

Editorial Policy

Our annual environmental report, which has been published since 1996, will be newly titled the “ÆON Environmental and Social Report 2003 – Sustainability Report –” with the subtitle “Our Goals” starting with this 8th issue. The use of “Our” also has an important implication of “together with our customers.” This report points the way toward a future that ÆON hopes to build with our customers by disclosing ÆON’s current situation and clearly indicating “Our Goal” for each of our activities.

※ “ÆON” in this report refers to a group of 142 companies engaged in 13 fields of operation, whereas “ÆON Co., Ltd.” refers to the ÆON company engaged in the general merchandise store (GMS) operation.

Companies Covered by the Report

142 ÆON group companies

Target Readers

This report principally targets ÆON’s customers. It is also intended for all ÆON stakeholders, including shareholders, the local residents of all of the store locations of the ÆON group, business partners, NPOs, and employees.

Reported Period

FY 2002 (February 21, 2002 – February 20, 2003)

※ Since this is our first sustainability report, we have also referred to our activities prior to FY 2002, as required. For any data to which this reporting period does not apply due to a different accounting term or other reasons, the applicable reporting period is clearly indicated.

Sustainability Report

A sustainability report not only reports the activities concerning nature conservation, but also the economic and social dimensions of the corporate activities. This report has been compiled with reference to international reporting guidelines – the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) Guidelines.

※ The icons on the right are used to show the category (economic, environmental, or social) of the reported activities.



Economic



Environmental



Social

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