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Zeon Obtains ISCC PLUS Certification for Four Plants in Japan

Zeon Corporation

Zeon Corporation (Zeon; head office: Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo; President and CEO: Tetsuya Toyoshima) has acquired ISCC PLUS certification^{*1}, an international certification for sustainable products, for the products listed below, at four of its domestic production bases (the Takaoka, Kawasaki, Tokuyama, and Mizushima plants). The certification ensures that recycled, biomass, and other raw materials are properly managed throughout its global supply chain, including the manufacturing process. Obtaining the certification has enabled us to handle ISCC PLUS certified products for which sustainable raw materials are allocated through the mass balance approach^{*2}.

ISCC PLUS Certified Products	Time of Certification
Butadiene, synthetic latex, HNBR (hydrogenated nitrile rubber), BR (polybutadiene rubber), IR (polyisoprene rubber), NBR (acrylonitrile-butadiene rubber), E-SBR (emulsion polymerization styrene-butadiene rubber), S-SBR (solution-polymerization styrene-butadiene rubber)	December 2023 and January 2024

Note: Zeon is planning to obtain ISCC PLUS certification for products not included in this list.

As a company-wide strategy in its medium-term business plan, Zeon has set the goal of achieving a 50% reduction^{*3} in CO₂ emissions by 2030 by promoting a transformation of “monozukuri” to realize carbon neutrality and a circular economy. Since 2022, it has been actively promoting the reduction of CO₂ emissions through energy conversion^{*4} at its domestic production bases, and it obtained the certificate as a result of the strengthening of its initiatives to include the conversion of raw materials, the first step toward realizing a sustainable society through the provision of bio-based products. The company will continue to actively work toward carbon neutrality while ensuring stable and safe operations, contributing to a sustainable Earth and a safe and comfortable life for people.

^{*1} ISCC PLUS certification of International Sustainability and Carbon Certification (ISCC) is a globally applicable system that manages and guarantees throughout the supply chain of products manufactured with sustainable raw materials including biomass.

^{*2} A method in the processing and distribution process that allocates a target characteristic to a portion of the finished product that reflects the ratio of the raw material that possesses that characteristic that is mixed with those that do not. Applying this approach enables companies to contribute to carbon neutrality in an economical and effective way.

^{*3} 50% reduction in CO₂ emissions by 2030, compared to FY2019. Targets are Scopes 1 and 2 of Zeon alone.

^{*4} Conversion to renewable energy and fuels with certificates.

Zeon Corporation commits and declares its compliance with the ISCC PLUS requirements in accordance with the latest ISCC regulations.

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