

Formation of Information Transfer Methods for Envisaged Disasters

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due to the Great East Japan Earthquake
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Damage to communication equipment due to the Great East Japan Earthquake



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Collapse of a building with communication equipment



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Collapse of utility poles and damage to communication lines



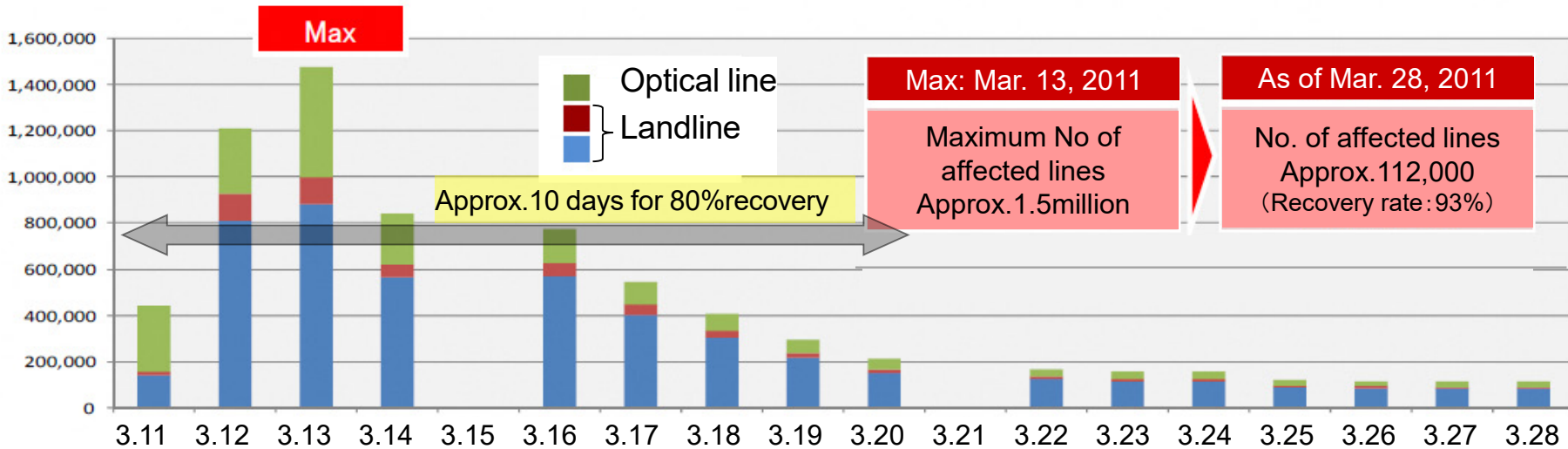
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Destruction of communication equipment

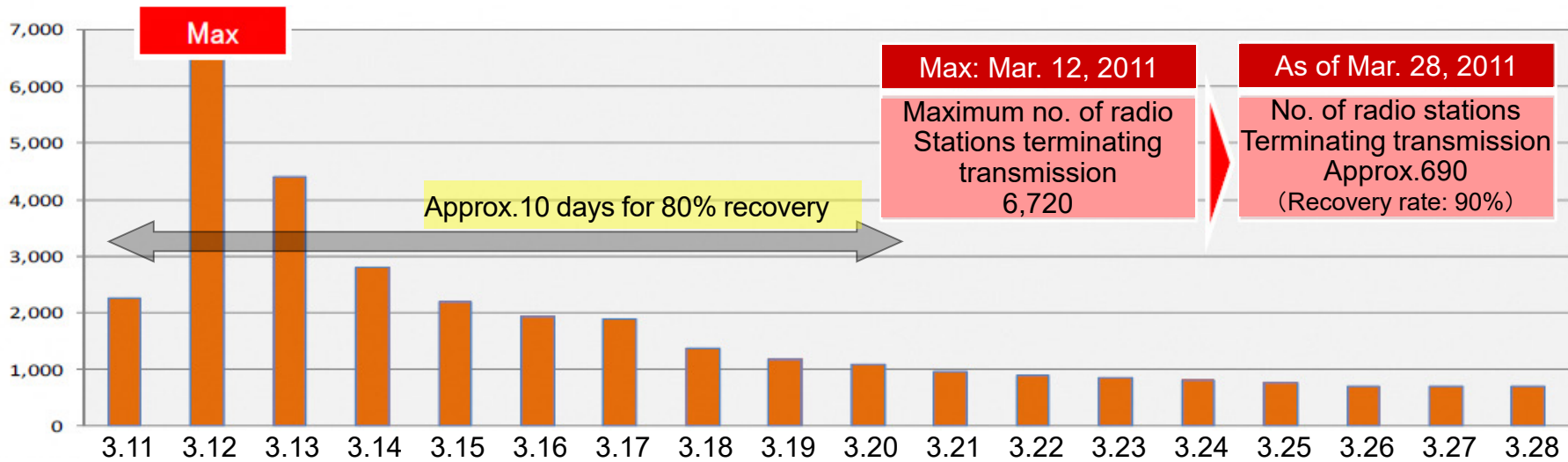
- The power supply was suspended.
- Landline and mobile phones were interrupted.

