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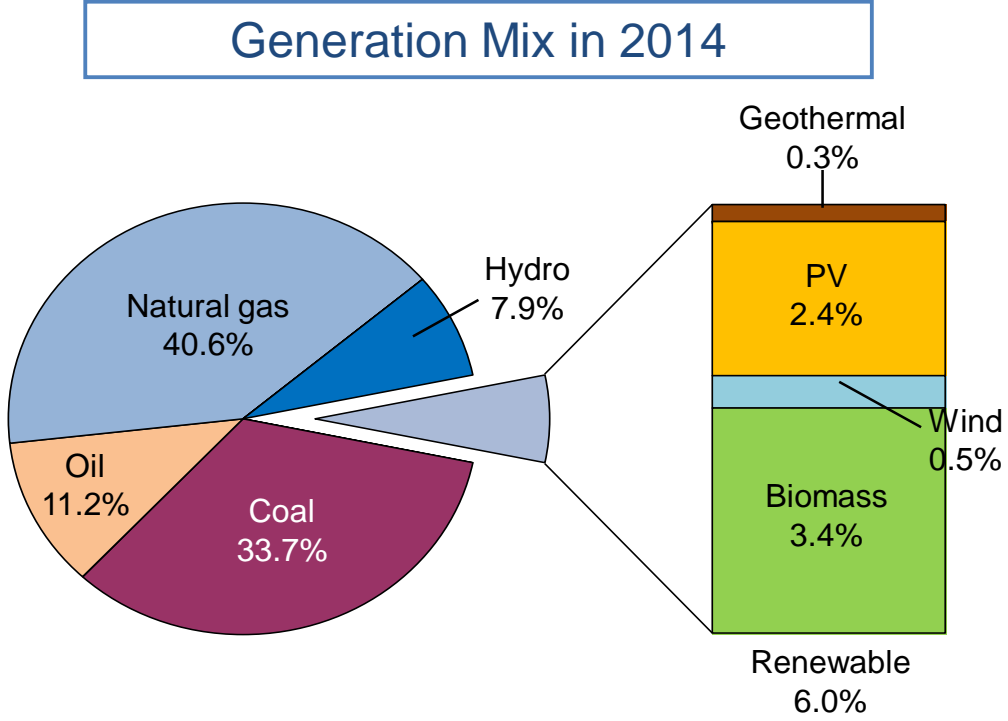
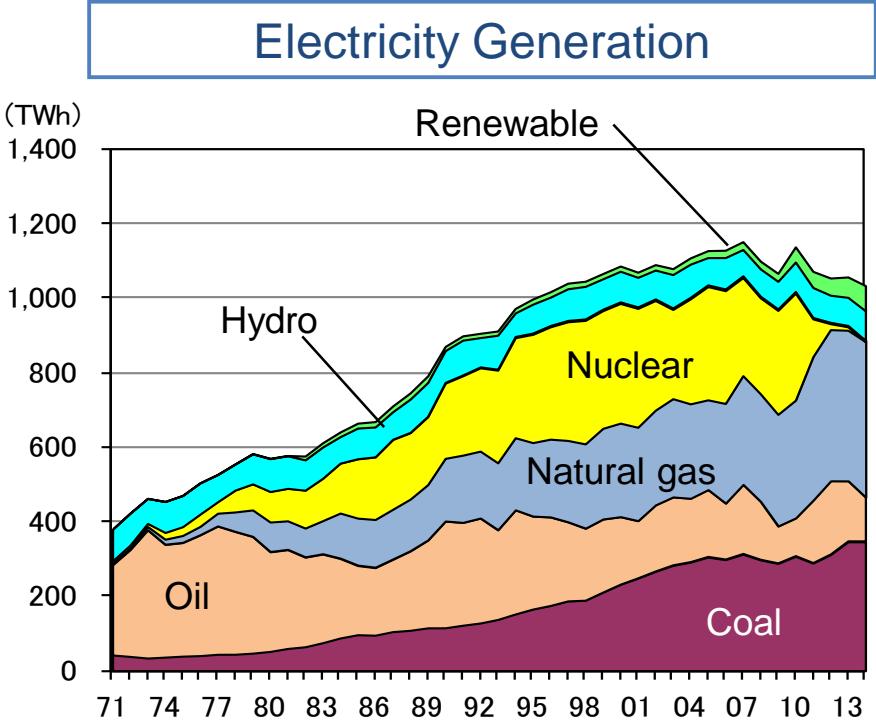
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# Current Status in Japan (2014)

- Electricity generation mix in Japan
  - Fossil fuels: 85.5%, **renewable: 6.0%**
  - Solar photovoltaic (PV) is relatively high.
  - Nuclear → Gas (after Fukushima accident)



Source: IEA, World Energy Statistics and Balances 2016.

# Long-Term Energy Supply and Demand Outlook (2015-2030)

- Japanese government has published in July in 2015 “**Long-Term Energy Supply and Demand Outlook**” (2015-2030)
- This outlook is based on FY2013 data.

