

Initiatives for Society

Basic Concept

The UACJ Group believes that being a business that contributes widely to society requires understanding the expectations of stakeholders and responding to their trust. We see product safety and quality control initiatives, supply-chain management, human resource development and diversity, and the provision of safe, healthy work environments as having importance not only for us but for society, as well, and do our best to achieve progress in all of these areas, with their social benefits in mind.

Key Objectives and Results

	Fiscal 2016 Objectives	Fiscal 2016 Results	Assessment	Fiscal 2017 Objectives
	Zero major quality problems	Results on a par with fiscal 2015	Δ	Zero major quality problems
Quality and Customer Satisfaction	Number of Complaints 10% or greater year-on- year reduction in complaints (both those involving claims for damages and those that do not)	2% year-on-year reduction	Δ	10% or greater year- on-year reduction in complaints (both those involving claims for damages and those that do not)
Human Resource Development and Diversity	Promote diversity in hiring	Hired nine new college graduates from outside Japan Rehired 203 people who had reached the mandatory retirement age	O	Promote diversity in hiring

	Fiscal 2016 Objectives	Fiscal 2016 Results	Assessment	Fiscal 2017 Objectives
	Develop and implement career support measures for women	Began to implement UACJ's first General Employer Action Plan Hired 4 women among a total of 21 new- graduate staff hires Hired women at the rate of 43% of new- graduate staff hires, and 7% of new- graduate hires for technical positions Increased female participation in management by 17% compared to the figure for the end of fiscal 2015	Ο	Hire women at the rate of 40% of new- graduate staff hires, and 10% of new- graduate hires for technical positions Increase female participation in management by 40% compared to the figure for the end of fiscal 2015
	Strengthen technology development, frontline execution, and workforce capabilities for the Group as a whole	Conducted a total of 28 seminars of 14 types, for 353 participants Had 785 employees participate in job-level training	O	Continue strengthening technology development, frontline execution, and workforce capabilities for the Group as a whole
Provision of Safe, Healthy Work Environments	Energize improvement activities aimed at eliminating workplace accidents	Conducted monthly safety inspections across the entire company Implemented safety measures based on uniform facility safety standards for the Group Conducted safety assessments for new construction, renovation, and relocation projects	Ο	Energize improvement activities aimed at eliminating workplace accidents

Fiscal 2016 Objectives	Fiscal 2016 Results	Assessment	Fiscal 2017 Objectives
Conduct employee education on safety and health	Included in job-level training Enhanced the content of experiential education on hazards Conducted safety and health seminars for supervisors	Ο	Conduct employee education on safety and health
Adjust working hours to appropriate levels	Implemented a work- time management system to accurately record and confirm working hours	0	Adjust working hours to appropriate levels

Looking toward the Future

In fiscal 2016, the UACJ Group will redouble its efforts to achieve zero major quality problems, an objective for which performance fell short in fiscal 2015. At the same time, we will work to further activities aimed at eliminating workplace accidents and advancing human resource development. Other areas of particular focus will include efforts to achieve the various objectives, such as the target for hiring women into staff positions, established to promote diversity and achieve the action plan for compliance with the Act to Advance Women's Success in Their Working Life.

Comment by the Executive in Charge

UACJ is increasing the diversity of its business activities. We are doing this, for example, through the accelerated global business development we have been pursuing in recent years and by entering new business fields. In North America, joint-venture establishment and M&A activities have added employees with corporate culture experiences new to us, and in Japan reassignment of products among works have necessitated changes in work routines. Successfully melding cultures and rising to the challenges of changing manufacturing processes both rely on people. UACJ, therefore, creates people-centric systems and devotes enormous amounts of time and energy to developing human resources.



Executive Officer Yukihiro Kuwamoto

In our Global Step I Mid-term Management Plan, we have designated diversity as a major policy area. To enhance diversity in our workforce, therefore, we are working to increase the percentages of women among new-graduate hires and in management positions as mandated by the Act to Advance Women's Success in Their Working Life, which took effect last year. This and other human resource development measures undertaken without regard to nationality are part of our efforts to become an aluminum industry leader in a competitive global market.

As a manufacturer, the technical skills of our employees and the passing on of those skills to younger generations are critical for our success. Our Nagoya Works has created a program specifically for this purpose and in fiscal 2016 the Fukui Works implemented one as well.

At UACJ, we devote significant attention to developing human resources capable of maintaining our approach to manufacturing amid constantly changing business conditions. We see our efforts in this regard as indispensable for becoming an aluminum industry leader in a competitive global market and will remain committed to them going forward.

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Relationships with Customers

The UACJ Group strives to satisfy customers and earn their trust through excellence in quality, technology, and execution.

Basic Policies on Quality

- 1. We will constantly strive to improve our capabilities in technological development, quality management, and frontline execution to offer products and services that earn the satisfaction and trust of customers.
- 2. We will fulfill demands put before us.
- 3. We will carefully consider the quality objectives we have established and results we have obtained, and allocate management resources as needed.
- 4. We will undertake quality improvement activities with participation by all Group members to ensure that all employees understand our policies on quality.
- 5. All Group employees will act based on a clear understanding of our stance on quality and will participate in quality improvement activities.

Quality Management System

The UACJ Group has established its Quality Committee, chaired by the Executive in Charge of Quality, as the highest organ for advancing quality management. The Quality Committee discusses and reports on the status of quality, significant problems, and other quality-related matters.

Quality control groups have been established for each of the Group's businesses – flat rolled products, extrusion, foil, casting and forging, copper tubing, and precision-machined components. These individual quality control groups work together with the Engineering and Maintenance Department and the leaders of organizational units, as they pursue quality management activities.

Quality Improvement Activities

A uniform, annual quality management policy has been established for the entire UACJ Group. In fiscal 2016, quality objectives and priorities were clearly stated under the slogan, "Enhance quality from the bottom up to create a leading corporate group with world-class competitiveness," and measures for improving quality were undertaken.

Fiscal 2016 Quality Objectives

- 1. Zero major quality problems (quality anomalies)
- 2. 10% or greater year-on-year improvements in numbers of complaints, both those involving claims for damages those that do not.

Key Objectives

- · Identify fundamental causes of problems to prevent recurrences and human error.
- Identify customer needs and expectations, and respond to them swiftly to increase customer satisfaction.
- Secure necessary capabilities and understanding, based on appropriate education, training, and experience.
- Strengthen technology assimilation and quality management in the transfer of control of products.

Through focused action on these key objectives, the UACJ Group as a whole achieved a 2% reduction in complaints.

At present, no UACJ Group products are prohibited for sale due to major quality problems, or are the subject of a dispute.

Considering factors including our fiscal 2016 results, we decided to carry forward with the same quality objectives in fiscal 2017 under the slogan, "Elevate quality to create a leading corporate group with worldclass competitiveness." Key objectives reflecting our vision of the future will be established, and we will proceed with efforts to further improve quality.

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Key Objectives

- · Identify the fundamental causes of problems to prevent both problem recurrence and human error
- Achieve greater customer satisfaction by identifying customer needs and expectations, and rapidly responding to them
- Secure necessary capabilities, and ensure proper understanding, by conducting appropriate education and training activities and providing employees with opportunities to learn on the job
- Strengthen capabilities to manage technical integration and quality when transferring control products

Quality Management based on International Certifications

The UACJ Group practices quality management in accordance with the international quality management system certifications obtained by UACJ and its Group companies. For Group companies that have yet to obtain these certifications, the Engineering and Maintenance Department provides support enabling quality management that conforms to international certification requirements.