Damage to communication equipment due to the Great East Japan Earthquake

No. of affected lines of subscribed and mobile phones (unit: line)



No. of affected lines of radio stations for mobile phones (unit: station)



Source: data created by NTT

Information transfer methods of Yokohama Waterworks Bureau

【Communication means and issues】

- ① Landline phones / Mobile phones
= It is highly possible that they will not be connected.
- ② Disaster prevention administration wireless equipment
= It is possible that control regulations will be imposed, to share the equipment in the City of Yokohama.
- ③ Satellite mobile phones
= The number of satellite mobile phones installed in each office building is as small as one.

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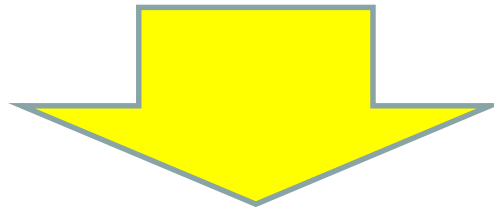


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Taking the issues into consideration...

**Need to strengthen
the emergency communications system**

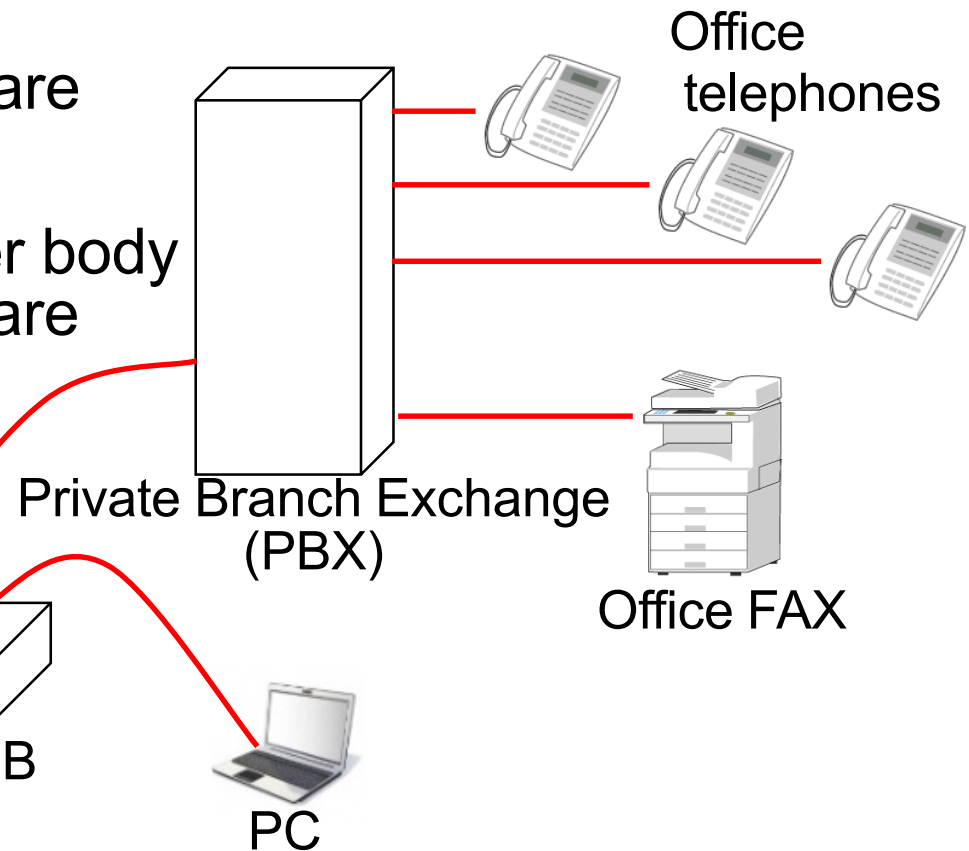


Development of an original communication line
of Yokohama Waterworks Bureau
Introduction of 5GHz band FWA (Fixed Wireless Access)

Device configuration and features of 5GHz band FWA

Antenna
36 cm square
1.3 kg

Transceiver body
25 cm square
4.2 kg



LAN
Interface

LAN Interface =

A variety of IP-based communication equipment can be connected.

Device configuration and features of 5GHz band FWA

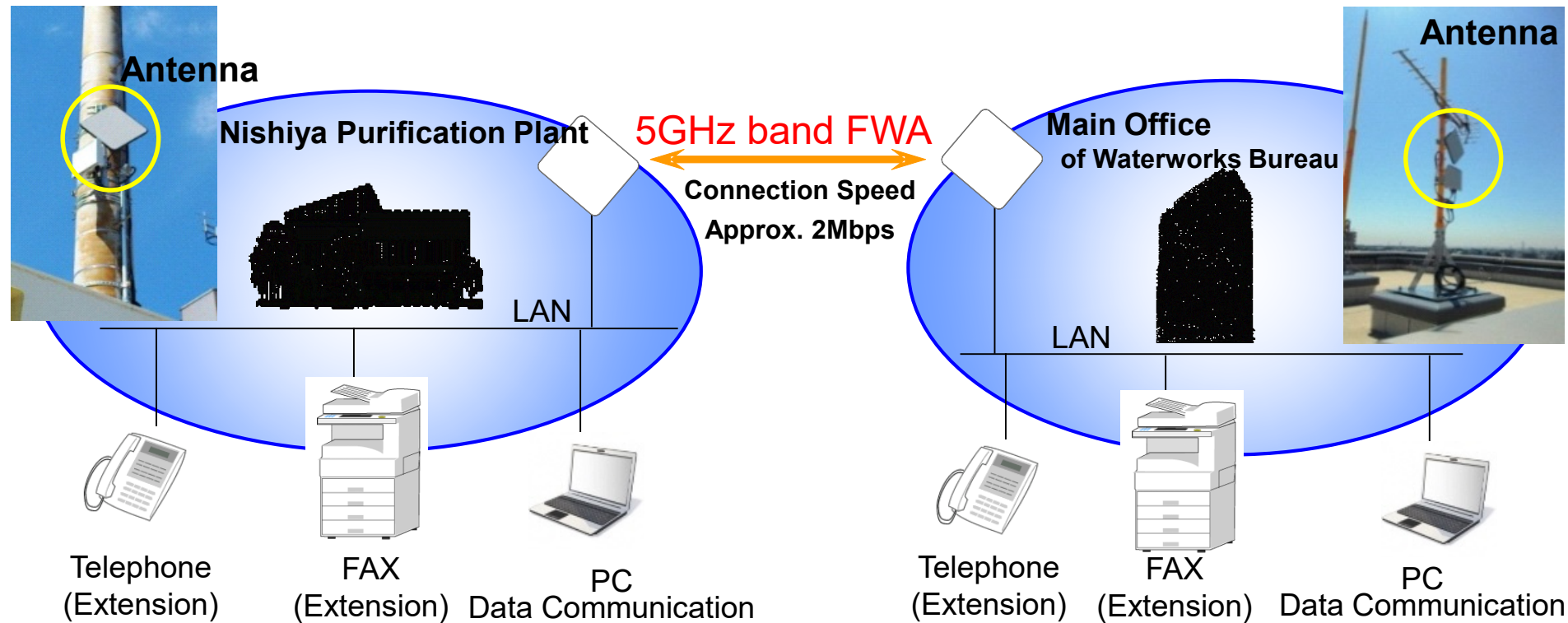
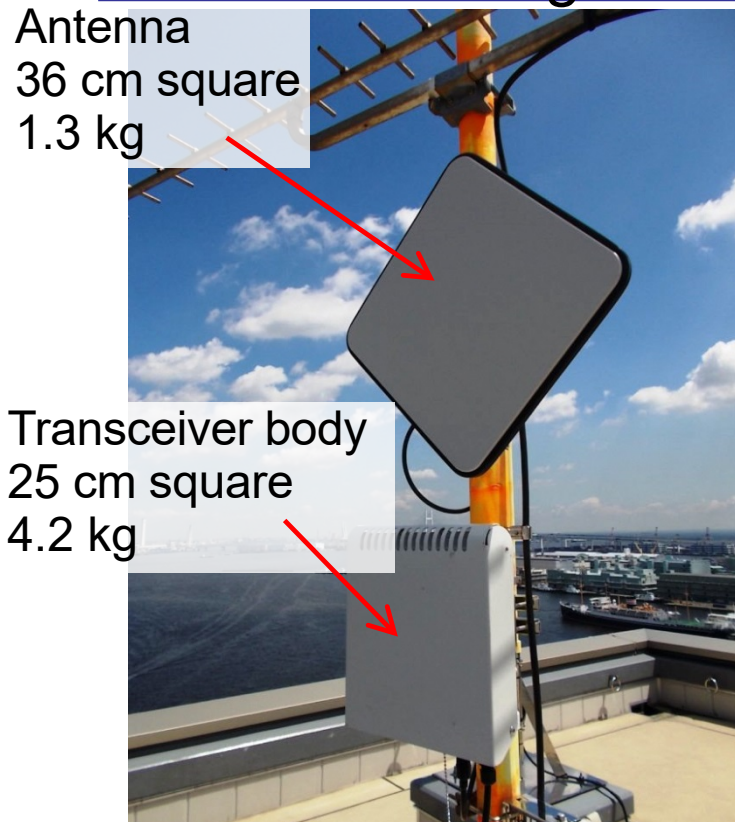


