Residential Fuel Cell Certification and Insurance in Japan

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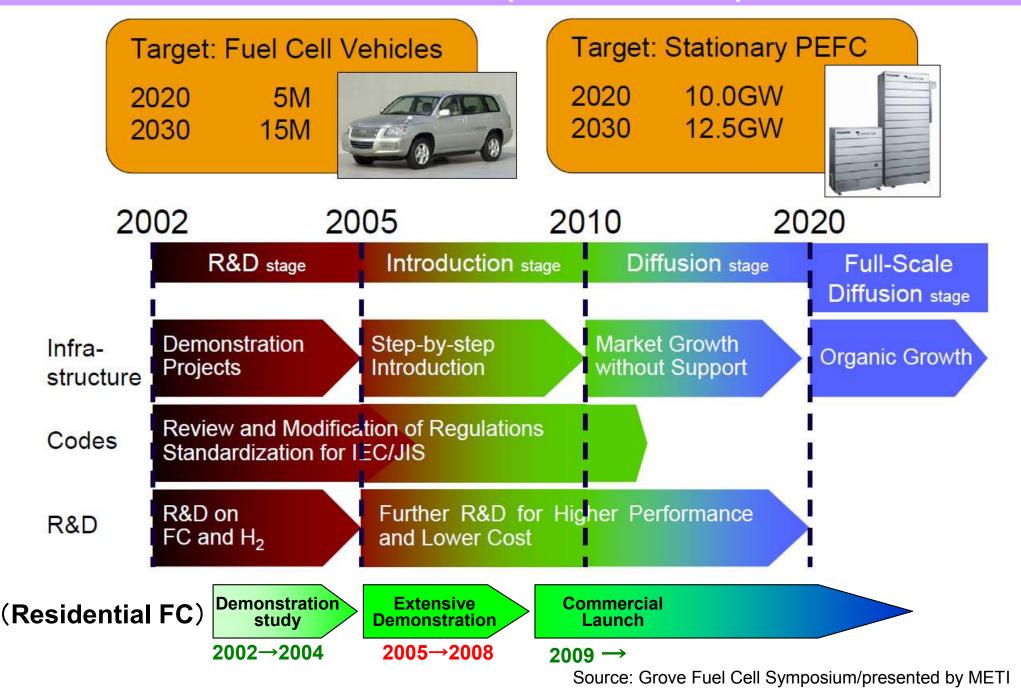
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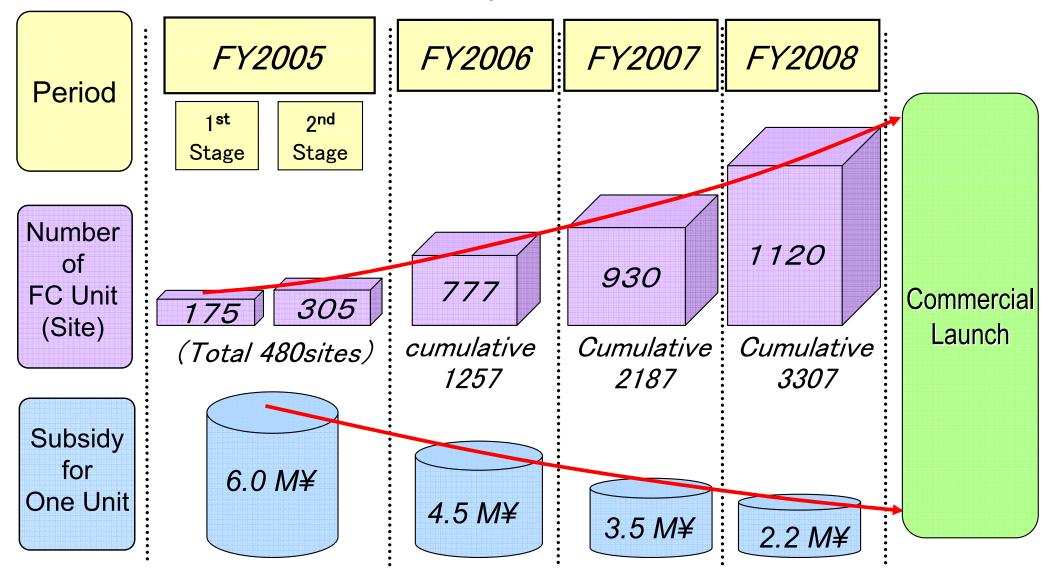
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Demonstration Project in Japan

