

Sustainability

Effective Risk Management

Focus SDGs



Management information

Relation between themes and business activities

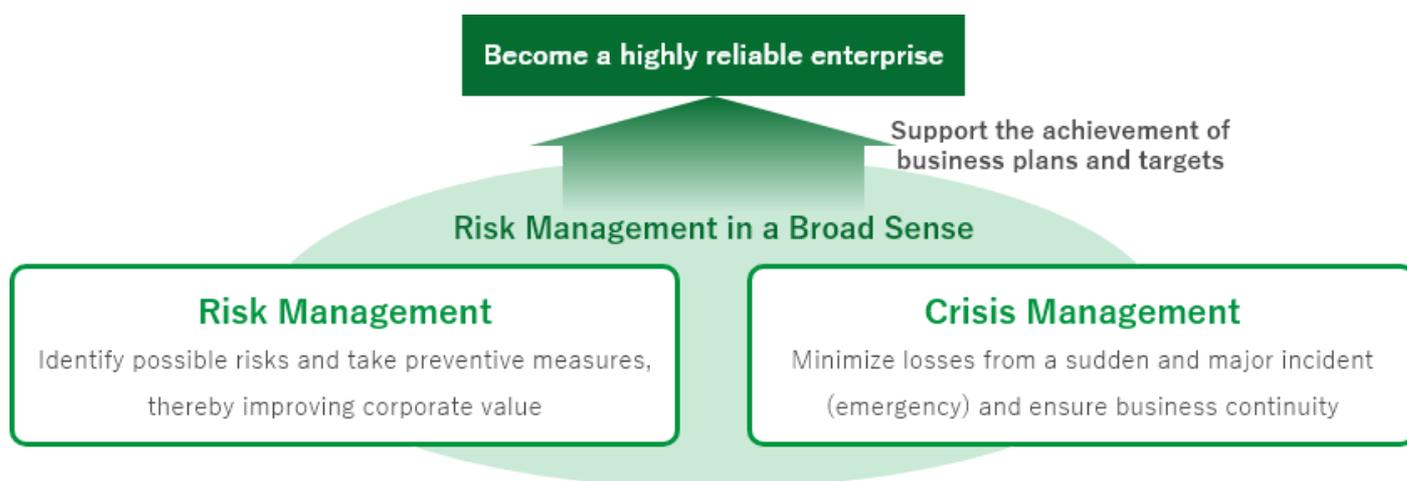
The Fuji Oil Group believes that risk management* is corporate management itself. To “contribute to the society by creating the future of delicious and healthy foods” and do “Work for people,” as advocated in the Fuji Oil Group Management Philosophy, we must ensure business continuity. And we believe that business continuity requires us to pursue risk management initiatives.

* Risk management: Preventing the realization of risks related to corporate management and minimizing their losses and impacts, to achieve business plans and targets

Basic approach

By promoting risk management, we aim to become a highly reliable enterprise that earns the trust of society. We will both implement management strategies and promote risk management in order to achieve business targets and plans and support our corporate management.

Positioning of risk management in the Fuji Oil Group



Promotion system

We promote our initiatives for effective risk management under the supervision of the Chief “ESG” Officer (C“ESG”O). Moreover, the ESG Committee*, which is an advisory body to the Board of Directors, confirms the progress and results of these initiatives as a priority theme for ESG management.

* Refer to the URL below for details of the ESG Committee.

▶ <https://www.fujioilholdings.com/en/csr/approach/>

Objectives / Results

FY 2019 objectives

- Raising Group companies’ awareness of common risks and reducing the risks
- Enhancing the business continuity plan (BCP) of Fuji Oil Co., Ltd. and encouraging major Group companies outside Japan to formulate their own BCPs
- Introducing the Fuji Oil Group’s risk management system to Blommer Chocolate Company (U.S.)

FY 2019 results

To raise Group companies’ risk awareness and consequently reduce risks, we created risk awareness-raising tools in cooperation with related departments. We also regularly sent notifications to Group companies. As an endeavor to update the BCP of Fuji Oil Co., Ltd., we revised risk reduction, early recovery and alternative production measures. In addition, major Group companies drew BCP formulation roadmaps. Blommer Chocolate Company (U.S.), which recently joined the Fuji Oil Group, established a Risk Management

Committee and began conducting risk management PDCA activities in the Fuji Oil Group's style.

Next Step

To achieve the goal of "becoming a highly reliable enterprise that earns the trust of society," the Fuji Oil Group will continue its efforts toward effective risk management. In FY2020, we will perform PDCA-based management of Group-wide significant risks and conduct scenario analysis based on TCFD recommendations. We will do this to promote Group-wide risk management, to respond to the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD), and BCP formulation at major Group companies.