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Phone calls, FAX transmission, and PC data transmission can be performed, without relying on telecommunications carriers.

Device configuration and features of 5GHz band FWA



Antenna and transceiver body
of 5GHz band FWA

Compact =

Can be installed almost anywhere

Speedy =

At a speed of about 22 Mbps between
the Head Office and Nishiya
Purification Plant

Inexpensive =

Low installation cost, about 1/5 of that
for business-use transceiver

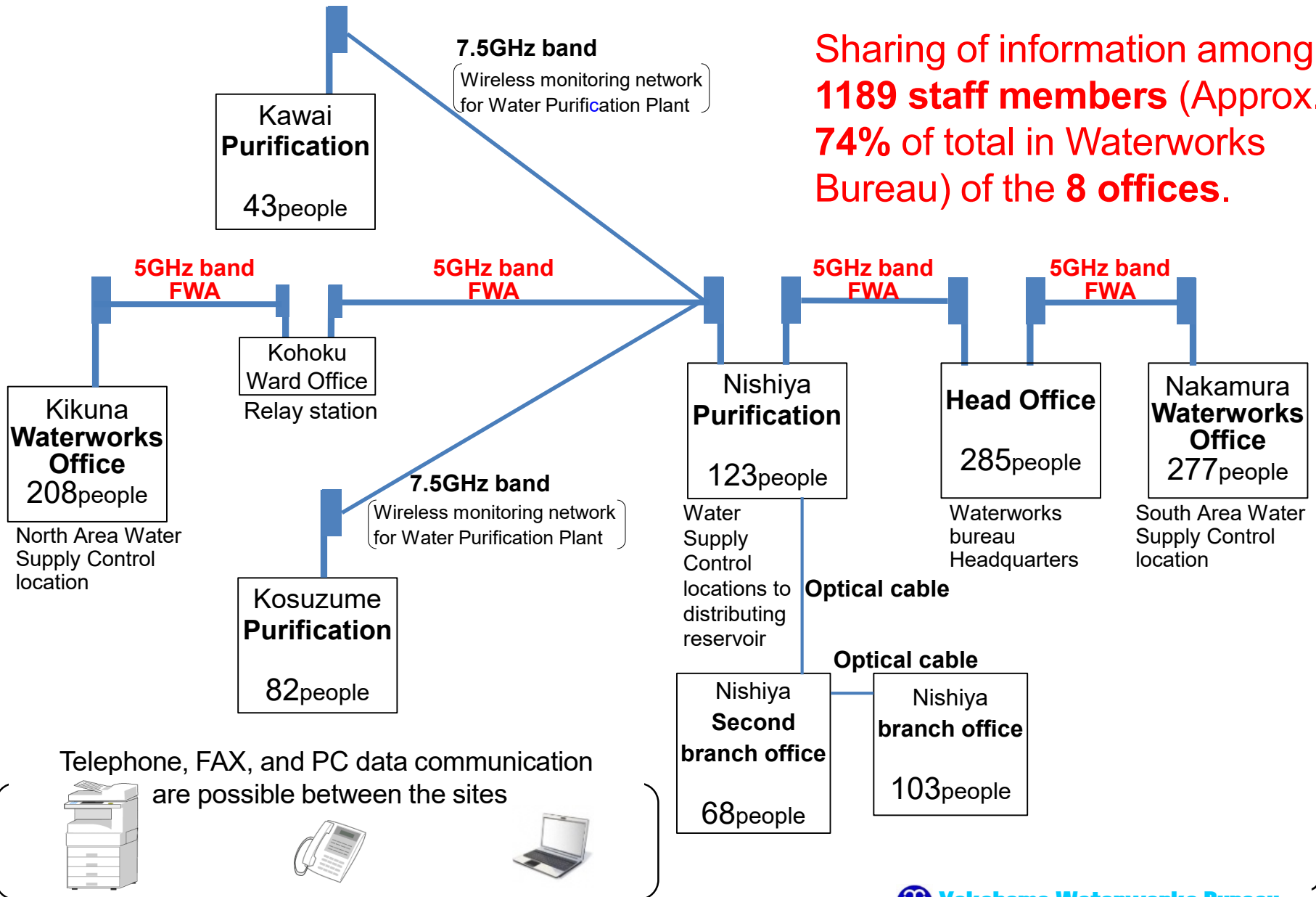
About ϕ 3 m
About 150 kg

Antenna of transceiver for business use
(Reference: 7.5GHz micro wireless)

