



# SECOND PARTY OPINION

# JERA CO., INC. JERA TRANSITION BOND FRAMEWORK

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This report was prepared in the "Climate Transition Finance Model Project in FY2021 (Investigation of ideal way of Transition Finance)" which is a commissioned project by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry. As Revision 1, this includes formal modifications due to changes in JERA's operational system and an additional evaluation in May 2022 of JERA's new target setting eligibility as a transition bond. (Additional part in accordance with Revision 1 are underlined.)



# **Executive Summary**

\*This report (Revision 1) is an additional evaluation of the eligibility as a transition bond with respect to the new target set due to the establishment of "JERA Environmental Target 2035" in May 2022 and the update of "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan".

JERA Co., Inc. (hereinafter, JERA, including JERA Group or the issuer) was established on April 30, 2015 to form a comprehensive alliance between Tokyo Electric Power Company (as it was known then) and Chubu Electric Power Co., Inc. for their entire supply chains from fuel upstream and procurement business to power generation. JERA established a unified, continuous value chain from fuel upstream and procurement business to power generation and electricity and gas wholesaling, earning its status as an energy company with power generation capacity equivalent to half of Japan's thermal power generation output and a fuel transaction volume among the world's highest. JERA engages in borderless management of all businesses from fuel procurement to power generation and sales in three profit centers, which are "Business development," "Optimization," and "O&M·Engineering," to establish a system capable of pursuing expertise and excellence and maximizing synergy in each business.

JERA has established "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050" in October 2020, the goal of achieving zero CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 2050. Under "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050", JERA will take on the challenge of achieving, by 2050, virtually zero  $CO_2$  emissions from JERA's operations in Japan and overseas by taking the three following approaches: 1. Complementarity between Renewable Energy and Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Thermal Power Generation, 2. Establishment of Roadmaps Suitable for Each Country and Region and 3. Adoption of "Smart Transition". In addition, JERA established "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan" that shows a pathway toward CO<sub>2</sub> zero mission by 2050 of its business in Japan. To promote CO<sub>2</sub> zero emissions in domestic operations in accordance with this roadmap, JERA has formulated "JERA Environmental Target 2030" as new environmental goals of FY2030 for its domestic operations. According to "JERA Environmental Target 2030", JERA has committed to reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emission intensity by 20% compared to that of thermal power plants in Japan as a whole, based on the long-term energy supply and demand outlook for FY2030 set by the government. JERA also committed to shutting down/decommissioning all inefficient (supercritical or less) coal-fired thermal power plants.

As stated in "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan", in order to achieve the realization of CO<sub>2</sub> zero emissions, JERA will promote various R&D, verification, introduction of technologies and facilities. Meanwhile, until the technologies and facilities are practically available, JERA will pursue the CO<sub>2</sub> emission reduction in the medium-term by utilizing the decarbonization technologies. These efforts comply with the philosophy of Climate Transition. "JERA Zero Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan" is consistent with the transition roadmap for the electricity sector, which was developed by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (hereinafter, METI) in February 2022 with the aim of promoting transition finance. JERA's roadmap also includes representative transition projects outlined in the globally recognized handbooks, principles or guidelines related to transition finance.

In May 2022, JERA added a target to accelerate further its efforts to achieve the realization of  $CO_2$  zero emissions, aiming to reduce  $CO_2$  emissions from domestic operations by at least 60% (relative to FY 2013) by FY 2035 with the establishment of the "JERA Environmental Target 2035" and the update of the "JERA Zero  $CO_2$  Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its



Business in Japan". Furthermore, JERA has developed a more ambitious transition strategy, including clarifying the timing of full-scale operation at 20% and 50% ammonia co-firing rates in thermal power generation, consistent with the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI.

JERA has developed JERA Transition Bond Framework (hereinafter, "Framework") in order to finance and refinance investments that contribute to the realization of "JERA Zero  $CO_2$  Emissions 2050" in line with the established global handbooks, principles or guidelines.

DNV Business Assurance Japan K.K. (hereinafter, "DNV"), as an external reviewer, evaluated the eligibility of the Framework and the JERA Transition Bond (to be issued in <u>May</u> 2022).

Specifically, DNV provided the eligibility evaluation for the Framework against the following handbooks, principles and guidelines which are widely recognized:

- Climate Transition Finance Handbook (International Capital Market Association (ICMA), 2020, hereinafter CTFH)
- Basic Guidelines on Climate Transition Finance (Financial Services Agency, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, Ministry of the Environment, 2021 hereinafter, CTFBG)
- Green Bond Principles (International Capital Market Association (ICMA), 2021 hereinafter GBP)
- Green Bond Guidelines (Ministry of the Environment, 2020, hereinafter GBGLs)

The following is a summary of the assessment results for each common element indicated in the above handbooks, principles and guidelines. CTF-1 ~ CTF-4 are findings and opinions of DNV against the four common elements of the CTFH and CTFBG (disclosure elements); GBP-1 ~ GBP-4 are findings and opinions of DNV against the elements of GBP/GBGLs considering transition finance with Use of Proceeds instruments.

# <CTF Eligibility Assessment Results>

# CTF-1. Issuer's Climate Transition Strategy and Governance:

The issuer, JERA, has set a long-term goal of  $CO_2$  zero emission by 2050, which is consistent with the goal of the Paris Agreement, in "JERA Zero  $CO_2$  Emissions 2050", part of its transition strategy. The long-term goal is in line with the pathway stated in the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI. Moreover, given the fact that indirect emissions from power generation accounts for 38% of the  $CO_2$  emissions per final energy consumption in Japan where JERA operates in, the transition strategy of JERA, whose major emissions come from its thermal power generation, will not only contribute to the emissions reduction from its own business activities (Scope 1 and 2), but also the achievement of the decarbonization goals of diverse entities. In terms of governance and disclosure related to the implementation of transition finance, an internal structure and information disclosure process based on TCFD<sup>\*1</sup> have been established. These are disclosed within the Framework and other documents, and meet the disclosure element CTF-1. \*1: Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures

## **CTF-2. Business Model Environmental Materiality:**

JERA identified materialities in order to solve social issues and increase its medium-tolong-term corporate value. JERA also utilizes the analysis and evaluation methods based on GRI Standards<sup>\*1</sup>, ISO 26000, TCFD, etc. As part of its efforts to address environmental materiality, the activities contributing to transition, such as



"Decarbonizing/expansion of renewable energy" and "Improved efficiency of thermal power generation", are included. Furthermore, the contribution to the SDGs (see below) is also taken into account. These are disclosed within the Framework and other documents, and meet the disclosure elements CTF-2.

\*1: An international standard providing ESG-related reporting, management, and analysis methods, established by Global Reporting Initiatives

# CTF-3. Climate Transition Strategy to be 'Science-based' Including Targets and Pathway:

JERA's transition strategy is formulated in consistency with the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI as described in CTF-1. The transition roadmap for the electricity sector refers to the Sixth Strategic Energy Plan, which is in line with the Plans for Global Warming Countermeasures. These are established based on Japanese government's aim to achieve carbon neutrality in 2050 and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 46% in 2030 compared to the FY2013 level in refer to IPCC 1.5°C Special Report. These are consistent with the Paris Agreement.

In JERA's transition strategy, the medium- and long-term goals to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from company's activities are indexed and quantified while the process of achieving those goals is clarified. <u>In addition, "JERA Environmental Target 2035" and "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan (updated in May 2022)", released in May 2022, provide additional disclosure of mid-term targets. These are disclosed in JERA Group Corporate Communication Book 2021, the Framework, etc. or this second party opinion, and meet the disclosure elements CTF-3.</u>

# **CTF-4. Implementation Transparency:**

DNV confirmed that the investments and project plans related to JERA's transition strategy included investments and expenditures that have been implemented and are scheduled in the future. DNV also confirmed that the overall investment plan (investment amount) will be executed in accordance with the timeline. DNV confirmed that in order to ensure transparency, JERA will discuss on the disclosure, wherever possible, of its basic investment plan (investment amount).DNV also reviewed the Framework and the ESG management of JERA and confirmed high transparency in the implementation. JERA explained the appropriateness of its execution to DNV and DNV agreed on the appropriateness. These meet the disclosure elements CTF-4.

## <GBP Eligibility Assessment Results>

## **GBP-1**. Use of Proceeds:

JERA defined the project categories of the use of proceeds as the projects (transition projects) to realize zero  $CO_2$  emissions from thermal power generation. Specifically, the two eligibility criteria below refer to the transition projects ① to ⑥. The proceeds will be allocated to financing or refinancing R&D, business development, construction, operation, refurbishment, demolition or/and other related expenditures. DNV has confirmed that these transition projects are consistent with the elements CTF-1 to 4. The transition projects have been evaluated by JERA as having clear and positive environmental impacts in line with the transition strategy and are expected to contribute directly and indirectly to the SDGs. These projects are aligned with GBP-1. The following is an overview of the six projects to which the proceeds of the scheduled transition bond are to be allocated.



## Table I JERA Transition Finance Eligibility Criteria and Project Overview

## (Please see text for details)

Project categories	Eligibility Criteria	Project Overview (Main Expenditure)
		① Demonstration study of 20% ammonia co-firing in 1 million kW class coal-fired power plant
		- Project period: June 2021 - March 2025
		- Project description: Development and demonstration test of technology to convert 20% of fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at Hekinan Thermal Power Station Unit 4 (to FY2024)
		<ul> <li>Adoption of New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization (NEDO) subsidized project</li> <li>"Development of Technologies for Carbon Recycling and Next-Generation Thermal Power Generation / Research, Development and Demonstration of Technologies for Ammonia Co-Firing Thermal Power Generation"</li> </ul>
Transition Project Projects for the realization of zero CO <sub>2</sub> emission thermal power	The expenditures related to demonstration projects of fossil fuels and ammonia/hydrogen co-firing	<ul> <li>2 Demonstration study on actual equipment to establish technology for high ammonia co-firing rate at commercial thermal power plants         <ul> <li>Project period: FY2021 to FY2028</li> <li>Project description: Development of a new ammonia high-efficiency burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to FY 2024), and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at the Hekinan thermal power station (to FY2028).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund Project</li> <li>"Establishment of Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Project"</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>3 Demonstration of high co-firing rate at thermal power station using ammonia single-fuel burners         <ul> <li>Project period: FY2021 to FY2028</li> <li>Project description: Development of a new ammonia single-fuel burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to 2024), and conducting technology development and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at two different boiler units (to FY2028).</li> <li>※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund Project "Establishment of Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Project"</li> <li>4 Technical verification of hydrogen co-firing power generation for the construction of a large-scale bydrogen supply chain</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
		hydrogen supply chain - Project period: October 2021 to March 2026



		,	<ul> <li>Project description: Conducting demonstration tests at large-scale LNG-fired power plants in Japan to convert approximately 30% (by volume) of LNG into hydrogen for power generation (to FY2025).</li> <li>X Adaption of NEDO Croop Japavation Fund project for</li> </ul>
			※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund project for "Construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain"
r	The expenditures related to decommissions of	5	Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Goi Thermal Power Station (LNG)
ir P a h	nefficient thermal power plants, with the aim of replacement for nigh-efficiency thermal power plants	6	Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Chita Thermal Power Station (LNG) (Demolition plan is in preparation)



# **GBP-2.** Process for Project Evaluation and Selection:

In addition to confirming that the transition projects meet the GBP-1 eligibility project categories, JERA will also confirm that potential negative environmental/social impacts are taken into account, and that the procedures of equipment certification, licensing and environmental assessment in the regions where the projects are to be implemented are appropriate. Specifically, eligible projects are selected by the <u>Finance Group</u> and finalized by <u>Executive Officer</u>, Head of the Finance Group after comprehensive analyses and reviews of the financial risks, technical and operational risks, market environment and ESG risks carried out by related business department. The process is consistent with GBP-2.

