prior to the introduction of this system, KIOXIA Group was already striving to improve safety management procedures through the consistent efforts of our member organizations and individual employees in their daily activities.

These efforts include small workplace groups undertaking a variety of activities on an ongoing basis. These activities include workplace improvement programs, education and training to increase risk awareness among employees and monitoring to ensure that appropriate practices are being followed.

KIOXIA Group will further improve our safety management processes through a combination of initiatives based on employee networks and the OHSAS 18001-based management system.

*OHSAS 18001: OHS Assessment Series

Acquisition of OHSAS18001:2007 certification

Name of company	Certified body	Approval certificate No.
Kioxia Corporation	JACO: Japan Audit and Certification Organization for Environment and Quality	WC18J0004

OHS Awareness Raising and Education

OHS Education

KIOXIA Group in Japan endeavors to enhance our employees' OHS understanding and skills. On top of the education required by the Industrial Safety and Health Act, we implement education programs for employees who are newly appointed to OHS-related posts, as well as for mid-career OHS employees. We also run practical training programs devised by each operational site.

Workplace Accidents

KIOXIA Group in Japan will continue to implement further measures to prevent workplace accidents. In particular, we will prioritize the reduction of hazardous risks that could lead to serious injuries or illness and conduct a risk assessment of all workplaces and tasks. Leveraging the results of this risk assessment, we will identify current and potential risks, review work methods, and systematically take any necessary measures to reduce and eliminate such risks. Furthermore, the Group will improve facilities and provide comprehensive OHS training for all employees.

Frequency of Injuries Resulting in Lost Working Time at KIOXIA Group in Japan

FY2019: 0.072

CSR Management in the Supply Chain

In order to fulfill our CSR obligations with regard to human rights, labor and the environment in cooperation with our suppliers, and aiming to promote own CSR activities, KIOXIA Group ensures that its suppliers are also committed to improving working conditions and reducing the environmental impact of their operations.

KIOXIA Group's Supply Chain

KIOXIA Group procures a variety of raw materials and resources from suppliers all around the world. Overseas suppliers account for 53% of our total procurement.



Procurement Ratio by Region (FY2019)

KIOXIA Group Procurement Policy

KIOXIA Group strives to build sound partnerships with suppliers by means of fair trading in compliance with procurement-related laws and regulations.

We request our suppliers, all of whom play an important role in KIOXIA Group companies' production and services, to agree to and put into practice the KIOXIA Group Procurement Policy. Whenever the contents of the Policy are revised to reflect changing social conditions, we inform all of our suppliers both inside and outside of Japan.

In addition to this Procurement Policy, we have formulated the KIOXIA Group Green Procurement Guidelines in order to address environmental issues and the KIOXIA Group Conflict Mineral Policy in order to regulate the sourcing of materials from conflict areas.

- [KIOXIA Group Procurement Policy](#)
- [KIOXIA Group Conflict Mineral Policy](#)
- [KIOXIA Group Standards of Conduct / 3.Procurement Activity](#)

Following the Industry Group's Code of Conduct

To promote CSR in the field of human rights, labor, occupational health and safety, environmental conservation, and ethical standards throughout our supply chain, KIOXIA Group promotes CSR activities within our group. We request our suppliers to adopt a similar approach, in the spirit of the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) and the Responsible Business Alliance* code of conduct.

* Prior to October 2017, the Electronic Industry Citizenship Coalition



Promotion of Supply Chain Management

KIOXIA Group has set up a dedicated planning organization within the procurement department at KIOXIA's Head Office. It works to promote fair dealings with all our suppliers as well as CSR management across our supply chain.

The organization coordinates with various business divisions and related divisions such as the CSR group and the Environment group.

Promotion and Monitoring of CSR Procurement

Promotion of CSR Procurement

With regard to promotion, we request our approximately 600 regular suppliers and all new suppliers to pursue CSR activities in accordance with the UN Global Compact and the RBA Code of Conduct.

Monitoring

Kioxia Group continuously monitors the status of CSR management at manufacturing sites in our regular supply chains during quality audits, requesting improvements and providing guidance where necessary. For new procurement transactions, we check the supplier's conformity with KIOXIA Group's procurement and selection policies, the supplier's manufacturing sites and management structure, and whether these comply with appropriate laws and regulations governing the environment, human rights and occupational health and safety.

While continuing to support improvement and provide information on the environment, human rights, and occupational health and safety, Kioxia Group conducts surveys (including asking for self-monitoring) of our suppliers and their status of improvement.

Number of suppliers participating in briefings and surveys (FY2019, KIOXIA Group, Cumulative numbers)

Topic	Briefings	Surveys*	Site Audit*
Human rights Safety	35	127	1
Environment	123	129	3
Total	155	256	4

*Includes self-inspections using the RBA SAQ (Self-Assessment Questionnaire), third-party audits, and surveys/audits using our own standards.

Actions in the Event of Procurement Policy Breaches by Suppliers

If a supplier violates our procurement policies, we request them to implement remedial measures and provide guidance and support as necessary. If their remedial actions are deemed to be unsatisfactory, we suspend transactions with that supplier.

Suppliers subject to guidance & support or suspension of transactions
(FY2019, KIOXIA Group, cumulative numbers)

Topic	Support for Improvement	Guidance and Support	Suspension of transactions
Human rights Safety	10	1	0
Environment	32	0	0

Examples of supplier guidance and instructions (FY2019)

Environmental Activities	Requesting and ensuring that suppliers of packing materials do not use phthalate esters in accordance with the revised RoHS (Restriction of Hazardous Substances) regulations banning their use
Human Rights and Occupational Health & Safety	Requesting supplier plants to modify the terms of employment

Addressing the Conflict Minerals Issue

Since Section 1502 of the U.S. Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the Dodd-Frank Act) was enacted in January 2013, companies listed on U.S. stock exchanges are required to report any use of conflict minerals mined in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and its neighboring countries. KIOXIA Group is not listed on any U.S. exchanges; however, as we form part of the supply chain of companies that are, we investigate and report to those customers.

For humanitarian reasons, KIOXIA Group's policy prohibits the use of raw materials such as tin, tantalum, tungsten, and gold mined in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and in any neighboring countries where human rights violations occur.

- [KIOXIA Group Conflict Mineral Policy](#)

KIOXIA Group's Promotion of the Use of Conflict-Free Minerals

The Conflict Minerals Management Committee, incorporating members from relevant corporate divisions, promotes activities in accordance with the KIOXIA Group Conflict Mineral Policy Guidelines. KIOXIA Memory Group is dedicated to sharing information about these activities.

Conflict Minerals Survey

We survey KIOXIA Group suppliers on their understanding of conflict minerals and the use of these, as well as on the details of their mineral smelters. We surveyed 85 suppliers that might be using the so-called “3TG” minerals – tin, tantalum, tungsten, and gold – in FY2019.

Green Procurement

The "Green Procurement Guidelines" stipulate our basic policy for selecting and procuring materials or components that have a low environmental impact; they also outline our requests to all suppliers. The purpose is to work together with our suppliers on global environmental conservation by sharing and cooperating on relevant issues.

Quality Control

KIOXIA Group considers that our most important mission is to provide our customers with safe and reliable products, and as such we are always striving to improve quality. In addition, we make sure to disclose product safety, security, and quality information to customers.

Quality Control Policy (As of FY2019)

In accordance with the basic commitment of KIOXIA to enrich the lives of people and broaden their opportunities by continuing to develop advanced memory technology and services, our policy is to provide products of high quality that are safe and constantly refined in line with customer requirements by means of creative techniques and the continuous pursuit of value.

KIOXIA's Basic Policy on Quality Assurance:

1. We comply with all relevant laws and provide quality and reliable products that match customer requirements.
 2. We perform quality manufacturing in a mass production environment from a design & development stage and work to improve product security, to consider the environment, and to maintain high technical standards.
 3. We aim for consistent improvement by pursuing root causes and continually improving our quality management systems.
- [KIOXIA's Quality Guidelines](#)

Standards of Conduct During Quality Assurance

1. We engage in quality assurance from the customers' point of view.
2. We observe relevant laws and contracts and respect the rights of customers and third parties.
3. We deploy quality control systems aimed at achieving 100% quality.
4. We ensure that all of our departments and employees follow our quality control policies.
5. We aim for constant improvement by investigating the root causes of process failures and conduct through risk analysis in order to prevent any re-occurrence.