## 3 objectives for 2030

1. Energy independence	<b>6% ⇒ 25%</b>
2. Generation cost reduction	<b>- 5%</b> (from 2013)
3. CO <sub>2</sub> emission reduction	<b>- 26%</b> (from 2013)

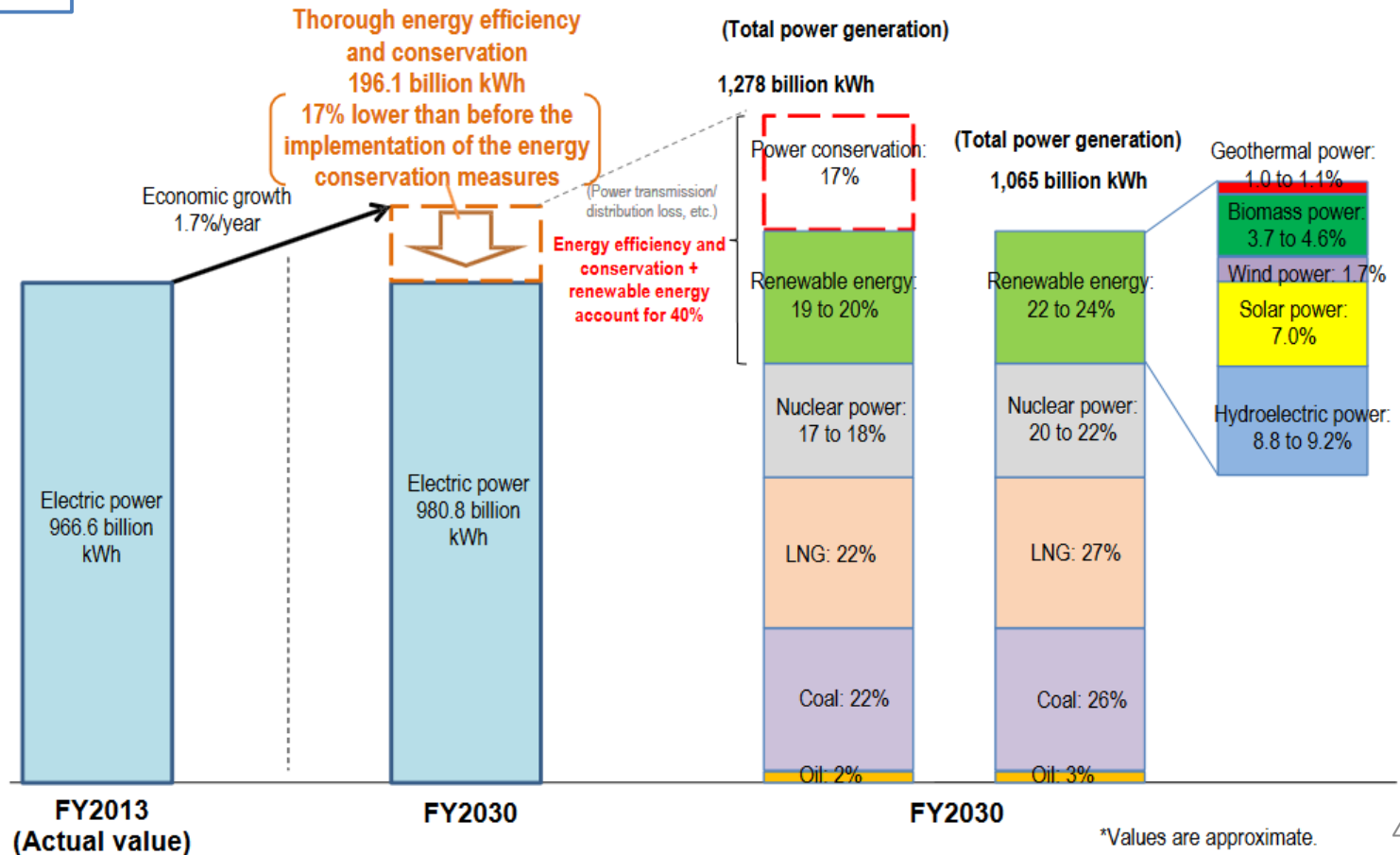
# Long-Term Energy Supply and Demand Outlook (2015-2030)

## 3 measures :

- ① Energy Saving
- ② Renewable
- ③ Nuclear

Electric power demand

Power source mix



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# FIT Tariff in Japan (FY2012-FY2016)

- FIT rate setting policy:

