Requests for Realization of Carbon Neutrality (Year 2024 Edition)

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Request 1. Further development of infrastructure for electricity and hydrogen

1. Common Requests for electricity and hydrogen

(1) Support for technological development and facility improvement

- Obevelopment of technologies required for rapid, high output, and large-capacity charging and hydrogen refueling, ensuring safety, and facility improvement
- OTechnological development of mobile means of supply

(2) Standards and standardization, as well as review of regulations

- Rapid establishment of standards and regulations in infrastructure development
- OSupport for development and dissemination of off-site (including public roads) quick charging and refilling systems

(3) Government-led roadmap creation

- Oreation of roadmaps regarding technological and infrastructure development based on global trends
- The roadmaps shall mention hydrogen and alternative fuels, in addition to electrification

2. Requests specifically for electric-powered CE

(1) Support for technological development and facility improvement

- OSupport for technological development and equipment installment (rapid, highly-durable and large-capacity batteries, as well as mobile charging equipment)
- Obssemination of electrical supply in 3 phase and large-capacity, and simplification of application process for installment
- Consideration for nighttime electricity and rates, as well as environmental improvements for further dissemination

(2) Standards and standardization, as well as review of regulations

- Establishment and review of related regulations, clarification of security standards (rapid charging and mobile charging equipment)
- ODeregulation for dissemination of hydraulic engine power generators (including mobile types)

3. Requests specifically for CE that uses hydrogen

(1) Support for technological development and facility improvement

- OSupport for technological development and installment regarding transport, storage, and use of hydrogen
- OMaintaining competitive prices and ensuring stable supply
- ORealization and dissemination of hydrogen supply equipment with high flow rate filling capacity

(2) Standards and standardization, as well as review of regulations

ORealization of the off-site type hydrogen refueling (system development and deregulation

4. Requests specifically for alternative fuels and related technology

(1) Support for technological development and implementation

- Enhancement of roadmaps towards commercialization of alternative fuels
- (2) Specific issues and response directions
- [1] Security of low-cost, stable supply, [2] definitions and quality assurance, [3] consistency with international rules and standards, and [4] consistency with the automobile industry
- * For standards and standardization, as well as review of regulations, in each Request, it is essential to consider international consistency.

Request 2. Support for manufacture and use of CE (vehicle) and parts

1. Common requests for electricity and hydrogen

- (1) Support for technological development and facility improvement, and promotion of industry-government-academia partnerships
- OContinuation and expansion of government-led research and development
- OSupport for technological development/implementation by companies
- OMaterialization of a simple and fast process for certification and designation of GX CE

(2) Standards and standardization, as well as review of regulations

- OReview of current systems on the premise of diesel engines (regarding emissions, noise, vibration, safety, certification, and recycling)
- OEmphasis on global competition standpoints, harmonization with relevant overseas standards and regulations

2. Requests specifically for electric-powered CE

(1) Support for technological development and facility improvement

- OSupport for technological development/implementation to accelerate introduction
- OSupport to component manufacturers and material manufacturers

(2) Standards and standardization, as well as review of regulations

- OStandardization of battery capacity, size and parts
- OEstablishment of regulations and standards regarding charging methods, connecting plugs, and conditions for battery charging
- OReview of the system for low-noise and low-vibration CE

3. Requests specifically for CE that uses hydrogen

- (1) Support for technological development and facility improvement
- OSupport for technological development/implementation to accelerate introduction
- OSupport to component manufacturers and material manufacturers

(2) Standards and standardization, as well as review of regulations

- Ocreation and institutionalization of standards for, as well as standardization of, fuel cells and hydraulic engines
- OStandardization of hydrogen refueling facilities and connecting plugs of machines
- OReview of laws and standards necessary for use of hydrogen-powered CE