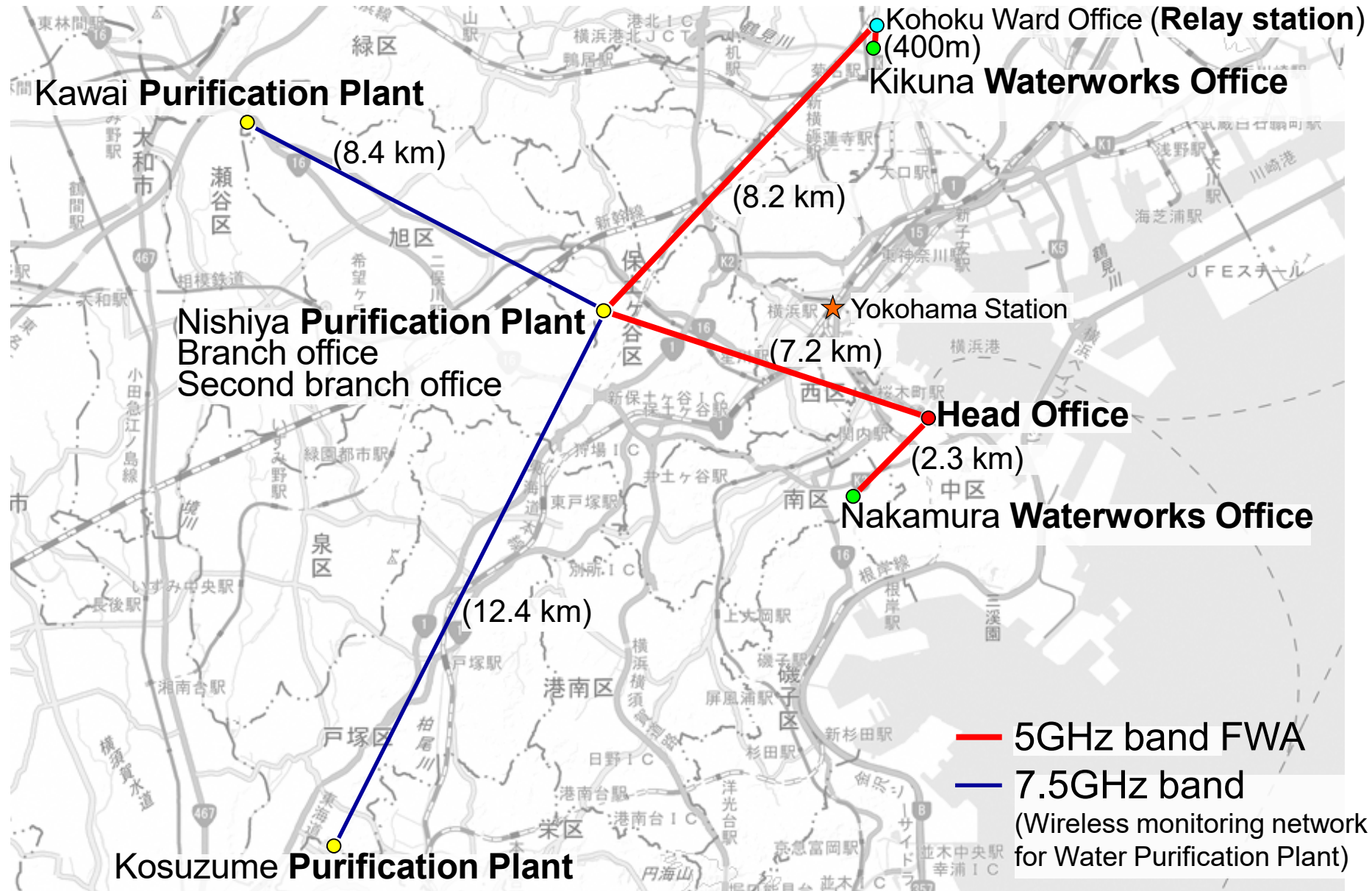


Introduction of 5GHz band FWA (Configuration of a wireless communication network)

Sharing of information among
1189 staff members (Approx.
74% of total in Waterworks
Bureau) of the **8 offices**.



Introduction of 5GHz band FWA (positional relationship of office buildings)