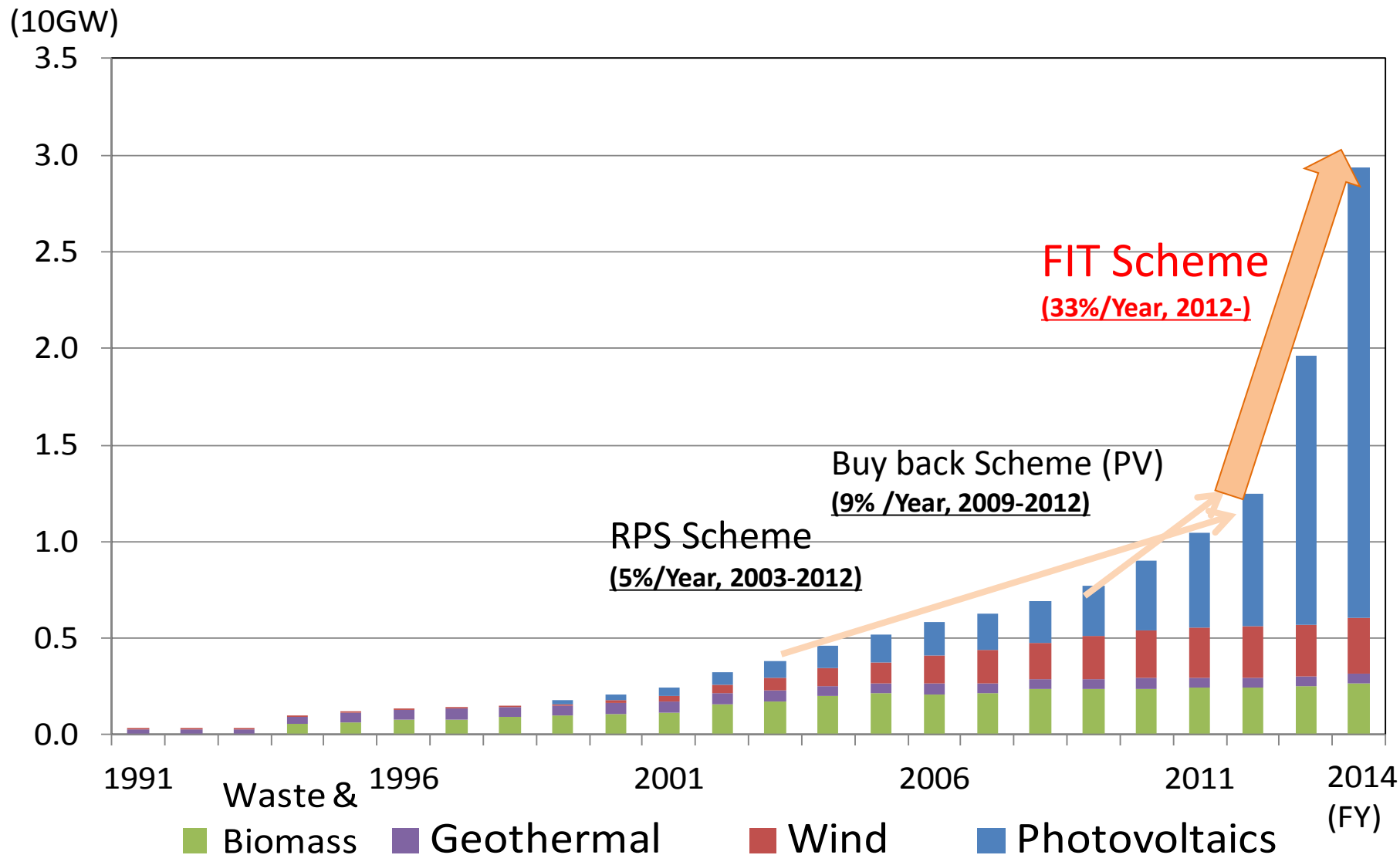
1USD=100.6

Should be generous to the investors for the first 3 years (2012/7-2015/7)

		Purchase prices (JPY/kWh) (tax excluded)						Purchase period	
		FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015		FY2016		
					Apr.- Jun.	Jul.- Mar.			
Solar	Less than 10 kW	42	38	37	33		31	10 years	
	when output control system are required				35				33
	Less than 10 kW (+ energy storage system)	34	31	30	27		25		
	when output control system are required				29		27		
	10 kW or more	40	36	32	29	27	24	20 years	
Wind	Onshore	Less than 20 kW	55	55	55	55		55	20 years
		20 kW or more	22	22	22	22		22	
	Offshore	/			36		36	36	
Geothermal	Less than 15,000 kW		40	40	40	40		40	15 years
	15,000 kW or more		26	26	26	26		26	
Hydro	Fully new facilities	Less than 200 kW	34	34	34	34		34	20 years
		200-1,000 kW	29	29	29	29		29	
		1,000-30,000 kW	24	24	24	24		24	
	Utilize existing headrace	Less than 200 kW	/			25		25	
		200-1,000 kW	/			21		21	
		1,000-30,000 kW	/			14		14	
Biomass	Wood (general), agricultural residues		24	24	24	24		24	20 years
	Forest residues	Less than 2,000 kW	32	32	32	40		40	
		2,000 kW or more				32		32	
	Wood waste from buildings		13	13	13	13		13	
	Municipal waste		17	17	17	17		17	
	Biogas		39	39	39	39		39	



# Installed Capacity of Renewable Electricity



# FIT Tariff after FY2017

			Purchase prices (JPY/kWh)				Purchase period
			FY2017		FY2018	FY2019	
			Apr.- Sep.	Oct.- Mar.			
Solar	Less than 10 kW		28		26	24	10 years
	when output control system are required		30		28	26	
	Less than 10 kW (+ energy storage system)		25		25	24	
	when output control system are required		27		27	26	
	10-2,000 kW		21		Tender		20 years
2,000 kW or more							
Wind	Less than 20 kW		55		Tender		20 years
	Onshore	20 kW or more	22	21			
		replace	18		17	16	
Offshore	20 kW or more	36		36	36		
Geothermal	Less than 15,000 kW		40		40	40	15 years
	replace whole equipment		30		30	30	
	replace above-ground equipment		19		19	19	
	15,000 kW or more		26		26	26	
	replace whole equipment		20		20	20	
replace above-ground equipment		12		12	12		
Hydro	Fully new facilities	Less than 200 kW	34		34	34	20 years
		200-1,000 kW	29		29	29	
		1,000-5,000 kW	27		27	27	
		5,000-30,000 kW	24	20	20	20	
	Utilize existing headrace channels	Less than 200 kW	25		25	25	
		200-1,000 kW	21		21	21	
		1,000-5,000 kW	15		15	15	
	5,000-30,000 kW	12		12	14		
Biomass	Wood (general)	Less than 2,000 kW	24		24	24	20 years
		2,000 kW or more	24	21	21	21	
	Forest residues	Less than 2,000 kW	40		40	40	
		2,000 kW or more	32		32	32	
	Wood waste from buildings		13		13	13	
	Municipal waste		17		17	17	
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Source: METI