# **GBP-3.** Management of Proceeds:

JERA's <u>Finance Group</u> will manage the allocation of the net proceeds of Transition Bonds on at least an annual basis, using the internal accounting management system until the proceeds have been fully allocated. The proceeds are managed in cash or cash equivalents in an amount equal to the unallocated proceeds until the proceeds have been fully allocated.

# **GBP-4.** Reporting:

JERA will report the allocation of the proceeds (allocated/unallocated amounts, new/refinancing) of the Transition Bonds on JERA's website annually until the proceeds have been fully allocated to Eligible Projects. In addition, the outline of the projects been allocated and their positive environmental impacts will be disclosed on the JERA's website to the extent practicable (in terms of the positive environmental impacts, outline and the progress of the eligible projects will be included). Moreover, JERA will disclose timely or in its reports in the event of significant changes in transition strategy or pathway, or significant changes in allocation plans or results.

Based on an assessment of the Framework, other relevant documents and information provided by JERA, DNV has confirmed that the Framework meets the standards required by the relevant handbooks, principles and guidelines, and thus is eligible as transition finance. It was also confirmed that the scheduled transition bond is appropriately structured and will be issued in accordance with the Framework.



JERA Co., Inc. JERA Transition Bond Framework Second Party Opinion Rev1.0 Table II Transition Bonds (to be issued in <u>May</u> 2022) Transition Project Overview

E	Eligibility Criteria	Project Overview (Main Expenditure)
		<b>Project Name:</b> Demonstration study of 20% ammonia co-firing in 1 million kW class coal-fired power plant
1		<b>Project Overview:</b> Development and demonstration test of technology to convert 20% of fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at Hekinan Thermal Power Station Unit 4 (to FY2024).
		Project Period: June 2021 - March 2025
		<b>Environmental Impacts:</b> The overview and progress status of project will be reported.
		<b>Project Name:</b> Demonstration study on actual equipment to establish technology for high ammonia co-firing rate at commercial thermal power plants
2		<b>Project Overview:</b> Development of a new ammonia high-efficiency burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to FY 2024), and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at the Hekinan thermal power station (to FY2028).
	The expenditures	Project Period: FY2021 to FY2028
	related to demonstration projects of fossil fuels and ammonia/hydrogen co-firing	<b>Environmental Impacts:</b> The overview and progress status of project will be reported.
		<b>Project Name:</b> Demonstration of high co-firing rate at thermal power station using ammonia single-fuel burners
3		<b>Project Overview</b> : Development of a new ammonia single-fuel burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to 2024), and conducting technology development and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at two different boiler units (to FY2028).
		<b>Environmental Impacts:</b> The overview and progress status of project will be reported.
		<b>Project Name:</b> Technical verification of hydrogen co-firing power generation for the construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain
4		<b>Project Overview:</b> Conducting demonstration tests at large-scale LNG-fired power plants in Japan to convert approximately 30% (by volume) of LNG into hydrogen for power generation (to FY2025).
		<b>Project Period:</b> October 2021 to March 2026 <b>Environmental Impacts:</b> The overview and progress status of project will be reported.
	The expenditures	Project Name: Demolition of Goi Thermal Power Station
5	related to decommissions of inefficient thermal	<b>Project Overview:</b> Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Goi Thermal Power Station (LNG)
	power plants, with the aim of	<b>Completion of Demolition work:</b> September 2023 <b>Environmental Impacts:</b> The overview and progress status of project will be
	replacement for	reported.



_	high-efficiency thermal power	Project Name: Demolition of Chita Thermal Power Station		
	plants	<b>Project Overview:</b> Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Chita Thermal Power Station (LNG)		
6		(Demolition plan is in preparation)		
		Completion of Demolition work: TBD		
		<b>Environmental Impacts:</b> The overview and progress status of project will be reported.		



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0	14/2/2022	Initial
1	12/5/2022	Update descriptions related to "Process for Project Evaluation and Selection" and "Management of Proceeds" due to JERA's business execution system changes in April 2022. Addition of eligibility assessment for additional target disclosures related to transition strategies due to the establishment of the "JERA Environmental Target 2035" and the update of the "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan" in May 2022.

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 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  DNV Code of Conduct is available from DNV website (www.DNV.com)



# **I. Introduction**

## i. About the Issuer

JERA Co., Inc. (hereinafter, JERA, including JERA Group) was established in April 2015 as the company to realize the comprehensive alliance, related to the continuous value chain from fuel upstream and procurement business to power generation and electricity and gas sales, between Tokyo Electric Power Company (at the time of foundation of JERA) and Chubu Electric Power Company. JERA established a unified, continuous value chain from fuel upstream and procurement business to power generation and electricity and wholesaling, earning its status as an energy company with power generation capacity equivalent to half of Japan's thermal power generation output and a fuel transaction volume among the world's highest. JERA engages in borderless management of all businesses from fuel procurement to power generation and sales in three profit centers, which are "Business development," "Optimization," and "O&M· Engineering," to establish a system capable of pursuing expertise and excellence and maximizing synergy in each business.

- Business Development: Domestic Power Generation Business, Overseas Power Generation and value chain Business, Renewable Energy development Business, Fuel upstream, transportation, and long-term LNG procurement Businesses
- <u>Optimization</u>: Short-Term Fuel Procurement Business, Fuel Trading Business, Electricity and Gas Sales Business
- **<u>O&M & Engineering</u>**: O&M Engineering technology, Rendering O&M engineering services to third parties



# ii. Issuer's Initiatives for ESG/SDGs

JERA sets "To provide cutting edge solutions to the world's energy issues" as its mission, and believes that it is important to fully understand and manage the impact of the external environment on JERA and the effects of its business activities on the society and the environment. JERA tackles to sophisticate the ESG initiatives together with all value chain.

In order to simultaneously provide the solution for social issues and increase its corporate value over medium-to-long-term, JERA identified the material issues (materiality) shown in Table-1 and aims to contribute to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) set by the United Nations by promoting sustainable activities that are integrated with its business activities.

Among all the material issues (materiality), the issue mainly relevant to the transition finance is "to tackle the climate change" (See Table-1 "I Environment"), as outlined in JERA's vision, "Global leader in LNG and renewables, sparking the transition to a clean energy economy"  $\underline{*}$ , and the relationship with the SDGs is summarised as follows:

	Mission						
	To provide cutting edge solutions to the world's energy issues						
	Vision						
Glo	bal leader in LNG an	d renewables, sparking the transition	to a clean energy economy <u>*</u>				
Cate	Categories of material Materiality Relevant SDGs						
		Decarbonization / expansion of renewable energy					
Ι	Environment	Compliance with environmental legislation	7 AFFORDARLE AND CLEAN BARBY AND PRODUCTION AND PRODUCTION				
		Improved efficiency of thermal power Generation					
		Respect for diversity					
		Securing and developing global, strategic human resources	5 GENDER EQUALITY 8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH				
II	Human Resources	Securing and developing skilled workers					
		Management of employee health and					
		workplace safety and sanitation					
		Promoting of work-life balance					
		Energy supply in pursuit of customer					
III	Society	satisfaction					
		Application of digital technology					

Table-1 JERA's Mission, Vision, Material Issues (Materiality) and Relevant SDGs



		Leveraging our technology to make contributions in various fields Communication with local communities Improvement of energy infrastructure in	7 AFFERDARE AND DIEAM ENERGY 9 NOUSIRY INVOLVING AND HERASTRUCTURE 17 PARTIERSHIPS FOR THE GUILS 17 PARTIERSHIPS FOR THE GUILS FOR THE
IV	Human Rights	developing countries Consideration of the human rights of local community members	3 GOUD HEALTH AND WELLBEING 
v	Governance	Enhancement of corporate governanceRisk identification, management, and responseStrengthening of earning powerStable supply of electricitySafety of facilities (process safety, disaster prevention and response measures)Response to large-scale disasters and pandemicsRigorous complianceBilateral communication with stakeholders	7 ATTERBARE AND ULAN EXERCT SOCIETY INVOLUTIVE AND TRASTRUCTURE INSTITUTIONS INSTITUTIONS

\*In May 2022, JERA's vision was changed to "To scale up its clean energy platform of renewables and low greenhouse gas thermal power, sparking sustainable development in Asia and around the world"



# iii. Issuer's Environmental Initiatives

Bearing in mind the promotion of decarbonization at low cost and high speed while keeping a stable energy supply, JERA formulated "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050" in October 2020, to achieve zero CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 2050. It states that JERA will take on the challenge of achieving, by 2050, virtually zero CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from JERA's operations in Japan and overseas by taking the three approaches as follows: 1. Complementarity between Renewable Energy and Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emission Thermal Power Generation, 2. Establishment of Roadmaps Suitable for Each Country and Region and 3. Adoption of "Smart Transitions".

