PET Bottle Recycling in Japan



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1. What is CPBR

The Council for PET Bottle Recycling, Japan



Main Objectives

- ✓ Promotion of PET Bottle Recycling
- ✓ Research and Study of PET Bottle Recycling
- ✓ Advice and Guidance for PET Bottle Recycling
- ✓ Co-operation with related PET Bottle Recycling Organizations and Associations

> Members

- ✓ The Japan Soft Drinks Association
- ✓ The Japan Fruit Juice Association
- ✓ The Japan Soy Sauce Brewers Association
- ✓ The Nippon Distillers' PET Bottle Recycling Association
- ✓ Japan PET Bottle Association

2. History of PET Bottle and PET Bottle Recycling in Japan



1977: Application of PET Bottle into Soy Sauce was started

1982 : Application of PET Bottle for Soft Drinks was approved Japan PET Bottle Association was established

1992 : Voluntary Design Guidelines for designated PET Bottle was published

1993 : Foundation of CPBR

1995: Enactment of "The Containers and Packaging Recycling Law"

1996 : Application of PET Bottle expanded to start the Small Sized PET Bottles (less than 500ml) for Soft Drinks

2001: The issue of "PET Bottle Recycling Annual Report" by CPBR was started

2004 : Chemical Bottle to Bottle (BtoB) Recycling was approved by the Food Safety Commission

2006: The 1st Voluntary Action Plan for 3R Promotion was started

2006 : Post Consumer PET became Valuables

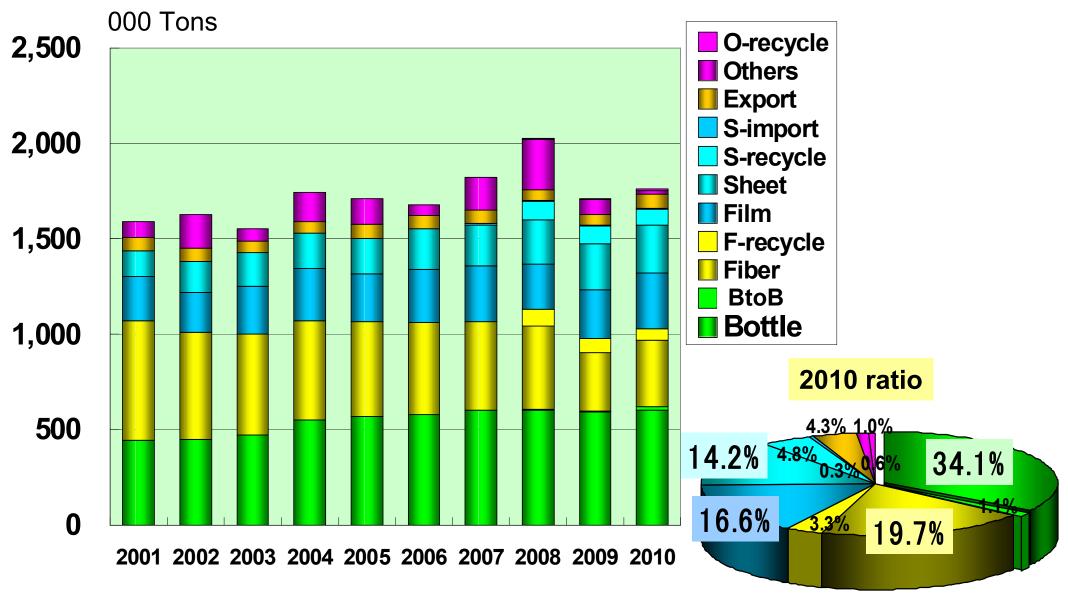
2008: Global Financial Crisis

2009 : Feasibility Study Report on Reuse of PET Bottle was published by the Ministry of Environment

2011 : The 2nd Voluntary Action Plan for 3R Promotion is started Mechanical BtoB Recycling is started