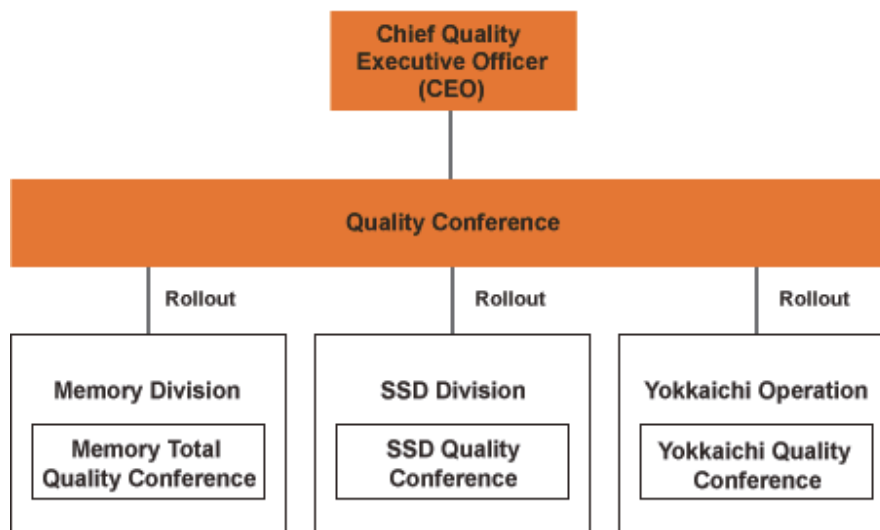
6. We collect, analyze and appropriately disclose information with the aim of preventing quality issues.

Standard of Conduct regarding Product Safety and Product Security

1. We observe both Japanese and overseas laws and regulations governing product safety and product security.
2. We collect, and proactively disclose, a wide range of information about any product issues.
3. We immediately report any product issues to the authorities concerned in accordance with relevant laws and regulations.
4. We promptly inform customers when the need to recall and repair products arises.
5. We appropriately urge caution and display warnings when deemed necessary in order to help people use our products in a safe manner.
6. If an accident should occur, we carry out a thorough analysis of the causes and take necessary measures to prevent it from recurring. We also strive to prevent accidents by predicting risk at the design stage.
7. We strive to eliminate vulnerabilities from products prior to shipment.
8. We collect a wide range of information on product vulnerabilities in order to reduce risk.
9. We implement product security measures on a broad scale in cooperation with the relevant organizations.

Structure Promoting Quality Control

KIOXIA Group has implemented a structure aimed at strengthening our quality-control activities. Led by our CEO, a quality control meeting is held twice a year in which our Quality Officers, Vice Presidents, Technology Executives, General Managers, and Senior Managers participate and where they discuss and decide on key issues of quality policy. The participants also evaluate the appropriateness and validity of quality management and risk measures. We communicate decisions made during these meetings to business divisions and ensure that they are actioned.



Structure of Promoting Quality Control of KIOXIA Group (As of May 1 2019)

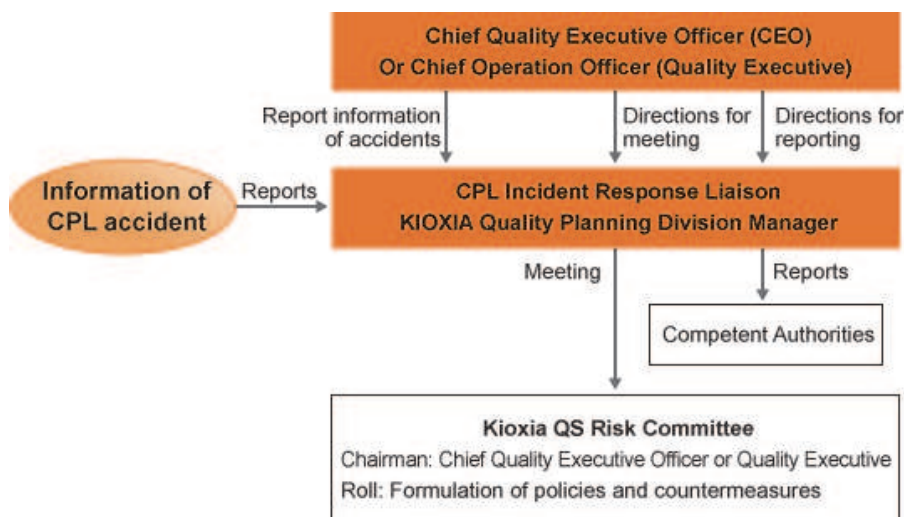
Structure of Response to Product Issues

Information on issues involving KIOXIA products in the market is collated by the KIOXIA CEO, who is also the Chief Quality Executive Officer, or the Executive Vice President, who is the Chief Operation Officer (Quality Executive), through what we call CPL*1 Incident Response Liaison. We then take necessary action after consultation with our QS*2 Risk Committee.

No serious quality incidents occurred in FY2019.

*1 CPL is an abbreviation combining CL (contractual liability) and PL (product liability).

*2 Quality and Safety.



Structure of our Response to Occurrence of Product Issues (KIOXIA group, as of April 1, 2019)

Improving the Quality Management System (QMS)

KIOXIA Group has obtained ISO9001 certification, the basis of all quality management systems, and ISO/TS16949, a more advanced certification. Rather than merely assessing whether our products meet the requirements of these standards, we also endeavor to improve their overall effectiveness. We evaluate our products annually based on the eight QMS principles and other guidelines.

Improving Design Quality

In order to enhance our ability to ensure product quality at the design stage, KIOXIA Group conducts Failure Mode and Effects Analysis (FMEA) in order to prevent defects from reaching upstream.

The aim of this activity is to enhance quality by anticipating failures or defects, called failure modes, targeting product design and processes in the later stages of development. We implement practical education to broaden the base of FMEA activities which is leading to better FMEA processes.

Disclosure of Information on Quality

KIOXIA Group discloses quality information on its website.

(Products)

- Quality Guidelines
- Reliability Handbook
- Handling Precautions and Requests
- List of Abbreviations

(Consumer Products)

- Customer Support (Japanese)

Corporate Governance

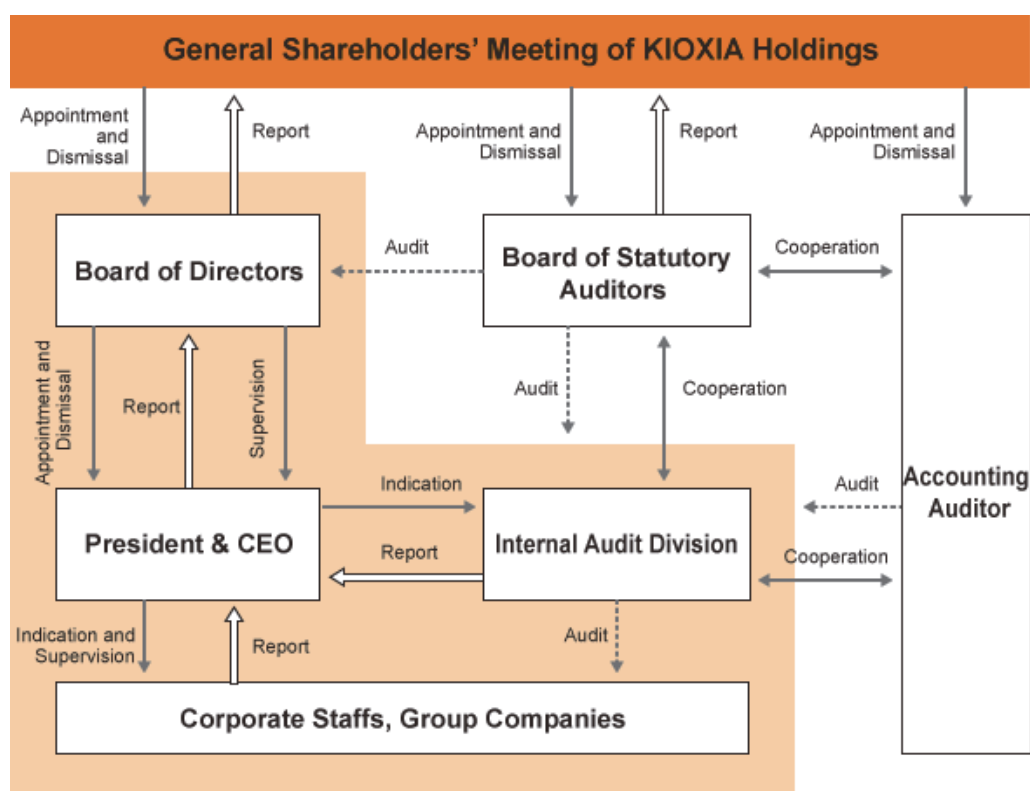
KIOXIA Group is reinforcing our governance system to add corporate value.