General Milestones of the PEFC Development in Japan



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Number of the Fuel Cell Units and Subsidy for Installation



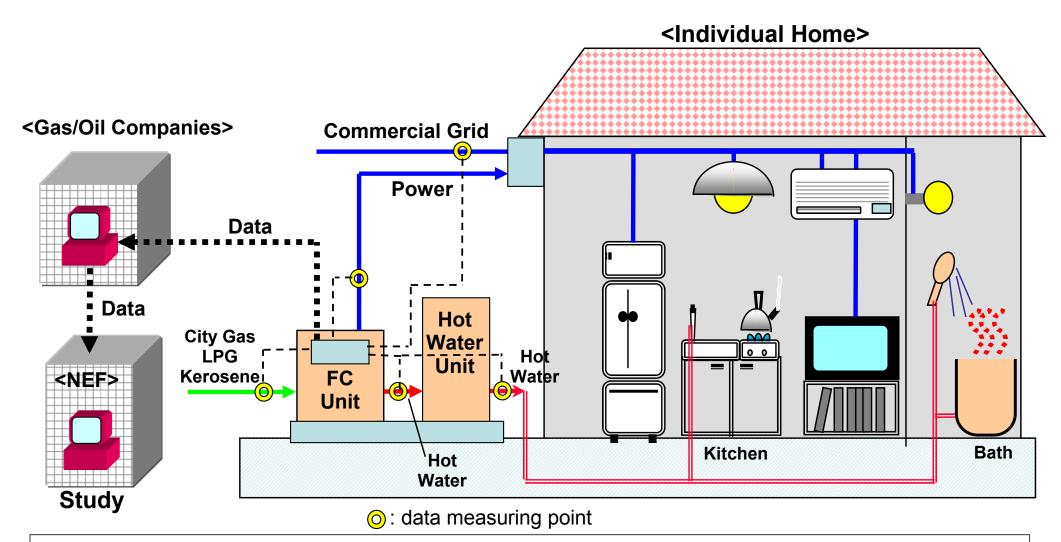
Subsidy for the installation of one unit has been reduced every year, in correlation with the progress of the cost reduction.

Number of Units Installed in the Demonstration Project

| | | | | | | Hokkaido (| |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|---|--|
| Energy Supplier | units | | | | | 53 Sites | |
| | FY2005 | FY2006 | FY2007 | FY2008 | Total | Installed number as of | |
| Tokyo Gas | 150 | 160 | 210 | 276 | 796 | Installed number as of | |
| Osaka Gas | 63 | 80 | 81 | 141 | 365 | March, 2009 | |
| Toho Gas | 12 | 40 | 38 | 34 | 124 | (Total 3,307 Sites) | |
| Saibu Gas | 10 | 10 | 13 | 10 | 43 | | |
| Hokkaido Gas | - | 10 | 10 | 5 | 25 | | |
| Nippon Gas | - | 10 | 10 | 10 | 30 | Tohoku | |
| Nippon Oil | 134 | 301 | 396 | 497 | 1328 | | |
| Idemitsu Kosan | 33 | 40 | 50 | 28 | 151 | | |
| Japan Energy | 30 | 40 | 34 | 40 | 144 | 528 Sites | |
| lwatani Int'l | 10 | 34 | 29 | 10 | 83 | Chugoku \ | |
| Cosmo Oil | 10 | 19 | 19 | 18 | 66 | 182 Sites | |
| Taiyo Oil | 8 | 13 | 18 | 11 | 50 | Sain 12 | |
| Kyusyu Oil | 8 | 10 | 12 | 10 | 40 | Kyushu Kanta | |
| Showa Shell Sekiyu | 6 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 36 | 423 Sites Kanto | |
| Lemon Gas | 6 | - | - | - | 6 | 1,533 | |
| Eneurge | - | - | - | 10 | 10 | Okinawa Shikoku Chubu Sites | |
| Saisan | - | - | - | 10 | 10 | | |
| Total | 480 | 777 | 930 | 1120 | 3307 | 7 Sites 145 Sites 340 Sites | |

