Nippon Paper Industries' Biorefinery Initiatives



<Self-introduction>

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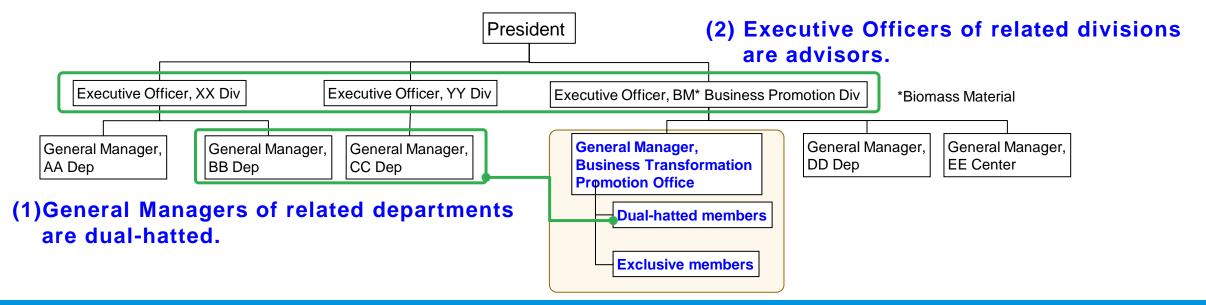
Biomass Material Business Division

Nippon Paper Industries Co., Ltd.

Organization in charge of vertical, horizontal, and diagonal collaboration to accelerate new business creation and business transformation. (1) (2)

*Produce biofuel and chemical using biomass feedstock

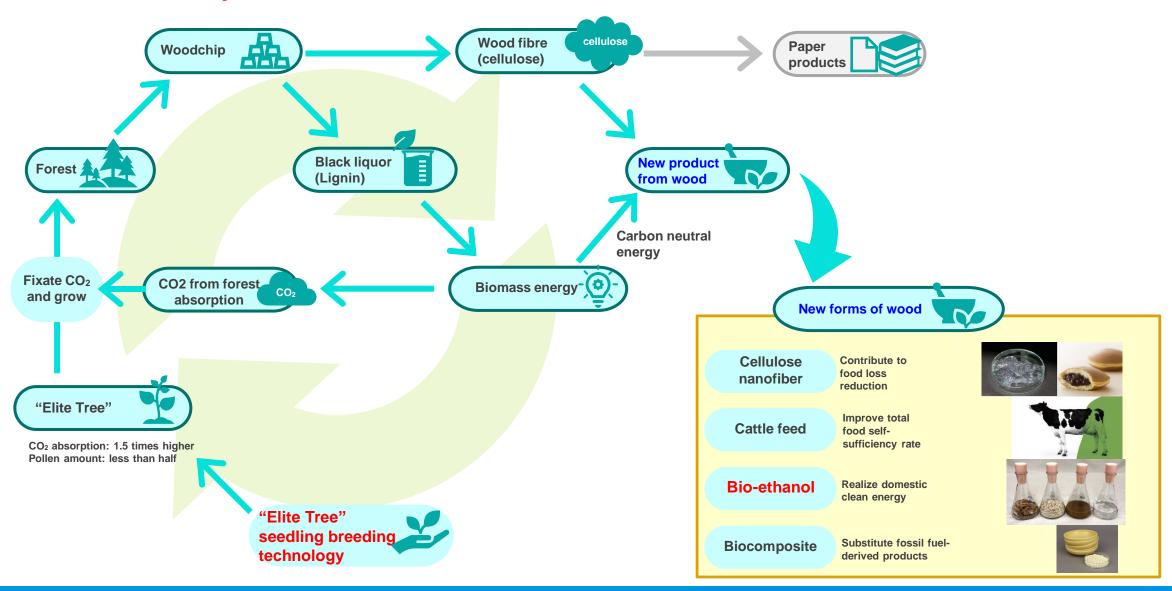
■ Engaged in organizing new business development and commercialization studies including biorefinery(*) using mainly woody biomass and carbon recycling, which contribute to carbon neutrality.