Effects of introduction of 5GHz band FWA



Office telephones



Office FAX



PC

Familiar terminals

Can be used immediately as there is proficiency in using them



Satellite Mobile phones



Disaster prevention administration wireless equipment



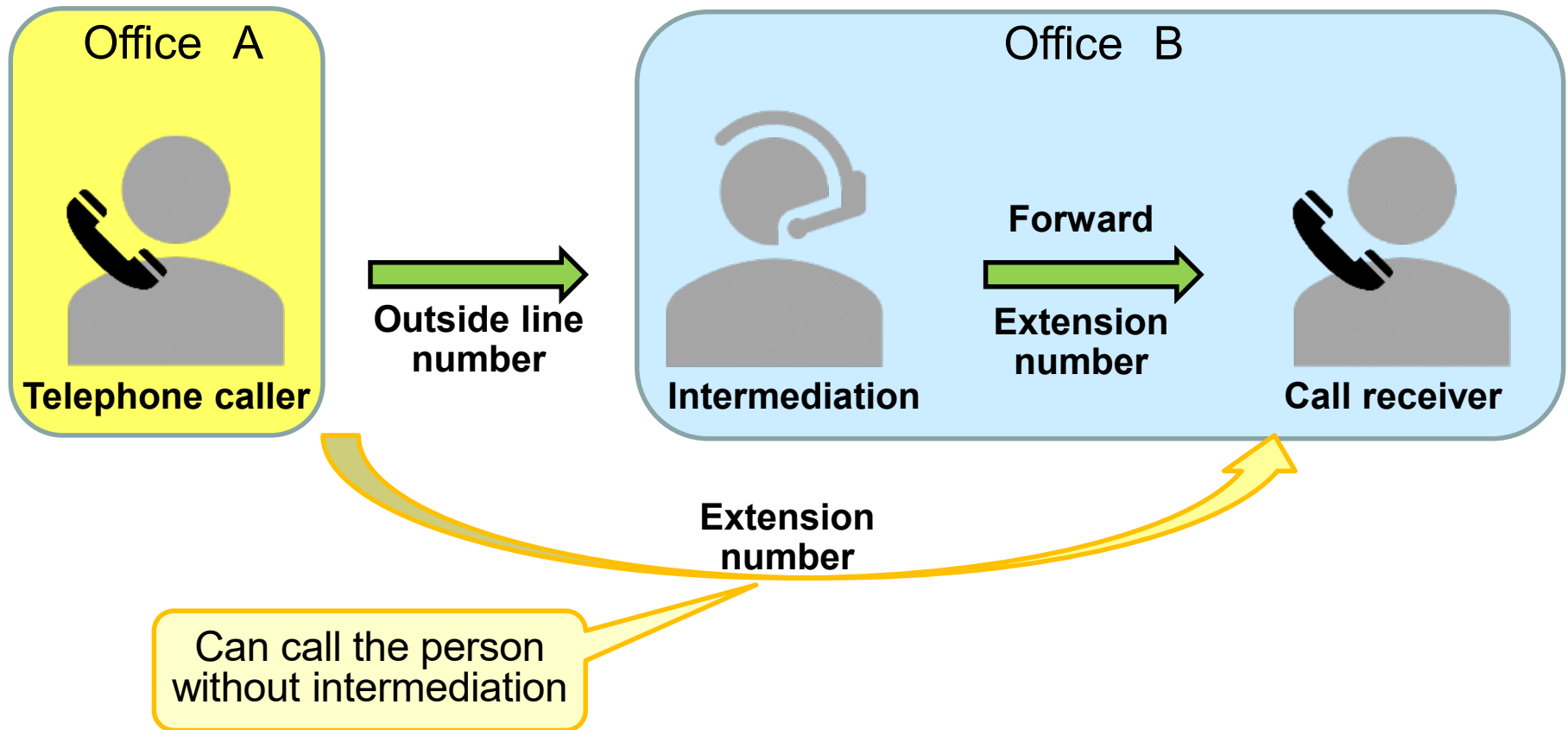
Unfamiliar terminals

Requires time to get used to using them

Usability improvement

Information can be exchanged both at normal times and at the time of disaster by using communication terminals with which staff are familiar.

