## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Voluntary Action Plan for 3R Promotion is started Mechanical BtoB Recycling is started