In addition, JERA established "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan" that shows a pathway toward CO<sub>2</sub> zero mission by 2050 for its business in Japan. To promote CO<sub>2</sub> zero emissions in domestic operations in accordance with this road map into practice, JERA has formulated "JERA Environmental Target 2030 for its Business in Japan" as its new environmental goals as of FY2030. JERA committed to the achievement of the following goals:

- Shut down/decommission all inefficient (supercritical or less) coal-fired thermal power plants and promote demonstration experiments of mixed combustion with ammonia at high-efficiency (ultra-supercritical) coal-fired thermal power plants.
- ② Promote the development of renewable energy centered on offshore wind power generation projects and work to further improve the efficiency of LNG thermal power generation.
- ③ Reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emission intensity by 20% compared to that of thermal power plants in Japan as a whole, based on the long-term energy supply and demand outlook for FY2030 set by the government. (Table-2/Figure-1 and 2)

In May 2022, JERA established the "JERA Environmental Target 2035" to accelerate further its efforts to achieve the realization of  $CO_2$  zero emissions and clarified and announced its goal to reduce  $CO_2$  emissions from domestic operations by at least 60% (relative to FY 2013) by FY 2035 and to improve the ammonia co-firing rate. (Figure-2)





Figure-1: JERA's approach towards zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions by 2050 (Decarbonization strategy)



## Table-2: Approaches of JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 (Decarbonization strategy)

Initiatives	Goal
	2050 Zero CO <sub>2</sub> emissions
<ul> <li>JERA will take on the challenge of achieving CO<sub>2</sub> zero emissions from JERA's operations in Japan and overseas by 2050 through the achievement of its mission, "To provide cutting-edge solutions to the world's energy issues".</li> <li>Complementarity between Renewable Energy and Zero CO2 Emission Thermal Power Generation</li> <li>Establishment of Roadmaps Suitable for Each</li> </ul>	<ul> <li><u>2035</u></li> <li>Reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from domestic operations by at least 60% (relative to FY 2013).</li> <li>Given the expanded adoption of renewable energy based on the national government's 2050 carbon neutral policy, JERA will strive to develop and adopt renewable energy in Japan.</li> <li>Work to reduce carbon emission intensity from thermal power generation by promoting hydrogen and ammonia co-firing.</li> </ul>
Country and Region <ul> <li>Adoption of "Smart Transition"</li> </ul>	<b>2030</b> ① Shut down/decommission all inefficient
Promotion of zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emission Thermal Power and Renewable energy	(supercritical or less) coal-fired thermal power plants and promote demonstration experiments of mixed combustion with ammonia at high-efficiency (ultra-supercritical)
<ul> <li>Shut down all inefficient (supercritical or less) coal power plants</li> <li>Demonstration tests of mixed combustion with ammonia</li> <li>Implementation of mixed combustion with Hydrogen</li> <li>Promoting offshore wind power</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>ammonia at high-emiciency (ditra-supercritical) coal-fired thermal power plants.</li> <li>Promote the development of renewable energy centered on offshore wind power generation projects and work to further improve the efficiency of LNG thermal power generation.</li> <li>Reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emission intensity by 20% compared to that of thermal power plants in Japan as a whole, based on the long-term energy supply and demand outlook for FY2030 set by the government.</li> </ul>

For the realization of  $CO_2$  zero emissions, the "JERA Zero  $CO_2$  Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan" (Figure 2) states that JERA will promote various research and development, demonstration, introduction of technologies and facilities while promoting  $CO_2$  emissions reduction by utilizing decarbonization technologies in the medium term.

In May 2022, JERA added a target to accelerate further its efforts to achieve the realization of  $CO_2$  zero emissions, aiming to reduce  $CO_2$  emissions from domestic operations by at least 60% (relative to FY2013) by FY 2035 with the establishment of the "JERA Environmental Target 2035" and the update of the "JERA Zero  $CO_2$  Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan". Furthermore, JERA have developed a more ambitious transition strategy including clarifying the timing of full-scale operation at 20% and 50% ammonia co-firing rates in coal-fired thermal power generation, which is consistent with the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI.





This roadmap will be gradually developed in greater detail based on relevant conditions such as government policies. JERA will revise the roadmap when relevant conditions change significantly. \*The use of CO--free LNG is also being considered.

#### Figure-2: "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan (Updated May 2022)"



Table-3: JERA's non-consolidated greenhouse gas emissions in Japan (FY2020 results)

Scope	GHG Emissions (CO <sub>2</sub> equivalent)	
Scope1	114,950,000 t-CO <sub>2</sub>	
Scope 2	4,000 t-CO <sub>2</sub>	
Scope3	20,680,000 t-CO <sub>2</sub>	
Total	135,640,000 t-CO <sub>2</sub>	

Scope 1: Direct emissions of greenhouse gases by the company itself (combustion of fuels, industrial processes)

Scope 2: Indirect emissions from the use of electricity, heat and steam supplied by other companies

Scope 3: Indirect emissions other than Scope 1 and 2 (emissions from other companies related to the company's' activities)

\* Data includes emissions of Hitachinaka Generation Co. Inc.

 $\ast$  Scope 2 and 3 cover CO\_2 only. Scope 1 covers CO\_2, CH\_4 (methane), N\_2O

(nitrous oxide),  $SF_6$  (sulphur hexafluoride) and HFC (alternative freon).

## Table-4: JERA's participation in External Initiatives and Endorsements

External Initiatives		JERA's Initiatives	
Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)	SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS	Contribute to the achievement of the SDGs by promoting business activities aimed at realising its vision, <u>"To scale up its clean energy platform of</u> <u>renewables and low greenhouse gas thermal power,</u> <u>sparking sustainable development in Asia and around</u> <u>the world</u> " (see Table-1).	
Task Force on Climate- related Financial Disclosures (TCFD)	TCFD TCFD Consortium	JERA endorses the TCFD recommendations and will use scenario analysis for identifying climate change- related business opportunities and risks. JERA is also a member of the TCFD Consortium, which is discussing how to disclose information on climate change responses in line with the TCFD recommendations.	
Ocean Renewable Energy Action Coalition		Discussing the initiatives required to governments and industries to ensure the sustainable expansion of offshore wind power towards 2050.	



# iv. About the JERA Transition Bond Framework

In order to advance the initiatives toward CO<sub>2</sub> zero emissions set forth in "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050", and in order to raise funds for transition activities contributing to realize the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI through transition finance, JERA formulated the JERA Transition Bond Framework (hereinafter, "Framework"). The criteria which this Framework specifically referred to is described in (3) of Section II below.

# v. Issuer's Transition Strategy for Decarbonization

# (1) Strategies by Sector (Industry) at the International/National/Regional Level

Figure-3 shows the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI.

The transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI (see figure-3) and JERA's Roadmap (see figure-2) are well aligned in terms of decarbonizing power sources and increasing the efficiency of thermal power generation as a transition power source by developing and introducing the latest technologies. The transition roadmap for the electricity sector refers to the Sixth Strategic Energy Plan, which is in line with the Plans for Global Warming Countermeasures. These are established based on Japanese government's aim to achieve carbon neutrality in 2050 and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 46% in 2030 compared to the FY2013 level in refer to IPCC 1.5°C Special Report. These are consistent with the Paris Agreement.

JERA will shut down all inefficient coal-fired power plants by 2030, and promote the demonstration of mixed combustion with ammonia at high-efficiency (ultra-supercritical) coal-fired thermal power plants. In addition, JERA will replace the existing inefficient LNG thermal power stations with high-efficiency stations, and carry out the demonstration of mixed combustion with hydrogen. Through these approaches, JERA will achieve reducing carbon emission intensity from thermal power plants by 20% based on the long-term energy supply-demand outlook for FY 2030 as set by the government. JERA also aim to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from domestic operations by at least 60% (relative to FY 2013) by FY 2035. Thus, it is considered that JERA's policy of shutting down the inefficient coal power plants indicated in its roadmap, and its reduction target of CO<sub>2</sub> emission intensity by 2030 <u>and CO<sub>2</sub> emission reduction target for 2035</u> are closely related to the pathway outlined in the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI (Figure-3).



ransition Ro	oadmap fo	r Decarbonizin	g the Electricity	y Sector R Demonstrat Practical use and introduct	
	2020	2025	2030	2040	2050
Decarbonized power sources	Sector and the sec	nization as a procurement entit		2010	2050
100% Ammonia-firing	Technology Development through Gr	en Innovation Fund Demonstrat		Practical use and introduction (Introduction in 2040s)	
100% Hydrogen-firing	Technology development throug	h NEDO projects, etc. Demonstration of actu	al equipment through the GI Fund (~2030)	Establishment of the technology and commercialization	1
CC(U)S	R&D (performance improvemen				
Renewable energy and nuclear power					
Discontinuation of thermal power sources	4				
	Efforts toward future	decarbonization as a procurem	ent entity utilizing the latest tech	nological standards	
Ammonia co-firing farget of the Basic Energy Plan: Approx. 1% by 2030 (Total of hydrogen and ammonia)	Actual equipment being demons		pprox. 20% Full-scale introc	duction of ammonia-fired power generation (Approx. 50%-60%)	+
Hydrogen co-firing Target of the Basic Energy Plan: Approx. 1% by 2030 (Total of hydrogen and ammonia)	Demonstration of actual equipm	ent through the GI Fund ( $\sim$ 2025), etc.	Establishment of technology with a	10 % co-firing, Commercialization around 2030	Power sources that do not have CCS in place by Page by
Biomass co-firing Target of the Basic Energy Plan: Approx. S% by 2030 (including 100% biomass-firing)		Expansion of introduction and	d improvement of mixed firing rate		2050 are assumed to be dedicated fuel sources.
Efforts that depend on the zero-emission status of power sources	Efforts to be made wh	ile promoting efforts to decarb	oonize the power sector		-
Strengthening and upgrading of power transmission and distribution networks				power sources, they may be eligible for transition finar	
Promotion of DR and electrification, etc.	+				
Storage battery and pumping water Distributed energy resources	4				
		hifting from coal to natural gas may be ring, dedicated firing and CC(U)S.	e eligible for transition finance on the pre	emise that the power sources will be decarbonized by a	2050, with a
<sup>™</sup> "Electrification" includes inc	direct electrification (use of hy	drogen produced by water electrolysi	s using electricity from renewable energ	y sources, etc.).	
ℜ All mixing rates are based	on calorific value.				

Figure-3: "Transition Roadmap for Electricity Sector", February 2022, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (Provisional translation by DNV based on the Japanese version)



# (2) Issuer's Transition Strategies

JERA has positioned its efforts to achieve its medium- and long-term goals, that aim at realizing  $CO_2$  zero emission by 2050 set out in "JERA Zero  $CO_2$  Emissions 2050" and "JERA Zero  $CO_2$  Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan", as its transition strategy. These are consistent with the Transition Roadmap for the electricity sector.

Given the fact that indirect emissions from power generation accounts for 38% of the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions per final energy consumption in Japan where JERA operates, the transition strategy of JERA, whose major emissions come from its thermal power generation, will not only contribute to reducing emissions from its own business activities (Scope 1 and 2), but also contribute to achieving the decarbonization goals of diverse entities.

Table-5 below shows JERA's goal by 2050 and the mid-term goals, "JERA Environmental Target 2030" and <u>"JERA Environmental Target 2035"</u>. In addition, Figure-2 below (reposted) shows the overview of JERA's transition strategy, specific initiatives and timelines. The main initiatives for achieving carbon neutrality are shown in Table-5 below.

