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<u>CO₂ Emission Reduction by H₂ Optimization Between Two Companies in Kawasaki Project</u> <u>Recognized Under Low CO₂ Kawasaki Brand 2012</u>

The CO₂ Emission Reduction by H₂ Optimization Between Two Companies in Kawasaki project, a joint initiative of TonenGeneral Sekiyu K.K. Kawasaki Refinery (herein referred to as "Kawasaki Refinery", manager: Tomohide Miyata) and JX Nippon Oil & Energy Corp. Kawasaki Plant (herein referred to as "JX Nippon Oil & Energy Kawasaki Plant"), has been selected for recognition under the Low CO₂ Kawasaki Brand 2012 program implemented by Kawasaki City, Kanagawa.

The Kawasaki Refinery manager accepted a certificate of recognition from the Kawasaki City mayor at an award ceremony for selected projects held today at the Kawasaki International Eco-Tech Fair 2013.

In 2008, Kawasaki City studied the effectiveness of indirect CO_2 reduction through life cyclefocused assessments of products and technologies and subsequently developed the CO_2 Reduction Kawasaki Model framework for highlighting contributions to a low-carbon society. In 2012, after a trial period of three years beginning in 2009, the city rolled out Low CO_2 Kawasaki Brand, a program based on this framework, to assess contributions to CO_2 reduction through products and technologies.

At Kawasaki Refinery, CO_2 is generated by the production unit for hydrogen, which is used in the refinery's desulfurization unit; while JX Nippon Oil & Energy Kawasaki Plant uses part of the CO_2 generated by its steam cracker (ethylene production unit) as fuel. In a joint effort by the two sites, hydrogen is transported by pipeline from JX Nippon Oil & Energy Kawasaki Plant to Kawasaki Refinery, contributing to the effective use of resources and a reduction in the total CO_2 emission volumes of both sites. As the transfer of CO_2 from JX Nippon Oil & Energy Kawasaki Plant to Kawasaki Plant to Kawasaki Refinery contributes to overall CO_2 reduction, application for recognition was submitted jointly.

- Effective use of resources through collaboration between the two sites has resulted in an 1,800-ton annual reduction in CO₂ emissions.
- Use of hydrogen, a by-product of manufacturing processes, in the quality improvement of oil
 products has contributed to cost reduction and increased competitiveness.

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The Kawasaki Refinery - JX Nippon Oil & Energy Kawasaki Plant joint project





At the award ceremony for selected projects

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From left: Mr. Harada, JX Nippon Oil & Energy Kawasaki Plant Manager; Mr. Abe, Kawasaki City Mayor; Tomohide Miyata, Kawasaki Refinery Manager

Low CO₂ Kawasaki Brand 2012 certification mark