Specific initiatives

Risk management method adopted by each Group company

PDCA

The Fuji Oil Group clearly defined the role of each regional controlling office or Group company, and established a Risk Management Committee at each Group company. Each Risk Management Committee plays a leading role in the annual implementation of the PDCA cycle: Plan (identify all possible risks and select major risks) → Do (implement countermeasures) → Check (conduct checks) → Act (take improvement action toward the next fiscal year). The Fuji Oil Group promotes risk management through close collaboration among Fuji Oil Holdings, regional controlling offices, and Group companies. In the event of an emergency, an Emergency Headquarters will be established based on the Risk Management Committee, which promotes risk management activities in ordinary times, so that we can respond to the emergency quickly and appropriately as the Fuji Oil Group.

Fuji Oil Group's risk management



Each group company leads the execution of Risk Management



PDCA Cycle for Risk Management

Risk assessment method

The Risk Management Committee of each Group company takes the central role in identifying its own company's risks and assessing them by plotting them on a risk map (vertical axis: degree of damage to/impact on the company; horizontal axis: possibility of realization of risk). As a result of the assessment, the Committee specifies risks that would cause a significant degree of damage to/impact on its company as "significant risks," and decides how to respond to all "significant risks" to mitigate the potential impact. Through this process, each company conducts risk management to clarify which risks it should manage on a priority basis, and works to prevent the realization of risks, minimize losses when risks are realized, and maintain business continuity.

Identification of Group-wide significant risks

In FY 2019, we established and began operating a system to identify Group-wide significant risks* from information sources, such as risk awareness among management executives, the materiality map, and Group companies' risk maps.

* Refer to the URL below for details of identified Group-wide significant risks.

▶ https://www.fujioilholdings.com/en/ir/policies_and_systems/risk/

Climate change risks and opportunities

Fuji Oil Holdings, which is responsible for formulating the Group's overall management strategy, manages the risks and opportunities associated to climate change. Various relevant divisions, including the CSR, risk management, and environmental divisions, collect information on climate change through their expert perspectives from publicly disclosed data and through dialogue with industry groups and stakeholders. The Group's

climate change strategies are developed based on the collected information, and reported at meetings of the ESG Committee, which is an advisory body to the Board of Directors, before being proposed to the Board of Directors. Moreover, we manage climate change-related risks through the Fuji Oil Group's overall risk management system.

In May 2019, we declared our support to the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD), and conducted the TCFD-recommended climate change scenario analysis in FY 2019.

The analysis has revealed that a 4°C increase in the average temperature will likely have a major impact on our business operations and procurement of some raw materials, due to suspension of plant operations driven by natural disasters. To address such risks, we will continue to reduce our group-wide CO₂ emissions through energy-saving activities and use of renewable energy. In this way we will contribute to achieving a zero-carbon society. Meanwhile, it is expected that a zero-carbon society will see the growth of the market for plant-based food, in which the Fuji Oil Group's strengths lie. This is an opportunity associated with climate change. Backcasting from the perspective of society in 2050, the Fuji Oil Group conducts its businesses under the concept of "plant-based food solutions" (PBFS), that is, solutions to social issues, provided using plant-based food ingredients. There is public concern about shortage of food resources, such as milk and meat, in the future. We will provide delicious and healthy plant-based food ingredients as solutions to future food shortage. From now on, we will conduct scenario analysis globally and assess financial impacts to reflect the results of analysis and assessment in our business strategies.

Risks and opportunities associated with climate change

* Expected risk/opportunity occurrence period: "Short-term": Period until 2025, "Medium-term": Period from 2025 to 2030, and "Long-term": Period from 2030 to 2050.

*2 Relevant scenario: The symbol "○" indicates the scenario (2°C-increase scenario or 4°C-increase scenario) in which the risk or opportunity, described in the column "Details", will become especially prominent.

Item		Details		Expected occurrence period*	Relevant scenario*2		
					2 °C	4 °C	
Risk	Transition risk	Policy & regulations	Increased cost of complying with environmental regulations	Production costs are expected to increase mainly due to tightened CO ₂ emissions regulations and the introduction of a carbon footprint system and a carbon tax, the purchase of emission quotas, and investment in renewable energy equipment. Logistics costs are expected to increase mainly due to restrictions on the number of delivery vehicles and the carbon tax's impact on fuel. As a result, there is a risk of a profit decline.	Medium-term	○	
		Technology	Increased R&D cost	A cost increase is expected due to the need to reduce environmental impacts through intensive efforts to explore new raw materials and develop new food ingredients and applications. As a result, there is a risk of a profit decline.	Long-term	○	
		Market	Sustainability-conscious consumers • Failure to fully meet needs and product demand	There is a risk of losing market share to competitors and of failing to achieve sales as planned if we cannot promptly or fully respond to the global needs and product demands of sustainability-conscious consumers.	Medium-term	○	
		Reputation	Insufficient environmental measures	There is a risk of damage to our reputation, loss of our major customers, and of resulting sales decline if we are criticized by society for our insufficient environmental measures, including CO ₂ reduction measures, or indirect involvement in deforestation through our suppliers.	Short-term	○	