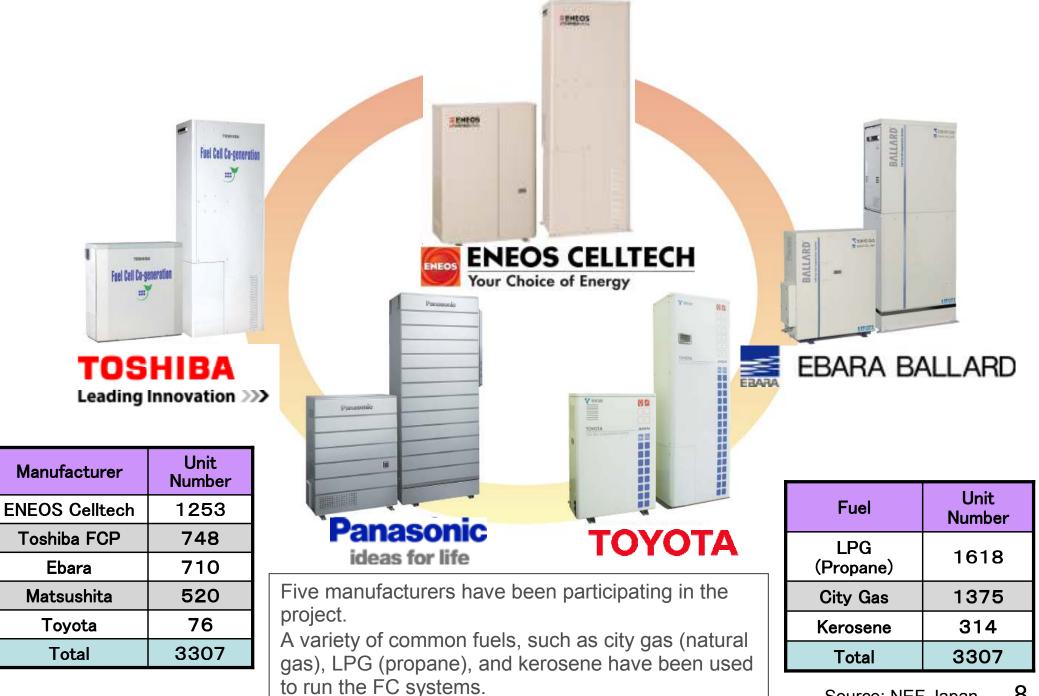
Most of the major gas and oil companies have been participating in the project. From FY2005 to FY2008, total 3,307 FC systems have been installed and are operating under real conditions at single family homes at a variety of locations.

Outline of PEFC Installation and Data Collection



Power output of the FC system is controlled by the electrical load change at each home. Since the house is also grid-connected, when the electricity demand exceeds the FC rated power, the balance is compensated by grid electricity.

PEFC systems Provided for the Project



 Certification System for Residential Fuel Cells in Japan

Small Fuel Cell Certification System in Japan

The Small Fuel Cell Certification System was launched in December 2004.

Subject:

 PEFC and SOFC with less than 10 kW in power output and less than 0.1 MPa in maximum operating pressure

Outcome:

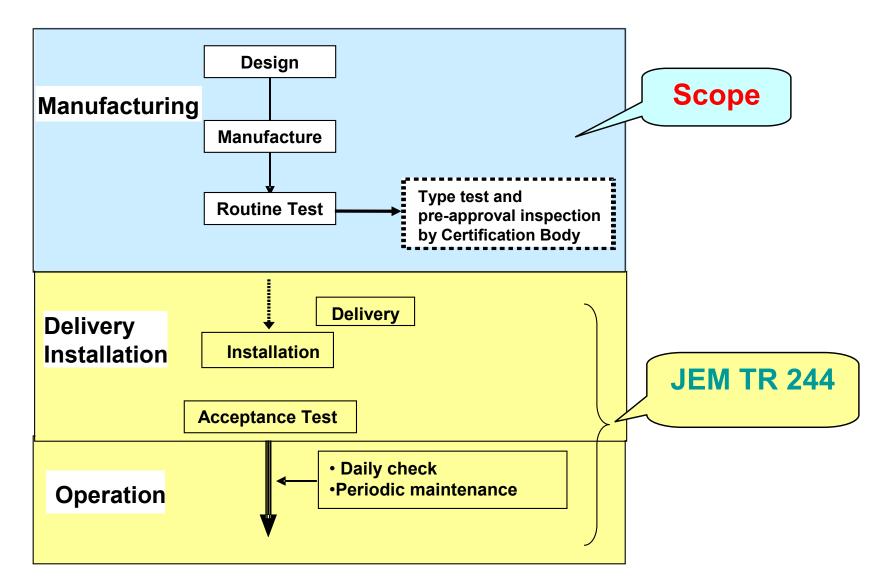
- 1. Established a one-stop certification system open to any certification bodies.
- 2. Provides standard test methods for certification.

Review and updates by the Certification System Study Committee for Residential PEFC in JEMA has been on-going.

updating them.

3. SOFC included in 2008

Scope of Certification System for Residential PEFC



JEM-TR 244 : Guidelines of installation, delivery, maintenance, and inspection for small polymer electrolyte fuel cell systems

3. Insurance for Residential Fuel Cells in Japan

Present Status of Insurance for Residential Fuel Cells in Japan

| Category | Liability Insurance for 3 rd Party | Property Insurance for FC Unit |
|---------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Manufactures | Yes A : Covers Products Liability (PL) Insurance only. B : Covers PL under Umbrella Ins. (including Installation, contracting job) | None |
| Energy Suppliers | None* | None* |
| Consumers | None | None* |

*From FY2005 to FY2008, total 3,307 FC units have been demonstrated under the government's subsidy and Insurance is covered by the manufactures only against Products Liability Insurance. The FC units have been owned by the Energy Suppliers and rent to the consumers under the leasing contract. Each consumer has the general fire insurance that covers its properties (except for FC unit).

Future's Scope of Insurance for Residential Fuel Cells in Japan

| Category | Liability Insurance for 3 rd Party | Property Insurance for FC Unit |
|--------------|--|--|
| | Yes | Yes* |
| Manufactures | A : Covers Products Liability (PL) Insurance only. | *Will cover the general property insurance. |
| | B : Covers PL under Umbrella Ins. (including Installation, contracting job) | |
| Energy | Yes* | Yes* |
| Suppliers | *Will cover liability insurance under Umbrella Ins. (Installation, contracting job) | *Will cover the general property insurance. |
| Consumers | None | Yes* |
| | | *Will cover the general fire insurance including property and FC unit. |

*From FY2009, this Project will be launched on a commercial basis and FC units are to be purchased by the consumer (with a government's subsidy) and all such Insurance as Liability and Property are to be covered by the manufactures, Operator (Energy Suppliers) and consumers appropriately.

4. Summary

- From FY2005 to FY2008, residential Fuel Cells demonstration project was conducted and up to FY2008, 3037 FC units have been installed and demonstrated under the assistance by 17 Energy Suppliers and 5 Makers with government's funding/subsidy.
- From FY2009, this Project will be launched on a commercial basis and FC units are to be purchased by the consumer (with a government's subsidy).
- As to Certification System for the Small Fuel Cells was launched in December, 2004 and will be kept running.
- As to Insurance for Residential Fuel Cells in Japan, at present, due to demonstration purpose up to FY2008, it is not yet established completely covering only manufactures' Products Liability (PL) Insurance for 3rd Parties.
- In the near future (after being launched on commercial basis), all such Insurance as Liability and Property are to be covered by the manufactures, Operator (Energy Suppliers) and consumers appropriately.

Thank you for your attention!

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