

# J-POWER Medium-Term Management Plan

FY2021-FY2023

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Electric Power Development Co., Ltd.

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## **Challenge to Create Value with an Eye on the Future**

- With the mission of meeting people's needs for energy without fail and playing our part for the sustainable development of Japan and the rest of the world, J-POWER has been engaged in the hydroelectric, thermal, wind, and geothermal power generation business and the power transmission and transformation business<sup>1</sup>. To achieve this mission, J-POWER announced J-POWER "BLUE MISSION 2050" in February 2021, which has set a goal to be challenged of realizing carbon-neutral power generation business by 2050 and has also set the intermediate goal of reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 40%<sup>2</sup> by 2030.
- As a step in the challenge to realize carbon neutrality based on BLUE MISSION 2050, J-POWER has formulated a new Medium-Term Management Plan for the three years from FY2021 to FY2023<sup>3</sup>.
  In the new Medium-Term Management Plan, J-POWER will take multifaceted approaches toward realizing carbon neutrality through creativity and ingenuity based on the comprehensive technical and development capabilities that it has cultivated so far. J-POWER will strive to increase its corporate value through working on the realization of carbon neutrality by combining three approaches: accelerating the development of CO<sub>2</sub>-free power sources in Japan and abroad, upcycling the existing assets, and challenging to new business areas.
- J-POWER will build a solid business foundation that supports advancing these approaches while responding to society's requests for a stable power supply and strengthening resilience. While focusing on improved profitability and higher efficiency in asset management, J-POWER will realize sustainable growth by promoting ESG management, share the results with all stakeholders, and contribute to sustainable social development.

Toshifumi Watanabe Representative Director President and Chief Executive Officer

- 1 From the standpoint of ensuring the neutrality of power transmission companies, our transmission and transformation business is operated by J-POWER Transmission Network Co., Ltd. (hereinafter, "J-POWER Transmission"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of J-POWER.
- 2 CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from J-POWER's domestic power generation business (compared to the 3-year average of actual emissions in FY2017-FY2019)
- 3 The FY2015-FY2025 Medium-Term Management Plan announced on July 31, 2015 was replaced with this new plan. In FY2015-FY2020, the first-half period of the old plan, J-POWER obtained desired results such as expanding power supply capacity in Japan and abroad and developing technologies to address the climate change issues. J-POWER also started new initiatives such as the electric power retailing business and the development of offshore wind power in Japan and abroad.





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## The Goal of the Medium-Term Management Plan

J-POWER aims to increase its corporate value through challenging the transition toward realizing carbon neutrality in 2050. These initiatives in FY2021-FY2023 have been summarized in the framework of the Medium-Term Management Plan.



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## **Multifaceted Approaches**

J-POWER has accumulated many achievements in Japan and abroad, building a balanced business portfolio.

J-POWER will take multifaceted approaches toward realizing carbon neutrality by leveraging the comprehensive technical and development capabilities that it has cultivated so far.

### **Balanced business portfolio**

J-POWER has power generation facilities such as hydroelectric, thermal, wind, and geothermal, and has transmission and transformation facilities\*, constituting a balanced portfolio. J-POWER also has comprehensive technical capabilities ranging from fuel procurement to facility siting, construction, operation, and maintenance.

Based on its achievements in Japan, J-POWER is also involved with overseas consulting business and power generation business for more than half a century.



### A track record of projects and technology developments



#### Global renewable energy developments

J-POWER has been expanding its overseas business for more than half a century. By leveraging these business foundations and the technical and development capabilities it has cultivated, J-POWER is also actively working on new renewable energy development such as solar and wind.



#### Japan's top runner in the wind power business

J-POWER started wind power generation early in Japan. As of Mar. 31, 2021, J-POWER owns a capacity of 540,060kW at 23 locations in Japan (owned capacity basis, the second largest in Japan), with further expansion currently underway.



#### CO<sub>2</sub>-free nuclear power

J-POWER promotes the Ohma Nuclear Power Plant Project as a  $CO_2$ -free power source that can stably generate a large amount of electric power, with its safety as a major prerequisite.

#### R&D of hydrogen production from coal

J-POWER's successful research and development of coal gasification and  $CO_2$  separation and capture for many years made it possible to produce hydrogen from coal. J-POWER will continue to study the utilization and storage of  $CO_2$ , aiming to produce  $CO_2$ -free hydrogen.