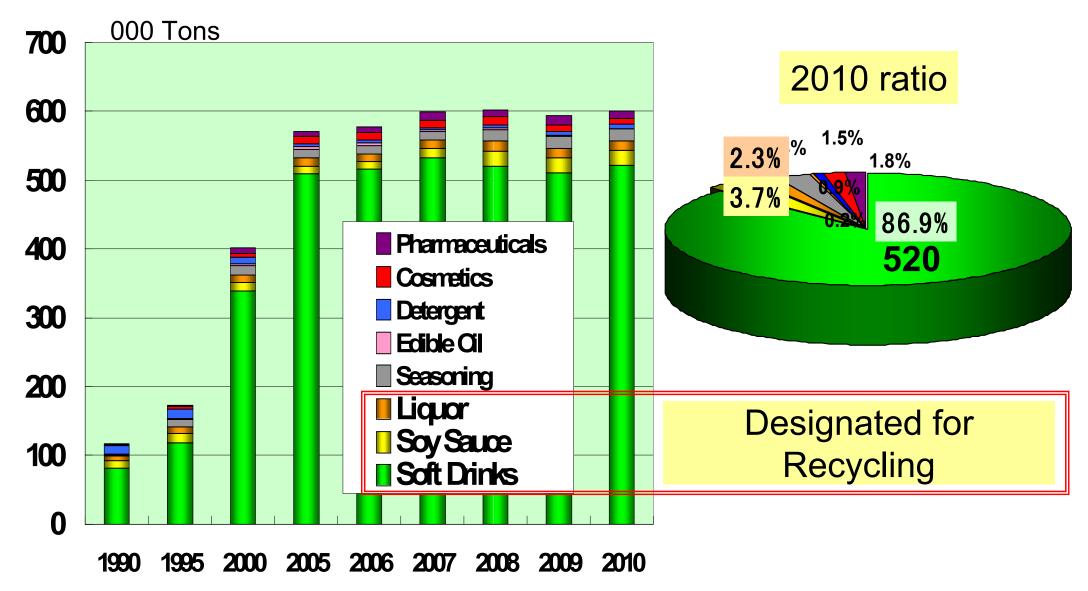
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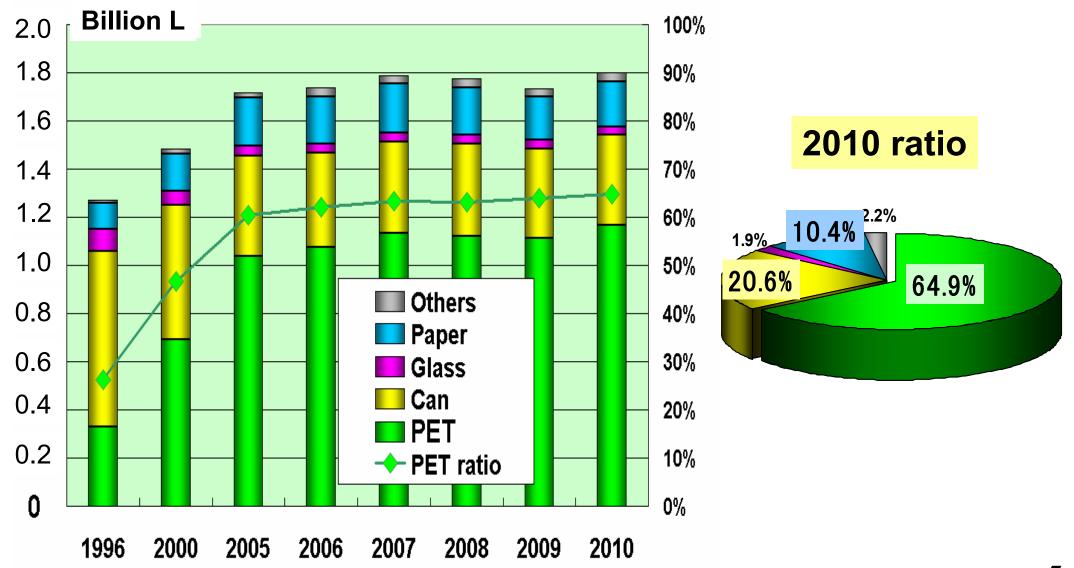
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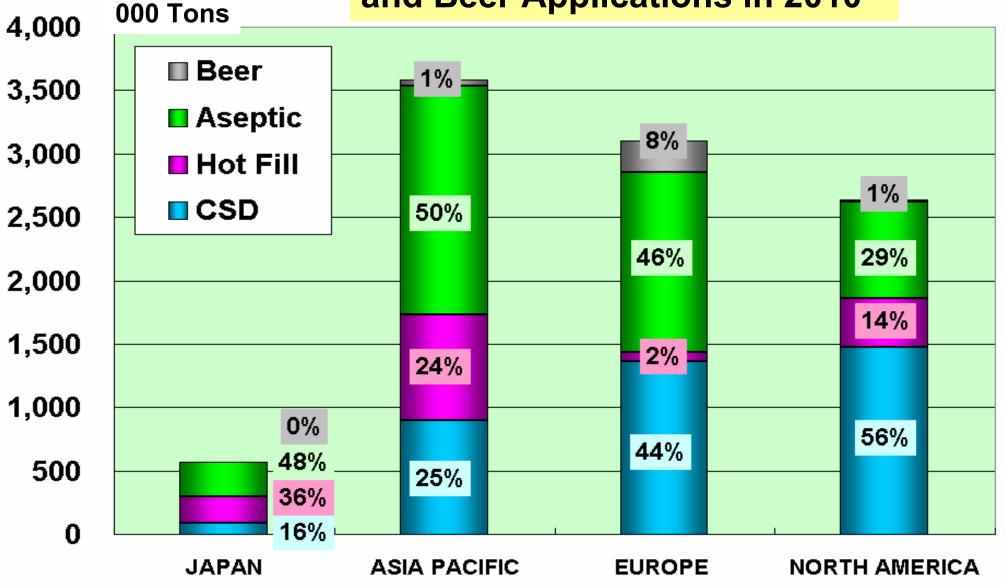