Item			Details		Expected occurrence period*	Relevant scenario*2	
						2 °C	4 °C
	Physical risk	Acute risk	Suspension of operations or supply chains	Stockout and sales decline are expected if our plants or suppliers suspend operations, our distribution channels are destroyed, or our warehouses are damaged under the increasing impact and frequency of natural disasters. These include storm surges associated with sea level rise, typhoons, and floods. These factors are also expected to increase the cost of BCP initiatives and insurance premiums. As a result, there is a risk of profit decline.	Medium-term		○
		Chronic risk	Difficulty in procuring some major raw materials	There is the risk that the production of some major raw materials will decrease significantly due to the increased average temperature. As a result we will face procurement difficulties due to decreased cultivated acreage, extreme weather, and intensification of diseases and harmful insects caused.	Long-term		○
			Increased production and logistics costs	The increased average temperature is expected to raise production costs; for example, costs of occupational safety and health, response to the reduction of the capacity of cooling equipment, production efficiency, and production quality. The temperature rise is also expected to increase logistics costs like the cost of temperature adjustment equipment for delivery vehicles. As a result, there is a risk of a profit decline.	Medium-term		○
Opportunity	Resource efficiency	Reduced production and logistics costs	It is expected that energy-saving activities will help reduce the cost of equipment operations, and that promotion of collaborative delivery, modal shift, etc. will enhance the efficiency of delivery. As a result, there is an opportunity for lower logistics costs.	Medium-term		○	

Item		Details		Expected occurrence period*	Relevant scenario*2	
					2 °C	4 °C
	Energy sources	CO ₂ and cost reduction through use of renewable energy	Promotion of the introduction of solar panels and the purchase of Renewable Energy Certificates helps reduce CO ₂ and costs.	Short-term	○	
	Products & services	Increased demand for heat-resistant foods, emergency foods and highly nutritious foods	The increased average temperature and the growing impact of natural disasters are expected to increase demand for long-life and highly nutritious foods. We can use our technologies for antioxidation, heat-resistance, and soybean processing, to develop heat-resistant foods, emergency foods, foods for heat stroke patients, etc. As a result, we can create an opportunity for our sales growth.	Short-term		○
		Increased demand for some products due to temperature rise	The average temperature rise is expected to increase demand for beer-like beverages, ice cream, and refrigerated noodles. We can create an opportunity for the sales growth of our ingredients used in those products.	Medium-term		○
	Market	Expanded PBF market	Public awareness of the environment and ethics-driven consumption are expected to increase the demand for PBF* products and to expand the PBF market. As a result, there will be an opportunity for growing sales through wider applications of our original alternative and hybrid technologies. * PBF: Plant-based food	Short-term	○	
	Resilience	Corporate value increased by building the optimal sustainable business portfolio	Promotion of energy savings and the use of renewable energy will help us reduce environmental impacts and build the optimal sustainable business portfolio, which meets social needs. As a result, there will be an opportunity to earn social trust and increase our corporate value.	Medium-term	○	

Item		Details		Expected occurrence period*	Relevant scenario*2	
					2 °C	4 °C
		Corporate value increased by formulating a reliable BCP	The formulation of a reliable BCP in anticipation of natural disasters will help us meet customer demand and build strong trust relationships. As a result, there will be an opportunity to earn social trust and increase our corporate value.	Short-term		○

Business continuity plan (BCP)

The Fuji Oil Group could neither “contribute to the society by creating the future of delicious and healthy foods” nor do “Work for people” if it fails to ensure business continuity. This requires having and implementing a good business continuity plan (BCP). We will promote our BCP initiatives under the following BCP Policy in order to ensure employee safety, minimize damage to business assets, and enable the continuation or early restoration of our core businesses. More specifically, we review our BCP in anticipation of natural disasters, major accidents, and epidemics or pandemics, and strive to formulate a BCP for ICT (ICT-BCP) to ensure the continued functioning of information systems in the event of natural disasters.

BCP Policy

1. Give priority to the lives of employees and visitors.
2. Prevent secondary disasters and do not disturb local communities.
3. Fulfill our responsibility as a company to supply products.

Education and incentives

Educational and awareness-raising activities

We conduct risk management education and awareness-raising activities for our Group companies through regular visits, video conferences etc. In this way, we establish firmly the PDCA cycle for risk management and improve the quality of risk management at each Group company. In addition, we educate new posted employees abroad on the

fundamentals of risk management and the risk management system of the Fuji Oil Group. This is done as part of their pre-assignment training.

Incentives

We established ESG management awards as a system to praise departments and Group companies for their good ESG practices. Achievements in the field of risk management are also included in this award.