Measures to Improve Customer Satisfaction

In both its management philosophy and basic policies on quality, the UACJ Group states that it will strive "to offer products and services deserving of our customers' satisfaction and trust."

Knowing what customers want, therefore, is essential. To gather customer feedback, we conduct regular customer satisfaction surveys. We also hold gatherings where customers can tell us directly what they think and what they would like to see in our products. Having collected feedback from activities such as these, we analyze it and then apply findings in improvement activities and development of new products.

Addressing Complaints

For fiscal 2016, our objectives in addressing customer complaints were: "Zero major quality problems (quality anomalies)," "10% or greater year-on-year improvements in numbers of complaints, both those involving claims for damages and those that do not." In fiscal 2017, our efforts to achieve these objectives will continue.

Regarding major quality problems, we have created uniform decision criteria for the entire Group, share information throughout the Group, and are working to prevent recurrences of problems experienced in the past.

Responding to Customer Questions

On its website, the UACJ Group has created a page where customers can submit questions on matters such as orders for aluminum materials and technical issues concerning applications, and ask for prepared information. Regardless of the nature of the inquiry, we make a point of providing customers with swift, accurate responses.

The number of questions we receive has been averaging about 200 per year over the past several years, with 20-30% coming from overseas. Going forward, we intend to further deepen our interaction with customers and reflect what we learn in the development of new products and other activities, as well.

Awards Received from Customers

Award	Recipient	Rationale
Toyota Motor Kyushu, Inc. Lexus Gold Award (May 2016)	UACJ	For maintaining/improving quality for aluminum to be used in automobile body sheets
Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd. Letter of appreciation for being a Fiscal 2015 Outstanding Partner in the Integrated Defense & Space Systems Domain (September 2016)	UACJ Foundry & Forging Corporation	Recognized for cooperation in cutting costs and meeting integrated deadlines in manufacturing and sales
Orora Working Together (Australia) (October 2016)	UACJ Corporation	Recognized for excellence in quality, on-time performance, and technical support
Fiscal 2016 Cho Monozukuri Innovative Automotive Parts and Components Award presented by the Monodzukuri Nippon Conference and the Nikkan Kogyo Shimbun (November 2016)	Pacific Industrial Co., Ltd. UACJ Corporation	Recognition for development of automotive body components using friction- stir-welded tailored aluminum blank materials

Awards Received from Outside Organizations

Award	Award Description	Recipient of a prize
Japan Aluminum Association Association Award (Development Award) (May 2015)	Award is presented for technical advancement, product development, and products that have contributed to demand expansion for the aluminum industry, and for products that are expected to promote aluminum demand and develop new markets.	For development of the new AA2013 aircraft aluminum alloy, which offers outstanding extrusion workability and corrosion resistance. Katsuya Kato and Hidenori Hata (R&D Center) Hideo Sano (UACJ Corporation)

Award	Award Description	Recipient of a prize
Japan Aluminum Association Association Award(Technology Award) ((May 2016)	Award is presented for technical advancement, product development, and products that have contributed to demand expansion in the aluminum industry, and for aluminum material, and product manufacturing and processing technologies, that are outstanding as technical achievements or make significant social contributions in terms of environmental protection.	For Development of Refill Friction Stir Spot Welding Masaki Kumagaya and Toshihiko Fukuda (R&D Center)
The Japan Institute of Light Metals Light Metal Paper-by-Newcomer Prize (November 2016)	Award recognizing up-and- coming researchers age 30 or younger who have presented an outstanding paper contributing to the advancement of scholarship or technology in the area of light metals.	Keiji Hasegawa (R&D Center)
The Japan Institute of Light Metals Light Metal Advancement Award (November 2016)	Awarded to promising researchers or engineers age 36 to 45 for outstanding achievements in scholarly research or technical development in the area of light metals.	Hidenori Hata (R&D Center)
The Japan Institute of Light Metals Oyamada Medal (November 2016)	Awarded for outstanding performance in inventing, conceiving, or performing research leading to outstanding technology for light metal production or manufacturing of light metal products.	Mineo Asano (R&D Center)
The Japan Institute of Light Metals Takahashi Award (November 2016)	Presented to craftspeople who have made significant contributions to the development of industrial technology related to light metal casting, die-casting, or the melting and casting of expansile materials secondary alloys, or secondary metal.	Kazuhiro Maegawa (Fukui Works)

Dissemination of Information on New Products and Technologies

Publication of a Technology and Research Journal

Recent editions of UACJ Technical Reports include Vol. 2 No. 2, published in July 2016, Vol. 3 No. 1, published in March 2017.

UACJ Technical Reports offer readers papers on the results of basic and applied research, analyses of technologies and discussions of future development possibilities, introductions of new products and coverage of various other topics.

We plan to continue publishing UACJ Technical Reports as a tool for highlighting the UACJ Group's latest technical achievements in terms of research results, and new products and technologies.

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Relationships with Suppliers

With the basic objective of pursuing procurement that is fair, transparent, and proper, the UACJ Group engages in procurement activities that are global in scale and environmentally conscious.

Fair Transactions

Basic Approach

The UACJ Group's basic policy on procurement rests on the principle of free competition and calls for us to engage in fair, transparent, and proper procurement activities. To adapt our procurement activities to changes in social conditions, we revise the composition of procurement items, procurement methods, and procurement conditions, as needed, and make other changes as well.

We look beyond past performance in choosing who we do business with and are open to dealing with domestic and overseas suppliers that meet price, quality, delivery time, stable supply capability, reliability, environmental, and other requirements. Products with new functions and functions that offer improved performance are of particular interest and we actively include them in our scope of purchases.

Compliance in Procurement Activities

The UACJ Group takes steps to promote strict compliance in procurement activities. Our efforts in this regard include seminars on Japan's Subcontract Act. Seminars are scheduled for each business site of UACJ Corporation and the domestic Group companies and steady progress is being made in holding them.

CSR Procurement Initiatives

The UACJ Group believes it is important to consider the needs of society and the environment not only within the Group but throughout the supply chain. We, therefore, have developed the UACJ Group CSR Procurement Guidelines and ask that our suppliers work with us based on a thorough understanding of our position on CSR procurement.

Environmentally Conscious Procurement

The UACJ Group's Purchasing Department works with manufacturing and other user departments to obtain environmentally conscious raw materials, indirect materials, office supplies, and services wherever practical.

Regarding raw materials and indirect materials, in particular, we endeavor to procure alternatives with the least environmental impact. These efforts include having individual works request, as part of their ISO14001 activities, that suppliers perform surveys to identify the presence of designated chemical substances and provide certifications that designated chemical substances have not been used. When there are no options free of these substances, attention focuses on using those with the lowest amounts. Efforts to ensure that our procurement activities are as environmentally conscious as possible also extend to areas like packaging, where we encourage suppliers to be efficient in their use of packaging materials.

For office products, the department is taking steps such as shifting to products that comply with Japan's Law on Promoting Green Purchasing.



Relationships with Investors

UACJ actively pursues information disclosure and dialogue with investors in advancing its global IR activities.

Communication with Investors

At UACJ, forthright information disclosure and interactive communication are key to our efforts to meet investor expectations. Timely disclosure and communication activities promote investor understanding of the UACJ Group, and help us to build and maintain enduring relationships based on trust.