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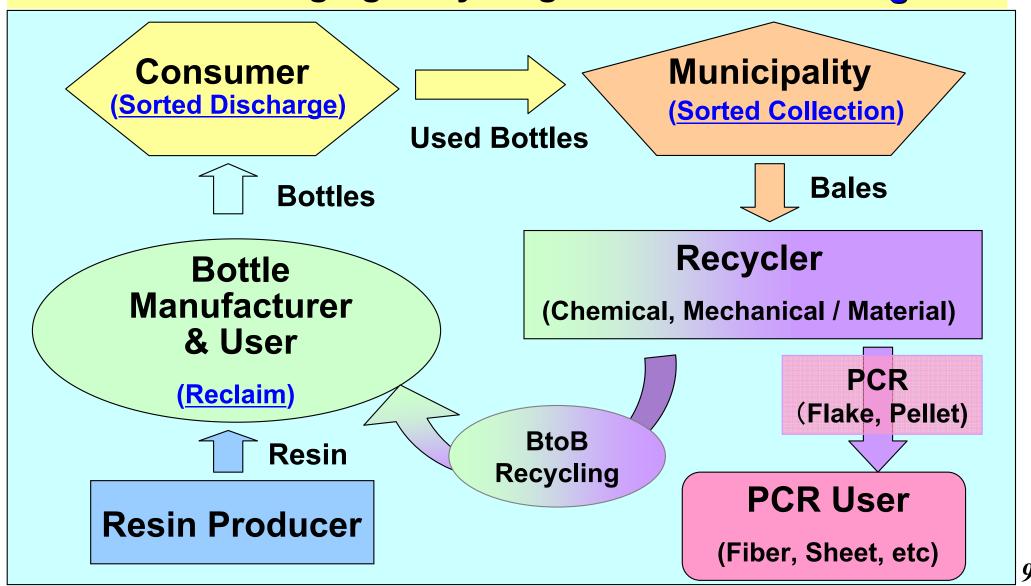
PET Bottle Market for Beverage and Beer Applications in 2010



4. PET Bottle Recycling System in Japan



Scheme of Packaging Recycling Law: Share of Obligation



5. 3R (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) in Japan



Collaboration with other Recycling Associations

Members

The Council for PET Bottle Recycling

Japan Steel Can Recycling Association

Japan Aluminum Can Recycling Association

Glass Bottle Recycling Association

Japan Recycling Council for Beverage Cartons

Paper Packaging Recycling Council

Corrugated Packaging Recycling Council

Plastic Packaging Recycling Council

5. 3R (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) in Japan Target of 3R for PET Bottles



Voluntary	The 1st	The 2 nd
Action Plan	2006=>2010	2011=>2015
Reduce (2004 BM)	PET Bottle Weight Reduction Target : more than 3%	PET Bottle Weight Reduction Target : more than 10%
Reuse	Study of Returnable System	Promote Mechanical BtoB instead of Reuse
Recycle	Collection RateTargetmore than 75%	Recycling Rate Targetmore than 85%
	 Promote Outsiders to comply our Design Guideline 	 Promote Outsiders to comply our Design Guideline

5. 3R (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) in Japan



Voluntary Design Guideline for Designated PET bottles = Obligation of PET Bottle Manufacturers & Users



Plastic Closures must be made of PE or PP.