### Transmission and transformation facilities\* contributing to the expansion of renewable energy

J-POWER Transmission has power network facilities that play essential roles in spreading renewable energy, such as submarine DC cables and frequency converter stations. The company has high levels of technology and track records in construction and maintenance.

\* J-POWER Transmission operates our transmission and transformation business

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			2020			2030		2040		2050	
E	xpanding	Renewable energy (hydro, wind, geothermal)	New developme 1,500MW scale	ent in globally	Additional new developments, upcycling of existing facilities				cilities		
þ	power sources	Nuclear power	Construction and start of operations of the Ohma Nuclear Power Plant								
	Push for zero- emission power sources	Domestic coal-fired thermal power	Phasing out aged power plants one after another, and approaching to lower emissions (such as expanding the mixed combustion with biomass and introducing the mixed combustion with ammonia)								
F e p		Hydrogen power generation	Demonstration tests in Japan	Upcyc existin	Upcycling (adding gasifier to the existing assets)				CO <sub>2</sub> -free power g	e hydrogen eneration	
		Fuel production (CO <sub>2</sub> -free hydrogen)	Demonstration tests overseas	Utiliza	Utilization in other industries						
F	Power networks	Stabilization	Ехра	anding hydro	ling hydro, J-POWER GENESIS,* <sup>2</sup> and distributed energy services						
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The transition to carbon neutrality would require the pursuit of diverse possibilities toward the future of 2050.

J-POWER will take multifaceted approaches by accelerating the ongoing initiatives, upcycling, and challenging new business areas.



#### Increase in corporate value

#### Enhancement of business foundation

J-POWER will strive to increase its corporate value through multifaceted challenges to the transition to carbon neutrality, including accelerating the development of  $CO_2$ -free power sources such as renewable energy, economically and speedily rebuilding the value of the existing assets by upcycling, and pursuing possibilities in new business areas.

With the economic situation becoming uncertain due to the impacts of COVID-19 infections, J-POWER will build a solid business foundation that supports initiatives to realize carbon neutrality while continually responding to society's requests for a stable power supply.

#### Actions FY2021-FY2023

- 1. Accelerating the development of CO<sub>2</sub>-free power sources
  - Accelerating the development of renewable energy globally
  - Steadily promoting the Ohma Nuclear Power Plant Project

## 2. New value creation utilizing existing assets (upcycle)

- Promoting GENESIS Matsushima Plan
- Increasing the value of renewable energy

#### 3. Challenges to new business areas

- Pursuing the possibility of CO<sub>2</sub>-free hydrogen
- Distributed energy services/social implementation of innovations

#### 4. Enhancement of business foundation

- Promoting ESG management, improving profitability and asset management efficiency
- Expanding overseas business foundation



## Actions FY2021-FY2023



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### Accelerating the Development of CO<sub>2</sub>-Free Power Sources

J-POWER will further accelerate the new development of renewable energy globally by preferentially allocating investment and increasing personnel.

While steadily promoting the Ohma Nuclear Power Plant Project, J-POWER will also contribute to enhancing wide-area power networks.





 In addition to the above, biomass is being co-fired at Takasago Thermal Power, Takehara Thermal Power New Unit 1 and Matsuura Thermal Power Actions

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## Action 2 Upcycling Existing Thermal Power Plants – GENESIS Matsushima

J-POWER will take the first step in CO<sub>2</sub>-free hydrogen power generation at the Matsushima Plant that paved the way for using imported coal after the oil crisis.

J-POWER will realize reducing environmental impacts as early as possible by applying new technologies to the existing assets in an economically viable way while maintaining a stable power supply.







#### **J-POWER GENESIS**

An initiative for realizing carbon neutrality, with a view to  $\rm CO_2$ -free hydrogen power generation in the future

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#### Action 2

### Upcycling Renewable Energy

The history of J-POWER's renewable energy development spans 70 years, making the company Japan's top runner with a significant output share.

J-POWER will maximize the value of renewable energy resources by leveraging the knowledge and information it has gained from the construction, maintenance and operation of renewable energy power generation for many years.



\* This figure does not include impoundment hydroelectric power provided with a pumping function About 50% increase of the electric power generation

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### Action 3 Challenges to New Business Areas

As the social and economic structure changes due to the transition to carbon neutrality and innovation, J-POWER aims to expand its business domains by challenging new business areas.

