

## Environmental Management Audits

**We employ environmental management audits to continually upgrade our risk management and environmental efforts.**

The NEC Electronics Group conducts environmental management audits as an alternative to ISO certification audits by external auditing bodies. In fiscal 2008, we conducted a series of environmental management audits from June through September to evaluate environmental impact reduction, risk management, community contributions, and collective environmental management activities for ISO conformity in six domestic manufacturing companies. We determined that the environmental management systems of all of the companies conform to the ISO 14001:2004 edition of the standard, meet environmental performance standards, and that all companies are practicing sound risk management.

The Japan Quality Assurance Organization (an external inspection organization) has again approved the high quality audits we substitute for the ISO 14001 environmental management standards audit as an appropriate auditing system.

All of our auditors have completed an environmental auditors training course approved by CEAR or a former environmental auditor training course accredited by the JAB (Japan Accreditation Board for Conformity Assessment). At present, we have 22 qualified auditors; of these, four are qualified as CEAR-registered lead auditors and 13 as CEAR-registered auditors. (As of March 31, 2008)



Opening meeting



An outdoor worksite audit

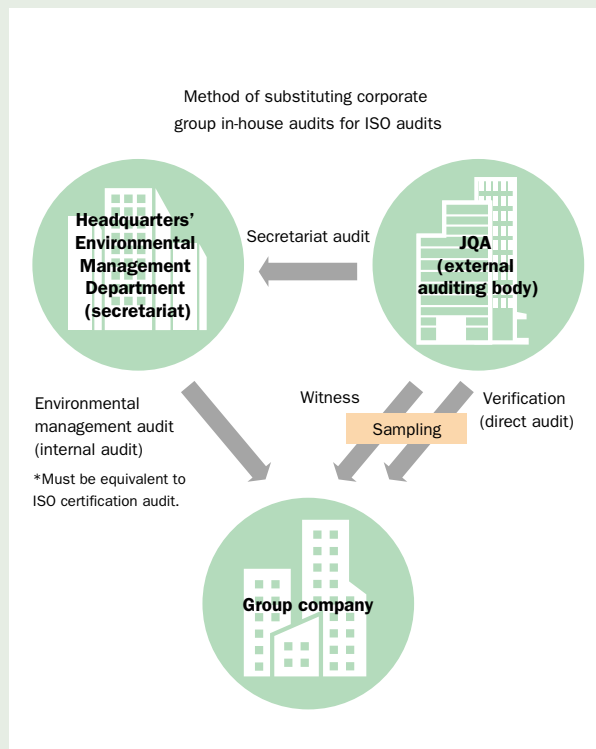


An audit of documents

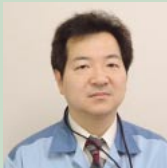


An audit in the clean room

## Substitute audits



## TALK about ECO — Our environmental efforts



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### **We utilize environmental management to make an environmental contribution to the semiconductor industry.**

We are developing environmental activities based on environmental management systems we have constructed in compliance with ISO 14001. Specifically, we are making every effort to combine environmentally sound semiconductor manufacturing and reduction of environmental costs by introducing technology improvements to minimize the energy and resources we use in semiconductor manufacturing processes and also by undertaking activities upstream to suppress the amount of waste that is generated.