Effects of introduction of 5GHz band FWA



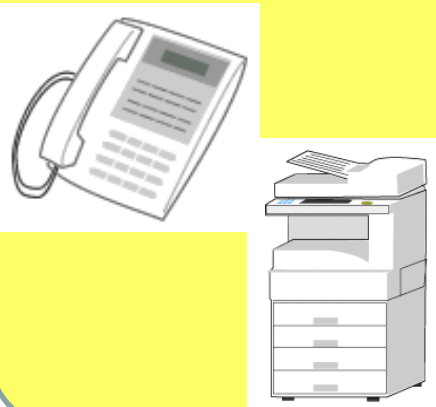
Usability improvement

A caller can make a phone call directly to the person to whom he/she wants to speak.



Effects of introduction of 5GHz band FWA

Office A
(Telephone / FAX)



external number

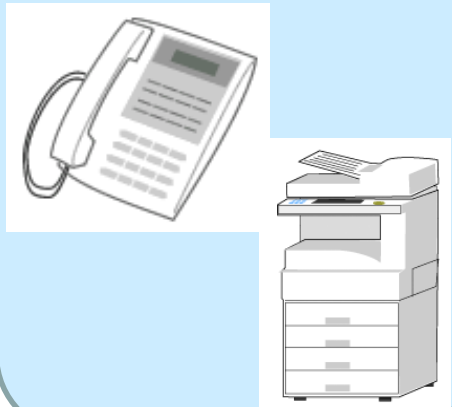
call charges = **9.2 yen/3 min***

*intra-city call charges for NTT
landline phones

extension number

call charges = **0.0 yen/3 min**

Office B
(Telephone / FAX)