In fiscal 2016, we held telephone conferences for analysts and institutional investors following the first- and third-quarter results announcements, and results briefings following the second- and fourth-quarter results announcements. At the international level, our executive in charge of IR conducted face-to-face meetings with institutional investors. Intended to provide a better, more direct sense of who we are, these meetings were held in Hong Kong, Singapore, the U.S. (New York and Boston), and the U.K. (London and Edinburgh).

To promote dialogue with individual investors, which is also very important to us, we conducted investorsonly tours of the Fukui and Nagoya works in October and November 2016, respectively. The tours were organized to provide individual investors with a better understanding of the UACJ Group and aluminum as a raw material. For fiscal 2017, tours are planned to take place again at the Fukui and Nagoya works. All of our IR activities function as a way for us to hear the opinions of investors and we incorporate what we learn into our activities and operations.

Enhancing our corporate value as we build on communications between investors and the UACJ Group is our objective moving forward.

Providing Information through Various IR Tools

The UACJ Group issues shareholder communications to shareholders and other investors. Our ongoing efforts to enhance information disclosure also include the preparation of an integrated report providing clear explanations of both financial and nonfinancial information, and communications intended specifically for individual investors. The UACJ website is another important medium for investor relations and in fiscal 2016, Nikko Investor Relations Co. Ltd. ranked it the eighth best among the websites of all 3,688 listed companies, for thoroughness of content. Other outside organizations, too, have expressed praise for our investor relations activities.

Dividend Policy

UACJ views dividends as an important avenue for providing returns to shareholders. Our decisions on dividend payments are guided by our basic policy of making stable, ongoing payouts, and are shaped by factors such as our performance trends, and the needs to enhance our corporate value through investments, secure R&D capital to boost competitiveness, and ensure financial soundness.

For the fiscal year ended March 2017, we paid total dividends of 6 yen per share.



Relationships with Local Communities

The UACJ Group engages in various types of activities to not only contribute to society through business activities as a good corporate citizen but also coexist with and contribute to local communities as a corporate group trusted by society.

Basic Approach

The UACJ Group places great value on coexisting with the communities where we pursue business activities. We, therefore, support activities promoting environmental conservation, the development of children, the well-being of people with disabilities, local festivals, and other locally oriented activities.

Promoting Employee Participation

At UACJ, we encourage employees to participate in volunteer activities by not only inviting them to join in company activities supporting social welfare, disaster recovery, environmental conservation, and other such causes but have also implemented a volunteer leave system^{*} that supports social participation by individual employees.

* Under the volunteer leave system, employees are allowed to take paid time off, separate from their regular paid leave, to participate in volunteer activities.

Environmental Protection and Neighborhood Cleanups

The UACJ Group, in its pursuit of CSR activities rooted in local communities, actively participates in the beautification activities of local governments and cleans areas adjacent to its plants.

Nagoya Works

The Nagoya Works contributes to local beautification efforts by conducting cleanups of areas surrounding the works. Participation in these twice-a-year events (held in May and September in fiscal 2016) consists mainly of supervisors numbering 60 or so for each occasion.

Fukui Works

The Fukui Works participates in environmental beautification activities promoted by Fukui Prefecture, and performs cleanup activities in areas next to its facility. In fiscal 2016, these cleanup activities were held on four occasions – in June, September, December, and March – with a total of 622 participants. Held every year, they have now become regular events for the community surrounding the works.

The Fukaya Works and Six Group Companies in the Fukaya Area^{*}

Since 2001, the Fukaya Works and six Group companies in the Fukaya area have participated in Fukaya City's semiannual (May and November) "zero garbage" activities and conducted their own local cleanup activities. In fiscal 2016, a total of 108 people, including Group company employees joined in a cleanup of areas along the Maenogawa River as it passes along the western side of the Fukaya Works.



Cleaning up along the Maenogawa River in connection with Fukaya City's "zero garbage" cleanup campaign

* ACE21, UACJ Logistics, UACJ Fukaya Service, UACJ Metal Components Corporation, UACJ System Corporation, UACJ Green-net Corporation

Nikko Works

The Nikko Works performs cleanup activities in the area around its facility and in neighboring areas. Thirty employees from indirect departments and cooperating companies participated in the activity held in June – Environment Month - of fiscal 2016.



Cleaning up near the Nikko works

UACJ Copper Tube Corporation and UACJ Copper Tube Packaging Corporation

UACJ Copper Tube and UACJ Copper Tube Packaging hold cleanup activities in the areas around their facilities, as part of Toyokawa City's Cleanup Day, an event held twice each year in accordance with the city's ordinance on littering and cleaning up after pets.

In fiscal 2016, the city held its Cleanup Days in May and September, and UACJ Copper Tube Corporation and UACJ Copper Tube Packaging Corporation employees, numbering 90 in total, joined in the collection of non-burnable and burnable waste.



UACJ Copper Tube employees cleaning up areas around the company's facilities as part of Toyokawa City's Cleanup Day

UACJ Extrusion Oyama Corporation and UACJ Foundry & Forging Corporation

Every four months, around 30 employees of UACJ Extrusion Oyama Corporation and UACJ Foundry & Forging come together to clean the approximate 2.5km footpath that surrounds the plant. They have also continuously participated in cleanup activities sponsored by Oyama City. In fiscal 2016, a total of 40 employees participated in the cleanup of the Watarase Yusuichi recreation area, in April; the cleanup following the Oyama fireworks event, in July; and the Furusato cleanup event in Omoigawa, in October.

UACJ Extrusion Gunma Corporation

UACJ Extrusion Gunma Corporation conducts cleanup activities around its plant. In the three fiscal 2016 activities, conducted in April, October, and January, employees collected waste discarded along the public roads and water channels in areas near the plant. Numbering between ten and twenty for each event, participants included employees up through the president, and members of the workers union.



Cleaning up the public roads and water channels around the facilities of UACJ Extrusion Gunma Corporation

UACJ Extrusion Nagoya Corporation, Anjo Works

Working together with neighborhood associations, the Anjo Works of UACJ Extrusion Nagoya Corporation conducts cleanup activities mainly in areas adjacent to or near its plant at the end of every month. As an additional contribution to local beautification, the works also sweeps up litter and fallen leaves after stormy weather and on other occasions as necessary.

UACJ Extrusion Shiga Corporation

UACJ Extrusion Shiga Corporation participated in the Lake Biwa Clean Campaign held in September 2016 to remove litter and empty cans from around Lake Biwa.

In fiscal 2016, 8 employees participated in this annual event.



UACJ Extrusion Shiga Corporation employees participating in the Lake Biwa Clean Campaign

UACJ Foil Corporation, Nogi Works

In June of every year, the Nogi Works of UACJ Foil Corporation cleans the roughly 2km walking path between the works and Nogi Station, helping to beautify the area in the process. In fiscal 2016, 16 volunteers including Nogi Works employees and employees of business partners performing work on site joined in this event.



UACJ Foil Corporation, Shiga Works

The Shiga Works of UACJ Foil Corporation conducts cleanup activities at the Yamadera Industrial Park, where it is located, as a contribution to local beautification. At the event held on December 6, 2016, 33 volunteers collected approximately 9 kg of trash.