MEDIUM- TERM GOALS	JERA ENVIRONMENTAL TARGET 2030	<ul> <li>REDUCE CARBON EMISSION INTENSITY OF THERMAL POWER PLANTS BY 20% BASED ON THE LONG-TERM ENERGY SUPPLY- DEMAND OUTLOOK FOR FY 2030 AS SET BY THE GOVERNMENT.</li> <li>SHUT DOWN ALL INEFFICIENT (SUPERCRITICAL OR LESS) COAL POWER PLANTS</li> <li>PROMOTE DEMONSTRATION OF MIXED COMBUSTION WITH AMMONIA AT HIGH-EFFICIENCY (ULTRA-SUPERCRITICAL) POWER PLANTS</li> <li>PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF RENEWABLE ENERGY CENTERED ON OFFSHORE WIND POWER PROJECTS</li> <li>WORK TO FURTHER IMPROVE THE EFFICIENCY OF LNG THERMAL POWER GENERATION</li> </ul>
	<u>JERA</u> <u>ENVIRONMENTAL</u> <u>TARGET 2035</u>	<ul> <li>REDUCE CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS FROM DOMESTIC OPERATIONS BY AT LEAST 60% (RELATIVE TO FY 2013) BY FY 2035.</li> <li>GIVEN THE EXPANDED ADOPTION OF RENEWABLE ENERGY BASED ON THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT'S 2050 CARBON NEUTRAL POLICY, JERA WILL STRIVE TO DEVELOP AND ADOPT RENEWABLE ENERGY IN JAPAN</li> <li>JERA WILL WORK TO REDUCE CARBON EMISSION INTENSITY FROM THERMAL POWER GENERATION BY PROMOTING HYDROGEN AND AMMONIA CO-FIRING</li> </ul>
LONG- TERM GOALS	2050	• CO <sub>2</sub> ZERO EMISSIONS

Table-5: JERA Transition Goals

\*JERA's roadmap will be refined in stages based on policy and other assumptions. The roadmap will also be revised if the assumptions change significantly.





This roadmap will be gradually developed in greater detail based on relevant conditions such as government policies. JERA will revise the roadmap when relevant conditions change significantly. \*The use of CO--free LNG is also being considered.

Figure-2 (Re-posted): "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan (Updated in May 2022)"

Figure-4 shows a timeline for the commercial operation of ammonia and hydrogen co-firing rates in thermal power generation. Table-6 shows the major efforts to achieve carbon neutrality.

To achieve the JERA Environmental Targets, JERA aims to develop decarbonization technologies in the following timeline:
 A demonstration test with an ammonia co-firing rate of 20% will start at Hekinan Thermal Power Station Unit 4 by FY2024, and another demonstration test with a co-firing rate of at least 50% will be conducted at Hekinan Thermal Power Station Unit 5 by FY2028. JERA aims for commercial operation at the same co-firing rate.

A demonstration test of with a hydrogen co-firing rate of 30% (by volume) using JERA's gas turbine combustor will be conducted by FY2025 with the aim of commercial operation in the mid 2030s.



Figure-4: Specific Initiatives for Decarbonization



# Table-6: JERA's Main Initiatives to Achieve Carbon Neutrality (Transition Finance and Nominated Projects)

Project categories	Eligibility Criteria	Project Overview (Main Expenditure)
		<ol> <li>Demonstration study of 20% ammonia co-firing in 1 million kW class coal-fired power plant</li> </ol>
		- Project period: June 2021 - March 2025
		- Project description: Development and demonstration test of technology to convert 20% of fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at Hekinan Thermal Power Station Unit 4 (to FY2024)
Transition Project Projects for the realization of zero	The expenditures related to demonstration projects of fossil fuels	<ul> <li>Demonstration study on actual equipment to establish technology for high ammonia co-firing rate at commercial thermal power plants         <ul> <li>Project period: FY2021 to FY2028</li> <li>Project description: Development of a new ammonia high-efficiency burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to FY 2024), and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at the Hekinan thermal power station (to FY2028).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
CO <sub>2</sub> emission thermal power	and ammonia/hydrogen co-firing	※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund Project "Establishment of Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Project"
		<ul> <li>③ Demonstration of high co-firing rate at thermal power station using ammonia single-fuel burners         <ul> <li>Project period: FY2021 to FY2028</li> <li>Project description: Development of a new ammonia single-fuel burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to 2024), and conducting technology development and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at two different boiler units (to FY2028).</li> <li>※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund Project</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>"Establishment of Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Project"</li> <li>Technical verification of hydrogen co-firing power generation</li> </ul>
		for the construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain
		- Project period: October 2021 to March 2026
		- Project description: Conducting demonstration tests at large- scale LNG-fired power plants in Japan to convert approximately 30% (by volume) of LNG into hydrogen for power generation (to FY2025).



	※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund project for "Construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain"
The expenditures related to decommissions of inefficient thermal power plants, with the aim of replacement for high-efficiency thermal power plants	⑤ Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Goi Thermal Power Station (LNG)
	<ul> <li>Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Chita Thermal Power Station (LNG) (Demolition plan is in preparation)</li> </ul>



# (3) Governance of the Issuer (Sustainability Promotion System)

JERA considers all matters related to transition finance as matters related to its management strategy and implements the following corporate governance system. In order to expand business throughout the world in a wide range of fields, the Board of Directors consisting of directors from JERA who are familiar with JERA's business, and outside directors who have extensive knowledge and experience shall make material business decisions and supervise business executions. Further, JERA has corporate auditors as independent officers (the "Corporate Auditors") who shall be responsible for auditing the execution of the Directors' duties. In addition, in order to separate the decision-making and supervision of management from the execution of business and to effectuate accurate and prompt decision-making and efficient business execution, JERA has adopted an executive officer system where executive officers are responsible for business execution based on the decisions made by the Board.



Figure-5 Corporate Governance System (Changed in April 2022)

Name of issuer: JERA Co., Inc. Name of Framework: JERA Transition Bond Framework Name of external reviewer: DNV Business Assurance Japan K.K. Date of report: 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022



# II. Scope and Objectives

DNV has been commissioned by JERA to provide a pre-issuance assessment on JERA Transition Bond Framework (hereinafter, "Framework") and the Transition Bonds. Our objective was to implement an assessment on whether the JERA's Framework and Transition Bonds meet the criteria established on CTFH•CTFBG and GBP•GBGLs and provide a second party opinion on the eligibility of the Framework and the Transition Bonds to be issued.

DNV, as an independent external reviewer, has identified no real or perceived conflict of interest associated with the delivery of this second-party opinion for JERA.

In this report, no assurance is provided regarding the financial performance of the BOND, the value of any investments in the BOND, or the long-term environmental impacts of the transaction.

# (1) Scope of Review<sup>\*</sup>

The review assessed the following elements and confirmed their alignment with the gist of GBP:

- ☑. Use of Proceeds☑. Process for Project Evaluation and Selection
- $\boxtimes$ . Management of Proceeds  $\boxtimes$ . Reporting
- \*The scope of review is to be applied as a part of the evaluation of the transition finance with use of proceeds

Rating

\*The four disclosure elements of CTFH and CTFBG are included in the scope of review

## (2) Role(s) of Review Provider

- $\boxtimes$  Consultancy (incl. 2<sup>nd</sup> opinion)  $\Box$  Certification
- □ Verification
- $\Box$  Other (*please specify*):

## (3) Standards/Guidelines to be Applied

No.	Standards/guidelines	Scheme owner
1.	Climate Transition Finance Handbook $(CTFH)^{*1}$	International Capital Market Association (ICMA), 2020
2.	Basic Guidelines on Climate Transition Finance (CTFBG) <sup>*1</sup>	Financial Services Agency, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, Ministry of the Environment, 2021
3.	Green Bond Principles (GBP) *2	International Capital Market Association (ICMA), 2021
4.	Green Bond Guidelines (GBGLs) *2	Ministry of the Environment, 2020

\*1 Climate transition: The concept of climate transition focuses principally on the credibility of an issuer's climate changerelated commitments and practices. (Quoted from CTFH and CTFBG)

\*2 It confirms compliance with the four core elements (use of proceeds, process for project evaluation and selection, management of proceeds, and reporting) that must be met when implementing as a bond that meets the four elements of transition and has a specific use of proceeds (quoted from CTFBG).



# III. Responsibilities of JERA and DNV

JERA has provided the information and data used by DNV during the delivery of this review. DNV's second party opinion represents an independent opinion and is intended to inform JERA and other interested stakeholders of JERA's Transition Finance whether the established criteria have been met, based on the information provided to us. In our work we have relied on the information and the facts presented to us by JERA. DNV is not responsible for any aspect of the nominated projects and assets referred to in this opinion and cannot be held liable if estimates, findings, opinions, or conclusions are incorrect. Thus, DNV shall not be held liable if any of the information or data provided by JERA's management and used as a basis for this assessment were not correct or completed.

# **IV. Basis of DNV's Opinion**

To provide as much flexibility for the issuer, JERA as possible, we have adapted our JERA Transition Finance assessment methodologies, which incorporates the requirements of the CTFH, CTFBG and GBP, GBGLs, to create a JERA Transition Finance Eligibility Assessment Protocol (hereinafter, "Protocol"). Please refer to Schedule-2 and Schedule-3.

DNV, as an independent external reviewer, provides second party opinion according to the protocol.

Our Protocol includes a set of suitable criteria that can be used to underpin DNV's opinion. The overarching principle behind the Climate Transition Finance of Bond with a specific use of proceeds as the basis for the opinion are as follows:

- "provide an investment opportunity with transparent sustainability credentials"
- "enable capital-raising and investment for new and existing projects with environmental impacts"



As per our Protocol, the criteria against which the JERA Transition Finance has been reviewed are grouped into common elements below, represented by CTFH, CTFBG and GBP, GBGLs.

# (1) Four Elements of CTFH/CTFBG (disclosure elements)

- **Principle One: Issuer's Climate Transition Strategy and Governance** The financing purpose should be for enabling the issuer's climate change strategy.
- **Principle Two: Business Model Environmental Materiality** The planned climate transition trajectory should be relevant to the environmentally-material parts of the issuer's business model.
- Principle Three: Transition is Science-based including Targets and Pathway Issuer's climate strategy should reference science-based targets and transition pathways.
- **Principle Four: Implementation Transparency** Market communication in connection with the offer of a financing instrument which has the aim of funding the issuer's climate transition strategy should also provide transparency of the underlying investment program.

# (2) Four elements of GBP/GBGLs

# • Principle One: Use of Proceeds

The Use of Proceeds criteria are guided by the requirement that the issuer of a green bond must use the funds raised to bond eligible activities. The eligible activities should produce clear environmental benefits.

# • Principle Two: Process for Project Evaluation and Selection

The Project Evaluation and Selection criteria are guided by the requirements that the issuer of a green bond should outline the process it follows when determining eligibility of an investment using green bond proceeds, and outline any impacts objectives it will consider.

