

Regarding the effects of the Tohoku Pacific Coast Earthquake

Tokyo March 14, 2011---We would like to express our deepest sympathy to those afflicted by the Tohoku Pacific Coast Earthquake that occurred on March 11, 2011. The Kyowa Hakko Kirin was affected as shown below.

1. Confirmation of the safety of employees

Confirmation of the safety of employees has been almost fully completed. Where this has not been completed we are urgently seeking confirmation of employee safety.

2. Damage to production facilities

(1) Kyowa Hakko Kirin Co., Ltd.

Takasaki Plant (Takasaki,, Gunma prefecture) has not suffered serious damage. The following sales offices were physically damaged: Tohoku Branch (Sendai, Miyagi prefecture), Fukushima Sales Office (Koriyama, Fukushima prefecture), Mito Sales Office (Mito, Ibaraki prefecture), but other production facilities and sales offices are operating.

(2) Kyowa Hakko Bio Co., Ltd.

Production facilities and sales offices did not suffer serious damage.

(3) Kyowa Hakko Chemical Co., Ltd.

The Chiba Plant (Ichihara, Chiba prefecture) has currently suspended production. Restart of production has not yet been scheduled. Other production facilities and sales offices are operating.

(4) Other domestic group companies

No serious damage suffered

3. Effects on business results

We are currently investigating the financial effects of damage resulting from this earthquake and if effects on our Group's business results are expected, these will be promptly disclosed.