

## **1. Management policies to deal with environmental problems**

Companies should always bear the guidelines below in mind in carrying on their activities. They must work to (1) protect the global environment and improve the local living environment, (2) take care to protect ecosystems and conserve resources, (3) ensure the environmental soundness of products and (4) protect the health and safety of employees and citizens.

## **2. Corporate organizations**

(1) Companies shall establish an internal system to handle environmental issues by appointing a director and creating a department in charge of environmental problems.

(2) Environmental regulations shall be established for company activities, and these shall be observed. Such internal regulations should include goals for reducing the load on the environment. An internal inspection to determine how well the environmental regulations are being adhered to shall be carried out at least once a year.

## **3. Concern for the environment**

(1) All company activities, beginning with the siting of production facilities, shall be scientifically evaluated for their impact

on the environment, and any necessary countermeasures shall be implemented.

(2) Care should be taken in the research, design, and development stages of making a product to lessen the possible burden on the environment at each level of its production, distribution, appropriate use, and disposal.

(3) Companies shall establish internal standards in addition to those of national and local laws and regulations for environmental protection when they are necessary.

(4) When procuring materials, including materials for production, companies shall endeavour to purchase those that are superior from such viewpoints as conserving resources, preserving the environment, and recyclability.

(5) Companies shall utilize technologies that allow efficient use of energy and preservation of the environment. Companies shall endeavour to recycle byproducts, use resources efficiently, and reduce waste products, and shall deal with pollutants and waste products.

## **4. Development of technology**

In order to help solve global environmental problems, companies shall endeavour to develop and supply innovative energy and resource-efficient