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Operation and maintenance for safety and security is our theme

Waste management in Japan and JEMA

Japanese Waste Management and Public Cleansing Law stipulates that municipal governments (cities, towns and villages) are responsible for management of domestic waste (household waste, business waste from business establishments and offices). With the exception of recyclables such as glass bottles, cans, paper and plastic packages and containers, almost all waste is incinerated and the ashes are buried. Incineration is practiced at 1,100 treatment facilities throughout Japan. The facilities vary greatly in scale, from small incinerators to burn a few tons per day to facilities of 1,800 tons per day with power generators.

Approximately half of waste treatment facilities are operated by municipal employees. The remaining is consigned to private companies. JEMA members operate 80% of the facilities consigned to private companies.

Manufacturers of waste treatment facilities possess direct subsidiaries which operate and maintain those facilities. JEMA is an association consisting of such companies.

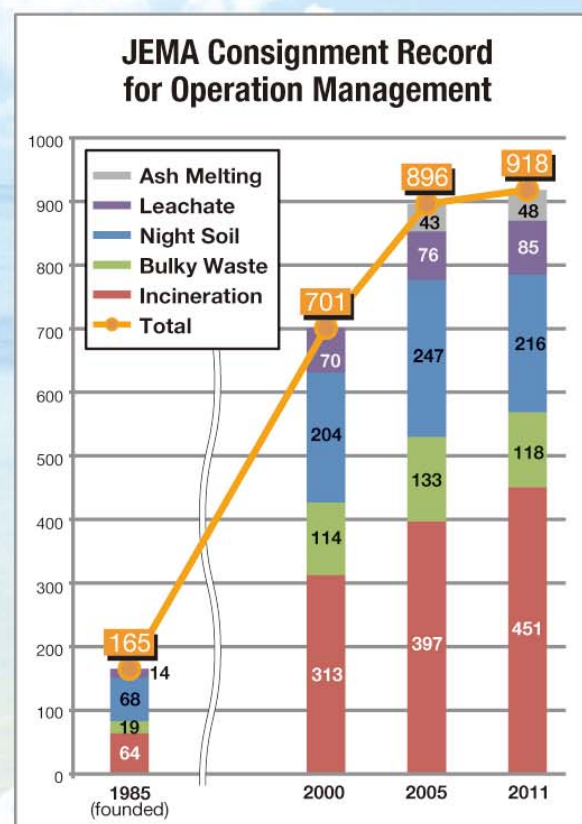
JEMA was founded in April 1985 and became an ordinary corporate judicial person (an organization recognized by law) in May 2009.

JEMA currently consists of 24 companies. JEMA strives for improving level of operation and maintenance techniques of the member companies.

Strengths of JEMA

Operation of waste treatment facilities and night soil treatment facilities requires many years of experience and know-how. Furthermore, close technological partnership with those who designed and constructed the facilities is necessary.

As operation companies affiliated with manufacturers, all members of JEMA satisfy the needs listed above. We have been providing municipal governments with safe, stable and secured operation and have received high acclaim.



System supporting safety, stability and security

◎Environmental Facility Management Directing Engineer

Environmental Facility Management Directing Engineer is a unique certificate provided by JEMA. Engineers with at least 10 years of experience in technical areas including design and planning of waste treatment facilities are eligible to apply for the certificate. Certificate is granted only to those who pass both paper and oral examinations. Certified individuals achieve distinction of JEMA by providing onsite instruction and supervision of operators at the treatment facilities of their companies.

◎Training Facility Managers

This training targets at operation managers and supervisors who serve as directors and team leaders at operation facilities. In addition to operation techniques, trainees are instructed on the subjects such as labor management, health/safety management and contract. Training is held for two days every year by prominent instructors on the issues. Approximately 100 individuals participated in training every year. More than 1,700 people have completed the training course in total and are successfully implementing their acquired knowledge in the field.



◎Horizontal development of health and safety activities

The average frequency of work accidents of JEMA companies is well below the national average for the waste treatment industry, supporting the advanced health and safety management of JEMA.

Specifically, JEMA's Health and Safety Committee requires member companies to report any accidents. JEMA compiles this information in a database and shares with all member companies so that the information is horizontally distributed to all offices and facilities and similar accidents are prevented in the future. JEMA continues to work to reduce the number of accidents to zero.