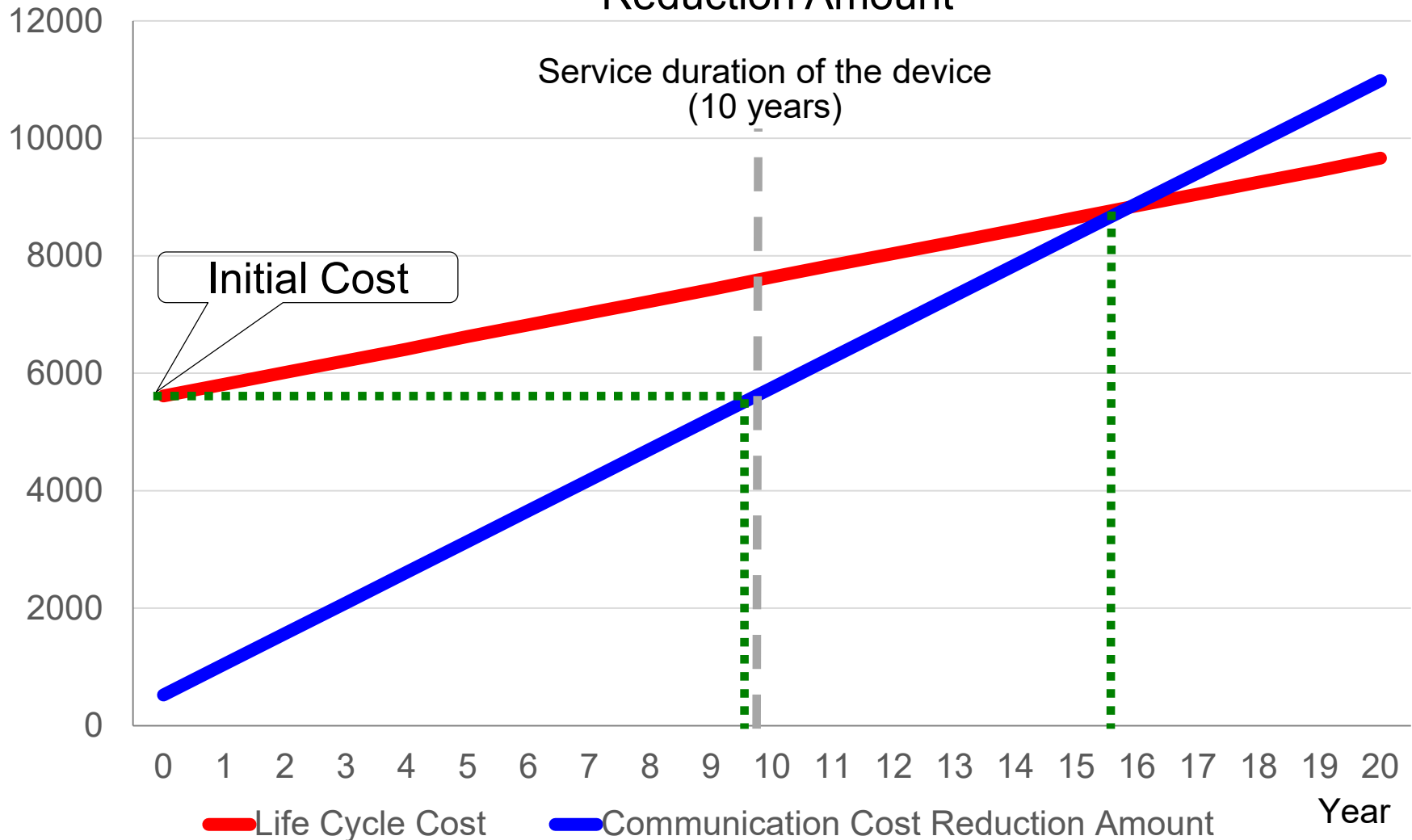
Reduce communication cost

Communication expenses between offices used on a daily basis become 0 yen.

Effects of introduction of 5GHz band FWA

10000 yen

Accumulation of Life Cycle Cost and Communication Cost Reduction Amount



Conclusion

- We have developed a disaster-resistant communication system, which many staff members can use because it does not require special terminals and the same means used at normal times suffice.
- Reduction in communication costs will be realized because no communication expense will arise as long as 5GHz band FWA is used on a daily basis.

Thank you for your attention.