

Initiatives through owned real estates to achieve net-zero CO₂ emissions

~Introduction of renewable energy and acquisition of Certification for CASBEE for Real Estate~

Meiji Yasuda Life Insurance Company (Hideki Nagashima, President and Group CEO) is committed to harmonize with the global environment in every aspect of its business operations, including environmental protection and climate-change measures, and ESG investment and financing, in order to contribute to the creation of a sustainable and hopeful society.

Of these, in order to reduce CO₂ emissions from the standpoints of both a business operator and an institutional investor, we formulated and announced the “Roadmap for Net-zero CO₂ Emissions”^{**1} in July 2022.

We have recently introduced renewable energy into the three buildings with major head office functions, so we will report on the progress of our efforts.

■ Progress of “Roadmap for Net-zero CO₂ Emissions”

1. Status of introduction of renewable energy

(1) Installed 100% renewable energy in three buildings with major head office functions

As one of our efforts to achieve net-zero CO₂ emissions, we are promoting the use of renewable energy for electricity used in our real estate, taking into account that approximately 80% of CO₂ emissions related to Scope1 & 2 arise from electricity used in our business activities.

We have made efforts to introduce renewable energy into the Meiji Yasuda Life Building (including Meiji Seimei Kan), where headquarter locates, and the Meiji Yasuda Life Shin Toyochō Building and the Meiji Yasuda Life Administration Center Building. Eventually, we have replaced with renewable energy for approximately 45.7 million kWh per year, all the electricity used in abovementioned buildings where the main headquarters functions are located.

As a result, we expect to reduce emissions of CO₂ by approximately 20,000t per year, which is equivalent to about 8.5 units of Tokyo Dome.

	Reduction of CO ₂ emissions
Meiji Yasuda Life Building (Including Meiji Seimei Kan)	11,733t - CO ₂
Meiji Yasuda Life Shin Toyochō Building	6,446t - CO ₂

Meiji Yasuda Life Administration Center Building	2,351t - CO ₂
Total	20,530t - CO₂

(2) Introduction of renewable energy into the Meiji Seimei Kan, an Important Cultural Property

The Meiji Seimei Kan was the first building built in the Showa period to be designated as an Important Cultural Property in 1997. In addition to office use, in October 2022, we welcomed the Seikado Bunko Art Museum to promote the new use of buildings as an Important Cultural Property.

In January 2023, we fully replaced electricity used by the Meiji Seimei Kan with renewable energy in order to succeed one of an Important Cultural Properties that is a valuable asset of the people to the next generation, and to contribute to the realization of a sustainable society.



"Meiji Seimei Kan", an Important Cultural Property

2. Acquisition of Certification for CASBEE for Real Estate

Recently, both the Meiji Yasuda Life Building (including Meiji Seimei Kan), where headquarter locates, and the Meiji Yasuda Life Osaka Umeda Building have acquired S-Rank, which is the highest rating in Certification for CASBEE for Real Estate^{*2}, which comprehensively evaluates environmental performance.

Both buildings have excellent energy-saving and water-saving functions, and in addition, Meiji Yasuda Life Building is highly evaluated for their excellent indoor environment through high ventilation system, lighting performance and daylight utilization. Furthermore, Meiji Yasuda Life Osaka Umeda Building is highly regarded for daylight utilization through top lights.

Going forward, we will continue our efforts to reduce the environmental impact of owned real estates by conducting third-party environmental performance evaluations centered on reconstruction properties and verifying the effectiveness of these efforts.

Building [Address]	Appearance	Evaluation rank
Meiji Yasuda Life Building (including Meiji Seimei Kan) [2-1-1, Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo]		 S-Rank ★★★★★
Meiji Yasuda Life Osaka Umeda Building [3-3-20, Umeda, Kita-ku, Osaka City]		 S-Rank ★★★★★

3.Introduction of environment-friendly fixtures (contribution to recycling of marine plastic litter)

In recent years, marine pollution and biodiversity loss caused by marine plastic litter^{*3} have become global issues, and efforts to recycle plastic resources have attracted attention.


Amid this trend, we have requested IRISCHITOSE. Co., Ltd., which has a track record of developing office fixtures using recycled resin from marine plastic litter, to develop chairs for use by our MY link coordinator (sales personnel). In fiscal 2022, we introduced office chairs using recycled resin from marine plastic litter at four of our sales bases.

This will contribute to the recovery and recycling of approximately 88 kilograms of marine plastic litter, visualize the degree of concrete contribution to environmental conservation, and contribute to fostering awareness of environmental conservation among employees.

We will continue our efforts to introduce environment-friendly furniture for environmental conservation.

[Introduced Office Chair]

Manufacturer/ product name	IRISCHITOSE/ Crystnesting OBP
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Product Features	Plastic recycling company, a collaborative partner of IRISCHITOSE, collects marine plastic litter and recycles into recycled resin at a factory obtained the certification of TUV*4 to ensure traceability and safety from raw materials to commercialization.	
Consumption of marine plastic	About 364 grams per chair	

(*1) For details, refer to “Roadmap for Net-zero CO2 Emissions” released on July15, 2022.
URL:https://www.meijiyasuda.co.jp/english/newsroom/pdf/20220715_01.pdf

(*2) CASBEE(Comprehensive Assessment System for Built Environment Efficiency) is a method of evaluating and rating systems with environmental performance. It comprehensively evaluates the quality of buildings, including environmental considerations such as energy conservation and the use of environmentally friendly materials and equipment, as well as indoor comfort and landscape considerations. One of CASBEE of "CASBEE-Real Estate" is a certification system launched in 2013 with the support of the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism. It is evaluated in four levels: S-rank, A-rank, B+-rank, and B-rank for buildings (office buildings, etc.) that have been completed for one year or more.

(*3) Plastics that are not properly disposed and controlled in the sea of 50 kilometers or less along the coast

(*4) A system in which TUV Rheinland (head office: Germany), an international third-party certification body, provides neutral certification of technical capabilities and safety.