Fluorocarbons Management Policy
(Toward the Lifecycle Management of Fluorocarbon)

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Overview of Legislations and Regulations for Fluorocarbons

- **Act on the Protection of the Ozone Layer Through the Control of Specified Substances and Other Measures (Ozone Layer Protection Law):** enacted in 1988. In order to implement obligation to reduce production and consumption of fluorocarbons based on Montreal Protocol, manufactures and imports of fluorocarbons are controlled.

- **Act on Rational Use and Proper Management of Fluorocarbons (Fluorocarbons Emission Restraining Law):** Aiming for restraining emission of fluorocarbons, the Act provides comprehensive approaches throughout the lifecycle of fluorocarbons, including periodical inspection of commercial refrigeration and air-conditioning equipment using fluorocarbons, in addition to recovery of fluorocarbons from these equipment at the time of disposal.
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To improve fluorocarbon recovery rate at the time of disposal (nearly 40% in 2017), regulations based on Fluorocarbons Emission Restraining Law was strengthened last month.

Stakeholders (users, demolition operators and scrap and/or recycle operators) owe additional obligations as following.

According to this strengthened regulation, we improve fluorocarbon recovery rate more than 70% in 2030.

**At the time of Equipment Disposal**
- Adopt and impose a direct (non-probationary) penalty to a user with illicit behaviors of not recovering fluorocarbons
- Obligate users to submit the certificate of fluorocarbon recovery at the time of delivery to scrap and/or recycle operators

**At the time of Building Demolition**
- Improve effectiveness of guidance and supervision by prefectural governments
  - Obligate demolition operators to preserve documents as a proof of presence/absence of equipment
  - Define provisions related to request for submitting documents based on the Construction Material Recycling Act
  - Expand the scope of on-site inspection

**At the time of Delivery of disposed Equipment**
- Obligate scrap and recycle operators to check completion of fluorocarbon recovery by checking a certificate at the time they receive equipment.
- Receiving Equipment without a certificate is prohibited and adopted a direct (non-probationary) penalty.
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【Effect of the Life cycle management】
- We can achieve additional emission reduction of HFCs in accordance with the Kigali Amendment by taking measures as follows:
  - Measures to prevent leaks of HFCs in equipment use.
  - Recovery and Destruction or Recycle of HFCs at Equipment Disposal.

【International application of the Life cycle management】
- Government of Japan hopes to share the view, and can provide assistance based on our expertise to prevent leaks in equipment use, and recover and destroy or recycle at equipment disposal.