# • Principle Three: Management of Proceeds

The Management of Proceeds criteria are guided by the requirements that a green bond should be tracked within the issuing organization, that separate portfolios should be created when necessary and that a declaration of how unallocated funds will be handled should be made.

# • Principle Four: Reporting

The Reporting criteria are guided by the recommendation that at least Sustainability Reporting to the bond investors should be made of the use of bond proceeds and that quantitative and/or qualitative performance indicators should be used, where feasible.



# V. Work Undertaken

Our work constituted a comprehensive review of the available information, based on the understanding that this information was provided to us by the issuer in good faith. We have not performed an audit or other tests to check the veracity of the information provided to us. The work undertaken to form our opinion included:

# i. Pre-funding Assessment (Transition Bonds Framework and Transition Bonds)

- Creation of a JERA-specific Protocol, adapted to the purpose of the JERA Transition Finance, as described above and in Schedule-2 to this assessment.
- Assessment of documentary evidence provided by JERA on the JERA Transition Finance and supplemented assessment by a comprehensive desktop research. These checks refer to current assessment best practice and standards methodologies;
- Discussions with JERA, and review of relevant documentation;
- Documentation of findings against each element of the criteria.

# ii. Post-funding Assessment (\*not included in this report)

- Interview with JERA management, and review of the relevant documentation;
- Field research and inspection (if necessary)
- Document creation of post-issuance assessment results



# VI. Findings and DNV's Opinion

DNV's findings and opinion are as described in (1) and (2) below.

CTF-1 to 4 in (1) below are the findings and opinions of DNV against the disclosure elements of CTFH and CTFBG.

Please see Schedule-2 for details.

GBP-1 to 4 in (2) below are the findings and opinions of DNV against the requirement of the four common elements of GBP/GBGLs.

Please see Schedule-3 for details.

# (1) Findings and Opinions of DNV against the Four Common Elements (Disclosure Elements) of CTFH and CTFBG

# CTF-1. Issuer's Climate Transition Strategy and Governance

- JERA released "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050", the goal of achieving zero CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 2050, and "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan" in October 2020. JERA has set a long-term goal of CO<sub>2</sub> zero emission by 2050, which is consistent with the goal of the Paris Agreement, and also has set the medium-term goals "JERA Environmental Target 2030" to achieve its long-term goal. JERA disclosed its strategic plan to achieve the goal of transitioning to carbon neutrality in its roadmap.
- In May 2022, JERA added a target to accelerate further its efforts to achieve the realization of CO<sub>2</sub> zero emissions, aiming to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from domestic operations by at least 60% (relative to FY 2013) by FY 2035 with the establishment of the "JERA Environmental Target 2035" and the update of the "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan". Furthermore, JERA has developed a more ambitious transition strategy, including clarifying the timing of full-scale operation at 20% and 50% ammonia co-firing rates in thermal power generation, consistent with the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI.
- Based on the science-based long-term targets quantified by JERA, DNV has reviewed and confirmed that JERA's targets correspond to achieving the goals of the Paris Agreement. JERA sets corporate environmental strategies that are important to its business model based on the identification of risks and opportunities and scenario analysis referred to TCFD guidance.
- Specifically, JERA's Transition Strategy is consistent with the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI and is incorporated with its activity plan which referred to the TCFD guidance. In addition, in order to achieve continuous emission reductions in the future, JERA plans to review its efforts in



a timely and appropriate manner, considering the development status of the corresponding technology and the timeline.

- JERA recognizes that response to climate change, including the implementation of Transition Strategy, is one of the most significant issues of its business, and has established system and Framework to promote the initiatives specified in "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050"" and "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan" at the management level.
- As a global company that provide energy solutions not only in Japan, but also around the world, JERA considers global warming countermeasures as its highest-priority management issue. Given that there are many countries in the world experiencing such remarkable growth that the supply of power is unable to keep up while there are also many areas that remain non-electrified and are in need of power generation facilities, JERA's mission is not only to provide optimal, environmentally conscious power solutions to these countries and regions, but also to create jobs via the power facility construction process as well as to cultivate human resources through the provision of technology and expertise. In turn, these will serve as springboards for further growth and development of industries, communities, and societies. Through these activities, JERA aims to broadly contribute to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) set by the United Nations. Among the materiality issues identified in the JERA Group Corporate Communication Book 2021 (Integrated Report)", transition finance mainly relates to "Expansion of decarbonization/Renewable energy" and "Improvement of thermal efficiency of thermal power generation".
- DNV has confirmed that the implementation plan provided by JERA, which is established based on the Framework, "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050" and "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan", is well aligned with JERA's Transition Strategy. Through the assessment, DNV has also confirmed that the implementation plan established based on its Transition Strategy is reliable, ambitious and achievable.

# CTF-2. Business Model Environmental Materiality

- Given the fact that indirect emissions from power generation accounts for 38% of the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions per final energy consumption in Japan where JERA operates, the transition strategy of JERA, whose major emissions come from its thermal power generation, will not only contribute to reducing emissions from its own business activities (Scope 1 and 2), but also contribute to achieving the decarbonization goals of diverse entities. In other words, JERA's approach towards transition aiming to achieve decarbonization at a lower cost and higher speed while maintaining stable energy supply, will directly support its own transition as well as the transition of society as a whole.



- JERA's roadmap is aligned with the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI.
- DNV confirmed that JERA's plan to implement its Transition Strategy is one of the activities of JERA's core business and is closely linked to the activities that contribute to the CO<sub>2</sub> reduction of the society as a whole, thus will contribute to the overall environment. JERA's Transition Strategy is associated with the materiality that JERA has identified by facilitating GRI standards<sup>\*1</sup>, ISO26000, SASB standards<sup>\*2</sup>, etc., and will contribute to generate significant positive environmental impacts both qualitatively and quantitatively.

\*1: An international standard providing ESG-related reporting, management and analysis methods established by Global Reporting Initiative

\*2: A disclosure standard on ESG factors that are expected to have a high financial impact in the future developed by the Sustainable Accounting Standards Board

# CTF-3. Climate Transition to be Science-based including Targets and Pathways

- JERA has set a transition plan consistent with the Paris Agreement, which is science-based, and a transition trajectory consistent with the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI. The transition roadmap for the electricity sector refers to the Sixth Strategic Energy Plan, which is in line with the Plans for Global Warming Countermeasures. These are established based on Japanese government's aim to achieve carbon neutrality in 2050 and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 46% in 2030 compared to the FY2013 level referring to IPCC 1.5°C Special Report. These plans are consistent with the Paris Agreement.

DNV has confirmed that JERA's Transition Strategy quantified emission intensity, absolute value and ratio based on a consistent methodology with prescribed assumptions. Specifically, JERA sets out the following transition targets in its roadmap.

MEDIUM- TERM GOALS	JERA ENVIRONMENTAL TARGET 2030	<ul> <li>REDUCE CARBON EMISSION INTENSITY OF THERMAL POWER PLANTS BY 20% BASED ON THE LONG-TERM ENERGY SUPPLY- DEMAND OUTLOOK FOR FY 2030 AS SET BY THE GOVERNMENT.</li> <li>SHUT DOWN ALL INEFFICIENT (SUPERCRITICAL OR LESS) COAL POWER PLANTS</li> <li>PROMOTE DEMONSTRATION OF MIXED COMBUSTION WITH AMMONIA AT HIGH-EFFICIENCY (ULTRA-SUPERCRITICAL) POWER PLANTS</li> <li>PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF RENEWABLE ENERGY CENTERED ON OFFSHORE WIND POWER PROJECTS</li> <li>WORK TO FURTHER IMPROVE THE EFFICIENCY OF LNG THERMAL POWER GENERATION</li> </ul>
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Table-5 (Re-posted) JERA Transition Goals



	<u>JERA</u> <u>ENVIRONMENTAL</u> <u>TARGET 2035</u>	<ul> <li>REDUCE CO<sub>2</sub> EMISSIONS FROM DOMESTIC OPERATIONS BY AT LEAST 60% (RELATIVE TO FY 2013) BY FY 2035.</li> <li>GIVEN THE EXPANDED ADOPTION OF RENEWABLE ENERGY BASED ON THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT'S 2050 CARBON NEUTRAL POLICY, JERA WILL STRIVE TO DEVELOP AND ADOPT RENEWABLE ENERGY IN JAPAN</li> <li>JERA WILL WORK TO REDUCE CARBON EMISSION INTENSITY FROM THERMAL POWER GENERATION BY PROMOTING HYDROGEN AND AMMONIA CO-FIRING</li> </ul>
LONG- TERM GOALS	2050	• CO <sub>2</sub> ZERO EMISSIONS

JERA's roadmap will be refined in stages based on policies and other assumptions. The roadmap will also be revised if the assumptions change significantly.



# CTF-4. Implementation Transparency

- DNV confirmed that the investment and project plans related to JERA's transition strategy included investments and expenditures that has been implemented and are scheduled in the future. DNV also confirmed that the overall investment plan (investment amount) will be executed in accordance with the timeline. DNV confirmed that in order to ensure transparency, JERA will discuss on the disclosure, wherever possible, of its basic investment plan (investment amount).
- DNV also reviewed the Framework and the ESG management of JERA and confirmed high transparency in the implementation. JERA explained the appropriateness of its execution to DNV and DNV agreed on the appropriateness.

# (2) Findings and Opinions of DNV against the Four Common Elements of GBP/GBGLs

\*The four elements are criteria of transition finance in the format of use of proceeds instrument, and green bonds stated below can be read as transition finance (bond) partially.

#### GBP-1. Use of Proceeds

JERA has defined the eligibility criteria as transition projects that aligned with its Transition Strategy and related handbooks, principles and guidelines (CTF-H and CTF-BG). Table-6 (Re-posted) shows the eligibility criteria of JERA's Transition Finance and the overview of the projects.