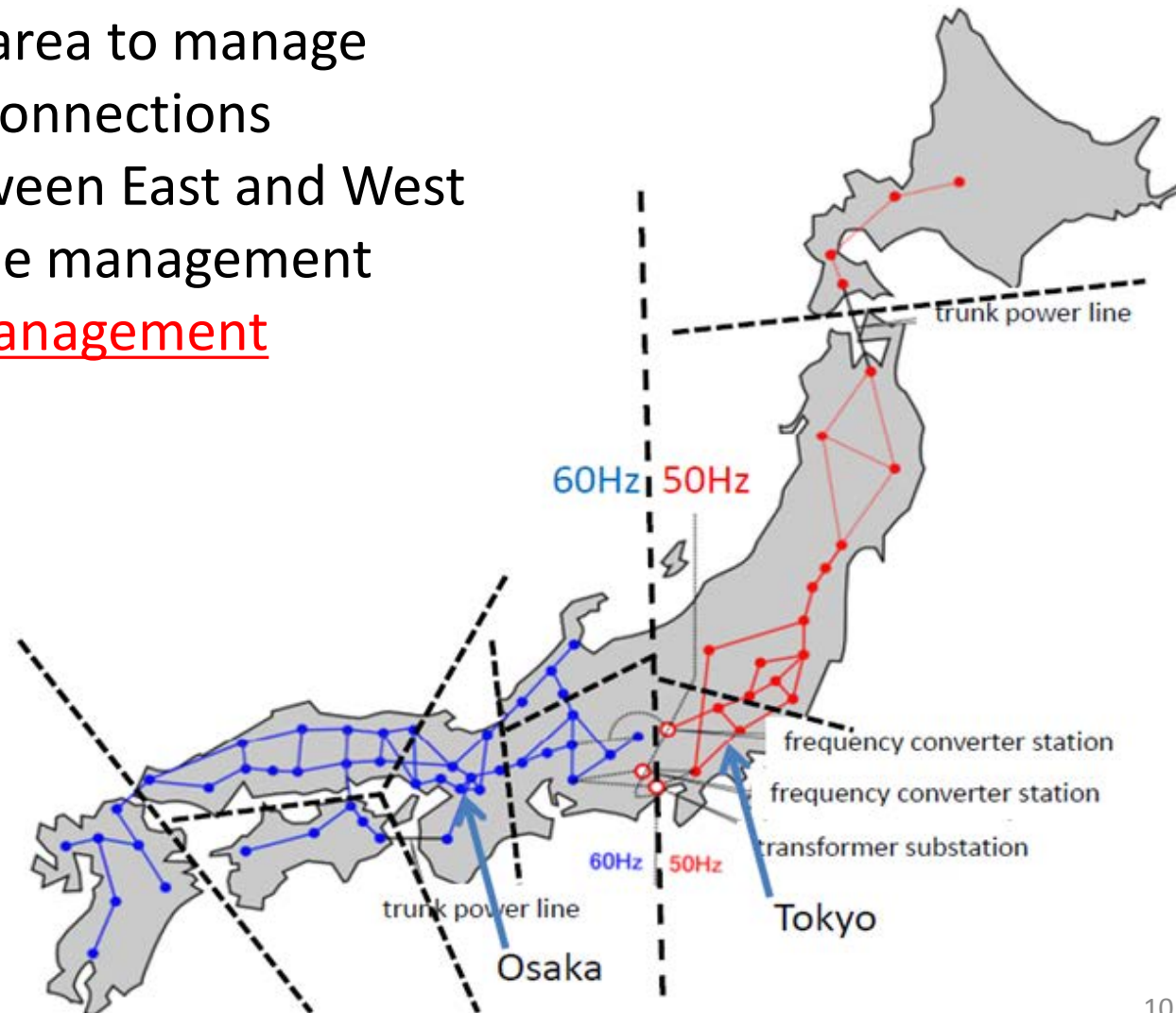
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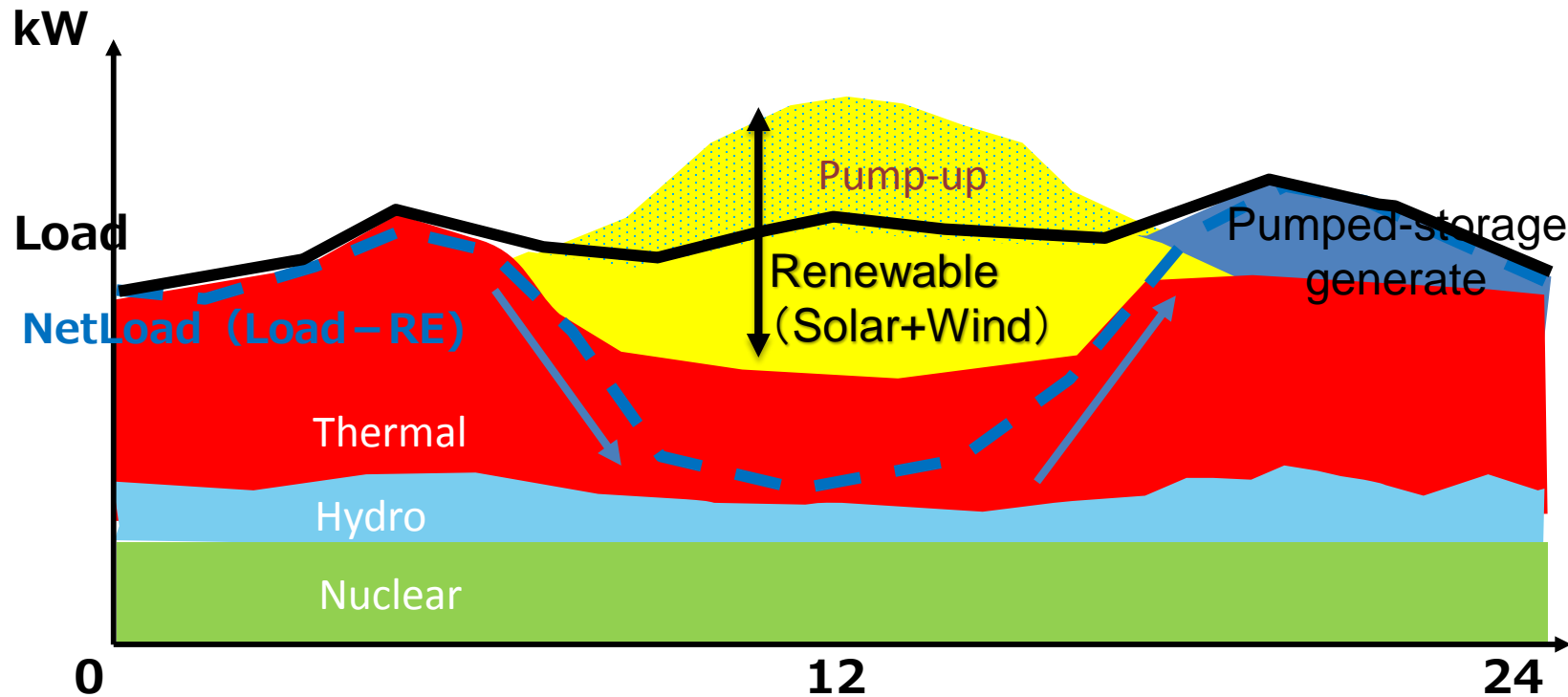
# Grid system in Japan