Do not use Aluminum Closures.



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Bottles must be made of only Clear PET (no color). When use multilayer / coating for barrier, must evaluate a recycling performance.

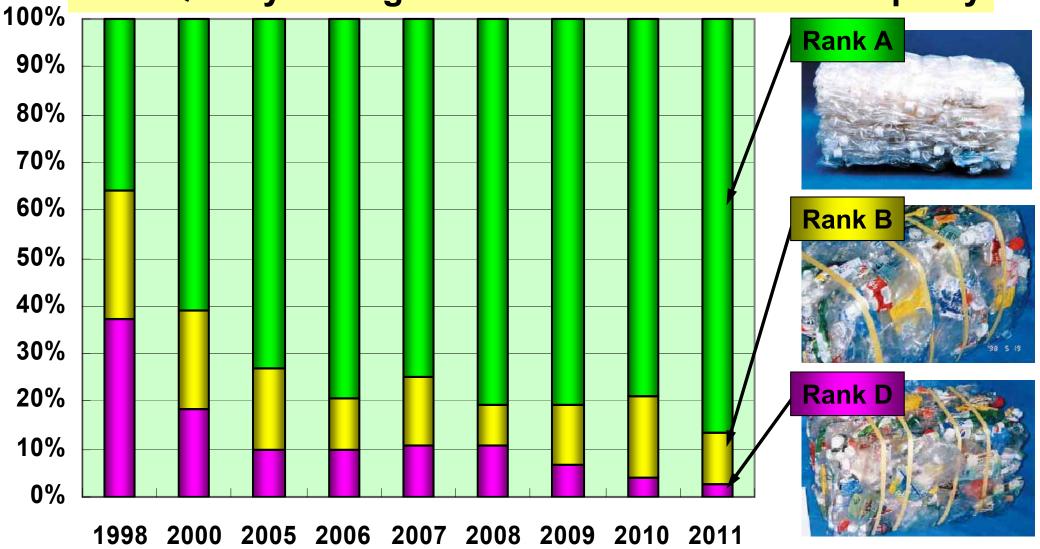


Labels must be easily removable by hand.

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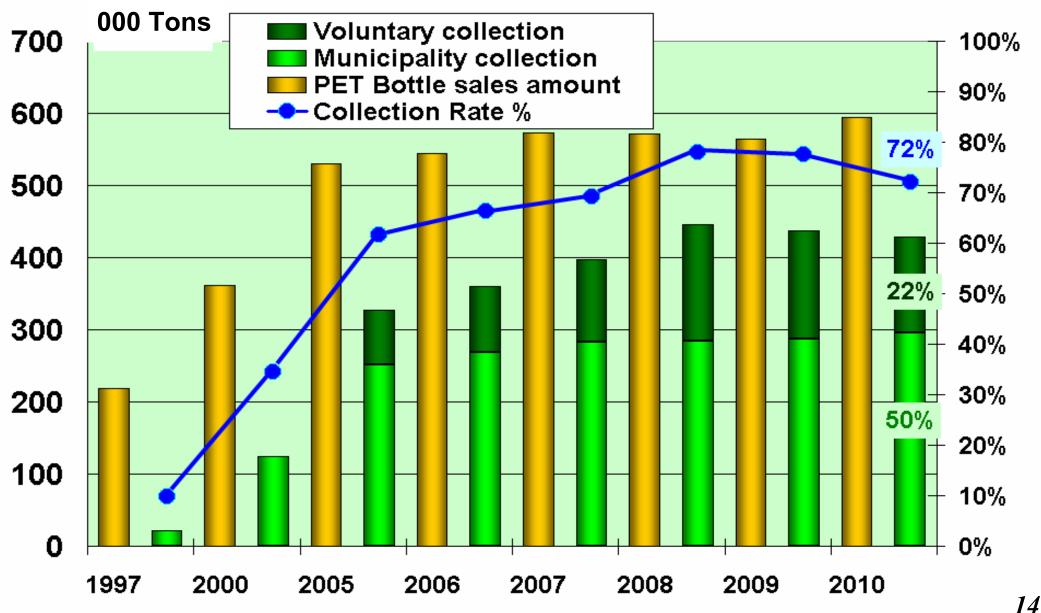