Nikkin Co., Ltd., Saitama Plant

Every year, the Saitama Plant of Nikkin Co., Ltd. helps to install lanterns for the cherry blossom festival sponsored by the Kiyoku Industrial Park in March, joins in cleanup activities in May and November, and helps to set up and manage the Noryo Fireworks Festival in July. The plant also cooperates with the environment section of the Kuki City government to inform employees, and suppliers and others visiting its facilities, of the city's environmental initiatives (anti-littering, idling-stop, and curbside parking rules) for the roads surrounding the plant.

Sansen Co., Ltd.

For over 10 years, Sansen Co., Ltd. has been conducting its "Sawayaka Undo" cleanup activities in areas (junior high school, school for disabled children, hospital, and other places) surrounding the Nagoya Works of UACJ Corporation.



Sansen Co., Ltd.'s "Sawayaka Undo"

These activities are held on a monthly basis and draw participation by about 10 employees on each occasion.

Support for Education and Research

The UACJ Group provides support for university and other research institutions, and for community-based cultural and arts activities. We also participate in the Japanese Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry's commissioned research, are moving forward with the development of a joint industrial-government-academia development program for young engineers and university students, act as a corporate practical training venue for the Super Science High School, support training activities sponsored by the Japan International Cooperation Agency, and support other types of education and training initiatives, as well, inside and outside Japan.

Internship System

The UACJ offers internships to 10-15 university (including graduate school) and technical college students every year. Participants are given a chance to experience actual operations in R&D and production technology departments, and in so doing gain a better understanding of the value of study and research in an academic environment and what it means to work at a company and in society.

Fukui Works

As one way of contributing to the local community, the Fukui Works welcomes visitors for plant tours. In fiscal 2016, the works conducted tours for nine groups of elementary and junior high school students and the general public. The total number of participants came to approximately 200 and the works was happy to help them learn more about UACJ.

Fukaya Works

In July, the Fukaya Works conducted plant tours for 42 local elementary and junior high school students. These tours were organized in cooperation with a project by Fukaya City's Board of Education. The purpose of the project is to give students a chance to experience science and technology in a way not possible at school and, thereby, encourage them to take an interest in these topics. In its tours, the Fukaya Works allowed students to see a casting furnace, rolling mill, and other facilities, and had students experience alumite dyeing at the R&D facility.



UACJ Extrusion Oyama Corporation

UACJ Extrusion Oyama Corporation welcomes local junior and senior high school students for workplace tours every year. Comments reflecting surprise at the quantity and size of equipment in the plant and recognition of the importance of workers simply greeting each other show that observing plant operations has impressed students in various ways.

UACJ Color Aluminum Corporation

UACJ Color Aluminum accepts students from Utsunomiya Kogyo High School in Utsunomiya City, Tochigi Prefecture, for internships in October of every year. In fiscal 2016, two students studying electrical engineering at the school were welcomed for a five-day internship (October 24-28) in the company's painting facility. Afterward, the students said that the internship gave them a better sense of the demands and importance of work and that their experience would be useful in making decisions about education and employment. For its part, UACJ Color Aluminum aims to enhance his contributions to the local community through internships and other means as well.

UACJ Copper Tube Corporation

Every year, UACJ Copper Tube Corporation accepts interns from a local high school.

In fiscal 2016, two students from Toyokawa Technical High School were welcomed for a three-day (October 18-20) internship in the facility maintenance department. For their internship, the students got a taste of maintenance work by participating in the dismantling and assembly of equipment actually used by the company.

UACJ Metal Components Corporation, Shiga Works

The Shiga Works of UACJ Metal Components Corporation participates in a program in which public school teachers undergo training at private sector companies. Over the past 16 years, it has regularly welcomed teachers into its facilities, and conducted training for 17 teachers in total. From October through December of fiscal 2016, a teacher from a local elementary school participated in assembly, packaging, and other types of work together with employees in the craft and manufacturing area of the Shiga Works.

UACJ Metal Components Corporation, Ena Works

The Ena Works of UACJ Metal Components Corporation accepts students from Nakatsugawa Kogyo High School and Ena Kita Junior High School, both in Gifu Prefecture, for internships. It also conducts plant tours for local elementary, junior high, and high school students. As a member of Ena City's environmental committee and labor standards association, the works also participates in events sponsored by these organizations.

Nalco Koriyama Co., Ltd.

Nalco Koriyama Co., Ltd. offers internships to students from Koriyama Kita Kogyo High School. In fiscal 2016, 3 second-year students from the school's machinery program participated in the three-day internship (July 5-7), which included classes on safety and how to read technical diagrams, and hands-on experience in performing light-duty work. On March 24, the company welcomed 10 high school students and two representatives of the city of Koriyama's employment policy section for a plant tour in connection with a city-sponsored program to provide high school students with tours of local companies.

ACE21 Nara Center

ACE21 Nara Center participates in the experiential learning education program of the nearby Shikige Junior High School. In fiscal 2016, the center took great pride in guiding 2 students through a three-day program in the basics of processing sheets of aluminum.

UACJ Marketing & Processing

Since fiscal 2012, UACJ Marketing & Processing Corporation has been conducting a practical learning program for people with disabilities. Its intent is to support their efforts to live independently. In fiscal 2016, the company accepted one student from Anjo Special Needs Education School for the program. With the help of detailed discussions with the school, and proper attention paid to safety during the program, the student accepted for the program completed it with flying colors.

Toyo Fitting Co., Ltd.

Toyo Fitting participates in an experiential learning project for local junior high school students. In fiscal 2016, it hosted 20 students from four schools, leading them through a program that included a plant tour and hands-on experience with tasks such as product packaging.

Disaster Response Support for Communities

Nagoya Works

Supporting the City of Nagoya's aims under its program for making the city more resilient against natural disasters, the Nagoya Works has signed a memorandum of understanding with a local committee working to prepare the Nakagawa school district for natural disasters. The agreement is for the provision of materials and equipment for responses to large-scale disasters. By entering into this relationship, the works is cooperating with the City of Nagoya's efforts to have communities and companies work together to improve their area's ability to deal with major disasters.

The Nagoya Works also signed an October 2012 memorandum of understanding in which it has agreed to make its unmarried employees' dormitory available free of charge as a tsunami evacuation site for students of a nearby school for disabled children, and it continues to conduct tsunami evacuation drills with the school.

UACJ Copper Tube Corporation

In an effort to support local disaster preparedness, UACJ Copper Tube Corporation entered into an agreement for firefighting and disaster response support with Toyokawa City in March 2013. The company also registered as a business that will cooperate in firefighting for the city and has employees participate in firefighting activities.

Toyo Fitting Co., Ltd.

In support of the local disaster preparedness, Toyo Fitting has signed a memorandum of agreement with a local neighborhood association regarding evacuation sites to be use in times of emergency.

Other Forms of Communication

Fukui Works

Cooperating with Sakai City's efforts to make itself more livable for people with disabilities, the Fukui Works began in fiscal 2008 to make donations of 9 million yen in five-year cycles, providing equipment for schools for special needs children and other social welfare facilities, as well.

The works' donation for the fiscal 2012-2016 period has been used for purposes such as the purchase of a bus for the Reihoku School for Children with Special Needs and installation of audio guidance systems for the visually impaired in five of the city's multipurpose toilets.

Fukaya Works and Six Group Companies in the Fukaya Region *

Since 2007, the Fukaya Works and six Group companies in the Fukaya region have been making contributions to programs that assist disabled people.