- There are 10 electric power companies in Japan. They are responsible for the electricity supply in each area.
  - Small and narrow land area to manage
- Insufficient interregional connections
- Frequency difference between East and West
  - Difficult nationwide management
  - ⇒ Small-scale grid management



# Challenges of power supply dispatching for the mass penetration of VRE: Variable Renewable Energy (1)

- Increase in proportion of Solar and wind during light load period
- In the daytime, the supply-demand balance is maintained by the pump-up of pumped-storage power generation. As solar increases further, it is necessary to curtail solar power.
- Net load sharply drops in the morning and rises sharply in the evening. This makes supply / demand balance difficult. (Duck curve problem)

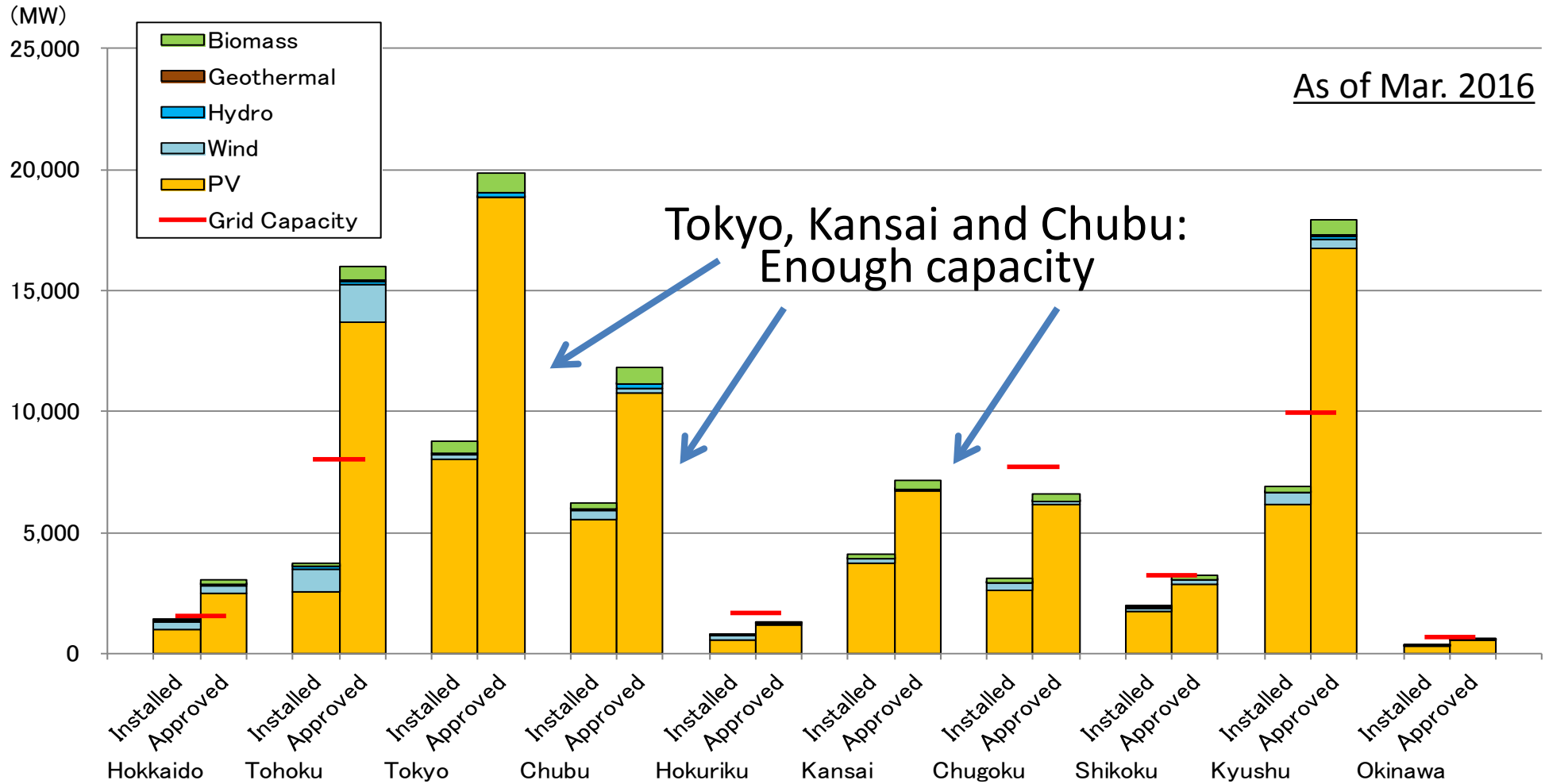


Exmple : Image of supply-demand balance in a day

Source: The Kansai Electric Power Co., Inc.

# Challenges of power supply dispatching for the mass penetration of Variable Renewable Energy (2)

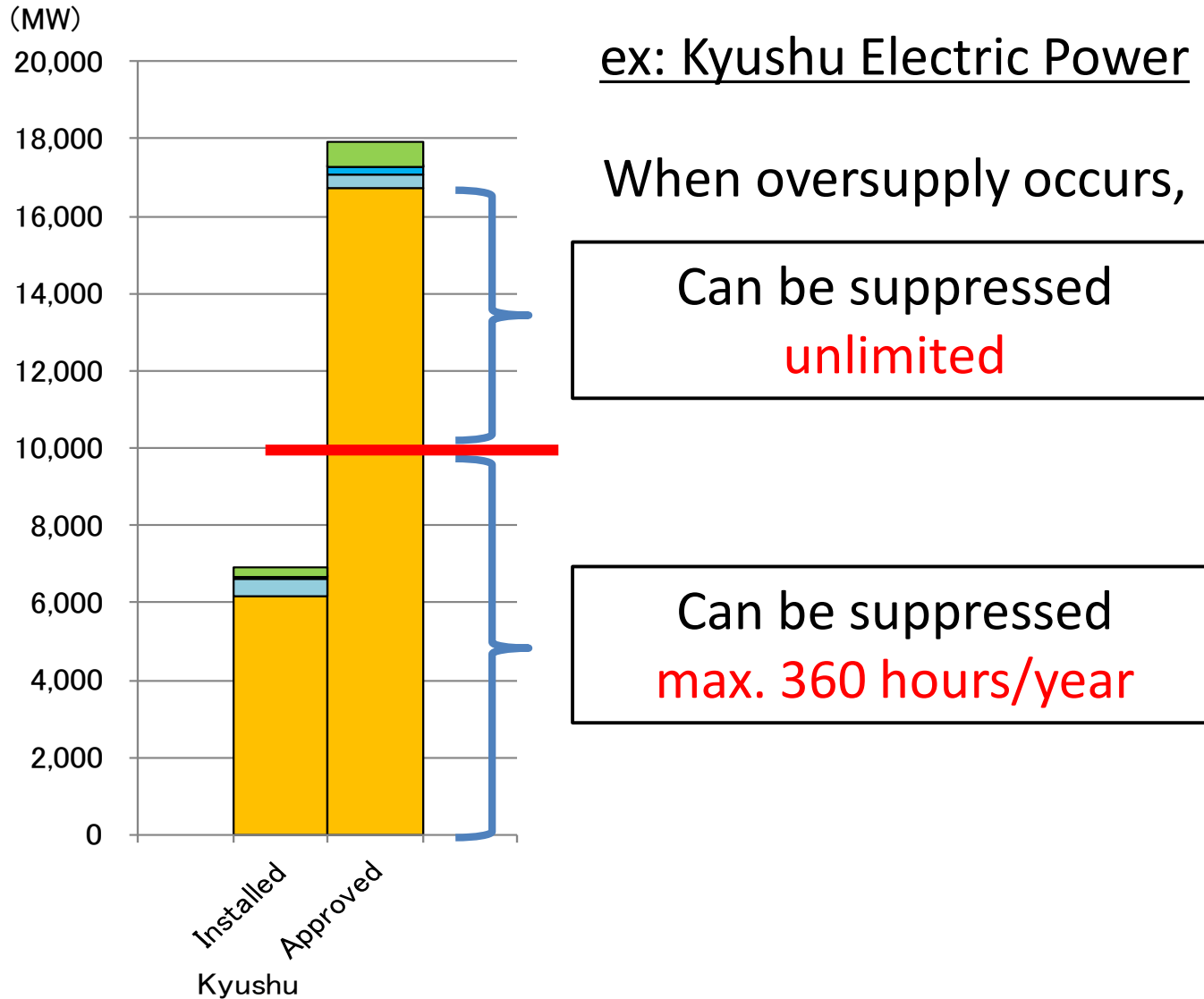
- Each power company (excl. 3) announces its own grid capacity.
- Approved PV projects is going over the grid connection capacity.



