



## Topics

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**In the “corporate classification evaluation system of the Act on the Rational Use of Energy”, TOP corporation was evaluated as S class (an excellent business operator) for 3 consecutive years.**

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Top Corporation was evaluated as S class evaluation (as an excellent business operator in energy efficiency & conservation) under the business operator classification system (in the FY2022 submission) implemented by the Agency for Natural Resources and Energy in Japan’s Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry. We have been evaluated as S class for 3 years in a row from 2020.

“The business operator classification system” classifies all business operators who submit periodic reports under the Act on the Rational Use of Energy into the four classes of S, A, B, and C in order to encourage business operators who use energy to use it more rationally.

We are evaluated as S class because we have reduced the five-year average unit (total energy consumption required to produce products of unit quantity.) by 1% or more per year.

Please see the website of Agency for Natural Resources and Energy in Japan’s Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry for the details.

[https://www.enecho.meti.go.jp/category/saving\\_and\\_new/saving/enterprise/overview/institution/index.html](https://www.enecho.meti.go.jp/category/saving_and_new/saving/enterprise/overview/institution/index.html)

All business operators who submit regular reports on the Act on the Rational Use of Energy will be classified into four classes, S, A, B, and C, and measures will be taken according to the class.

<p><b><u>Class S</u></b> <b>Excellent business operators in energy saving</b> *Business operator who has achieved the target"</p>	<p><b>【Standard】</b> 1. The achievement of the target of efforts, or, 2. The achievement of benchmark target</p> <p><b>【How to handle】</b> To display the name of business operators and consecutive achievement years on the website of Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.</p>
<p><b><u>Class A</u></b> <b>Business operators who are expected to make further efforts in energy efficiency &amp; conservation</b></p>	<p><b>【Standard】</b> Business operator whose standard of energy efficiency &amp; conservation is higher than that of B class, but lower than that of S class.</p> <p><b>【How to handle】</b> To provide the information about the measures of energy efficiency &amp; conservation on e-mails.</p>
<p><b><u>Class B</u></b> <b>Business operators whose energy efficiency &amp; conservation is stagnant</b></p>	<p><b>【Standard】</b> 1. They haven't achieved the target of efforts, and the unit has increased year on year for last 2 years in a row, or, 2.the five-year average unit has increased by 5% or more.</p> <p><b>【How to handle】</b> To send warning documents and focus on a field survey.</p>
<p><b><u>Class C</u></b> <b>Marked business operators</b></p>	<p><b>【Standard】</b> They are especially inadequate for the criteria compliance.</p> <p><b>【How to handle】</b> To instruct according to the Act on the Rational Use of Energy VI.</p>

\*1. Target of effort: Reduce the five year average unit by 1% or more per year.

\*2. Benchmark target : The level that business operators should aim for in the medium to long term in the industries and areas covered by the benchmark system.

\*3. From 2019, if business operators are late to submit periodical reports and medium to long term protocol, they may be ineligible for preferential treating and publication of S-class business.

(Source : The Agency for Natural Resources and Energy in Japan's Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry)

We will continue to raise work efficiency, and make further efforts in manufacturing medical devices which are friendly not only for "people" but also for the "earth".