

(Translation)



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Notice Regarding the Impact of the "2026 Kumamoto Earthquake"

We would like to express our deepest sympathies to everyone affected by the "2026 Kumamoto Earthquake" that occurred on July 28, 2026. The impact on our company is as follows.

I. Status of Major Damage and Others

1. Kyushu Shinkansen

(1)Suspended Section

Kyushu Shinkansen: Between Kumamoto and Kagoshima-Chuo

(2)Status of Damage

[Between Kumamoto and Shin-Minamata]

In the above section, significant deformation and other damage have occurred in bridges and rails due to estimated ground deformation at the intersection of the Hinagu Fault.

Currently, we are conducting detailed investigations and restoration work, but it is expected that restoration will take a considerable amount of time.

(3)Future Outlook

Operations between Kumamoto and Shin-Minamata will be suspended until further notice.

*At this time, we anticipate that **resuming operations by the end of August will be difficult.**

Regarding the section between Shin-Minamata and Kagoshima-Chuo, we are considering options to resume operations.

2. Conventional Lines

(1)Suspended Section

Kagoshima Main Line: Between Kumamoto and Yatsushiro

Misumi Line: Between Uto and Misumi

*Operations for the Kagoshima Main Line (Between Kumamoto and Uto) and the Misumi Line (Between Uto and Misumi) are scheduled to resume on August 2.

(2)Status of Damage

[Kagoshima Main Line: Between Uto and Yatsushiro]

In the above section, damage to facilities has been confirmed over the wide area.

Currently, we are conducting detailed investigations and restoration work, but it is expected that restoration will take a considerable amount of time.

(3)Future Outlook

Operations on the Kagoshima Main Line (Between Uto and Yatsushiro) will be suspended until further notice.

*At this time, we anticipate that **resuming operations by the end of August will be difficult.**

Regarding alternative transportation by bus, etc., for the Kagoshima Main Line

(Between Uto and Yatsushiro), specific implementation plans are currently undetermined due to the difficulty in assessing the damage status of roads at this time, as well as the challenges in securing alternative buses.

The outlook for resuming operations for 1. Kyushu Shinkansen and 2. Conventional Lines will be announced again during August as soon as the full extent of the situation is confirmed.

3. Other Facilities

JR Kumamoto City: Scheduled to gradually resume business from July 31.

II. Amount of Damage and Impact on Business Performance

The amount of damage caused by this earthquake and its impact on our business performance are currently under investigation. If timely disclosure becomes necessary going forward, we will promptly make an announcement.