Policy and Structure of Corporate Governance (As of March 2020)

KIOXIA Holdings is a company with Board of Statutory Auditors. We have developed a group governance structure in which the performance by directors of their duties is audited by our statutory auditors. We have appointed three statutory auditors.

The core of the KIOXIA Group governance is our Board of Directors, consisting of seven persons, including the CEO.

As KIOXIA Holding's Chief Executive Officer, the CEO is responsible to shareholders when making decisions on important company matters. The CEO also steers KIOXIA Group's business by broadly and optimally managing the resources of KIOXIA Holdings and its group companies and maximizing their synergies.



Corporate Governance Structure (As of March 2020)

Risk and Compliance

KIOXIA Group enforces global compliance with laws and regulations, internal rules, social and ethical norms, and progresses our risk and compliance activities.

Policy and Structure of Risk and Compliance

At KIOXIA Group, we strive to ensure compliance with all relevant laws and regulations, with social and ethical norms, and with our own internal rules. We underpin this with our commitment to fair competition and to serving the interests of our customers to the best of our ability.

KIOXIA has established a system whereby our Risk and Compliance Committee has all authority and responsibility with regard to issues of risk and compliance. We classify risks into categories including compliance-related risks, finance / accounting-related risks and business risks, and have established committees and review groups for each category to enable agile management. Each committee and review group reports on activities and status to the Risk and Compliance Committee on a timely basis.



Risk and Compliance Committee (As of FY2019)

Whistleblower System

In order to create an open work environment and reduce risk, in addition to encouraging day-to-day communication within each workplace, KIOXIA group operates a whistleblower system.

All employees are informed about this system through internal websites, emails and other means. The system is designed to protect the anonymity of whistleblowers and ensure that they are not treated disadvantageously.

The number of reports received and consultations undertaken through the whistleblower system in FY2019 was 83.

Of the reports received, those referencing inappropriate situations or concerns about inappropriate situations were reported to the relevant division so that instructions for improvement could be provided or alerts could be issued.

In cases involving consultations and questions about the duties of the informants themselves, we gave advice on how to deal with each situation.

For reports other than those that were anonymously submitted, in principle we explained the status of our responses to the informants.

Except in cases where consent has been obtained from the employee, the names or contact details of the informants are never disclosed.

Revision of KIOXIA Group Standards of Conduct and Compliance Training

KIOXIA provides compliance education through e-learning. In FY2018, employees received accounting compliance education and learned the importance of accounting knowledge and accounting awareness.

Compliance with Anti-Trust Law & Anti-Corruption Measures

KIOXIA Group enforces compliance with anti-trust law and is strengthening measures to tackle corruption globally.

Anti-trust and Anti-bribery Efforts

In the light of recent global regulatory trends, KIOXIA Group has been making rigorous efforts to prevent cartelization and bribery. In FY2018 specifically, the initiatives involve KIOXIA Group companies worldwide performing self-audits based on internal anti-trust and anti-bribery

guidelines. Through these audits, KIOXIA Group aims to identify compliance levels at the companies concerned and to provide thorough compliance education.

KIOXIA promotes rigorous compliance with business-related laws and regulations by providing education, effectively utilizing databases that contain relevant information, and performing periodic self-audits.

In addition, KIOXIA's compliance initiatives are objectively evaluated by external lawyers once a year. We make improvements aimed at reducing any risks identified by those third parties in order to continue to enhance our compliance structure.

Furthermore, KIOXIA is taking steps to raise compliance awareness among staff based on our own Standards of Conduct. In Japan, employees received e-learning training on sales-related risks during February and March 2020, in order to raise the standard of sales-related legal risk management.

Political Contributions

The KIOXIA Group Standards of Conduct stipulates that KIOXIA Group shall not provide inappropriate benefits or favors to any politician or political organization.

As part of its social contribution to society, and when deemed to be necessary, KIOXIA does make transparent donations to political parties, in order to encourage the adoption of policies that will support our business and aid the healthy development of parliamentary democracy.

Where we make donations to political parties, procedures in accordance with internal rules are followed and, in the case of donations made in Japan, we ensure we are compliant with Japan's Political Funds Control Law.

Donations and Provision of Funds

While the KIOXIA Group forbids the incurring of inappropriate expenses, we do stipulate that appropriate donations may be made to appropriate organizations. We therefore donate to various organizations, taking into consideration factors such as the contribution made by the organization to society, its causes and the community aspects of its activities.

Continuing to Sever Relationships with Antisocial Groups

All KIOXIA Group companies have taken various measures to ensure that all links with antisocial groups are severed.

More specifically, we have developed and implemented “Basic Public Relations Management Rules” and appointed public relations management officers for each department. When conducting transactions with a new customer, the public relations management officers of that department confirm that the customer has no relations with any antisocial groups. If during those background checks the need arises for further investigation, our Human Resources and Administration Division will verify whether there is any evidence of the customer's relationship with antisocial groups.

We also periodically conduct surveys on customers that we already have business relations with. Transaction contracts normally include a clause regarding the exclusion of organized crime syndicates, which enables a contract to be cancelled without notice when the business partner is identified as being part of an antisocial group.

We also continuously ensure that employees understand the importance of excluding antisocial groups from the business they conduct.

Information Security Management

Information Security Policy

KIOXIA Group regards as important assets information such as personal data, customer information, management information, and technical and production information handled during the course of business activities. We accordingly adopt policies aimed at ensuring that all corporate information is managed in a confidential manner and that it is not disclosed, leaked or used inappropriately. These include a fundamental policy whose stated aim is “to manage and protect such information assets properly, with top priority on compliance.” The policy is stipulated in the chapter “Information Security” of the KIOXIA Group Standards of Conduct, and managerial and employee awareness of this is encouraged.

In response to regulatory changes and changes in the social environment, KIOXIA revises those policies on an ongoing basis so as to rigorously manage its information security.

- KIOXIA Group Standards of Conduct 17. Information Security
- Privacy Policy

Structure of Information Security Management

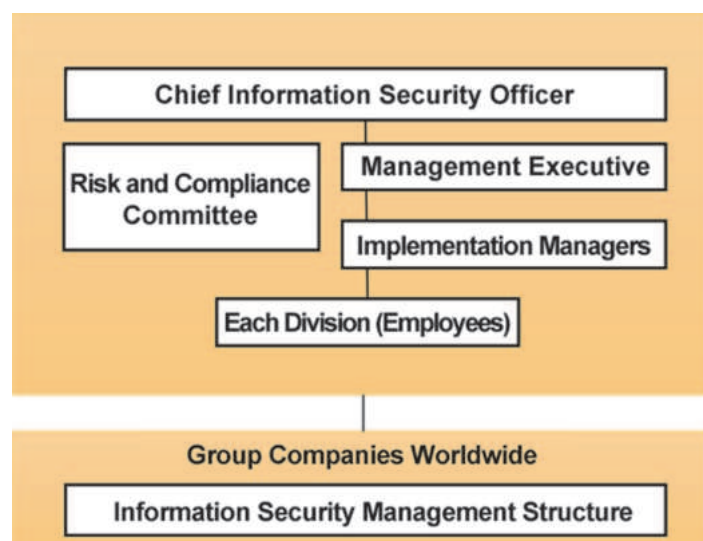
Addressing information security as a management priority, KIOXIA Group has established, under the supervision of the Chief Information Security Officer, an information security management structure under which the head of each organization, such as the head of each business site, as well as the president of each group company, is responsible for information security.

The Risk and Compliance Committee deliberates matters that are deemed key in ensuring information security throughout the company. The Chief Information Security Officer formulates and enacts measures to ensure that internal rules related to information security are enforced in a problem-free, effective and definitive manner.

The Information Security Management Executive appoints Information Security Implementation Manager who is responsible for operation of the information security management system.

The Information Security Management Executive provides guidance and assistance to all group companies under the control to ensure that they implement information security at a level equivalent to that of The KIOXIA Group.

KIOXIA has also established a similar management structure for the protection of personal data, and has a department external to the Secretariat (the Internal Audit Division) which conducts audits in accordance with JIS Q 15001.



Information Security Management Structure

Information Security Measures

KIOXIA Group implements information security measures from four perspectives (see the table below). The Cyber Security Center and the IT & Business Transformation Division incorporate these measures into regulations and guidelines and make them fully known to all KIOXIA Group companies through notices and briefings.