### Pursuing the potential of CO<sub>2</sub>-free hydrogen

Realizing the use of hydrogen in large quantities and stably would require producing  $CO_2$ -free hydrogen from fossil fuels in addition to renewable energy. J-POWER will pursue the possibility of producing  $CO_2$ -free hydrogen from coal in Japan and abroad.

In Australia, J-POWER participates in the demonstration test of creating a supply chain for transporting hydrogen produced by brown coal gasification to Japan. J-POWER is responsible for the brown coal gasification and hydrogen refining processes. Upon commercialization in the future, the project will produce  $CO_2$ -free hydrogen by storing the  $CO_2$  generated in the hydrogen production process with the help of CCS technology.

#### **Distributed energy services**

As the mass introduction of renewable energy progresses, power output tends to fluctuate rapidly at the mercy of the weather. For this reason, the importance of the power supply and demand balancing capability to compensate for such output fluctuations will increase further. In addition to providing environmental value to consumers through electricity retailing, J-POWER will help ensure and utilize the capability to balance power supply and demand by aggregating the resources owned by the consumers with the help of digital technology.





Brown coal gasification furnace Photo courtesy of HySTRA

#### Accelerating the social implementation of innovation

J-POWER will integrate its asset management know-how with technologies and ideas from start-up companies and others, accelerate the social implementation of those in carbon neutrality and decentralized societies, and try to expand its business to new business domains.



Joint development of "WOTA PLANT" Business expansion through the push for DX of the decentralized water supply business



Participation in the nextgeneration housing project "OUTPOST"

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### Action 4 Enhancement of Business Foundation

J-POWER will build a foundation to support the initiatives for carbon neutrality while responding to society's requests for a stable power supply and strengthening resilience.

While promoting ESG management, J-POWER will improve its profitability and asset management efficiency.

### **Promoting ESG management**

On April 1, 2021, J-POWER appointed the director in charge and established the management department (ESG & Corporate Research Office) to step up its involvement with ESG management until now and strive to realize sustainable growth.

Environment
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Governance

- > J-POWER "BLUE MISSION 2050"
- Disclosure of climate change scenarios in line with TCFD
- Social Signing the United Nations Global Compact
  - > Engagement with the area where the power plant is located
  - > Establishing the Nomination and Compensation Committee
  - Ensuring diversity in the composition of directors, audit & supervisory board members and executive officers

### Improving profitability

J-POWER will further accelerate the ongoing efforts to reduce power generation costs and management/indirect department costs, including business process transformation and sophisticated equipment maintenance with the help of digital transformation.

J-POWER will strengthen its profit base that supports transition efforts such as CO2 emission reductions and expanded use of CO2-free power sources.



#### Improving asset management efficiency

J-POWER will reduce investment in renewal while balancing it with facility reliability. At the same time, J-POWER will try to improve the efficiency of the existing assets by reviewing and replacing owned assets as needed.

Concerning new investment toward transitions, J-POWER will ensure profit commensurate with the risk and cost of capital by screening such investment targets based on the hurdle rate corresponding to the target area and business field.

### Human resources

J-POWER will develop human resources that challenge various management issues including carbon neutrality, by fostering a culture in which employees can continue to learn regardless of their generation and supporting the selfsustaining growth of diverse human resources.

J-POWER will meet the diverse needs of individual employees through the realization of flexible working styles. At the same time, J-POWER will create workplaces by ensuring workplace safety and employee health at sufficiently high levels so that diverse human resources can work enthusiastically and promote continuous innovations.

#### Developing human resources that challenge various management issues



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### Expanding Overseas Business Foundation

J-POWER's overseas businesses account for 26% of its total power generation capacity and more than 40%<sup>\*1</sup> of the segment income, and the growth is expected to continue.

J-POWER will work hard to further expand our business foundation by acquiring new development projects while steadily executing large-scale projects currently under construction.



\*1 3-year average results in FY2018-FY2020: 45.6% \*2 USC: Ultra-supercritical coal-fired thermal power \*3 GTCC: Gas turbine combined cycle



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Triton Knoll Offshore Windfarm (under construction), the U.K.

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## **Management Goals and Shareholder Returns**

J-POWER will strengthen its profit and financial bases to support transition efforts toward the realization of carbon neutrality.

J-POWER will accelerate the development of renewable energy and reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in incremental steps.