These contributions are overseen by the UACJ Shogai Fukushi Kikin. Together with funds donated by the six Group companies, a total of two million yen is contributed to the fund every year to promote projects for the benefit of disabled people in Fukaya City.

* ACE21 Corporation, UACJ Logistics Corporation, UACJ Fukaya Service Corporation, UACJ Metal Components Corporation, UACJ System Corporation, and UACJ Green-net Corporation

Nagoya Works, UACJ Copper Tube Corporation

The Nagoya Works holds the Inari Festival, which begins with a dedication ceremony at Inari Shrine, located on the grounds of the works, in April of every year, and UACJ Copper Tube Corporation holds its Summer Festival in August. Both of these festivals are attended by large numbers of local residents and are, therefore, good opportunities for deepening communication with local communities. The Nagoya Works and UACJ Copper Tube Corporation also actively co-sponsor and participate in festivals, sports, and other events held by local school districts.



Inari Festival (UACJ Corporation, Nagoya Works)

UACJ Copper Tube Corporation and UACJ Copper Tube Packaging Corporation

As part of their efforts to support people with learning disabilities, UACJ Copper Tube Corporation and UACJ Copper Tube Packaging Corporation began in April 2013 to allow Smile, an organization supporting people with learning difficulties, to sell its baked goods within their companies every Wednesday, excluding holidays. Popular with employees, these items – all 150 Smile brings – are sold out in only about 15 minutes.

The companies also outsource the sorting of waste items to Smile and Mokusei no Hana, another organization supporting disabled people.

UACJ Extrusion Oyama Corporation, UACJ Foundry & Forging Corporation

At UACJ Extrusion Oyama Corporation, employees, mostly younger ones, participate in the Mikoshi Neriaruki parade that is the highlight of every July's Oyama Summer Festival Opening Carnival.

Donations and other forms of support are provided on an ongoing basis to Tochigiken Bohan Kyokai (crimeprevention organization), Oyamashi Shakai Fukushi Kyokai (social welfare organization), and other charitable organizations.

UACJ Extrusion Gunma Corporation

Since fiscal 2015, UACJ Extrusion Gunma Corporation has been hosting students from Isezaki Senior Special Needs School for on-site group practical training. And in April 2016, students who participated in this training were welcomed as new employees. At an October 2016 seminar on hiring people with disabilities, sponsored by the school and the public job placement office in Isezaki City, representatives of the company gave a talk on the company's initial steps in hiring people with disabilities and its practical training program. The seminar proved to be a prime opportunity for attendees, 15 people from 13 companies, to learn and share information on hiring people with disabilities.

Nalco Koriyama Co., Ltd.

With help from the city of Koriyama, Nalco Koriyama Co., Ltd. organized a summer festival sponsored by the association of companies with operations in the Koriyama Nishibu Dai-ni Industrial Park. The festival, which was held on July 17, 2016, attracted roughly 500 visitors, including local residents. Following an opening address by the mayor of Koriyama, the festival commenced with a can-stacking game, a comedy performance, and other attractions visitors thoroughly enjoyed.



Relationships with Employees

One of the UACJ Group's company principles is to "nurture staff by creating safe and positive work environments." Accordingly, we work to address issues concerning human rights, diversity, human resources development, work-life balance, and occupational safety and health.

Basic Workforce Data

UACJ Workforce Data

	20	15	20	16
Employees	2,707	(286)	2,756	(283)
Men	2,489	(262)	2,539	(259)
Women	218	(24)	217	(24)
Average age	40.4		40.5	
Average years of continuous service	17.5		17.4	
New hires (excluding temporary transfers)	129		187	
Men	127		179	
Women	2		8	
Employee turnover rate	5.5%		4.5%	
(Voluntary resignations)	1.6%		2.0%	

* Figures in parentheses are the average numbers of temporary hires (not included in totals).

* As of March 31 of each year.

UACJ Group Workforce Data (Consolidated)

	20	15	2	016
Group employees (consolidated)	8,881	(920)	9,651	(1,116)
Men	7,375	(743)	8,132	(948)
Women	1,506	(177)	1,519	(168)
By Region			·	
Japan	6,033	(898)	6,102	(854)
Asia	2,120	(18)	2,260	(17)
Americas	549	(4)	1,127	(245)
Europe, other	179	(0)	162	(0)

* Figures in parentheses are the average numbers of temporary hires (not included in totals).

Respect for Human Rights

Basic Approach

Among its provisions, the UACJ Group's Code of Conduct calls for respect for human rights, prohibition of harassment, prohibition of the use of child labor and forced labor, and respect for basic labor rights. Understanding of the importance of respecting human rights is emphasized in job-level education, intradepartmental education focusing on the Code of Conduct, and in other settings, as well.

Promoting Diversity

Basic Approach

The UACJ Group believes that its competitiveness relies on having diverse human resources. One of the major policies under the human resource development section of the Mid-term Management Plan is to

"Practice diversity (respect and utilize individual diversity)." We, therefore, are committed to building and maintaining a system that enables the continuous nurturing of human resources.

Diversity in Employment

The UACJ Group actively maintains a diverse work force to support its business endeavors in new fields and in the global arena. In fiscal 2017, our hiring of new graduates included 21 people (17 men and 4 women) for staff positions, and 41 (41 men) for skilled labor positions. We are also actively hiring people from other countries, and have brought 17 on board since fiscal 2011.

Creating Work Environments Supporting Career Success for Women

At the UACJ Group, we are actively working to increase career opportunities for women. Our objectives under our action plan based on the Act to Advance Women's Success in Their Working Life include: 1) Making women 40% of the new college graduates we hire into administrative positions and at least 10% of technical positions; and 2) Doubling by fiscal 2020 the number of women in management positions as of March 2016. As our most recent results along these lines, we hired 21 new college graduates, including 4 women, in fiscal 2016. Women accounted for 43% of the administrative positions filled and 7% of technical positions. Regarding the number of women in management positions, there were 87 female managers across the entire UACJ Group as of the end of fiscal 2016 (March 31, 2017). This reflects an increase of 13^{*} from the end of the previous fiscal year. In response to provisions, such as those of Japan's Law for Measures to Support the Development of the Next Generation, we are striving to create workplaces that allow employees to fulfill both work and child-care responsibilities.

* Includes Group companies that are not consolidated subsidiaries.

Initiatives for Hiring People with Disabilities

UACJ works to achieve the legally mandated workforce percentage for employment of people with disabilities. We do this via UACJ Green-net Corporation, a company recognized as a special subsidiary under Japan's Act for Promotion of Employment of Persons with Disabilities. The UACJ Green-net Nagoya Office was established in April 2015 to expand work opportunities for people with disabilities and its Anjo Satellite Office was set up in April 2017. As of June 1, 2016, people with disabilities comprised 2.28%^{*} of the Company's workforce, more than the legally mandated 2.0%.

* Beginning with fiscal 2017, calculation of this rate is based on combined employment data for UACJ, UACJ Foil Corporation (a UACJ subsidiary), and UACJ Green-net Corporation.

Employment Rate for People with Disabilities

(%)			
4.00			
3.00	2.28	2.33	2.44
2.00			
1.00			
0	2014	2015	2016 (FY)

* Calculation of employment rates is based on combined employment data for UACJ, UACJ Foil Corporation (a UACJ subsidiary), and UACJ Green-net Corporation.