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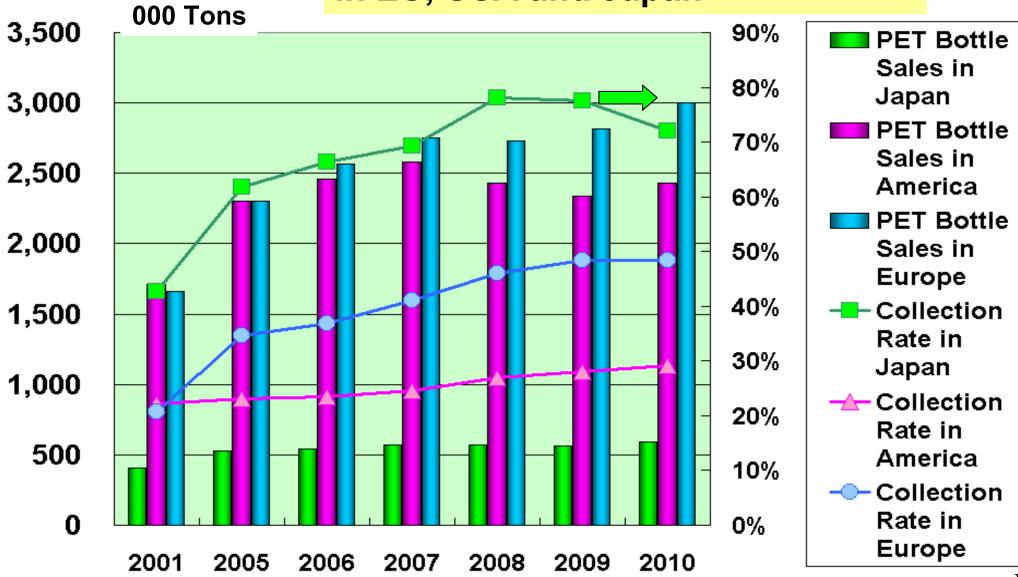




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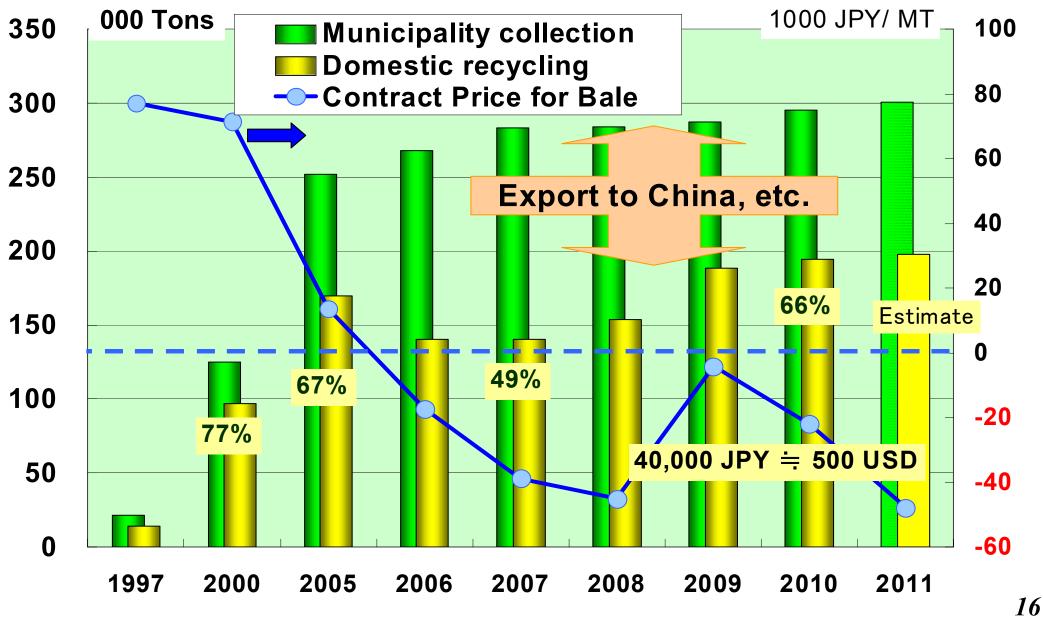
in Japan Comparison with Collection Rates in EU, USA and Japan