### **Management goals**



#### The basic concept of shareholder returns

J-POWER will strive to enhance stable, ongoing returns to shareholders considering the level of profit, earnings forecasts, and its financial condition with a consolidated payout ratio of around 30%, excluding factors causing short-term profit fluctuations.



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## Contributing to the enhancement of power networks\*

Introducing massive amounts of renewable energy would need to strengthen the power networks that deliver electricity to places of consumption.

J-POWER will help solve such problems by leveraging a wide range of technologies and knowledge it has cultivated, such as DC transmission lines/undersea cables and frequency converter stations.

### Transmission and transformation facilities

J-POWER Transmission owns and operates critical transmission and transformation facilities throughout Japan, including the cross-regional interconnection facilities that interconnect the grids of different electric power companies, contributing to the wide-area operation of Japan's electric power.



### Focused initiatives in the future

J-POWER will steadily promote the replacement/expansion of the New Sakuma Frequency Converter Station and related transmission lines to meet consumers' expectations for enhancing the capability to interchange electric power between 50Hz in eastern Japan and 60Hz in western Japan. J-POWER will continue to pursue business opportunities contributing to strengthening power networks.

Today's most pressing issues also include the need to sophisticate maintenance due to over-aging deterioration and strengthen resilience against intensifying natural disasters. J-POWER will continue to contribute to a stable power supply through these efforts.



#### **Construction of the New Sakuma Frequency Converter Station and others**

- New Sakuma Frequency Converter Station 300MW
- Sakuma East Trunk Line
- Sakuma West Trunk Line





## **J-POWER GENESIS Vision**

J-POWER's vision of energy supply in a carbon-neutral society

J-POWER GENESIS is a new-generation energy conversion system with coal gasification technology at its core.

Because of its highly scalable system configuration, J-POWER GENESIS produces many products such as electricity and hydrogen from various types of solid fuels.



2000 2010 2020 2030 2002-2013 **EAGLE** project 2016-Since FY2002, J-POWER worked on demonstration Osaki CoolGen Project tests for oxygen-blown coal gasification and CO<sub>2</sub> 2026(planned)separation and capture, during which it accumulated Since FY2016, while scaling up the **J-POWER GENESIS** necessary technologies. EAGLE project, J-POWER conducted demonstration tests for With technologies obtained from the Osaki CoolGen Project at its CO<sub>2</sub> capture, gas turbine core, J-POWER will work on J-POWER GENESIS to realize operations using highercarbon neutrality. concentration hydrogen gas, and J-POWER will combine the technology to convert the gas integrating fuel cells into the generated from coal into hydrogen and CO<sub>2</sub> and the technology for separating and capturing CO<sub>2</sub> from the mixture. It would make system.

CO<sub>2</sub>-free hydrogen power generation possible in the future.

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## **Scalability of J-POWER GENESIS**

Because the J-POWER GENESIS system is excellent in scalability, J-POWER will realize carbon neutrality by combining the core technology cultivated in the Osaki CoolGen Project with new technologies and existing assets while flexibly responding to the changes in the business environment.



CO<sub>2</sub> storage/ carbon recycling



## **Effects of J-POWER GENESIS**

J-POWER will realize negative  $CO_2$  emissions by reducing environmental loads in incremental steps and combining mixed gasification of coal with biomass and  $CO_2$  separation and capture in the future. At the same time, J-POWER will help realize the mass introduction of renewable energy by leveraging the high operability and flexibility of output control functions and others.

### CO<sub>2</sub> emission reductions

J-POWER GENESIS will reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in incremental steps on account of system scalability and decrease environmental loads.

If you use biomass fuels with  $CO_2$  in the atmosphere solidified through photosynthesis, separate/capture the  $CO_2$  generated by biomass combustion, and store it into the ground, you can reduce  $CO_2$  in the atmosphere. If this mechanism works, you can make negative  $CO_2$  emissions possible. You can obtain this merit because coal is a solid fuel.



### Improving output control functions

Flexible operations of the steam turbine at an existing pulverized coal-fired power plant and the gas turbine in a gasification system would enable operations in a broader load range than the pulverized coal-fired power generator alone. At the same time, this system has higher levels of output control functions. If you scale up this system to hydrogen GTCC, you can expect an output control speed exceeding natural gas-fired thermal power.

For this reason, this system will help realize the mass introduction of renewable energy whose output is unstable.







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