4. Requests specifically for alternative fuels and related technology (Refer to Request 1 – 4.)

5. Support for carbon neutrality in production/manufacturing of CE

- (1) Enhanced support in CO2 emissions reduction in manufacturing processes
- (2) Introduction of support measures for installing existing solar power generators and review of regulations
- Olmproving systems and support measures for perovskite solar cells

Request 3 Support to CE Users

1. Enhanced policy support such as subsidy, taxation and low-interest financing

(1) Support for initial cost

- OSupport through bold subsidies, low-interest loans and tax incentives for CE (vehicle)
- OSupport for installment of a large-capacity power source, as well as continuation and expansion of subsidy programs for GX CE introduction
- OSecurity of compatibility with international schemes

(2) Support for running cost

- OSubsidies, tax incentives and awards of evaluation points based on the amount of CO2 reduced
- OSupport for finished vehicles as well as repair parts
- OSupport for the gap with diesel fuel charges

(3) Support for promoting the distribution of used CE and battery recycling

- Establishment of a system to promote the recycling and reuse of batteries
- O Support for promoting the distribution of used construction equipment overseas

(4) Support in taxation

- OExtension and enhancement of small- and medium-sized enterprise taxation (business enhancement taxation and investment promoting taxation)
- Application to other special tax schemes (including tax incentives to promote investments for carbonneutrality)
- OShortening or standardization of depreciation periods, and establishment of an immediate depreciation system
- OTax incentives for an installed power source (property tax breaks and shortened depreciation periods)

2. Development of systems for mechanics and maintenance shops that provide after-sales services and support for personnel development

- (1) Coordination with EV car mechanics and existing CE mechanics, system design, recruitment and personnel development
- OClarification of required qualifications and subsidies for acquisition of the qualification.
- OExpansion of the scope of voltage that can be handled by qualified low-voltage electricians, international views, and introduction of CE mechanic qualifications
- OSafety training for workers who handle high voltage and high pressure equipment

Request 4. Creation of demand in and outside Japan and general discussion

[Items apply mainly to the domestic market]

1. Implementation and expansion of domestic promotion measures

- (1) Improvement and expansion of the GX CE certification scheme, as well as a simple and swift certification
- OExpansion of target models and technologies (to include hydrogen and alternative fuels), and budget increases OSimple and fast procedures and screening, as well as harmonization with relevant international systems and
- regulations
 (2) Preferential treatment in bids for public works projects
- OGrant of incentives such as review of unit prices of labor
- OEvaluation and eligibility for receiving an order to be made based on the amount of CO2 reductions as well as ownership/utilization record of GX CE, as well as implementation of model projects
- OIntroduction of a similar system in private construction projects
- (3) Creation of concrete roadmaps in civil engineering and infrastructure areas

2. Collaboration with related fields and expansion of support

- (1) Promoting realization of CN through enhanced association with other technologies
- OPromotion of i-Construction (improving operational efficiency through use of automation, autonomy and remote control technologies)
- (2) Support for CO2 reduction efforts in the electric power and steel sectors
- (3) Expansion of government funds (GX bonds) and private financing/investment

[Items apply mainly to overseas/international markets]

1. Response to international regulations, certification and standards

- (1) Promotion of international harmonization on regulations and standards
- OResponses to manufacture, transport, and use of electric CE and hydrogen fuels
- (2) International cooperation on grant of subsidies and other incentives
- (3) Conducting government negotiations to prevent any disadvantageous treatment against the Japan-made CE
- OGovernment-level responses to regulations and rules introduced by foreign governments and organizations

2. Support in overseas expansion

- (1) Promoting discussions on the Cape Town Treaty and the MAC Protocol
- OInformation-gathering and rapid sharing with industry by the government
- OFormulating a policy to maintain and strengthen international competitiveness
- (2) Implementation and expansion of assistance through ODA and public financing
- OSupport for overseas infrastructure development and grants in GX
- (3) Addition of CE and civil engineering areas into the Infrastructure System Overseas Promotion Strategy
- O Addition of the areas and consideration of specific measures