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AGC Starts Construction of Net Zero-Energy Building (ZEB) at Kashima Plant

Tokyo, December 13, 2017 – AGC Asahi Glass (AGC), a world-leading manufacturer of glass, chemicals and hightech materials, announces that it has started the construction of a net zero-energy building (ZEB^{*1}) at its Kashima Plant. With the use of AGC's energy saving & energy creating products, the new facility is expected to achieve a total energy reduction of 114.7%^{*2}. The construction is scheduled to be completed in December 2018.

With the 2030 greenhouse gas emissions target, which states a 26% reduction from the 2013 level, acceleration of ZEB construction is in an urgent need in Japan. Under such circumstances, AGC has set the theme of "energy saving and energy creation with AGC products, and started the construction of a ZEB office that creates more energy than it consumes. In this new building at the Kashima Plant, AGC's heat-shielding/insulating products help reduce energy consumption while the PV modules on the roof as well as on the window panes create energy. For the construction of the ZEB office, AGC has been certified for the subsidy of a ZEB-related project from the Shizuoka Environment Resources Association*³.



Overview Location: 25 Towada, Kamisu-City, Ibaraki prefecture, Japan Usage: Office building Total floor area: 1,435 square meters Floors: 2 stories ZEB category: ZEB

- Energy-saving performance (estimate) -

| Category | Energy reduction | AGC's products used | | | |
|------------------------|------------------|---|--|--|--|
| | (%) | | | | |
| Energy saving | 50.4% | Low-E double-glazing "Sunbalance [™] Triple Cool", Raw material for heat-insulating urethane foam "Excenol [™] " | | | |
| Energy creation | 64.3% | Glass-integrated PV module "Sunjoule™ SUDARE" | | | |
| Total energy reduction | 114.7% | * Reduction rate (%) as compared with the standard primary energy consumption | | | |

Under the management policy *AGC plus*, the AGC Group will continue to contribute to environmentallyfriendly buildings by developing and offering products that provide safety and comfort.

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*1 Zero Energy Building (ZEB): Buildings intended to offset the primary energy consumption per year through energy saving and use of renewable energy. There are three categories depending on the percentage of primary energy consumption: ZEB, Nearly ZEB, and ZEB Ready.

| Category | Definition | Designed prin | mary energy | Energy creation |
|------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| | | consumption/standard primary | | method |
| | | energy consump | tion | |
| | | Without | Including | |
| | | energy | energy | |
| | | creation | creation | |
| ZEB | Building with the annual primary | 50 % and | 100 % and | Including energy for |
| | energy consumption of net zero | above | above | sale (energy creation |
| | or below | | | facilities shall be set |
| Nearly ZEB | Building with the annual primary | | 75% - less | up within the |
| | energy consumption of nearly | | than 100% | premises). |
| | zero while satisfying the | | | |
| | conditions for ZEB Ready. | | | |
| ZEB Ready | Building equipped with high- | | 50% – less | |
| | efficient heat insulating and | | than 75% | |
| | energy saving facilities and | | | |
| | equipment | | | |

- Definition of ZEB categories -

(Source: Translated excerpt from the public offering procedures "Project on the promotion of CO2 reduction for office building" by Shizuoka Environment Resources Association)

- *2 The amount of energy reduction as compared with the standard energy consumption (i.e. A total amount of energy consumption, including air-conditioning, ventilation, hot water supply, elevators, for each region, building/room-type as designated in the 2016 energy saving standard).
- *3 The ZEB-related project is led by the Shizuoka Environment Resources Association under the Ministry of the Environment of Japan.

<Product reference>

- AGC's energy-saving and energy-creating products used in the office building
- Low-E double-glazing "Sunbalance[™] Triple Cool"
 Product website: https://www.asahiglassplaza.net/products/triplecool/ (in Japanese only)
- Raw material for heat-insulating urethane foam "Excenol™" http://www.agc-chemicals.com/jp/en/products/detail/index.html?pCode=JP-EN-U004
- Glass-integrated PV module "Sunjoule™ SUDARE"
 Product website: https://www.agc-gk.com/bldg/products/sunjoule/ (in Japanese only)

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