Implementation of Information Security Measures from Four Perspectives

Category	Description
(1) Organizational measures: Establish an organizational structure and rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Periodic reviews of information security-related regulations • Development and maintenance of information security management structure • Performing of audits, etc.
(2) Personal and legal measures: Ensure adherence to rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regulation of information protection duties and disciplinary measures for any breach of rules of employment • Provision of periodic employee education and training • Contractor information security evaluation and conclusion of confidentiality agreements, etc.
(3) Physical measures: Support implementation of rules in terms of physical security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carry-in/carry-out control of information devices • Facility access control, room / facility entry control • Securing of highly important information, etc.
(4) Technical measures: Support implementation of rules in terms of technology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virus protection and hard disk encryption of personal computers • Checking any vulnerabilities of servers accessible to the public and enhancing protection • Monitoring and controlling unauthorized access from the outside and information leakage, etc.

To protect against cyber-attacks, which are becoming more sophisticated every year, we have strengthened our efforts to block suspicious e-mails and trained all employees in the handling of

targeted e-mail attacks. In addition, we have enhanced our network monitoring and in-house systems to quickly cope with any virus incursion into the company systems.

Education, Inspection and Audit of Information Security Management

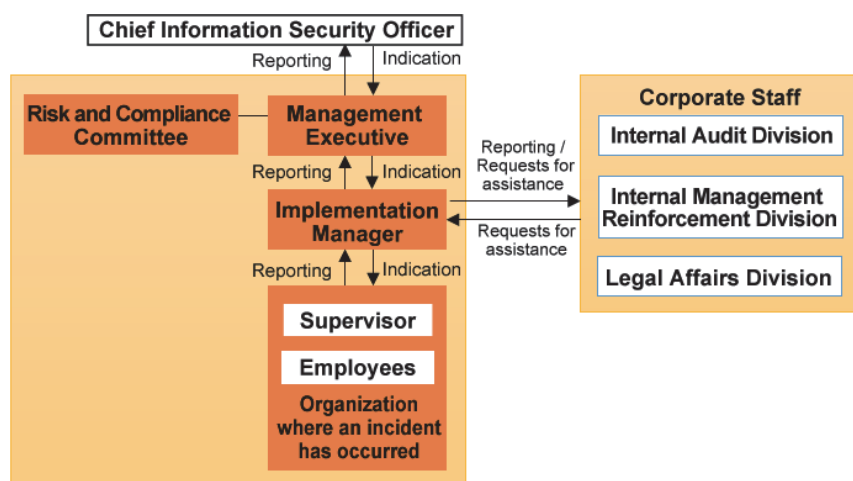
KIOXIA considers the autonomous implementation of PDCA (Plan-Do-Check-Act) cycle by each division to be vital for ensuring the company's information security. With this in mind, every division conducts an annual self-audit of its compliance with internal rules, for the purpose of formulating their own improvement plan. All domestic and overseas Group companies also conduct annual self-audits in order to improve the level of information security at each of them.

Moreover, KIOXIA Group conducts annual training for all officers, as well as for permanent and temporary employees, in order to enforce strict compliance with in-house regulations. Other programs include introductory training for new graduate employees, and training for the employees of subcontractor companies.

Response to Incidents Such as Leakage of Confidential Information

In the event an information security incident occurs, such as the leakage of confidential information, KIOXIA responds promptly in accordance with its information security incident reporting structure.

When an employee becomes aware of the occurrence or potential occurrence of an incident involving the leakage of corporate information, the employee promptly reports it to the Implementation Manager. Upon receipt of the employee's report, the Implementation Manager draws up all necessary measures, such as an investigation into the cause and consideration of actions to prevent recurrence. In the case of the occurrence or potential occurrence of a serious leakage of confidential information that may entail a violation of laws or ordinances, KIOXIA implements measures in accordance with the applicable laws or ordinances, such as disclosure, following discussion among the relevant corporate staff divisions.



Information Security Incident Reporting Structure (As of FY2019)

Status of Incidents Such as Leakage of Confidential Information

In FY2019, there were no incidents in which sensitive information held by KIOXIA Group companies was leaked, nor were there any complaints from relevant external individuals or regulatory bodies concerning personal data. We will continue to work to prevent information security incidents and to be fully prepared for any situation.

Risk Management with Business Continuity Plan (BCP)

Failure to respond appropriately to large-scale disasters such as earthquakes, typhoons, and floods could result in the long-term closure of operations, triggering significant financial losses, ultimately affecting our stakeholders. KIOXIA Group implements measures to ensure the safety of employees and their families, to support the recovery of disaster areas, and maintain business sites and factories.

The blackout that occurred in some districts of Yokkaichi on June 15, 2019 affected some operations at the KIOXIA Yokkaichi Plant. To minimize the impact on our customers, KIOXIA is implementing measures to prevent a recurrence and to mitigate any negative impact, including discussions with the electric power provider and the formulation of procedures for quick restoration in preparation for emergencies.

GRI Content Index

This material references the GRI Standards: Core option.

General Disclosures

GRI Content Index	Disclosure	Location in CSR report
GRI 102 : General Disclosures 2016	1. Organizational profile	
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	102-4	Location of operations Company information
	102-5	Ownership and legal form Company information
	102-6	Markets served Company information
	102-7	Scale of the organization Company information
	102-8	Information on employees and other workers Company information
	102-9	Supply chain Major sustainability issues and initiatives in the value chain CSR Management in the Supply Chain
	102-10	Significant changes to the organization and its supply chain Major sustainability issues and initiatives in the value chain CSR Management in the Supply Chain
	102-11	Precautionary Principle or approach Risk and Compliance
	102-12	External initiatives Stakeholder Engagement
	102-13	Membership of associations Stakeholder Engagement
	2. Strategy	
	102-14	Statement from senior decision-maker Message from the Management

			Message from the Executive in Charge of CSR
	102-15	Key impacts, risks, and opportunities	Our Approach to Addressing Global Social Issues Risk and Compliance
	3. Ethics and integrity		
	102-16	Values, principles, standards, and norms of behavior	Mission & Vision KIOXIA Group Standard of Conduct
	102-17	Mechanisms for advice and concerns about ethics	Risk and Compliance
	4. Governance		
	102-18	Governance structure	Corporate Governance
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	102-20	Executive-level responsibility for economic, environmental, and social topics	CSR Management
	102-21	Consulting stakeholders on economic, environmental, and social topics	Stakeholder Engagement
	102-22	Composition of the highest governance body and its committees	Corporate Governance
	102-23	Chair of the highest governance body	—
	102-24	Nominating and selecting the highest governance body	—
	102-25	Conflicts of interest	—
	102-26	Role of highest governance body in setting purpose, values, and strategy	Corporate Governance
	102-27	Collective knowledge of highest governance body	CSR Management Corporate Governance
	102-28	Evaluating the highest governance body's performance	—

	102-29	Identifying and managing economic, environmental, and social impacts	Corporate Governance
	102-30	Effectiveness of risk management processes	Corporate Governance Risk and Compliance
	102-31	Review of economic, environmental, and social topics	CSR Management
	102-32	Highest governance body's role in sustainability reporting	CSR Management CSR Material Issues and Goals
	102-33	Communicating critical concerns	CSR Management Corporate Governance Risk and Compliance
	102-34	Nature and total number of critical concerns	Risk and Compliance
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	102-36	Process for determining remuneration	—
	102-37	Stakeholders' involvement in remuneration	—
	102-38	Annual total compensation ratio	—
	102-39	Percentage increase in annual total compensation ratio	—
	5. Stakeholder engagement		
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	102-41	Collective bargaining agreements	Stakeholder Engagement
	102-42	Identifying and selecting stakeholders	Stakeholder Engagement
	102-43	Approach to stakeholder engagement	Stakeholder Engagement
	102-44	Key topics and concerns raised	Stakeholder Engagement
	6. Reporting practice		

	102-45	Entities included in the consolidated financial statements	Company information
	102-46	Defining report content and topic Boundaries	CSR Reporting Policy
	102-47	List of material topics	CSR Material Issues and Goals
	102-48	Restatements of information	N/A
	102-49	Changes in reporting	N/A
	102-50	Reporting period	CSR Reporting Policy
	102-51	Date of most recent report	CSR Reporting Policy
	102-52	Reporting cycle	CSR Reporting Policy
	102-53	Contact point for questions regarding the report	Company information
	102-54	Claims of reporting in accordance with the GRI Standards	CSR Reporting Policy
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GRI 103 : Management Approach 2016	103-1	Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary	CSR Material Issues and Goals
	103-2	The management approach and its components	CSR Material Issues and Goals
	103-3	Evaluation of the management approach	CSR Material Issues and Goals