5. 3R (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) in Japan **Value of Post Consumer PET**

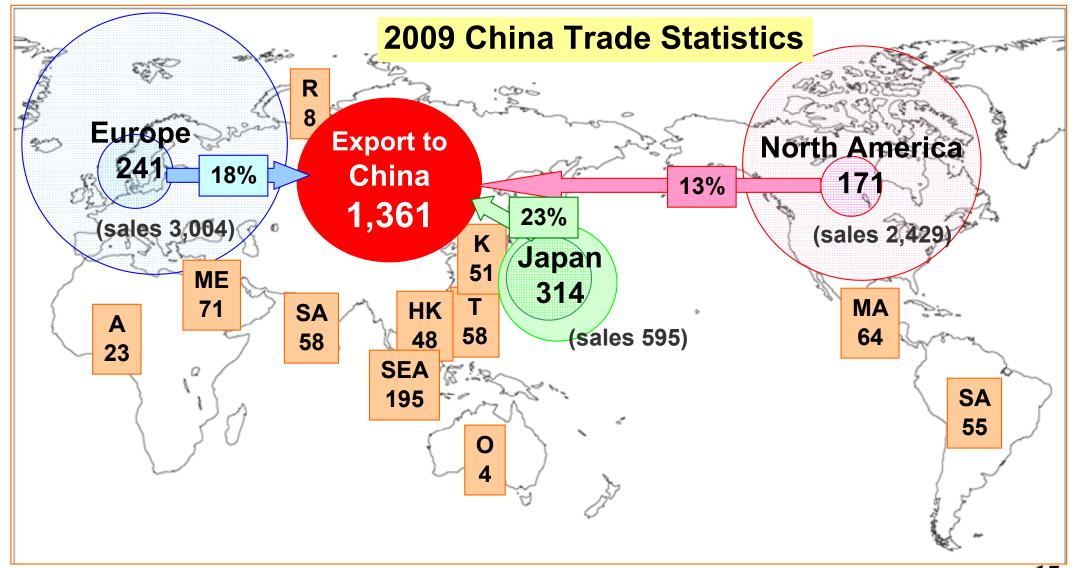




5. 3R (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) in Japan Collection and Recycling Channel

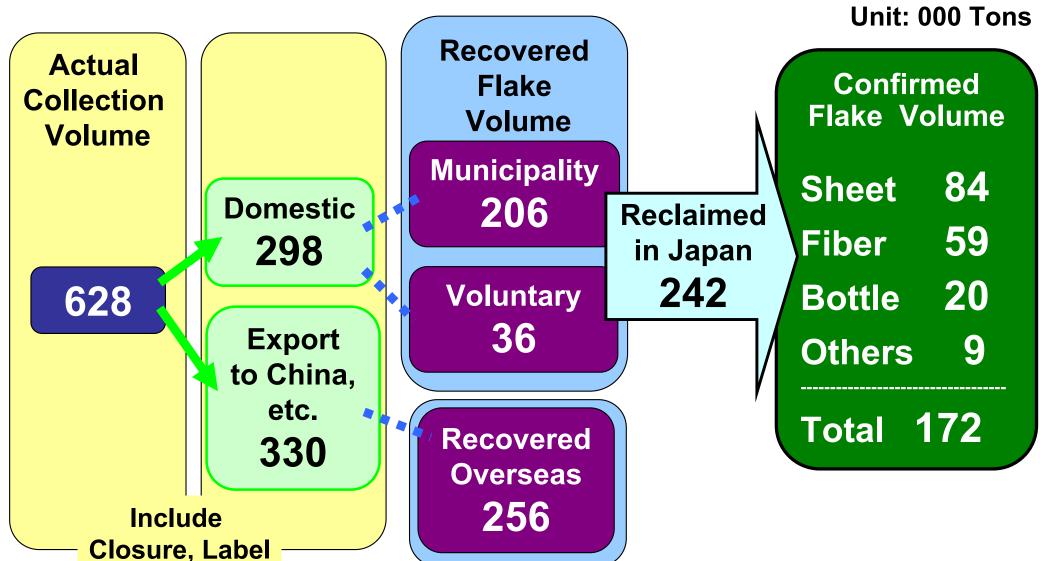


Unit: 000 Tons



5. 3R (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) in Japan Flow of Collection and Recycling, 2010