Source: METI

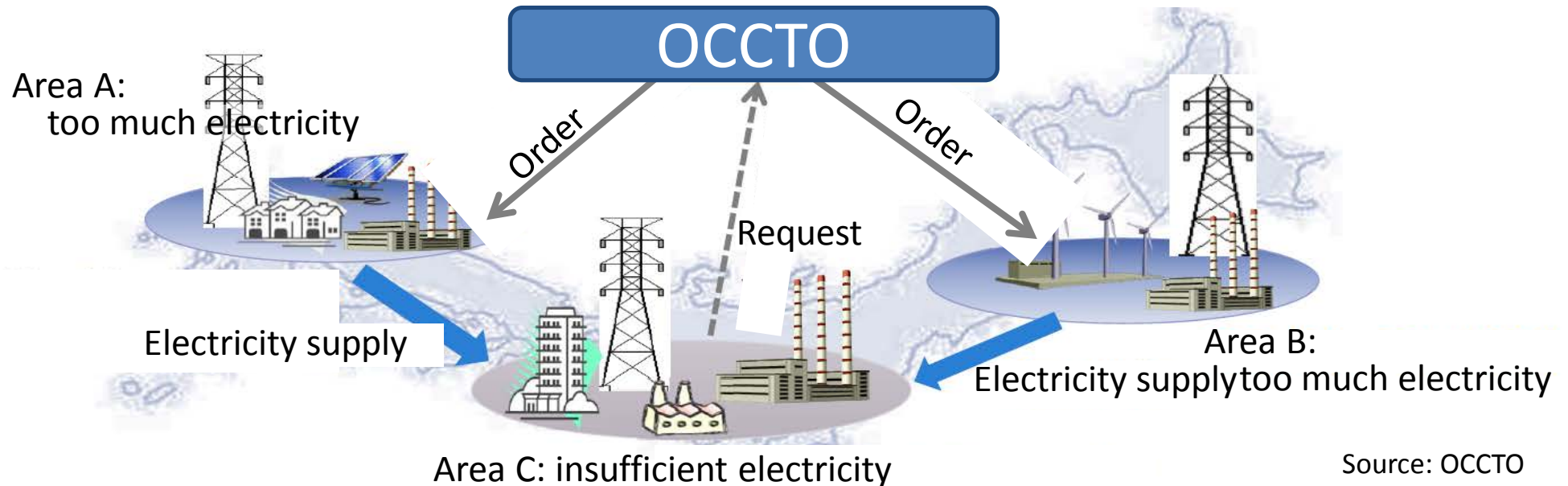
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- Suppression priority: **thermal, nuclear, hydro > PV**



# Nationwide Grid Management (1)

- OCCTO was established in 2015.  
(Organization for Cross-regional Coordination of Transmission Operators, JAPAN)
    - Electricity supply-demand balance
    - Frequency control for cross-regional operation
- ⇒ enables to connect more renewable electricity



