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With a corporate history and tradition stretching more than 100 years, the Nippon Mining Holdings Group has long proven its commitment to ensuring a stable supply of resources, materials and energy, with particular focus on petroleum and copper. By providing these essential resources, the Nippon Mining Holdings Group contributes to the smooth functioning of society and development of the economy.

Under the leadership of Nippon Mining Holdings, Inc., the Company Group operates two core businesses—petroleum, through Japan Energy Corporation, and metals, through Nippon Mining & Metals Co., Ltd. By efficiently managing the Company Group's overall portfolio of businesses and optimally allocating management resources, Nippon Mining Holdings aims to enhance corporate value and realize a level of competitiveness and profitability that is on a par with the leading global companies in each of the industries in which it operates.



# History

<p><b>December 1905</b> Fusanosuke Kuhara opened Hitachi Mine (The founding of the Nippon Mining Group)</p>	<p><b>October 1967</b> Kashima Oil Co., Ltd. established (a subsidiary of Japan Energy from December 1999)</p>	<p><b>September 1999</b> LG-Nikko Copper Inc. began Japan-Korea joint copper smelting and refining business (currently LS-Nikko Copper Inc.)</p>
<p><b>September 1912</b> Kuhara Mining Co., Ltd. established</p>	<p><b>December 1979</b> Chita Oil Co., Ltd. established (In July 1983, reorganized to bring the refinery under direct control of Nippon Mining)</p>	<p><b>October 2000</b> Pan Pacific Copper Co., Ltd. (PPC) established (In April 2006, PPC integrated the copper smelting functions of Nippon Mining &amp; Metals and Mitsui Mining &amp; Smelting Co., Ltd.)</p>
<p><b>September 1916</b> Saganoseki Smelter and Refinery began operations</p>	<p><b>April 1981</b> Nikko Gold Foil Co., Ltd. established</p>	<p><b>September 2002</b> The holding company, Nippon Mining Holdings, Inc., established</p>
<p><b>December 1928</b> Kuhara Mining renamed Nippon Sangyo Co., Ltd.</p>	<p><b>May 1985</b> Isohara Plant began operations</p>	<p><b>October 2003</b> Nikko Metal Manufacturing Co., Ltd. established</p>
<p><b>April 1929</b> Nippon Mining Co., Ltd. established (assumed the mining and smelting and refining operations of Nippon Sangyo)</p>	<p><b>November 1992</b> Nippon Mining &amp; Metals Co., Ltd. commenced operations (listed on the first section of Tokyo Stock Exchange in August 1998)</p>	<p><b>April 2006</b> New "Nippon Mining &amp; Metals Co., Ltd." formed (consolidation of Nippon Mining &amp; Metals, Nikko Materials and Nikko Metal Manufacturing)</p>
<p><b>September 1933</b> Spouted oil in Omonogawa Oil Field</p>	<p><b>December 1992</b> Nippon Mining and Kyodo Oil merged to create Nikko Kyodo Co., Ltd.</p>	<p><b>June 2008</b> Toho Titanium Co., Ltd. consolidated as a subsidiary</p>
<p><b>June 1961</b> Mizushima Oil Refinery began operations</p>	<p><b>December 1993</b> Nikko Kyodo renamed Japan Energy Corporation JOMO brand launched</p>	
<p><b>October 1964</b> Kurami Works opened</p>	<p><b>July 1999</b> Nikko Materials Co., Ltd. established</p>	
<p><b>August 1965</b> Kyodo Oil Co., Ltd. established</p>		

## The Establishment of Nippon Mining Holdings

