

Information about FY 2008 commendations for contributions that measures for a volatile organic compound (VOC).

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To help reduce air pollution, especially in relation to Suspended Particulate Matter (SPM) and photochemical oxidants, the Ministry of the Environment has pushed forward certain measures. These measures involve the formation of policies, legal control and the voluntary approach of businesses to help reduce VOC emissions from stationary sources by around 30% in the period between FY 2000 and FY2010.

We have recognized the activity of businesses, individuals and groups that have taken the lead in measures that help limit VOC emissions, including the voluntary approach to promote these measures.

In recognition of this great work we are holding a commendation ceremony for prize winners this year.

1. About the Commendations for contribution of measures for VOC.

Commendations are presented by the “Committee for Commendations for the contribution of measures for VOC”. The Chairperson is Etsuo Kobayashi, consultant of the Hyogo Environmental Advancement Association. The commendations began in FY 2007.

The commendations are awarded to a business, individual or group, in recognition of their activity which takes the lead by measures to control VOC emissions, including the voluntary approach to contribute to the promotion of measures, for spreading the information to a third party; and for making new structures (spread and enlightenment); and for technological development to affect emission reduction.

2. Commendation ceremony

Date: Monday, December 1st 2008. 11:00AM to 11:30AM

Place: Toranomon Pastoral hotel, “Sumire“ room on the 3rd floor of new annex
(4-1-1, Toranomon, Minato-ku, Tokyo)

3. Commendation prize winners

A. Special commendation for the contribution of measures for VOC.

I) Category: “Voluntary approach or related to regulation“

Nippon Oil Staging Terminal Company, Limited, Kiire base (Kagoshima prefecture.)

II) Category: “Contribution to the promotion of measures“

Railway Technical Research Institute (City of Kokubunji , Tokyo)

B. Commendation for the contribution of measures for VOC

I) Category: “Voluntary approach or related to regulation“

Amatei Co., Ltd., Main office factory (City of Amagasaki, Hyogo prefecture)

AVC Networks Company, Network business group, DSC business unit, Fukushima factory (City of Fukushima, Fukushima prefecture)

Yamakin Industry Corporate, Morita factory (City of Fukui, Fukui prefecture)

Hoya Corporation, Hachioji factory (City of Hachioji, Tokyo)

Denki Kagaku Kogyo Kabushiki Kaisya, Chiba factory (City of Ichihara, Chiba prefecture)

4. Applications and Inquiries

Journalists wishing to cover this event should register via E-mail or Fax by Wednesday, 26th November. We will reply and contact you regarding your application.

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Please provide:

- Your company name
- The names of the people who will cover the event
- Your contact details (E-mail address, phone number etc)
- Information on what equipment you may bring, such as cameras and recording devices.