Personnel Development Initiatives

Approach to Personnel Development

The UACJ Group sees people who understand our management philosophy and company principles, and act accordingly, as the source of its competitiveness. To practice our management philosophy, we believe it is important to develop people who:

- · Do not simply accept the status quo but instead continuously pursue improvement and change,
- · Have the ability to understand other cultures and can act on a global stage,
- · Have the ability to act in UACJ's best interest, and
- Focus on quality and technology, and have the ability to act with a frontline-first orientation.

In terms of concrete action, we conduct job-level training and seminars, support self-development, and organize improvement activities, based on three basic ideas – employee development based on individual learning, developing subordinates' abilities on the job, and developing through the organization.

The Human Resources Development Department oversees the development and nurturing of people by filling in gaps to enable personnel development activities to function effectively.

Human Resource Development Program

The UACJ Group's Human Resources Development Department uses the Human Resources Development Center at the Nagoya Works and external training facilities to conduct job-level training and seminars.

Job-Level Training

The purpose of job-level training is to have employees sharpen their awareness of their job-level roles, acquire the professional capabilities and knowledge required to fulfill their job responsibilities, and deepen their understanding of the company's aims and systems.

For staff employees, we conduct a series of training programs over the first three years of employment. For employees in their fourth year after joining the company, and employees up through department manager level, we conduct senior staff, team leader, new manager, and other types of training in a continuous fashion by job level. We also perform training to prepare people for top management positions in the future.

For employees in skilled labor departments, we conduct a series of training programs over the first five years of employment. From their sixth year of service, employees participate in training as required for their job level.



Fiscal 2016 Job-Level Training Participation

	UACJ	Affiliates	Total
Management	63	68	131
Staff	102	67	169
Skilled Labor	239	246	485
Total	404	381	785

Seminars

The UACJ Group, separate from job-level training, also conducts seminars mainly for the purposes of helping individuals improve their skills or acquire expert knowledge, and imparting knowledge required for particular workplaces.

In fiscal 2016, we held seminars in areas such as improving leadership skills, instructor development, development of on-the-job training leaders, quality control (QC), and naze naze (why why) analysis at principal business sites. To better equip employees for working in a global environment, we conducted a business communication seminar, and to address new needs, we held seminars on the topics of diversity management and self-management for women.

In fiscal 2016, we conducted a total of 28 seminars of 14 types, with participation by 353 employees in all.

* Naze naze (why why) analysis is a problem-solving approach that focuses on ascertaining fundamental causes.

Support for Self-Development

In an effort to meet the needs of individual employees and workplaces, we help employees undertake selfdevelopment through avenues such as distance learning, preparation to acquire various types of professional certifications, and language study. We also issue a monthly newsletter that carries information on training activities and other information intended to promote employee interest in self-development.

Education Support for Group

The Human Resources Development Department accepts Group company employees for participation in job-level training and seminars, and provides guidance and other forms of on-site support.

In fiscal 2016, 6 QC seminars were conducted at Group company locations.

Developing Human Resources for Overseas Roles

In fiscal 2014, we introduced a two-year overseas training program in which participants spend the first year in language training and the second in practical training. Through fiscal 2016, a total of four employees were sent to the U.S. Three employees are currently participating in the program for the fiscal 2016-2017 period. We plan to continue with this program as a human resources development tool with a medium- to long-term outlook.

For employees scheduled to be sent on overseas assignments, we identify specific training programs based on each individual's work history and the demands of the assignment he or she is about to undertake, and then conduct training, which also includes intensive language instruction, on an individual basis.

For employees in general, we provide language training support based on TOEIC scores and conduct business skill seminars to help employees cultivate experience and knowledge.

As part of our efforts to promote education training for employees hired by overseas Group companies, we conducted a logical-thinking seminar for 23 managers at Thai affiliates in fiscal 2016.

Improving Frontline Capabilities (Handing down technical skills)

Efforts to pass on the monozukuri (manufacturing) spirit, experience, and skills veteran employees have developed and acquired over their long careers are critical for maintaining product quality and continuously improving productivity.



Human Resources Development Center

In preparation for the coming increase in veteran technicians reaching the mandatory retirement age, the UACJ Group's Nagoya Works began a program in 2004 to transfer the skills, instinct, and "tricks of the trade" - the professional know-how – of veteran employees to their younger colleagues. In fiscal 2016, a similar initiative was launched at the Fukui Works, adding to others already underway in the maintenance department of the Nagoya Works, the extrusion department of UACJ Extrusion Nagoya Corporation, and the pipe manufacturing department of UACJ Copper Tube Corporation, where efforts are tailored to specific manufacturing circumstances. These activities will be continued with an eye toward implementing them at even more locations.

Improving the Capabilities of Non-Manufacturing Staff (Ji-Kotei Kanketsu initiative)

To improve the quality and efficiency of the work performed by non-manufacturing staff, we are pursuing initiatives based on the concept of "Ji-Kotei Kanketsu", or JKK.

JKK in non-manufacturing areas is the concept of individual employees thinking of the customer and downstream processes first, not making or passing on bad products (information), taking pride in and responsibility for their own work, not blaming others, improving themselves, and performing defect-free work. This is an approach we learned from Toyota Motor Corporation, and modified to suit our needs.

Our JKK initiative got underway on a trial basis in June 2009 in the Nagoya region. In April 2010, we launched a team within the Human Resources Development Department to advance this initiative and began promoting JKK throughout the Group.

Note: Ji-Kotei Kanketsu (JKK) is a manufacturing approach in which individual employees focus on not making or passing on defective goods (information) to customers and downstream processes, and take pride in and bear responsibility for their work, making improvements to perform their work perfectly, and without blaming others for problems. JKK is based on an approach learned from Toyota Motor Corporation and customized by UACJ for its own purposes.

Rehiring Employees Who Have Reached Mandatory Retirement Age

We are actively rehiring employees who have retired after reaching the mandatory retirement age, and transferring their years of skills, techniques, and know-how to younger employees. As of the end of March 2017, 203 senior employees were back at work.

Work-Life Balance

Basic Approach

The UACJ Group has several systems intended to promote a healthy work-life balance by enabling all employees to properly meet work responsibilities and have quality time off to be with their families, study topics of personal interest, enjoy hobbies, or do whatever else they would like.