Nippon Paper Industries' Biorefinery Concept



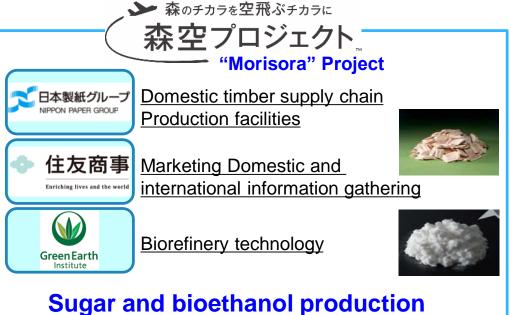
New use of woody biomass and acceleration of forest resources circulation

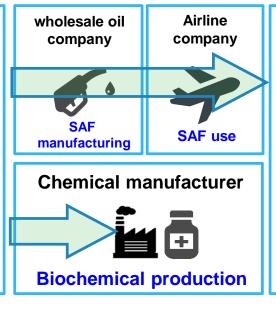


Bioethanol Study (Morisora Project)



First cellulosic bioethanol from woody biomass in Japan Study for commercial production and expansion into biochemical products





<Significance of this study

By utilizing domestic timber...

- Decarbonization
 Supply low CFP* products from biomass
 *Carbon footprint
- Circular Economy
 Return economic benefits to local communities
- Resource Security
 Ease import dependence

Points:

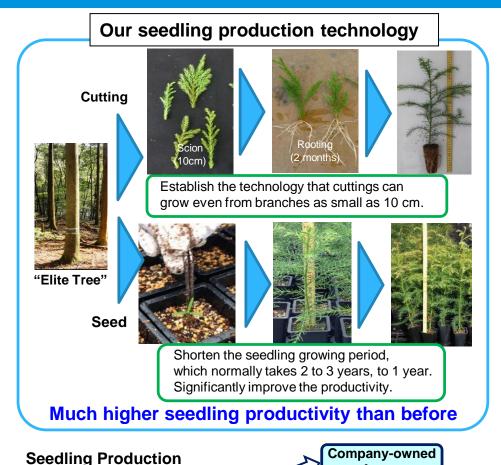
- Use of domestic timber
- Second generation ethanol (E2G)
- →Use of inedible feedstock without food conflicts



As a pilot business entity of the National SAF Public-Private Council/CertificationTG, we have been considering to conform to CORSIA eligible fuel.

Theme 1: Involvement of Agriculture and Forestry – "Elite Tree" seedling project to take root in the local communities





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Group

Local Producers

Business Scheme

Provide "Elite Tree" seed,

cutting, materials and

technical support

forest

Seeds and

Seedlings Association

Seedling delivery

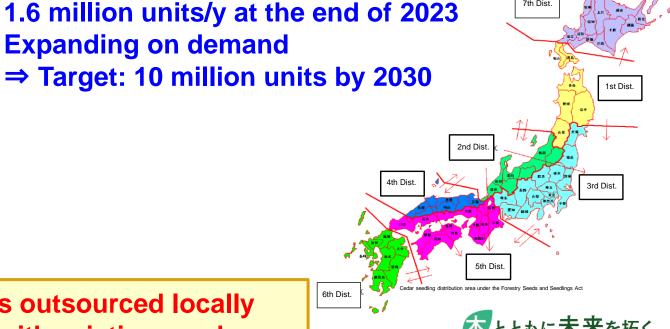
(Total purchase)

Consumer

Obtained "Specified Breeding Business Operator" certification from the Governors of prefectures of Akita (1st District), Shizuoka (3rd District), Tottori (4th District), Hiroshima (5th District), Kumamoto and Oita (6th District).

Production systems in each region are in place.

Started production of seedlings for company-owned forest and direct sales



Production is outsourced locally Collaborate with existing producers

Theme 2: Accelerating Transformation of Enterprises and Regions / Technology & Social Innovation



Expand cascade use of domestic forest resources and accelerate resource circulation ⇒ Biorefinery concept (bioethanol, "Elite Tree", etc.)

Main feedstock for domestic papermaking are by-products and wood waste.



Theme 3: Linking and Bridging International Discussions with Domestic and Regional Discussions



Characteristics of biorefinery vs oil refinery

- Diverse biomass feedstock
 - Edible (corn, sugarcane)
 - Inedible (agricultural residues, forest residues, woody materials)
- Challenges in collecting
 - Bulk and seasonality (straw, agricultural residues, etc.)
 - Distributed throughout the country
 - ⇒Transport costs and LCA are high when trying to collect the feedstock on a large scale.
- →Important to gain understanding and cooperation on establishment and use of the local production and local consumption supply chain for the diverse feedstock.
 - ⇒Would like to gain international recognition for the use of Japanese forest resources through certification of woody bioethanol for SAF.