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Economic

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	201-2	Financial implications and other risks and opportunities due to climate change	CSR Material Issues and Goals
	201-3	Defined benefit plan obligations and other retirement plans	Diversity Promotion
	201-4	Financial assistance received from government	—
	GRI 202 : Market Presence 2016		
	202-1	Ratios of standard entry level wage by gender compared to local minimum wage	—
	202-2	Proportion of senior management hired from the local community	—
	GRI 203 : Indirect Economic Impacts 2016		
	203-1	Infrastructure investments and services supported	—
	203-2	Significant indirect economic impacts	—
	GRI 204 : Procurement Practices 2016		
	204-1	Proportion of spending on local suppliers	CSR Management in the Supply Chain
	GRI 205 : Anti-corruption 2016		
	205-1	Operations assessed for risks related to corruption	Risk and Compliance
	205-2	Communication and training about anti-corruption policies and procedures	Risk and Compliance
	205-3	Confirmed incidents of corruption and actions taken	Risk and Compliance
	GRI 206 : Anti-competitive Behavior 2016		

	206-1	Legal actions for anti-competitive behavior, anti-trust, and monopoly practices	Risk and Compliance
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Environmental

GRI Content Index	Disclosure	Location in CSR report
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	301-2	Recycled input materials used
	301-3	Reclaimed products and their packaging materials
	GRI 302 : Energy 2016	
	302-1	Energy consumption within the organization
	302-2	Energy consumption outside of the organization
	302-3	Energy intensity
	302-4	Reduction of energy consumption
	302-5	Reductions in energy requirements of products and services
	GRI 303 : Water 2016	
	303-1	Water withdrawal by source
	303-2	Water sources significantly affected by withdrawal of water

	303-3	Water recycled and reused	Current Status of Environmental Impact and Environmental Targets and Outcomes
	GRI 304 : Biodiversity 2016		
	304-1	Operational sites owned, leased, managed in, or adjacent to, protected areas and areas of high biodiversity value outside protected areas	Biodiversity Preservation
	304-2	Significant impacts of activities, products, and services on biodiversity	Biodiversity Preservation
	304-3	Habitats protected or restored	Biodiversity Preservation
	304-4	IUCN Red List species and national conservation list species with habitats in areas affected by operations	Biodiversity Preservation
	GRI 305 : Emissions 2016		
	305-1	Direct (Scope 1) GHG emissions	Current Status of Environmental Impact and Environmental Targets and Outcomes
	305-2	Energy indirect (Scope 2) GHG emissions	Current Status of Environmental Impact and Environmental Targets and Outcomes
	305-3	Other indirect (Scope 3) GHG emissions	Current Status of Environmental Impact and Environmental Targets and Outcomes
	305-4	GHG emissions intensity	Current Status of Environmental Impact and Environmental Targets and Outcomes
	305-5	Reduction of GHG emissions	Current Status of Environmental Impact and Environmental Targets and Outcomes

	305-6	Emissions of ozone-depleting substances (ODS)	—
	305-7	Nitrogen oxides (NOX), sulfur oxides (SOX), and other significant air emissions	Current Status of Environmental Impact and Environmental Targets and Outcomes
	GRI 306 : Effluents and Waste 2016		
	306-1	Water discharge by quality and destination	Current Status of Environmental Impact and Environmental Targets and Outcomes
	306-2	Waste by type and disposal method	Current Status of Environmental Impact and Environmental Targets and Outcomes
	306-3	Significant spills	—
	306-4	Transport of hazardous waste	—
	306-5	Water bodies affected by water discharges and/or runoff	Current Status of Environmental Impact and Environmental Targets and Outcomes
	GRI 307 : Environmental Compliance 2016		
	307-1	Non-compliance with environmental laws and regulations	Environmental Protection System
	GRI 308 : Supplier Environmental Assessment 2016		
	308-1	New suppliers that were screened using environmental criteria	CSR Management in the Supply Chain
	308-2	Negative environmental impacts in the supply chain and actions taken	CSR Management in the Supply Chain

Social

GRI Content Index	Disclosure	Location in CSR report
Material topics	GRI 401 : Employment 2016	

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	401-2	Benefits provided to full-time employees that are not provided to temporary or part-time employees	Diversity Promotion
	401-3	Parental leave	Diversity Promotion
	GRI 402 : Labor/Management Relations 2016		
	402-1	Minimum notice periods regarding operational changes	Stakeholder Engagement
	GRI 403 : Occupational Health and Safety 2016		
	403-1	Workers representation in formal joint management– worker health and safety committees	Occupational Health and Safety
	403-2	Types of injury and rates of injury, occupational diseases, lost days, and absenteeism, and number of work-related fatalities	Occupational Health and Safety
	403-3	Workers with high incidence or high risk of diseases related to their occupation	Occupational Health and Safety
	403-4	Health and safety topics covered in formal agreements with trade unions	Occupational Health and Safety
	GRI 404 : Training and Education 2016		
	404-1	Average hours of training per year per employee	—
	404-2	Programs for upgrading employee skills and transition assistance programs	Fair Evaluation and Talent Development

	404-3	Percentage of employees receiving regular performance and career development reviews	Fair Evaluation and Talent Development
	GRI 405 : Diversity and Equal Opportunity 2016		
	405-1	Diversity of governance bodies and employees	Diversity Promotion
	405-2	Ratio of basic salary and remuneration of women to men	—
	GRI 406 : Non-discrimination 2016		
	406-1	Incidents of discrimination and corrective actions taken	Risk and Compliance
	GRI 407 : Freedom of Association and Collective		
	407-1	Operations and suppliers in which the right to freedom of association and collective bargaining may be at risk	Stakeholder Engagement
	GRI 408 : Child Labor 2016		
	408-1	Operations and suppliers at significant risk for incidents of child labor	Respect for Human Rights
	GRI 409 : Forced or Compulsory Labor 2016		
	409-1	Operations and suppliers at significant risk for incidents of forced or compulsory labor	Respect for Human Rights
	GRI 410 : Security Practices 2016		
	410-1	Security personnel trained in human rights policies or procedures	Respect for Human Rights
	GRI 411 : Rights of Indigenous Peoples 2016		

	411-1	Incidents of violations involving rights of indigenous peoples	N/A
	GRI 412 : Human Rights Assessment 2016		
	412-1	Operations that have been subject to human rights reviews or impact assessments	CSR Material Issues and Goals Respect for Human Rights
	412-2	Employee training on human rights policies or procedures	CSR Material Issues and Goals Respect for Human Rights
	412-3	Significant investment agreements and contracts that include human rights clauses or that underwent human rights screening	N/A
	GRI 413 : Local Communities 2016		
	413-1	Operations with local community engagement, impact assessments, and development programs	Stakeholder Engagement
	413-2	Operations with significant actual and potential negative impacts on local communities	N/A
	GRI 414 : Supplier Social Assessment 2016		
	414-1	New suppliers that were screened using social criteria	CSR Management in the Supply Chain
	414-2	Negative social impacts in the supply chain and actions taken	CSR Management in the Supply Chain
	GRI 415 : Public Policy 2016		
	415-1	Political contributions	Risk and Compliance
	GRI 416 : Customer Health and Safety 2016		

	416-1	Assessment of the health and safety impacts of product and service categories	Quality Control
	416-2	Incidents of non-compliance concerning the health and safety impacts of products and services	Quality Control
	GRI 417 : Marketing and Labeling 2016		
	417-1	Requirements for product and service information and labeling	—
	417-2	Incidents of non-compliance concerning product and service information and labeling	—
	417-3	Incidents of non-compliance concerning marketing communications	—
	GRI 418 : Customer Privacy 2016		
	418-1	Substantiated complaints concerning breaches of customer privacy and losses of customer data	N/A
	GRI 419 : Socioeconomic Compliance 2016		
	419-1	Non-compliance with laws and regulations in the social and economic area	N/A

Appendix

Standards of conduct for KIOXIA Group

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Introduction

As the Kioxia Group looks to become an enterprise trusted by society, we have set up management principles: respecting humanity, creating new values, and contributing to the lives and cultures of different countries around the world. At the same time, we operate our business under a management vision in which we aim to make adequate profits and sustainable growth and to bring our customers comfort and joy through the professional expertise and actions of each of our personnel and the collective efforts of our people.