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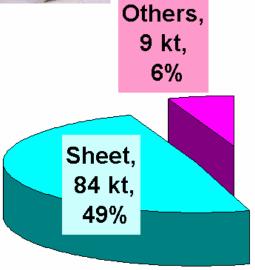


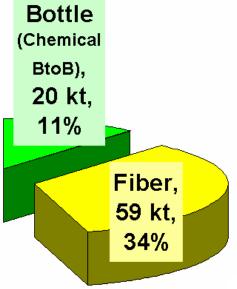


High Quality Recycled PET generates many Applications

Unit: 000 Tons













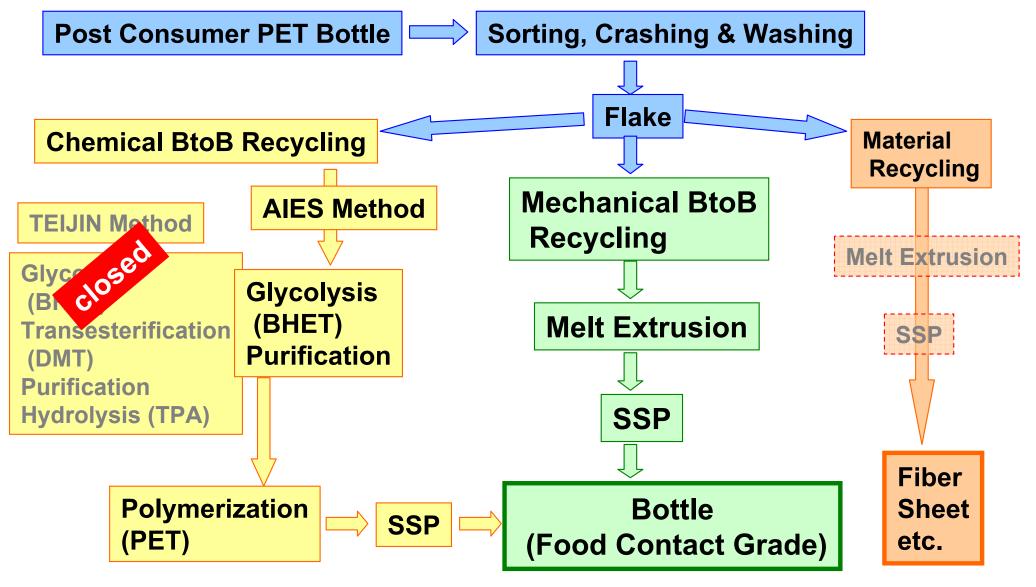






5. 3R (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) in Japan PET BtoB Recycling Processes





5. 3R (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) in Japan Mechanical BtoB Recycling



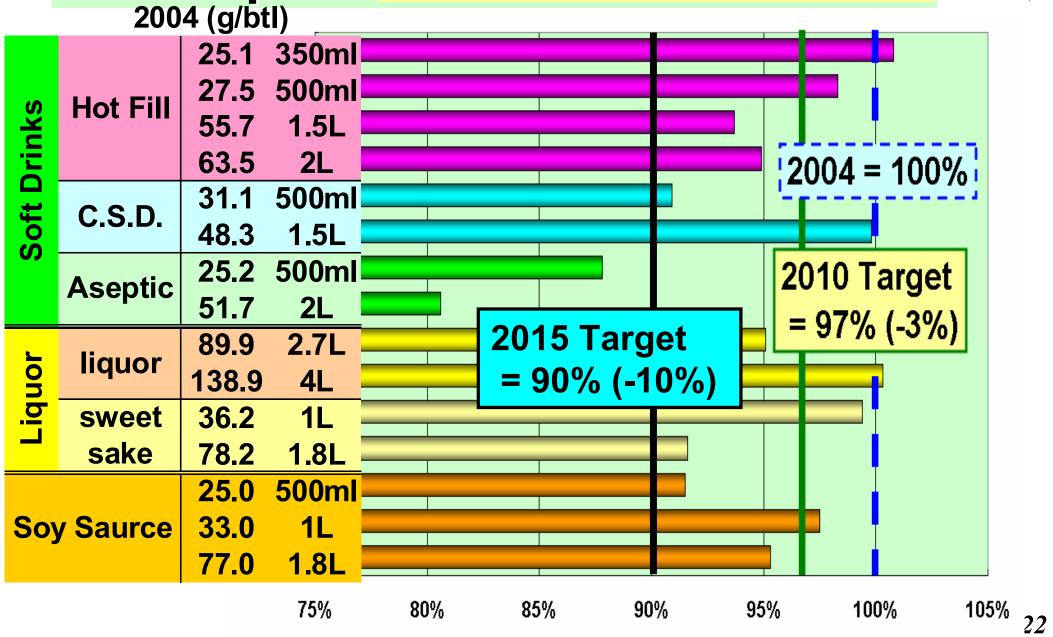
- Mechanical BtoB recycling was started in Japan last year
- Guideline for use of Recycled Plastics in Food Package is being made by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare

The Guideline consists of the Following Items;

- **✓ Source Control**
- ✓ Challenge Test
- ✓ Evaluation of Recycled Plastics
- √ Safety Standard
- ✓ Process Quality Control

5. 3R (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) in Japan Weight Reduction 2004 vs. 2010





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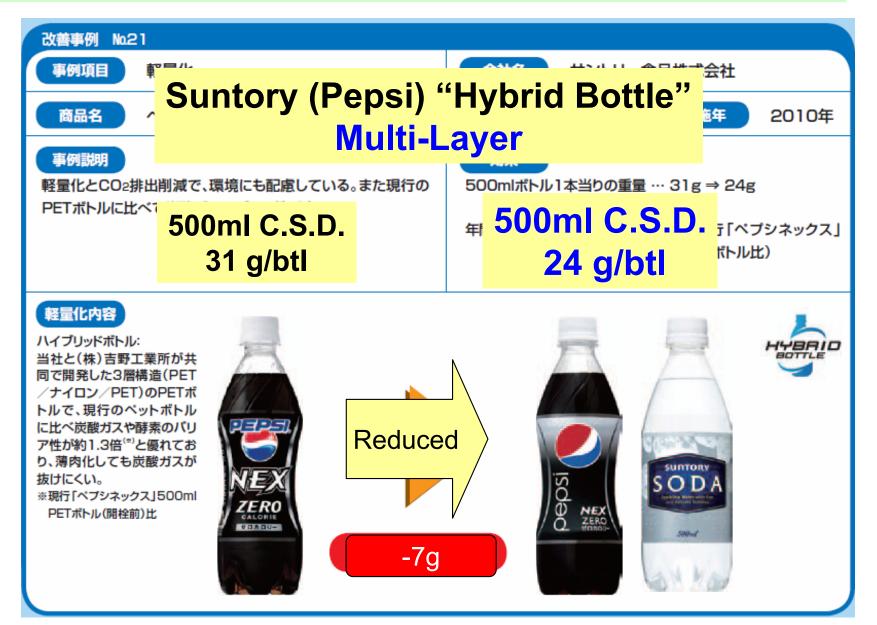
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5. 3R (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) in Japan Feasibility Study



➤ Feasibility Study on Reuse of PET Bottle was started in 2008 and the Report was issued by the Ministry of Environment in 2009

The report concluded that the Returnable System of PET Bottle was Superior to the One Way System in LCA only in the Following Conditions;

- ✓ Collection Rate of the Bottle: More than 90%
- ✓ Distance of Deliver / Return : Within 100 km

6. Summary



- Scheme of Packaging Recycling Law sharing Obligation among PET Bottle Manufacturer & User, Consumer and Municipality is Quite Effective
 - ✓ Keeping High Collection Rate
 - ✓ Keeping High Quality of Bale
 - ✓ A Big Problem: Most of PCR are exported to China
- Mechanical BtoB Recycling was started.
- Voluntary Action Plan for 3R Promotion is Very Effective
 - **✓ Bottle Weight Reduction**
 - ✓ Knowing the Difficulty of Reuse of PET Bottle
 - **✓ Higher Collection Rate**



Thank You for Your Kind Attention!!



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