Projects Demonstrating the Current Situation of Environmental Technologies in Japan

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Introduction (Summary of Program)

- In FY2003, the Ministry of the Environment (MOE) implemented the Pilot Project.
- The Pilot Project shifted into the Full-scale Project in FY2008.
- Performance of environmental technologies are verified by third parties.
- The Logo and Verification Number are issued to the verified technologies.
Structure of the Environmental Technology Verification Program

Ministry of the Environment
- manages the whole program
- chooses target technological fields
- releases results of verification through web site
- issues Logos

Advisory Committee on ETV Program

Working Groups in each technological field

Verification Organizations
(more than one in each field)
(local public authorities, public corporations, etc.)
- issue open invitations for verification technologies and examine
- implement verification testing

Technology Verification Committee

Verification Management Organization
(one in each field)
(public corporations, NPOs, etc)
- establishes Verification Testing Guidelines
- chooses Verification Organizations
- establishes categories for fees associated with verification testing and collects them from Verification Applicants
- approves technologies to be verified

Verification of Applicants (developers, vendors etc)
- submit an application to a Verification Organization
- use Logos
- pay fees and install devices into the site … etc

Institute for development of the technology relevant to verification tests

Report of Program in FY2010 and FY2011

- By FY2010, about 394 technologies had been verified.
- In FY2010, 72 technologies were verified at 7 verification testing organizations.
- The budget for FY2011 is 123 million yen.
- In FY2011, 8 technological fields are carried out as shown below:
  - “Government-sponsored system” - 1 field
  - “Fee-based system” - 7 fields
Report of Program in FY2010 and FY2011

“Fee-based system” - 7 fields

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| Treatment
Technologies for Human Waste in Nature Area | Technologies for the treatment of human waste in toilets in the areas that are not provided with sewage, drainage, or electricity. | 2 | 1 |
<p>| Technologies for Improving the Water Quality of Lakes and Reservoirs | Technologies for directly removing pollutants that have accumulated in water, benthic mud, etc., or for preventing internal production of pollutants within enclosed lakes and reservoirs. | 1 | 2 |</p>
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<td>Water Environment Improvement Technologies in Enclosed Coastal Seas</td>
<td>Technologies that contribute either directly to the improvement of water quality and benthic condition or to the improvement of the environmental conditions for marine life in enclosed coastal seas.</td>
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<td>Heat-Island Mitigation Technologies to Reduce Air Conditioning and Other Loads by using Building Envelope Systems</td>
<td>Technologies of enveloping buildings with films, etc. after construction for the mitigation of the heat island effect by reducing indoor heating and cooling loads and thereby suppressing anthropogenic heat radiation.</td>
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Window Radiation Shield Film
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<td>Simplified VOC Measurement Technology</td>
<td>Featured with simple operation &amp; management and fast quantification, this technology is useful for voluntary VOC emission reduction in plants using VOCs such as process management or device management.</td>
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<td>Heat-Island Mitigation Technologies - Air Conditioning Systems by Ground Source Heat Pumps Using Underground Heat or Wastewater</td>
<td>A heat-pump air-conditioning system using ground source, groundwater or sewage is intended to provide efficient heating and cooling performance compared with a system based on air heat. By making the most of the properties of groundwater, it can thereby contribute to reductions in artificial exhaust heat from buildings.</td>
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Technology Field: Global warming mitigation technologies (energy reduction for lighting (reflector panel, diffuser panel, etc.))

**Contents:** Usage of reflector and diffuser panels in lighting fixtures can reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gases.

- Reflector panel (Fluorescent light)
- Diffuser panel (LED)

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New Target Technologies for Later Years

■ Planned new global warming mitigation technologies
  ➢ “Natural lighting” technologies
    - Window fixtures and skylights allow sunlight to enter thus reducing energy consumption for lighting
  ➢ Auto Dimming Technologies
    - By automatically adjusting lighting levels to match daylight and human activities, energy consumption of lighting can be reduced

■ Combining different key technologies for energy saving and/or low-carbon technologies

■ Pollution control technologies and co-benefits technologies for overseas
Main Issues of Japanese ETV

Due to the current economic downturn, the Japanese ETV program faces the challenges below:
• The number of verifications remains at the same level
• Difficulty to secure a budget

• Urgent tasks are to revitalize and to review the framework
• Based on the above mentioned points, consider collaborating with foreign countries (Joint and co-verification, etc.)
Main Issues of Japanese ETV

- Projects revitalizations
  - Upgrade verification advantages
    - Increase publicity (Using logo, etc.)
    - Add more value to verifications results for applicants.

- Review the framework
  - Consider simple and non-time consuming application processes and actively collaborate with the private-sector
  - Point at Issue
    - How to ensure the quality of verification testing procedures and results, or to manage projects continuity, etc.
For further information please visit:

http://www.env.go.jp/policy/etv

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