These Kioxia Group Standards of Conduct (hereinafter called the “SOC”) have thus been established in order to make our management principles and management vision a reality and as a basis to guide our activities so that we can operate under the principles of fairness, integrity and transparency and contribute to the formation of a sustainable society.

Each of the directors, corporate auditors, and officers (hereinafter called the “Directors”) and employees (hereinafter called the “Employees”) of Kioxia Group should comply with the SOC and strive to operate a sound and high quality business as a part of a global enterprise which emphasizes a balance between the environment, human rights and local communities under the principle of giving the highest priority to life, safety and compliance with laws, regulations, social standards and ethics.

1. Human Rights

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall:

- (1) comply with all applicable laws and regulations concerning human rights in each country and region, understand international standards, and respect human rights, and shall not condone use of either child labor or forced labor;
- (2) take appropriate measures in the event that KIOXIA Group becomes aware of violation of human rights and demand that suppliers redress any violations of human rights; and
- (3) seek to raise awareness among related stakeholders with respect for human rights.

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) accept and accommodate different values, and respect the character and personality of each individual, observe the right to privacy and human rights of each individual; and
- (2) avoid any violation of human rights based on race, religion, sex, national origin, physical disability, age or sexual orientation, and avoid physical abuse, sexual harassment, power harassment (i.e., bullying or harassment by superiors in the office) or violation of the human rights of others.

2. Customer Satisfaction

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall supply products, systems and services (hereinafter called “products and services”) that are based on voice of customer comments that satisfy customer needs and requirements, and that comply with laws, regulations and contracts.

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) supply safe and reliable products and services;
- (2) provide reliable information regarding products and services in an appropriate manner;
- (3) respond to requests and consultations from customers in an honest, prompt and appropriate manner; and
- (4) respect voice of customer and endeavor to develop and improve products and services that satisfy customer needs.

3. Procurement

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall:

- (1) comply with all applicable laws, regulations and practices established by industry and international organizations;
- (2) provide suppliers (hereinafter including prospective suppliers) with equal opportunities for transactions with KIOXIA Group;

- (3) conduct procurement in such a manner as to fulfill corporate social responsibilities together with the suppliers; and
- (4) conduct procurement based on mutual understanding and trust with suppliers.

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) prioritize suppliers that:
 - abide by all applicable laws, regulations and social standards, and take seriously human rights, good labor practices, occupational safety and health, and environmental protection;
 - have sound finances;
 - can supply goods and/or services to KIOXIA Group with emphasis on appropriate quality, price and delivery lead-time;
 - can provide a stable supply of goods and/or services as well as flexibly and quickly respond to demand fluctuations;
 - possess technology that contributes positively to KIOXIA Group products;
 - have a plan to prevent interruptions in the supply of goods and/or services in times of unexpected circumstances that may affect the company and its supply chain; and
 - require their suppliers to observe a procurement policy equivalent to that of KIOXIA Group;
- (2) prior to procurement of necessary goods and services, undertake a comprehensive and fair evaluation in accordance with the standards set forth below:
 - environmentally friendly;
 - appropriate quality and reasonable and economically rational pricing; and
 - deliver on schedule and with a stable supply;
- (3) refrain from receiving any personal benefits from suppliers with regard to corporate procurement, and fulfill contractual obligations to suppliers in good faith, ensuring that all transactions fully comply with ethically sound commercial practices and with all applicable laws and regulations to protect suppliers; and
- (4) ensure that all purchases are authorized by the relevant purchasing, procurement or subcontractor departments in accordance with KIOXIA Group internal regulations.

4. Production and Technology, Quality Assurance

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall:

- (1) observe all applicable laws and regulations, as well as contracts related to production, technology and quality assurance; and
- (2) promote constant technological innovation and product improvement and strive to supply safe, reliable and high quality products and services that meet customers' needs and incorporate the most advanced technologies.

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) assure the fulfillment of warranty commitments giving priority to customer satisfaction, and ensuring the safety of products;
- (2) promote the research and development of advanced technologies, products and services, and the continuous improvement of technology infrastructure; maintain basic technological and functional infrastructure so as to respond in a timely and appropriate manner to changes in the technological environment and to develop products and services that effectively utilize advanced technologies; and
- (3) in case Directors or Employees obtain information regarding an accidents involving any product or service, or the safety of any product or service, verify such information instantly and take appropriate measures in accordance with all applicable laws and internal regulations, including information provision, product recalls, and warning notices and labeling.

5. Marketing and Sales

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall:

- (1) comply with all applicable laws and regulations (including prohibitions on commercial bribery and kickbacks) and conduct fair marketing and sales activities in accordance with proper corporate ethics; and
- (2) deliver superior products and services that satisfy customer needs and requirements.

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) follow sound and fair business practices in all dealings with customers;

- (2) promote marketing and sales that comply with all applicable laws and regulations (including prohibitions on commercial bribery and kickbacks), observe sound business practices and respect socially accepted ideas; and
- (3) endeavor to understand customer needs from their perspective and deliver optimal products and services.

6. Competition Law and Government Transactions

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall:

- (1) comply with all applicable laws and regulations enacted for the purpose of maintaining free and fair competition (hereinafter called “Competition Laws”) in all business activities, including in all transactions with any government; and
- (2) prepare and properly implement Competition Laws compliance programs and company rules on marketing activities toward government agencies that set out corporate policies and procedures for assuring compliance with applicable Competition Laws and related regulations.

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) observe the Competition Laws compliance programs as well as company rules on marketing activities and promote free and fair business activities;
- (2) avoid, whether express or implied, agreements or understandings with competitors relating to pricing (including quotations and bids), the volume of production and sales, allocation of markets, customers or territories, or restrictions on production capacities or technology. The prohibition of such agreements is not limited to those actually recorded in writing by way of memoranda or minutes, but also extends to oral agreements;
- (3) if the customer is a government agency, observe the company rules on marketing activities toward government agencies and not engage in activities such as bid obstruction (Note 1) or competitor coordination on orders (Note 2);
- (4) not organize or participate in meetings, make pledges or arrangements, or exchange information or engage in any other activities which may result in suspicion of engaging in the activities set forth in paragraph 2 and 3 above;

- (5) not require distributors or dealers to agree to or maintain resale prices for any KIOXIA Group Company product;
- (6) not allow third parties (including sales representatives) to engage in activities prohibited under paragraphs (2) to (5) above; and
- (7) when hiring former government officials, strictly examine the candidate in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations and the internal regulations of the governmental agency in which he or she worked, and, if such candidate is hired, not allow him or her to engage in marketing activities aimed at such governmental agency, except to the extent permitted by law.

(Note 1) Herein, “bid obstruction” means, when dealing with a government agency, inquiring about the agency’s intentions regarding which prospective bidder will be contracted or the possible bid price, or acting in order for the agency to realize its such intentions.

(Note 2) Herein, “competitor coordination on orders” means exchanging information or coordinating with competitors regarding which prospective bidder will be contracted, bid prices and other information.

7. Bribery

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations prohibiting the payment, or offer or promise to make a payment, of anything of value to any public officials (i.e., any officer or employee of a government entity or any department, agency, or instrumentality thereof, or of a public international organization, or any person acting in an official capacity for or on behalf of any such government or department, agency, or instrumentality, or for or on behalf of any such public international organization, or any political party, party official, or candidate thereof).

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) neither make nor offer, either directly or indirectly, any payment or anything of value, whether in the form of compensation, business entertainment, gift, contribution, gratuity, or other form, that is illegal or prohibited by any applicable law or regulation, in any dealings with any government agencies, their officials, or members of any political party (including

- holders of a political office or candidates for such office) (except for cases that do not violate applicable laws or regulations and are considered socially acceptable), and shall not engage in sales transactions, loan transactions and the like (including guarantee transactions) that are not at arm's length;
- (2) not pay monies or offer benefits to any politicians (including former members of any legislative body, or current or former secretaries of any such politicians) or any company a politician may be involved with, regardless of the form such monies or benefits take (for example "commissions" or "consulting fees"), in connection with marketing toward governmental agencies;
 - (3) refrain from offering cash or other benefits to representatives of foreign governments as a means to gain unlawful benefits or profits when conducting international business transactions;
 - (4) not allow third parties including intermediaries, such as distributors or agents, to engage in any activities described in paragraphs 1 to 3 above;
 - (5) ensure that reasonable compensation and all necessary terms and conditions are specified in advance when working with intermediaries, such as distributors or agents, and observe all measures required by all applicable laws and regulations of each country or region for such compensation;
 - (6) not make contributions to political parties or committees, unless permitted to do so by applicable laws, regulations, and company rules; and
 - (7) respect the established practices of any customer, government entity or other party, as well as all applicable laws and regulations, regarding the provision of or the restrictions or controls over the acceptance of business entertainment, gifts or other business courtesies by its employees or officials.

