April 7, 2011 Impact from the Tohoku Region Pacific Coast Earthquake on Our Group

We would like to express our heartfelt sympathy to the people affected by the Tohoku Region Pacific Coast Earthquake that occurred on March 11, 2011. We hereby announce our status after the earthquake as follows.

1. Status of Recovery on production

Shirakawa Plant located in Shirakawa-city, Fukushima-Prefecture that had been stopped due to damage to part of plant buildings and facilities, resumed operations normally, after recovery of our main product, carbon fiber products processes. Our subsidiary company Nippon Techno-Carbon Co., Ltd and Tohoku Techno Carbon Co., Ltd head office located in Osato-cho, Kurokawa-gun, Miyagi-Prefecture also finished recovering and resumed production and process of specialty graphite products.

2. Impact on business results

The impact from the earthquake on our Group's business results is currently unclear. Considering the impact by regulation of electricity, we will release announcement promptly when our forecast need a revision.