# Table-6 (reposted) JERA's Main Initiatives to Achieve Carbon Neutrality (Transition Finance and Nominated Projects)

Project categories	Eligibility Criteria	Project Overview (Main Expenditure)
	The expenditures related to demonstration projects of fossil fuels and ammonia/hydrogen co-firing	① Demonstration study of 20% ammonia co-firing in 1 million kW class coal-fired power plant
		<ul> <li>Project period: June 2021 - March 2025</li> <li>Project description: Development and demonstration test of technology to convert 20% of fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at Hekinan Thermal Power Station Unit 4 (to FY2024)</li> </ul>
		※ Adoption of New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization (NEDO) subsidized project "Development of Technologies for Carbon Recycling and Next- Generation Thermal Power Generation / Research, Development and Demonstration of Technologies for Ammonia Co-Firing Thermal Power Generation"
Transition Project Projects for the realization of zero $CO_2$ emission		<ul> <li>Demonstration study on actual equipment to establish technology for high ammonia co-firing rate at commercial thermal power plants         <ul> <li>Project period: FY2021 to FY2028</li> <li>Project description: Development of a new ammonia highefficiency burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to FY 2024), and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at the Hekinan thermal power station (to FY2028).</li> <li>※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund Project</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
thermal power		<ul> <li>"Establishment of Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Project"</li> <li>③ Demonstration of high co-firing rate at thermal power station using ammonia single-fuel burners <ul> <li>Project period: FY2021 to FY2028</li> <li>Project description: Development of a new ammonia single-fuel burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to 2024), and conducting technology development and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at two different boiler units (to FY2028).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
		※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund Project "Establishment of Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Project"
		④ Technical verification of hydrogen co-firing power generation for the construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain
		<ul> <li>Project period: October 2021 to March 2026</li> <li>Project description: Conducting demonstration tests at large-scale LNG-fired power plants in Japan to convert approximately 30% (by volume) of LNG into hydrogen for power generation (to FY2025).</li> </ul>



	※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund project for "Construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain"
The expenditures related to decommissions of	(5) Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Goi Thermal Power Station (LNG)
inefficient thermal power plants, with the aim of replacement for high-efficiency thermal power plants	<ul> <li>Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Chita Thermal Power Station (LNG) (Demolition plan is in preparation)</li> </ul>

DNV has confirmed that JERA plans to allocate the net proceeds from Transition Finance to financing and refinancing the capital investments, operating expenses, investments, R&D expenses and demobilization cost of eligible transition projects that in line with JERA's investment plans for implementation of its transition strategy.

These projects are representative projects exemplified by CTFH/CTFBG and GBP/GBGLs that contribute to business transformation. These projects also directly or indirectly support the decommissioning of inefficient coal-fired thermal power and the shift to LNG and ammonia/hydrogen co-firing. Moreover, they contribute to the achievement of the transition roadmap for electricity sector of METI. These projects are regarded as having clear and positive environmental impacts in line with JERA's Transition Strategy, and are expected to contribute to the SDGs. The projects are aligned with GBP-1.

Table-7 shows the details of six transition projects falling under the two eligibility criteria to which the proceeds of the Transition Bond (to be issued in <u>May</u> 2022) will be allocated.


E	ligibility Criteria	Project Overview (Main Expenditure)
		<b>Project Name:</b> Demonstration study of 20% ammonia co-firing in 1 million kW class coal-fired power plant
1		<b>Project Overview:</b> Development and demonstration test of technology to convert 20% of fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at Hekinan Thermal Power Station Unit 4 (to FY2024).
		Project Period: June 2021 - March 2025
		<b>Environmental Impacts:</b> The overview and progress status of project will be reported.
		<b>Project Name:</b> Demonstration study on actual equipment to establish technology for high ammonia co-firing rate at commercial thermal power plants
2		<b>Project Overview:</b> Development of a new ammonia high-efficiency burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to FY 2024), and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at the Hekinan thermal power station (to FY2028).
	The expenditures	Project Period: FY2021 to FY2028
	related to demonstration projects of fossil	<b>Environmental Impacts:</b> The overview and progress status of project will be reported.
	fuels and ammonia/hydrogen co-firing	<b>Project Name:</b> Demonstration of high co-firing rate at thermal power station using ammonia single-fuel burners
3		<b>Project Overview</b> : Development of a new ammonia single-fuel burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to 2024), and conducting technology development and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at two different boiler units (to FY2028).
		<b>Environmental Impacts:</b> The overview and progress status of project will be reported.
		<b>Project Name:</b> Technical verification of hydrogen co-firing power generation for the construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain
4		<b>Project Overview:</b> Conducting demonstration tests at large-scale LNG-fired power plants in Japan to convert approximately 30% (by volume) of LNG into hydrogen for power generation (to FY2025).
		Project Period: October 2021 to March 2026
		<b>Environmental Impacts:</b> The overview and progress status of project will be reported.
	The expenditures	Project Name: Demolition of Goi Thermal Power Station
5	related to decommissions of inefficient thermal	<b>Project Overview:</b> Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Goi Thermal Power Station (LNG)
Ŭ	power plants, with	Completion of Demolition work: September 2023
	the aim of replacement for	<b>Environmental Impacts:</b> The overview and progress status of project will be reported.

#### Table-7 Transition Bonds (to be issued in May 2022) Details of Transition Projects



		JERA Co., Inc. JERA Transition Bond Framework Second Party Opinion Rev1.0
	high-efficiency thermal power	Project Name: Demolition of Chita Thermal Power Station
	plants	<b>Project Overview:</b> Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Chita Thermal Power Station (LNG)
6		(Demolition plan is in preparation)
		Completion of Demolition work: TBD
		<b>Environmental Impacts:</b> The overview and progress status of project will be reported.

#### **Examples of Representative Transition Projects**



Photo-1 Project 1: JERA Hekinan Thermal Power Station Unit 4



Photo-2 Project 5: JERA Goi Thermal Power Station



#### GBP-2. Process for Project Evaluation and Selection

JERA confirms that the transition projects contribute to the achievement of its Transition Strategy. In addition, JERA also confirms that the following contents (< Exclusion Criteria>) are included in the Framework. Specifically, JERA's <u>Finance Group</u> will select nominated Eligible Projects as specified in the eligibility criteria and the related business departments will analyze and review the financial risks, technical and operational risks, market environment and ESG risks comprehensively. After that, <u>Executive Officer, Head of the Finance Group</u> will be responsible for selecting the Eligible Projects. The process had been established and will be executed in line with the normal operation of JERA. DNV confirmed that the plan will be implemented in accordance with the appropriate process.

< Exclusion Criteria>

- Unfair transactions that do not comply with the laws and regulations of the country, such as bribery, corruption, blackmail, embezzlement, etc
- Transactions that can cause social problems related to human rights and the environment

#### **Evaluation and selection**

- Conforms to the issuer's achievement of environmental contribution goals
- The project is eligible for use of proceeds by green bond and transparency is ensured.
- The project is evaluated and selected based on the published standard summary
- Documented process to determine that projects fit within defined categories
- Documented process to identify and manage potential ESG risks associated with the project
- □ Other (*please specify*):

#### Information on Responsibilities and Accountability

- ☑ Evaluation / Selection criteria subject to
   ☑ In-house assessment external advice or verification
- $\Box$  Other (please specify):



#### **GBP-3.** Management of Proceeds

The proceeds will be deposited into JERA's common account, and JERA's <u>Finance</u> <u>Group</u> will manage the allocation for each project using the accounting manual, accounting system and proceeds management forms for transition bonds.

The usage of accounting manual and accounting system as well as other applicable systems enables JERA's <u>Finance Group</u> to trace the proceeds over the redemption or repayment period. JERA's <u>Finance Group</u> will review the allocation status at least once a year, based on the proceeds management forms for transition bonds. Vouchers related to the management of the proceeds will be kept in accordance with accounting manual.

Such allocation to the Eligible Projects will be made within three years from the issuance. If the proceeds are to be used for refinancing existing expenditures, the look-back period is three years from the time of the financing, and the proceeds will be allocated to the eligible transition projects in accordance with the process set out in GBP-2.

The unallocated proceeds will be managed in cash or cash equivalents until the proceeds have been fully allocated.

Prior to any transition finance executed under this Framework in the future, the management of proceeds will be disclosed in legal documents.

#### **Tracking of Proceeds:**

- Some or all of the proceeds by green bonds that are planned to be allocated are systematically distinguished or tracked by the issuer.
- Disclosure of intended types of temporary investment instruments for unallocated proceeds
- Other (*please specify*): Unallocated proceeds are managed in cash or cash equivalents

#### Additional Disclosure:

- □ Allocations to future investments only
- Allocations to both existing and future investments
- Allocation to individual disbursements
- Disclosure of portfolio balance of unallocated proceeds
- □ Allocation to a portfolio of disbursements
- $\Box \qquad \text{Other (please specify):}$



#### GBP-4. Reporting

DNV confirmed that the issuer will report on transition finance (annually) until the proceeds are allocated, and will disclose the allocation status. As for the positive environmental impacts, DNV confirmed that JERA plans to report on the overview and progress of eligible projects been allocated until the completion of eligible projects.

DNV confirmed that even after the allocation plan or the allocation itself is completed, JERA will disclose information through reports on a timely basis or in the event of any significant change in transition strategy and pathway, the allocation plan and implementation status of projects.

Reports will be disclosed on the issuer's website.

#### <Allocation Status>

- Eligibility Criteria been allocated and the aggregated amount of proceeds allocated to the Eligible Projects at Eligibility Criteria level
- The amount of unallocated proceeds and management methods
- The amount of proceeds used for existing investments

#### <Positive Environmental Impacts>

 Positive environmental impacts are disclosed as overviews of the projects (including progress, completion, operation, etc.) within the scope of confidentiality, to the extent practicable, and in consideration of the characteristics of the project.

#### <Others>

• Efforts to achieve zero CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 2050 will be reviewed in a timely manner based on policies, technological trends, etc. and disclosed whenever necessary.

Table-8 shows the reporting plans (calculation methods) for positive environmental impacts of the six projects that will be financed by the scheduled transition bonds.



# Table-8 Calculating Methods of the Positive Environmental Impacts (Six Eligible Projects of the Scheduled Transition Bonds)

E	ligibility Criteria	Project Name and Overview	Positive Environmental Impact
1		Demonstration study of 20% ammonia co- firing in 1 million kW class coal-fired power plant NEDO subsidized project "Development of Technologies for Carbon Recycling and Next- Generation Thermal Power Generation / Research, Development and Demonstration	
		of Technologies for Ammonia Co-Firing Thermal Power Generation"	
2	The expenditures related to	Demonstration study on actual equipment to establish technology for high ammonia co- firing rate at commercial thermal power plants	
	demonstration projects of fossil fuels and ammonia/hydrogen	Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund Project "Establishment of Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Project"	
0	co-firing	Demonstration of high co-firing rate at thermal power station using ammonia single-fuel burners	The overview and progress status of project will be reported.
3		Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund Project "Establishment of Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Project"	
		Technical verification of hydrogen co-firing power generation for the construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain	
4		Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund project for "Construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain"	
5	The expenditures related to decommissions of	Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Goi Thermal Power Station (LNG)	
6	inefficient thermal power plants, with the aim of replacement for high-efficiency thermal power plants	Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Chita Thermal Power Station (LNG) (Demolition plan is in preparation)	



## **Use of Proceeds Reporting**

Project-by-project			On a project portfolio basis
Linkage to individual bond(s)		$\boxtimes$	Other (please specify): Eligible Criteria basis
Information Reported:			
$\boxtimes$	Allocated amounts		GB refinanced share of total investment
□ Other ( <i>please specify</i> ):			
Frequency:			
🛛 Annual			Semi-annual

□ Other (please specify):

#### Impact Reporting (Environmental Impacts):

$\boxtimes$	Project-by-project			On a project portfolio basis
	Linkage	to individual bond(s)		Other (please specify):
	Frequ	ency:		
	$\boxtimes$	Annual		□ Semi-annual
		Other (please specify):		
Information Reported (Expected or				ost):
		GHG Emissions / Savings		Energy savings
		<i>Other ESG indicators (please specify):</i> Overview project and progress status of project		
Mean	s of Dis	closure		
		ation published in financial (Integrated Report)		Information published in sustainability report
	Informa docume	ation published in ad hoc ents	$\boxtimes$	Other (please specify): disclosed on website
	Reporting reviewed (if yes, please specify external review)		/ whic	h parts of the reporting are subject to



## VII. Assessment Conclusion

On the basis of the information provided by JERA and the work undertaken, it is DNV's opinion that the JERA Transition Bond Framework and Transition Bond issued by JERA meets the criteria established in the Protocol, and that it is aligned with the following stated definition or purpose of climate transition finance for bonds that specify the use of proceeds within the CTFH/CTFBG, GBP/GBGLs, GLP/GLGLs.