8. Environment

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KOXIA Group Companies shall:

- (1) strive to promote a sustainable environment with the recognition that the Earth is an irreplaceable asset and that there is a collective obligation to leave it to future generations in a sound state;
- (2) comply with all applicable international, regional and national standards, laws, regulations, agreements, industry guidelines and company rules related to the environment;

- (3) contribute to society by developing and offering excellent products that incorporate technologies for environmental protection; and
- (4) strive to reduce the environmental impact of business activities.

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) endeavor to do research and development activities and product manufacturing that reduce the impact on the environment, and also work proactively to maximize the efficient use of energy, reduce the use of natural resources and recycle in the course of all business activities in order to prevent global warming and efficiently use resources;
- (2) continually improve environmental activities by implementing action plans from both short-term and long-term perspectives through daily operations;
- (3) conduct periodic measurements and inspections and maintain records accordingly. When there is an irregularity, promptly take corrective and preventive measures;
- (4) perform timely and appropriate environmental impact assessments during the planning of new plants and plant relocations, investment in production facilities, product planning and design and the purchase of new parts, components or materials;
- (5) try to avoid the use or emission of any substance that, although not prohibited by applicable laws or regulations, is recognized as a threat to the environment by the government or public environmental authority of any country or region in which KIOXIA Group operates. If such a substance should be used by KIOXIA Group Companies, for whatever reason, every effort shall be made to minimize its environmental impact through application of the best available technology and know-how;
- (6) try to maintain good and open communication channels for disclosure of sufficient information regarding our environmental activities; and
- (7) pay due consideration to environmental issues in every-day life, including global warming, and actively consider participating in environmental activities of local communities.

9. Export Control

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall:

- (1) refrain from any transactions that may undermine the maintenance of global peace and security;

- (2) comply with all applicable export laws and regulations in each country and region of operation, and with those of the United States if we are engaged in transactions involving U.S. products and technological information; and
- (3) prepare and implement export control compliance programs (hereinafter called the “Export Control Programs”) that stipulate corporate policies and procedures for assuring compliance with the foregoing laws and regulations.

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) refrain from any transactions that may undermine the maintenance of global peace and security or any product or technology transactions that may violate the following laws and regulations:
 - all applicable export control laws and regulations in each of the countries and regions where KIOXIA Group operates, and
 - the export control laws and regulations of the United States applicable to transactions involving U.S. products and technological information;
- (2) assure strict management of transactions from the initial inquiry through the delivery of products and services by observing detailed procedures for control of transactions stipulated in the Export Control Program; and
- (3) prevent our products from being used for development and manufacturing of conventional weapons and weapons of mass destruction by verifying the end use and the end user of products and technology.

10. Antisocial Groups

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall not have any relationships, including business transactions, with antisocial groups (i.e., groups that engage in any type of criminal activity or are deemed otherwise to be disruptive or pose a threat to society, including but not limited to organized crime groups or terrorist groups).

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) refuse participation or contributions by antisocial groups in our business activities, and not promote their activities (e.g., subscription to or purchase of publications or books, purchase of goods, endorsement by advertisement, offering of services, offering of cash or goods, and any other activities providing material support).
- (2) refuse any unjustifiable demand (Note) decisively and unequivocally; and
- (3) comply with all applicable laws and regulations governing money laundering (concealing the origins of money obtained illegally).

(Note) Herein, “Unjustifiable demand” means a demand or other action related to business activities made by a member of criminal organization with the threat of violence.

11. Engineering Ethics

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall:

- (1) engage in technology activities with a high level of ethics; and
- (2) comply with all applicable laws, regulations and contracts.

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) utilize their expertise, skills and experience to contribute to the health and happiness of humans and the safety of society;
- (2) rely on scientific facts and recognize changes in all applicable laws, regulations, and conventional wisdom to make fair and independent judgments and act honestly and with good faith;
- (3) continuously seek to improve their expertise and capabilities to create new and innovative technology and offer safe and excellent products and services;
- (4) endeavor to foster future engineers and bestow technology to them; and
- (5) promote more active communication with relevant parties to create an openminded and transparent working environment.

12. Intellectual Property Rights

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall:

- (1) comply with all applicable laws and regulations associated with patent law, copyright law and other intellectual property rights (Note) laws; and
- (2) protect the results of intellectual activities with intellectual property rights, make extensive use of those rights, and respect the legitimate intellectual property rights of third parties.

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) proactively acquire and utilize intellectual property rights in order to strengthen business competitiveness;
- (2) understand and observe company rules providing that intellectual property rights in any invention, utility model, design for or actual work, such as mask work (i.e., the layout of an integrated circuit chip), computer program or digital content, that is determined to have been made by anyone during the period of his or her services for or employment by a KIOXIA Group Company, and the ability to apply for such rights, belong to the KIOXIA Group Company;
- (3) adequately maintain intellectual property rights and take appropriate measures against infringement of these rights by a third party; and
- (4) respect and take due care of the legitimate intellectual property rights of third parties.

(Note) Herein, “intellectual property rights” means patent rights, utility model rights, design patent rights, trademarks, copyrights, mask work rights, trade secrets, and any other such rights.

13. Accounting

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations regarding accounting and conduct proper accounts management and financial reporting in accordance with generally accepted principles.

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) maintain proper and timely accounts in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
- (2) promote the prompt release of accurate accounts; and
- (3) endeavor to maintain and improve the accounting management system, and establish and implement internal control procedures for financial reporting.

14. Corporate Communications

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall:

- (1) endeavor to obtain the understanding of stakeholders, including customers, shareholders and the local community, with respect to corporate activities, products and services, and further improve public recognition of KIOXIA Group and its corporate image by means of positive and timely corporate communications activities on business information (Note), such as corporate strategy and financial data; and
- (2) ensure that management policies are well communicated within the company, and promote information sharing as a means of raising morale and creating a sense of unity.

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) conduct corporate communications with integrity on the basis of objective facts;
- (2) conduct corporate communications by appropriate means, to enable customers, shareholders, potential investors and the members of the community of each country or region to obtain a reasonable understanding of KIOXIA Group's activities; and
- (3) obtain prior consent from the persons responsible for corporate communications before disclosing business information to analysts and to the media, including newspapers, magazines and television stations.

(Note) Herein, "business information" includes but is not limited to information regarding actions or activities which may raise the suspicion of such actions prohibited by these SOC (hereinafter called "Risk Compliance Information").

15. Advertising

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall:

- (1) use advertising activities to increase public awareness of the KIOXIA brand and public awareness of, and trust in, KIOXIA Group; and
- (2) seek heightened awareness of KIOXIA Group as a global company and a “good corporate citizen” at national and regional levels.

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) increase public trust in the KIOXIA brand and acquire the good will and trust of the people in each of the countries or regions in which KIOXIA Group operates, thereby creating an environment whereby sustained business development and sales promotion activities may be achieved;
- (2) not use advertising to cast third parties in a negative light in an attempt to make KIOXIA Group appear more favorable, or for any other negative purpose; and
- (3) not make reference to politics or religion in advertising, cause offense or show disrespect by implying discrimination based on race, religion, sex, national origin, physical disability, age or sexual orientation.

16. Workplace

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall:

- (1) develop a working environment where Employees may perform their duties creatively and efficiently so that they may achieve a work/life balance (i.e., balance between work and home); and
- (2) endeavor to ensure a safe and comfortable working environment for Employees.

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) accomplish their tasks to the utmost of their abilities, in light of their authority and the responsibilities assigned to them by the company, and endeavor to learn continuously and to improve their own abilities;
- (2) realize employees' work/life balance through various ways of working so that they can maximize their capabilities to the fullest extent;
- (3) cultivate a workplace environment that encourages the development of openminded, cooperative and orderly work activities; and
- (4) maintain safety, cleanliness and good order in the workplace and endeavor to prevent industrial accidents, and try to maintain good health.

17. Information Security

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall:

- (1) properly manage and protect corporate information (Note);
- (2) respect proprietary information and maintain corporate information as confidential, and prohibit disclosure or improper use of corporate information; and
- (3) strive to prevent information security incidents, and take recovery and corrective measures immediately in the event of an incident.

