

## JSR Group CSR Report 2015 Independent Review Report

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■Objective of Verification

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This Responsible Care report verification is performed by the Responsible Care Verification Center with respect to the JSR Group CSR Report 2015 (Print Version and Online Version) prepared by JSR Corporation (hereinafter, "Report"), with the objective of verifying the following and reporting opinions from the perspective of a chemical industry specialist.

- 1) The reasonableness of the methods of calculation and aggregation of performance indices (numerical data), and the accuracy of the numerical data
- 2) The accuracy of information other than numerical data
- 3) Responsible Care and CSR activities
- 4) Characteristics of the Report

## **■**Verification Methodology

- At the Head Office: An inspection was conducted concerning the reasonableness of the aggregation method of numerical data reported from
  each site (office, plant) as well as the accuracy of information other than numerical data. The inspection involved interviewing relevant
  business managers and Report editors concerning the content of the Report as well as receiving necessary documents and explanation.
- At the Yokkaichi Plant: An inspection was conducted concerning the reasonableness of the calculation method of numerical data reported to
  the Head Office and the accuracy of numerical data as well as the accuracy of information other than numerical data. The inspection
  involved interviewing relevant business managers and Report editors, receiving necessary documents and explanations, and checking
  them against evidence.
- The numerical data and other information provided in the Report were inspected by sampling.

## Opinion

- 1) The reasonableness of the methods of calculation and aggregation of performance indices (numerical data), and the accuracy of numerical data
  - · Reasonable methods are adopted for the calculation and aggregation of numerical data at both the Head Office and the Yokkaichi Plant.
  - · As far as the inspected numerical data is concerned, it is calculated and aggregated accurately.
- 2) Accuracy of information other than numerical data
  - Information provided in the Report is accurate. Some suggestions were given at the drafting stage concerning inappropriate expressions, difficult-to-understand text, and inconsistency between the Print Version and Online Version, but they all have been corrected in the current report.
- 3) Responsible Care (RC) and CSR activities
  - It is admirable that the entire company launched, under the President's leadership, a fatal accident countermeasure project, and that each office identified hazardous locations and created countermeasures to deal with them while at the same time inspected the existing safety culture and worked to create remedial measures, including a reorganization of basic safety measures.
  - It is admirable that the number of domestic and overseas Group companies included in the RC (environment, safety, health) activities performance data aggregations is being increased every year, and that JSR is proactively releasing information about its efforts to expand the scope of aggregation of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions data and Scope 3 categories.
  - JSR erected a Safety Monument at the entrance of the Yokkaichi Plant and pledged never to allow the lessons learned from last year's fatal accident to fade with time.
    - And JSR continues developing a strong culture of safety into the future. It is admirable that JSR held an Unveiling Ceremony and Safety Ceremony on July 23, and it is hoped that they will continue in their efforts to improve safety and security in the future.
  - It is admirable that the Yokkaichi Plant, as part of their basic policy of "Coexistence with Local Communities," held a wide variety of activities that place importance on contact with local residents. These activities included beautification activities in the vicinity of the plant, tours of the plant, environment and science classes for elementary and junior high school students, a wide variety of other types of volunteer activities, and Harmony Festival, which included a variety of events that JSR Group employees and local residents could enjoy together.

## 4) Characteristics of the Report

- This Report identifies important issues that JSR Group in engaged in, and the Print Version evaluates and reports on the achievements of the FY2014 targets for each item of the important issues.
- The various types of performance data listed in the Responsible Care (environment, safety, health) Progress Report are represented in the Online Version.