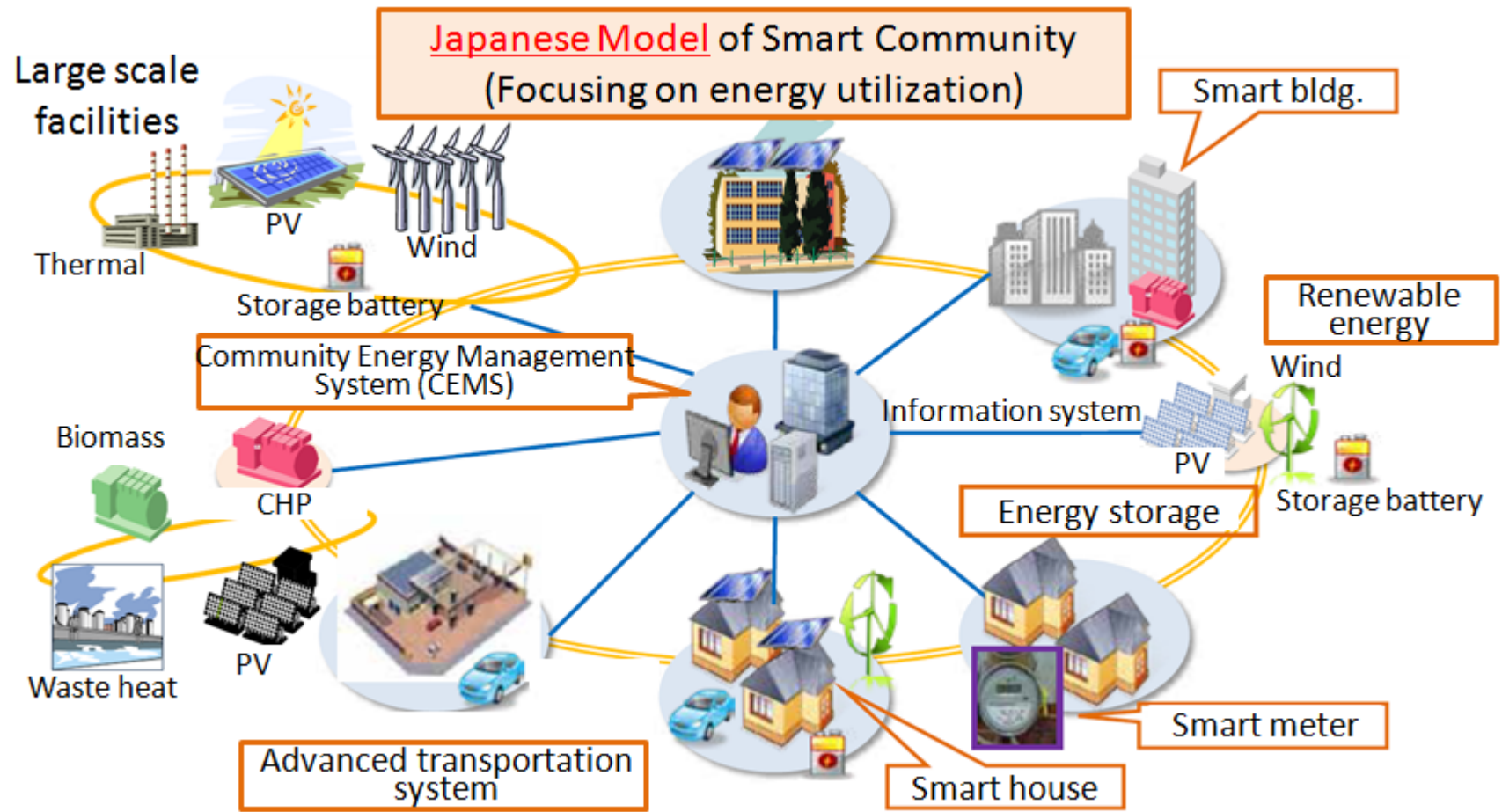




# Distributed and Smart Energy System

(Smart Community demonstration projects FY2010-2014)

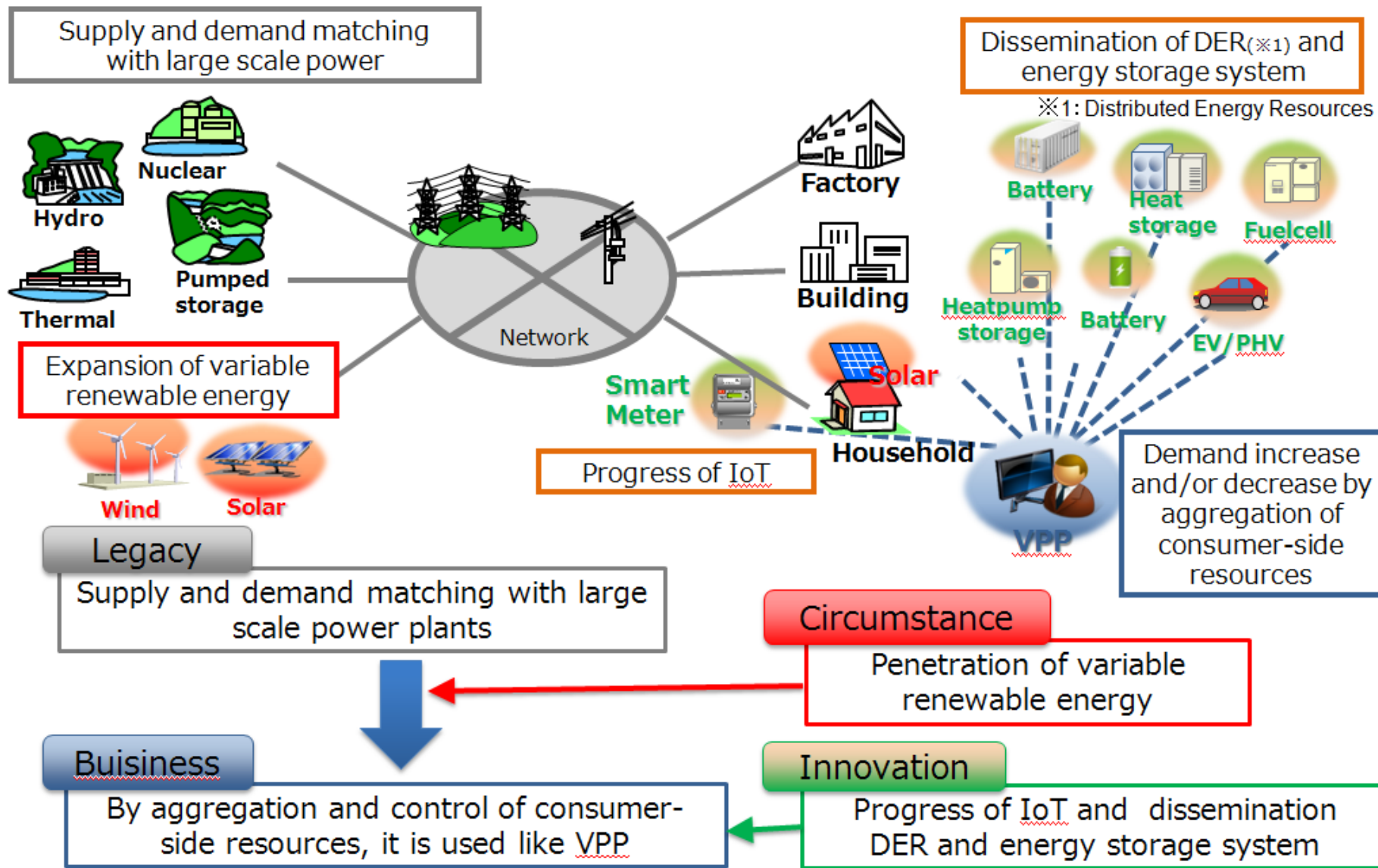
- Distributed renewable energy
  - Efficient energy management (IoT, energy storage, etc.)
- Energy system **less dependent** on nationwide grid



Source: JSCA (modified)

# VPP(Virtual Power Plant) demonstration project (FY2016-)

## Energy Resource Aggregation Business



**Thank you for your attention!**