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) not disclose or divulge corporate information, either during or after employment, without following appropriate internal procedures;
- (2) not use corporate information or company assets to benefit themselves or any third party, to harm the interests of KIOXIA Group, or for any other improper use, either during or after employment, however this does not restrict any right under applicable employment laws, including for example the right of United States employees to disclose their compensation;
- (3) not disclose or divulge to the company any confidential or proprietary information belonging to any third party acquired prior to their employment in violation of their obligations to such third parties, including inter alia, former employees and clients;
- (4) protect any personal data, in accordance with all applicable laws, regulations and company rules, including observance of lawful and appropriate procedures for obtaining and maintaining personal data, and use personal data only for appropriate purposes;

- (5) observe information security regulations, and endeavor to protect corporate information and use corporate information only in a proper manner;
- (6) not to use any company-owned information technology equipment or services for any personal purposes;
- (7) not hurt the informational interests of third parties, such as accessing third party information without authorizations; and
- (8) not be party to any illegal insider trading (i.e., using nonpublic corporate information in trading the shares or the like of a company).

(Note) Herein, “corporate information” means all information, including personal information, third party information such as customer and supplier information and company information (hereinafter including information relating to third parties) that is handled by the Directors and Employees in the course of conducting business, except information open to the public.

18. Company Assets and Conflicts of Interest

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall:

- (1) properly manage company assets (hereinafter including the KIOXIA brand and other intangible assets); and
- (2) always act in the best interest of the company.

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) refrain from diverting or appropriating company assets for personal use and endeavor to maintain company assets;
- (2) refrain from making improper use of company equipment and facilities;
- (3) not make unauthorized use of their position or authority within the company to benefit themselves or any third party or to impair the credibility or brand name of the company; and
- (4) avoid business relationships with customers, suppliers, and competitors of the company that would pose a conflict of interest.

19. Community Relations

1) KIOXIA Group Corporate Policy

KIOXIA Group Companies shall:

- (1) contribute to and cooperate with all local communities in which KIOXIA Group operates in order to perform its duties as a member of these communities and engage and collaborate with a wide range of stakeholders such as nonprofit organization (NPOs);
- (2) support Directors and Employees in undertaking voluntary activities and give full consideration to each individual's desire to exercise his or her civil rights;
- (3) make appropriate donations in each country and region where KIOXIA Group operates, after considering the contribution to the community, the public nature and the reasons for making donations; and
- (4) try to improve the brand image in all aspects of their relationships with the communities.

2) SOC for KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees

Directors and Employees shall:

- (1) assure that KIOXIA Group Companies undertake all activities in harmony with the community, by respecting the local culture and community traditions and customs;
- (2) actively participate in developing communication with the local community, to encourage and maintain mutual respect and understanding;
- (3) actively participate in community social and voluntary activities;
- (4) act responsibly and with integrity as a member of society; and
- (5) aspire to exhibit honesty and integrity in words and actions with an awareness of being member of KIOXIA Group, whether at the workplace, in public places, or online.

Scope and Implementation

1. Scope of the SOC

- (1) These SOC shall, on their adoption by each KIOXIA Group Company by resolution of the board of directors or other appropriate corporate actions, apply to all Directors and Employees, including advisors and contract employees; and
- (2) The SOC does not state or establish legal obligations on the part of the KIOXIA Group and does not create any legal rights or claims on the part of any person. Instead, the SOC sets forth the values of the KIOXIA Group and the expectations that the KIOXIA Group has for its

Directors and Employees. In many instances, these values and expectations exceed applicable legal obligations.

2. Implementation of the SOC

- (1) Each KIOXIA Group Company shall appoint a “Chief Implementation Administrator” to assume overall responsibility for implementation of the SOC. The Chief Implementation Administrator of KIOXIA Corporation shall be the President;
- (2) Each Chief Implementation Administrator may appoint, as necessary, “Implementation Administrators,” who shall be responsible for the implementation of each article of the SOC. Within KIOXIA Corporation, the General Manager of each division shall assume the role of Implementation Administrator. In this capacity, they are responsible for implementation of the SOC in their divisions and also for guiding implementation in KIOXIA Group Companies for which they are responsible;
- (3) The corporate staff division of each KIOXIA Group Company in charge of any of the items of these SOC shall formulate relevant rules or compliance programs and shall support that KIOXIA Group Company’s Implementation Administrators and any related companies by providing information and advice on formulating implementation rules and on developing educational programs; and
- (4) KIOXIA Corporation’s Legal Affairs Division and Business Planning Division shall be the bodies responsible for the maintenance of the SOC and the promotion and support for the adoption and implementation of the SOC by the KIOXIA Group Companies.

3. In-house Information Reporting System and Protection of Information Providers

- (1) KIOXIA Group Companies shall establish an in-house information reporting system to ensure that KIOXIA Group Directors and Employees are able to report Risk Compliance Information (Note) directly to Chief Implementation Administrators or the division responsible for risk-compliance matters;
- (2) Directors and Employees of each KIOXIA Group Company are to report any Risk Compliance Information they have to their supervisors immediately or provide such information using the in-house information reporting system;
- (3) The Chief Implementation Administrators, the divisions responsible for risk²⁵ compliance matters and supervisors who receive Risk Compliance Information must respond and act promptly and appropriately; and

(4) Directors and Employees who provide Risk Compliance Information for good reason and in good faith must not be treated disadvantageously on the grounds that they provided such information.

4. Disciplinary Action

Any conduct in violation of these SOC shall be subject to disciplinary measures up to and including dismissal, according to and as set forth in each KIOXIA Group Company's Disciplinary Rules/Staff Handbook.

5. Amendments

Any amendments shall be subject to the resolution of the board of directors; except minor corrections (including but not limited to the correction of clerical errors) can be made through the decision by the President.

(Note) "Risk Compliance Information" means any information regarding actions, or activities which may raise the suspicion of actions prohibited by these SOC.

Third-party Verification

In order to improve the reliability of the environmental performance data, KIOXIA Group requested Japan Audit and Certification Organization for Environment and Quality to provide third-party verification, and the details are as follows.

1. Scope of the verification :

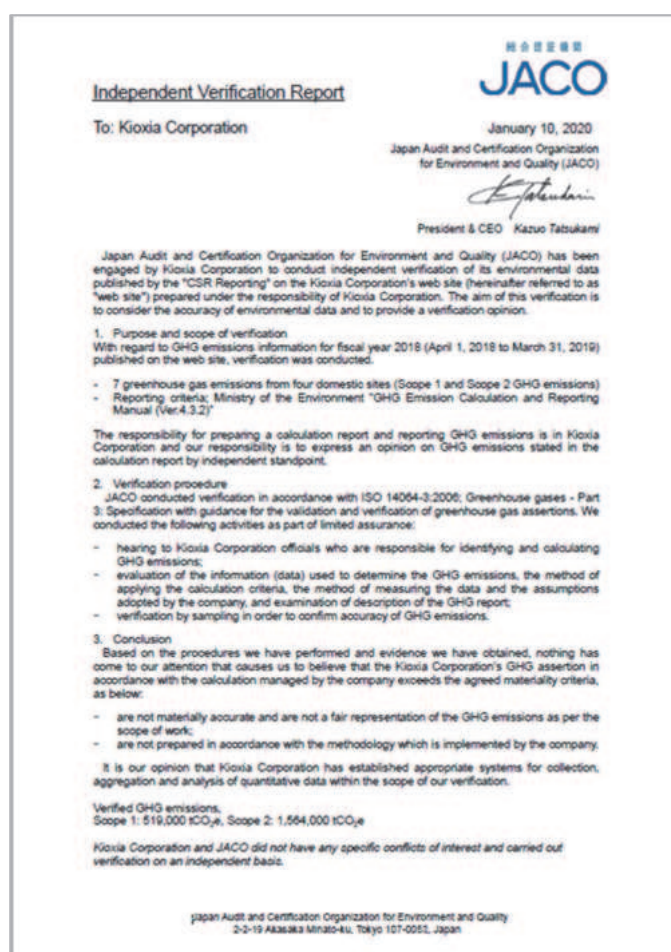
GHG (greenhouse gas) emissions generated in four sites of KIOXIA in Japan (Scopes 1 and 2)

2. Scope period :

FY2018 (April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019)

3. Verified greenhouse gas emissions :

Scope1 519ktCO₂e、 Scope2 1,564ktCO₂e。



Third-party assurance report by Japan Audit Certification Organization
for Environment and Quality (PDF: 388KB)

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