Category	System	Description	No. of Employees Using (Fiscal 2016)
Child Care Support	Child-care leave	The employee may take leave for the desired period up to the time the child reaches the age of 1 year and 6 months, or through the end of the first April after the child becomes 1 year old (Legal requirement: Leave up to the time the child reaches the age of 1 year)	20
	Reduced working hours	Working hours may be reduced until the child becomes a fourth grade elementary school student. (Legal requirement: Until the child reaches the age of 3 years)	10
	Overtime exemption	Same as legal requirement.	0
	Sick-child leave	Same as legal requirement.Leave may be taken to care for a sick child who is not yet in junior high school. (Legal requirement: Leave for a child not yet in elementary school)	0
	Limitation on late-night work	Same as legal requirement.	0
	Limitation on overtime work	Same as legal requirement.	0

UACJ Systems for Balancing Work and Family Responsibilities

Category	System	Description	No. of Employees Using (Fiscal 2016)
	Limitation on overtime work Accumulated leave	Leave may be taken for child care or to care for a sick child.	27
	Baby sitter assistance service	Babysitter services by providers arranged by the Company are available at reduced rates.	0
	Rehiring of former employees	Rehiring of employees who left to give birth or care for children.	0
	Nursing care	Up to 365 calendar days may be taken to provide nursing care (Legal requirement: 93 days)	0
	Reduced working hours	Ability to reduce working hours for the amount of time needed on each occasion	0
	Elimination of overtime work	Same as legal requirement	0
Nursing Care	Nursing care leave	Same as legal requirement	8
Support	Limitation on overtime work	Same as legal requirement	0
	Limitation on late-night work	Same as legal requirement	0
	Accumulated leave	Leave may be taken to provide nursing care	9
	Rehiring of former employees	Rehiring of employees who left to provide nursing care.	0

Category	System	Description	No. of Employees Using (Fiscal 2016)
	Flex-time system	Implemented at UACJ headquarters; branch offices; offices; and the Nagoya, Fukui, Fukaya, and Nikko works; and technical R&D centers	557
Other	Nursing care	Leave may be taken to provide nursing care to parents or spouses	6
	Time off for volunteer activitiesLeave be may be taken for social welfare, disaster recovery, community and environmental, and other volunteer activities recognized by the Company.		0
	Rehiring of former employees	Rehiring of employees who left because a spouse was transferred.	0

Child-Care Leave System

At UACJ, 100% of the women who took maternity leave in fiscal 2016 used the child-care leave system. As of fiscal 2016, 88% of the women who had taken child-care leave had returned to their jobs, and 100% of these women were still with the Company three years after returning to work. To encourage men to take childcare leave, too, the Company allows expired paid leave to be used for child care. As an additional incentive for men to participate in child care, a system has been established to allow them to take up to five days of leave at their convenience during the first month following the birth of a child.

In fiscal 2016, a total of 20 employees – eight women and 12 men - took child-care leave. Going forward, the Company will continue to take steps to help employees balance work and home responsibilities. In April 2015, the Company established a new system for rehiring former employees who left because of reasons such as the birth of a child, the need to provide child or nursing care, or the transfer of their spouse. And in March 2017, we introduced systems for providing child-care subsidies and enabling employees with child- or nursing-care responsibilities to work at home, and adopted a coreless flextime system.

Child Care Leave Taken

Fiscal Year	Men	Women	Total
2015	2	4	6
2016	12	8	20

(%)

Fiscal Year	Percents of UACJ Employees Returning to Work Following Child- Care Leave	Percents of UACJ Employees Still on the Job After Three Years
2015	83%	100%
2016	88%	100%

Appropriate Work Hours

To properly manage work hours and prevent the working of excessive hours, the UACJ Group has implemented a work-time management system to accurately record and verify the times when employees begin and end each day at work. Employees who exceed overtime standards are asked to see an industrial physician.

UACJ has made every Wednesday a no overtime day to reduce overall work hours and promote work productivity and efficiency. And, through steps such as having each employee specify at the beginning of the fiscal year when they will take three consecutive paid days off (5 days every fifth year), we are systematically creating conditions that make it easier to take time off. Our aim in doing this is to achieve greater improvements in work efficiency by encouraging employees to refresh themselves mentally and physically.

Along the same lines, we also decided to participate in the Japanese government's Premium Friday campaign, which began in February 2017. On the last Friday of every month, therefore, we have employees finish their work by the official end of the workday. Separately, we are also encouraging employees to use paid leave and flextime to finish their work days by 3 PM.

UACJ Overtime Hours

Fiscal Year	Average Overtime Hours
2015	31.6
2016	32.5

Paid Days Off Taken

(Days)

Fiscal Year	Yearly Average Paid Days Off Taken
2009	9.5
2010	10.4
2011	10.9
2012	12.1
2013	11.7
2014	10.9
2015	12.1
2016	12.3

* Figures for fiscal 2012 and earlier are sums for Furukawa-Sky and Sumitomo Light Metal Industries, which later merged to form UACJ. Figures for fiscal 2013 are totals of the sums for the two UACJ predecessors for the first half (April 1 to September 30, 2013) and UACJ for the second half (October 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014).

Volunteer Leave System

In 2013, the UACJ Group implemented a system under which employees can take up to 50 days a year of expired paid leave to participate in social welfare, disaster recovery, local community, environmental conservation, or other company-approved volunteer activities under the auspices of the national or local governments, or quasi-governmental non-profit organizations.

Occupational Safety and Health

Basic Stance on Occupational Safety and Health

We advance safety and hygiene activities that are joined in by all employees and start from the view that employee safety, hygiene, and health are all top priorities.

More specifically, we comply with laws and ordinances, and our own internal rules, concerning employee safety and hygiene, and have constructed occupational safety and health management systems. Through proper management, we strive to create work environments that are safe, hygienic, and healthy.

Basic Policies on Safety and Health

Philosophy

The UACJ Group, recognizing that the existence of a business enterprise rests on a foundation of employee safety and health and that ensuring employee safety and health is a social responsibility of business enterprises, will respect the following principles as a matter of course.

Principles

- 1. We will place employee safety and health before all else in all business activities.
- To eliminate all workplace hazards as a step toward achieving zero workplace accidents, we will take the required organizational measures, allocate the necessary management resources, and, with the participation of all employees, strive to implement safety and health activities on an ongoing basis.
- 3. We will comply with the Industrial Safety and Health Law and other related laws and ordinances, and ensure employee safety and health in accordance with the safety and health provisions established by the Group companies.
- 4. Gaining the cooperation of employees, we will conduct education and training that is necessary and adequate for ensuring safety and health for all employees, and continuously implement safety and health activities, to constantly elevate safety and hygiene standards.
- 5. Sharing information on safety and health activities within the Group, and pursuing mutual enlightenment, we will work to improve understanding of safety and health principles, and raise safety and health awareness, among all employees.
- 6. We will advance the development of comfortable work environments to reduce worker fatigue and stress.

Safety and Health Management System

Safety and Hygiene Committee

The UACJ Group has built a safety and health management system in which leadership is exercised by the general safety and health managers at individual business locations. The purpose of the system is to create work environments where workers can be confident that their safety and health are being adequately protected.

Overseeing safety and health is the Safety and Health Committee. Chaired by the Executive Officer in Charge of Safety and Health, the committee, which meets once a year, is composed of members including full-time directors, works managers, and presidents of principal Group companies. At the meeting held in January 2017, a report on fiscal 2016 activities was presented by the Safety & Environment Department and then the committee discussed and approved directions to be taken in safety and health activities for fiscal 2017. President's Safety Awards for 2016 were presented to those business locations that experienced no accidents during the fiscal year.



[Presentations of President's Safety Awards (18 business locations)]

Nikko Works; UACJ Fukaya Service Corporation; UACJ Extrusion Nagoya Corporation; Nagoya Works; UACJ Extrusion Czech s.r.o.; UACJ Extrusion (Thailand) Co., Ltd., Prachin Buri Works; UACJ Foil Corporation, Shiga Works; UACJ Foil Service Corporation; UACJ Foundry & Forging Corporation, Narita Works; UACJ Foundry & Forging Corporation, Ena Works; Iwai Metal Central Mexico, S.A. de C.V.; HIGASHI NIHON TANZO CO., LTD.: UACJ Marketing & Processing Corporation; UACJ Copper Tube (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.; UACJ Copper Tube (Guangzhou) Corporation; ACE21 Corp., Fukaya Center; ACE21 Corp., Nara Center; UACJ Trading (Kunshan) Metal Products Co., Ltd.; UACJ Green-net Corporation

Safety and Hygiene Managers' Committee

The Safety and Hygiene Managers' Committee, with members including representatives of the Safety & Environment Department, and Safety Managers of the works and principal affiliates, meets once every month to discuss safety and work environment inspections and maintenance at each business location. The committee also refines the unified rules and promotes their inculcation across the breadth of the Group.

Going forward, we will continue to act vigorously to ensure that our safety and health management systems are equal to our needs.

Safety Management Initiatives (Occupational Safety and Health Management System)

The Nagoya, Fukui, Fukaya, and Nikko works have adopted and are operating worker safety and health management systems, and are pursuing activities with the goal of achieving zero accidents in the workplace.

Safety and health activity plans are prepared at each works in accordance with the UACJ Group's safety and health activity aims. Plans are finalized once they are approved by the head of each works, and then discussed and approved by the worker/management joint Safety and Health Committee at each works.

To help ensure that safety and health management is practiced at the highest standards, we have established internal audit and other schemes based on the management system. Through internal audits, we conduct self-assessments of system operations, assuring in the process, that PDCA (Plan-Do-Check-Action) cycles are being used. In addition, to enhance the safety management standards of the entire Group, we hold annual liaison meetings of people in charge of safety and hygiene at Group companies.

To achieve further enhancement going forward, we intend to improve the accuracy of internal audits.

Conditions with Regard to Workplace Accidents

The UACJ Group aims to eliminate workplace accidents, regardless of scale, and the Group is working together to strengthen safety management systems.

Prior to the merger, workplace accidents at the Group came to 49 for fiscal 2011. Since then, they have been trending downward, falling to 22 in fiscal 2016. The rate of accidents requiring time off from work came to 0.66, with an overall frequency rate of 0.88.

Workplace Accidents



%The overall frequency rate is a measure of the rate at which workplace accidents occurred during the fiscal year. It is calculated by dividing the total number of worker fatalities and injuries (including cases not requiring time off) resulting from a workplace accident during the fiscal year, by one million hours.

The rate of accidents requiring time off from work is a measure of the frequency of workplace accidents that occurred during the fiscal year and required workers to take time off from work. It is calculated by dividing the total number of workplace accidents that occurred during the measurement period and required time off from work, by one million hours.

Group-Wide Safety Inspections

Safety inspections of the principal workplaces of each business location are performed once a month on a rotating basis.

Safety inspections are performed with the participation of the Safety & Environment Department, people in charge of safety and health at each business location, and the head of the business location being inspected. Their objective is to determine whether work is being performed in line with standards and whether any risks have been overlooked.

For work locations and procedures for which safety inspections have identified problems, improvements are undertaken immediately. Two months afterward, the Safety & Environment Department confirms the status of corrective measures by performing an on-site inspection as a part of follow-up procedures that ensure complete compliance with safety measures.

Toward Intrinsic Safety

The UACJ Group is striving to achieve intrinsic safety in its equipment and facilities. To do this, we are conducting risk assessments by examining work processes from various angles to thoroughly eliminate hazards and harmful factors. Safety measures are taken beginning with the facilities, equipment, and work approaches evaluated as having high risk levels. Residual risks, too, are all addressed with provisional measures.

Based on uniform equipment safety standards the Group introduced in March 2015, zones are being delineated within facilities and thorough safety measures are being implemented for each. Furthermore, when facilities are to be newly introduced or modified, intrinsic safety is achieved by conducting checklist-based safety examinations at the design, operational startup, and other stages.

Safety-First Corporate Culture and Personnel Development

At the UACJ Group, job-level training includes safety and health education, and content aimed at raising safety awareness. Furthermore, experiential training aimed at enhancing awareness of dangerous situations, and competitions to encourage workers to hone crane and forklift skills, are held regularly.

For managers, safety and health education and training sessions are held to promote acquisition of the position, knowledge, and attitudes necessary for implementing safety management. In addition, to elevate safety and health management standards at individual Group companies, safety and health education, safety inspections, and other support initiatives are actively undertaken to foster a safety-first corporate culture and advance personnel development along the same lines throughout the Group.



Crane operation and slinging skill contest

Principal Safety and Health Awards

Award	Recipient	Rationale
Japan aluminum Association Excellent Labor Safety Work Place Special Award for Superior Performance (Fiscal 2016)	UACJ Extrusion Gunma Corporation UACJ Extrusion Shiga Corporation [*] UACJ Foil Corporation, Isezaki Works UACJ Foundry & Forging Corporation	No workplace accidents for three years (four years at Shiga)
Japan aluminum Association Excellent Labor Safety Work Place Prize for Excellence (Fiscal 2016)	Fukaya Works	No workplace accidents for two years
Anjo City Disaster Prevention and Dangerous Substance Safety Association In-House Fire Brigade Excellence Awards (May 2016)	UACJ Extrusion Nagoya Corporation, Anjo Works	
Commendation from the Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry for High- Pressure Gas Safety (October 2016)	Fukaya Works	Award recognizing the Fukaya Works for its many years of involvement in operations related to high- pressure gas
Japan Crane Association Awards recognizing outstanding crane maintenance by maintenance workers and sling work by a crane operator (November 2016)	Nagoya Works	For outstanding sling work by crane operator
Nara Prefecture Labor Standards Association Gold Award for participation in the three-month zero-accident campaign (October 2016)	ACE21 Corp., Nishi Nihon Sales Department, Nara Center	For 10 continuous years of participation in the annual three-month (June, July, and August) zero-accident campaign

Mental Health Care Initiatives

The UACJ Group strives to maintain and improve the mental and physical health of employees, whom it sees as important business assets. We do this based on employee mental health maintenance and improvement guidelines prepared by Japan's Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare.

Understanding that early detection of symptoms is critical for treating mental health issues, we devote significant energy and attention to education and "line care" by managers and supervisors. More specifically, in job-level and other types of training, we conduct systematic, ongoing training and education to provide managers with tools for counseling subordinates experiencing mental health issues. For employees still in their 20s and 30s and not yet in management positions, we conduct self-care and other types of training to help employees maintain remain physically and mentally healthy.

Early detection of employees experiencing mental health issues is accomplished by having managers routinely talk to individuals to provide guidance and advice. If a manager comes to believe that an individual requires mental health care assistance, the manager will contact the department in charge of mental health care, which will immediately take appropriate action. In addition, as part of the stress-check system we have implemented, we have employees engage in stress checks to raise their stress self-awareness. Our efforts to thoroughly look after workers' mental health also include consultations and health advice from industrial physicians and cooperation with outside institutions specializing in mental health care.

Workplace Environment Improvement Activities

To make better workplace environments, we are systematically taking steps to improve conditions with regard to summer heat, winter cold, dust, and noise; eliminate work that requires excessive physical exertion or taxing body positions; and add break areas and other features (e.g. adding or renovating break areas and on-site restrooms) that make environments more liveable. Concerning summer heat in particular, we are moving forward with installation of air conditioning and ventilation equipment in places where it is needed.

Employee-Management Relationship

Relations with labor unions are harmonious and information on the condition of the Company is regularly shared in central and business-site labor-management conferences. In April 2016, labor-management committees were formed at UACJ and at individual business sites to discuss possible measures for improving work-life balance by shortening working hours.