"provide an investment opportunity with transparent sustainability credentials"

"enable capital-raising and investment for new and existing projects with environmental impacts"

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## Schedule-1 JERA Transition Bond Nominated Eligible Projects

The projects listed in the table are transition finance candidates that have been evaluated for eligibility at the time of pre-issue eligibility assessment (as of February 2022). In the future, bonds issued under the JERA Transition Bond Framework will be selected from one or more of the eligible project candidates and disclosed before financing in the legal documents or reported in post-financing reports. If additional transition projects are included, eligibility will be evaluated in advance by JERA in accordance with the JERA Transition Bond Framework and, if necessary, DNV will evaluate them in a timely manner.

	Project Overview (Main Expenditure)					
1)	The expenditures related to demonstration projects of fossil fuels and ammonia/hydrogen co- firing	<ul> <li>Demonstration study of 20% ammonia co-firing in 1 million kW class coal-fired power plant         <ul> <li>Project period: June 2021 - March 2025</li> <li>Project description: Development and demonstration test of technology to convert 20% of fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at Hekinan Thermal Power Station Unit 4 (to FY2024)</li> </ul> </li> <li>※ Adoption of New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization (NEDO) subsidized project "Development of Technologies for Carbon Recycling and Next-Generation Thermal Power Generation / Research, Development and Demonstration of Technologies for Ammonia Co-Firing Thermal Power Generation"</li> <li>© Demonstration study on actual equipment to establish technology for high ammonia co-firing rate at commercial thermal power plants         <ul> <li>Project description: Development of a new ammonia high-efficiency burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to FY 2024), and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at the Hekinan thermal power station (to FY2028).</li> </ul> </li> <li>※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund Project "Establishment of Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Project"</li> <li>③ Demonstration of high co-firing rate at thermal power station using ammonia single-fuel burners         <ul> <li>Project description: Development of a new ammonia single-fuel burners</li> <li>Project period: FY2021 to FY2028</li> <li>Project description: Development of a new ammonia single-fuel burners</li> <li>Project period: FY2021 to FY2028</li> <li>Project description: Development and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at two different boiler units (to FY2028).</li> </ul> </li> <li>※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund Project "Establishment of Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Projec</li></ul>				



		④ Technical verification of hydrogen co-firing power generation for the construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain
		<ul> <li>Project period: October 2021 to March 2026</li> <li>Project description: Conducting demonstration tests at large-scale LNG-fired power plants in Japan to convert approximately 30%</li> <li>(by volume) of LNG into hydrogen for power generation (to FY2025).</li> </ul>
		※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund project for "Construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain"
2)	The expenditures related to decommissions of inefficient	⑤ Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Goi Thermal Power Station (LNG)
2)	thermal power plants, with the aim of replacement for high- efficiency thermal power plants	<ul> <li>Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Chita Thermal Power Station (LNG) (Demolition plan is in preparation)</li> </ul>



## Schedule-2 Climate Transition Bond Eligibility Assessment Protocol

The checklists (1-4) below are DNV evaluation procedures created for JERA Transition Bond Framework and Transition Bond Eligibility Evaluation based on the disclosure requirements of CTFH and CTFBG. The "confirmed documents" in the Work Undertaken include public or private documents (internal documents of the issuer or borrower), etc., and are provided by JERA as evidence of eligibility judgment for DNV. \*Please replace "Issuer", "Investor" to "Borrower/Fundraiser", "Lender" in the context in the following requirements.

Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
1	Issuer's Climate Transition Strategy and Governance	<ul> <li>The financing purpose should be for enabling an issuer's climate change strategy. A 'transition' label applied to a debt financing instrument should serve to communicate the implementation of an issuer's corporate strategy to transform the business model in a way which effectively addresses climate-related risks and contributes to alignment with the goals of the Paris Agreement.</li> <li>&lt; Suggested information and indicators&gt;</li> <li>A long-term target to align with the goals of the Paris Agreement (e.g. the objective of limiting global warming ideally to 1.5℃ and, at the very least, to well below 2℃);</li> <li>Relevant interim targets on the trajectory towards the long-term goal;</li> <li>Disclosure on the issuer's levers towards decarbonisation, and strategic</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Confirmed documents</li> <li>Framework</li> <li>JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050</li> <li>JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan (Updated in May 2022)</li> <li>JERA Environmental Target 2030</li> <li>JERA Environmental Target 2035</li> <li>JERA Group Corporate Communication Book 2021 (Integrated Report)</li> <li>Information related to each project</li> <li>METI, "Transition roadmap for the electricity sector" Interviews with stakeholders</li> </ul>	JERA released "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050", the goal of achieving zero CO <sub>2</sub> emissions by 2050, and "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan" in October 2020. JERA has set a long-term goal of CO <sub>2</sub> zero emission by 2050, which is consistent with the goal of the Paris Agreement, and also has set the medium- term goals "JERA Environmental Target 2030" to achieve its long-term goal. JERA disclosed its strategic plan to achieve the goal of transitioning to carbon neutrality in its roadmap. Based on the science-based long-term targets quantified by JERA, DNV has reviewed and confirmed that JERA's targets correspond to achieving the goals of the Paris Agreement. JERA sets corporate environmental strategies that are important to its business model based on the identification of risks and opportunities and scenario analysis referred to TCFD guidance. In May 2022, JERA added a target to accelerate further its efforts to achieve the realization of CO <sub>2</sub> zero emissions, aiming to reduce CO <sub>2</sub> emissions from domestic operations by at least 60% (relative to FY2013) by FY



Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
		<ul> <li>planning towards a long-term target to align with the goals of the Paris Agreement;</li> <li>Clear oversight and governance of transition strategy and,</li> <li>Evidence of a broader sustainability strategy to mitigate relevant environmental and social externalities and contribute to the UN Sustainable Development Goals.</li> </ul>		2035 with the establishment of the "JERA Environmental Target 2035" and the update of the "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan". Furthermore, JERA have developed a more ambitious transition strategy including clarifying the timing of full- scale operation at 20% and 50% ammonia co-firing rates in coal-fired thermal power generation, which is consistent with the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI.
				Specifically, JERA's Transition Strategy is consistent with the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI and is incorporated with its activity plan which referred to the TCFD guidance. In addition, in order to achieve continuous emission reductions in the future, JERA plans to review its efforts in a timely and appropriate manner, considering the development status of the corresponding technology and the timeline.
				JERA recognizes that response to climate change, including the implementation of Transition Strategy, is one of the most significant issues of its business, and has established system and Framework to promote the initiatives specified in "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050", " and "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan <u>(Updated in May 2022)</u> ", "JERA Environmental Target 2030" and "JERA Environmental <u>Target 2035"</u> at the management level.
				As a global company that provide energy solutions not only in Japan, but also around the world, JERA considers global warming countermeasures as its highest-priority management issue. Given that there are many countries in the world experiencing such remarkable growth that



Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
				the supply of power is unable to keep up while there are also many areas that remain non-electrified and are in need of power generation facilities, JERA's mission is not only to provide optimal, environmentally conscious power solutions to these countries and regions, but also to create jobs via the power facility construction process as well as to cultivate human resources through the provision of technology and expertise. In turn, these will serve as springboards for further growth and development of industries, communities, and societies. Through these activities, JERA aims to broadly contribute to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) set by the United Nations. Among the materiality issues identified in the JERA Group Corporate Communication Book 2021 (Integrated Report)", transition finance mainly relates to "Expansion of decarbonization/Renewable energy" and "Improvement of thermal efficiency of thermal power generation". DNV has confirmed that the implementation plan provided by JERA, which is established based on the Framework, "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050" and "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan ( <u>Updated in May 2022</u> )", is well aligned with JERA's Transition Strategy. Through the assessment, DNV has also confirmed that the implementation plan established based on its Transition Strategy is reliable, ambitious and achievable.



Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
2	Business model environmental materiality	The planned climate transition trajectory should be relevant to the environmentally- material parts of the issuer's business model, taking into account potential future scenarios which may impact on current determinations concerning materiality.		DNV assessed whether the key activities related to JERA's business correspond to the contribution to the environment and the JERA's transition strategy evaluated. JERA's non-consolidated greenhouse gas emissions in Japan (FY2020) are shown below. Scope 1: 114,950,000 t-CO <sub>2</sub> Scope 2: 0.40,000 t-CO <sub>2</sub> Scope 3: 20,680,000 t-CO <sub>2</sub> Total: 135,640,000 t-CO <sub>2</sub> Total: 135,640,000 t-CO <sub>2</sub> Scope 1 114,950,000 t-CO <sub>2</sub> Scope 2 4,000 t-CO <sub>2</sub> Scope 2 4,000 t-CO <sub>2</sub> Scope 3 20,680,000 t-CO <sub>2</sub> Scope 3 20,680,000 t-CO <sub>2</sub> Scope 3 20,680,000 t-CO <sub>2</sub> Scope 3 20,680,000 t-CO <sub>2</sub> Scope 1: Direct emissions of greenhouse gases by the company itself (combustion of fuels, industrial processes) Scope 3: Indirect emissions of the use of electricity, heat and steam supplied by other companies Scope 3: Indirect emissions other than Scope 1 and 2 (emissions from other companies related to the company's' activities) * Data includes emissions of Hitachi Naka Generation Co. Inc. * The greenhouse gases covered are CO <sub>2</sub> , CH <sub>4</sub> (methane), N <sub>2</sub> O (nitrous oxide), SF <sub>6</sub> (sulphur hexafluoride) and HFC (alternative freon).



Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
				Given the fact that indirect emissions from power generation accounts for 38% of the CO <sub>2</sub> emissions per final energy consumption in Japan where JERA operates, the transition strategy of JERA, whose major emissions come from its thermal power generation, will not only contribute to reducing emissions from its own business activities (Scope 1 and 2), but also contribute to achieving the decarbonization goals of diverse entities. In other words, JERA's approach towards transition aiming to achieve decarbonization at a lower cost and higher speed while maintaining stable energy supply, will directly support its own transition as well as the transition of society as a whole.
				JERA's roadmap is aligned with the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI.
				DNV confirmed that JERA's plan to implement its Transition Strategy is one of the activities of JERA's core business and is closely linked to the activities that contribute to the CO <sub>2</sub> reduction of the society as a whole, thus will contribute to the overall environment. JERA's Transition Strategy is associated with the materiality that JERA has identified by facilitating GRI standards*1, ISO26000, SASB standards*2, etc., and will contribute to generate significant positive environmental impacts both qualitatively and quantitatively.
				*1: Global Reporting Initiative (an international standard providing ESG-related reporting, management and analysis methods)



Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
				* <sup>2</sup> : A disclosure standard developed by the Sustainable Accounting Standards Board on ESG factors that are expected to have a high financial impact in the future
3	Climate transition strategy to be science-based including targets and pathways	<ul> <li>Issuer's climate strategy should reference science-based targets and transition pathways. The planned transition trajectory should:</li> <li>be quantitatively measurable (based on a measurement methodology which is consistent over time);</li> <li>be aligned with, benchmarked or otherwise referenced to recognized, science-based trajectories where such trajectories exist;</li> <li>be publicly disclosed (ideally in mainstream financing filings), include interim milestones, and;</li> <li>be supported by independent assurance or verification</li> <li>Suggested information and indicators&gt;</li> <li>Short, medium, and long-term greenhouse gas reduction targets aligned with Paris Agreement;</li> <li>Baseline</li> <li>Scenario utilised, and methodology applied (e.g. ACT, SBTi, etc.);</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Confirmed documents</li> <li>Framework</li> <li>JERA Zero Co<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050</li> <li>JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan (Updated in May 2022)</li> <li>JERA Environmental Target 2030</li> <li>JERA Environmental Target 2035</li> <li>JERA Group Corporate Communication Book 2021(Integrated report)</li> <li>METI, "Transition roadmap for the electricity sector"</li> <li>Interviews with stakeholders</li> </ul>	JERA has set a transition plan consistent with the Paris Agreement, which is science-based, and a transition trajectory consistent with the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI. The transition roadmap for the electricity sector refers to the Sixth Strategic Energy Plan, which is in line with the Plans for Global Warming Countermeasures. These are established based on Japanese government's aim to achieve carbon neutrality in 2050 and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 46% in 2030 compared to the FY2013 level referring to IPCC 1.5°C Special Report. These plans are consistent with the Paris Agreement. DNV has confirmed that JERA's Transition Strategy quantified emission intensity, absolute value and ratio based on a consistent methodology with prescribed assumptions. Specifically, JERA sets out the following transition targets in its roadmap. <b>TABLE JERA TRANSITION TARGETS</b>



Greenhouse gas objectives covering all		
scopes (Scope 1, 2 and 3 <sup>11</sup> ); and, Targets formulated both in intensity and absolute terms	MEDIUM- TERM GOALS       power plants be energy supply- set by the gov         MEDIUM- TERM GOALS       Promote demon with ammonia supercritical) pe Promote the de cantered on of Work to furth thermal power         FY 2035       Reduce CO2 en by at least 600 2035.         Given the expre energy based 2050 carbon re develop and a         Work to reduce thermal power	inefficient (supercritical or less) ants onstration of mixed combustion a thigh-efficiency (ultra- power plants development of renewable energy ffshore wind power projects ner improve the efficiency of LNG r generation missions from domestic operations (relative to FY 2013) by FY anded adoption of renewable on the national government's neutral policy, JERA will strive to adopt renewable energy in Japan ce carbon emission intensity from er generation by promoting ammonia co-firing sistons n stages based on policy and p will also be revised if the



Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
				In Japan, where indirect emissions from electricity account for 38% of the total CO <sub>2</sub> JERA's transition strategy contributes not only to the reduction of emissions from its own operations (Scope 1 and 2), but also to the achievement of the decarbonization targets of various bodies. Transition initiatives and respective scope emissions are disclosed in "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050", "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan <u>(Updated in May 2022)</u> " and "JERA Group Corporate Communication Book 2021(Integrated report)", etc.
4	Implementation transparency	Market communication in connection with the offer of a financing instrument which has the aim of funding the issuer's climate transition strategy should also provide transparency to the extent practicable, of the underlying investment program including capital and operational expenditure. This may include R&D-related expenditure where relevant, and details of where any such operating expenditure is deemed 'non-Business as Usual', as well as other relevant information indicating how this program supports implementation of the transition strategy, including details of any divestments, governance and process changes. <suggested and="" indicators="" information=""></suggested>	<ul> <li>Confirmed documents <ul> <li>Framework</li> <li>JERA Zero Co<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050</li> </ul> </li> <li>JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan (Updated in May 2022)</li> <li>JERA Environmental Target 2030</li> <li>JERA Environmental Target 2035</li> <li>JERA Group Corporate Communication Book 2021(Integrated report)</li> <li>METI, "Transition roadmap for the electricity sector"</li> </ul>	DNV confirmed that the investment and project plans related to JERA's transition strategy included investments and expenditures that has been implemented and are scheduled in the future. DNV also confirmed that the overall investment plan (investment amount) will be executed in accordance with the timeline. DNV confirmed that in order to ensure transparency, JERA will discuss on the disclosure, wherever possible, of its basic investment plan (investment amount). DNV also reviewed the Framework and the ESG management of JERA and confirmed high transparency in the implementation. JERA explained the appropriateness of its execution to DNV and DNV agreed on the appropriateness.



Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
		<ul> <li>Disclosure on the percentage of assets/revenues/ expenditures/divestments aligned to the various levers outlined in Element 1 above;</li> <li>Capex roll-out plans consistent with the overall strategy and climate science</li> </ul>	Interviews with stakeholders	



## Schedule-3 Green Bond (Transition Finance with specific use of proceeds) Eligibility Assessment Protocol

The checklist below (GBP/GLP-1 to GBP/GLP-4) is a DNV evaluation procedure created for JERA Transition Finance (Bond) Eligibility Assessment (Bond with specific use of proceeds) based on the requirements of GBP/GBGLs and GLP/GLGLs. "Confirmed documents" in the "Work Undertaken" includes documents inside the issuer and is provided by JERA as evidence of eligibility judgment for DNV.

In Schedule-3, it is referred to as GBP or GLP according to the practice, but this is the standard to be referred to in the case of financing that specifies the use of proceeds such as transition projects in transition finance (bonds) that specifies the use of proceeds based on CTFH and CTFBG, so please read as the meaning of the transition as appropriate.

## **GBP/GLP-1** Use of proceeds

Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
1a	Types of funds	The types of green/transition finance are classified into one of the following types defined by GBP. • (Standard) Green/transition Bond/Loan • Green/transition Revenue Bond/Loan • Green/transition Project Bond/Loan • Other	Confirmed documents - Framework Interviews with stakeholders	Through the evaluation work, DNV confirmed that JERA Transition Finance (bond) fall into the following categories: (Standard) Green/transition Bond
1b	Green/transition Project Classification	The key to a green/transition bond is that the proceeds will be used for a green project, which should be properly stated in the legal documents relating to the security.	<ul> <li>Confirmed documents</li> <li>Framework</li> <li>Investment plan for the use of proceeds</li> <li>Information related to each project</li> </ul>	DNV confirmed that JERA Transition Bond aims to fund transition projects focused on JERA's environmental goals and transition strategy, as described in the Framework and Schedule-1. Specifically, all Transition Finance Eligible Project Candidates listed in Schedule-1 are evaluated as conforming to the Transition Strategy, and the proceeds through Transition Finance are planned to be financed one or more of the Transition Finance Eligible Project Candidates. If a transition project is pre-selected



Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings	
			<ul> <li>Amendment Shelf Registration Statement</li> <li>Interviews with stakeholders</li> </ul>	documents. Through the asse eligible projects ca environmental im Table JERA's I	ng is implemented, this will be disclosed in legal ssment, DNV concludes that the Transition andidates will bring concrete and actual pacts. Main Initiatives to Achieve Carbon Neutrality ition Finance and Nominated Projects)
				Eligibility Criteria	Project Overview (Main Expenditure)
				The expenditures related to demonstration projects of fossil fuels and ammonia/hydro gen co-firing	<ol> <li>Demonstration study of 20% ammonia co- firing in 1 million kW class coal-fired power plant</li> <li>Project period: June 2021 - March 2025</li> <li>Project description: Development and demonstration test of technology to convert 20% of fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at Hekinan Thermal Power Station Unit 4 (to FY2024)</li> <li>* NEDO subsidized project "Development of Technologies for Carbon Recycling and Next- Generation Thermal Power Generation / Research, Development and Demonstration of Technologies for Ammonia Co-Firing Thermal Power Generation"</li> </ol>



Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings	
					<ul> <li>Demonstration study on actual equipment to establish technology for high ammonia co-firing rate at commercial thermal power plants         <ul> <li>Project period: FY2021 to FY2028</li> <li>Project description: Development of a new ammonia high-efficiency burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to FY 2024), and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at the Hekinan thermal power station (to FY2028).</li> <li>X Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund Project "Establishment of Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Project"</li> </ul> </li> <li>Demonstration of high co-firing rate at thermal power station using ammonia singlefuel burners         <ul> <li>Project description: Development of a new ammonia single-fuel burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to 2024), and conducting technology development and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel uratio) to ammonia at two different boiler units (to FY2028).</li> </ul></li></ul>



Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings	
					<ul> <li>※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund</li> <li>Project "Establishment of Fuel Ammonia</li> <li>Supply Chain Project"</li> </ul>
					<ul> <li>Technical verification of hydrogen co-firing power generation for the construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain</li> <li>Project period: October 2021 to March 2026</li> <li>Project description: Conducting demonstration tests at large-scale LNG-fired power plants in Japan to convert approximately 30% (by volume) of LNG into hydrogen for power generation (to FY2025).</li> <li>X Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund</li> </ul>
					project for "Construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain"
				The expenditures	⑤ Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Goi Thermal Power Station (LNG)
				related to decommissions of inefficient thermal power plants, with the aim of replacement for high-efficiency thermal power plants	<ul> <li>Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Chita Thermal Power Station (LNG) (Demolition plan is in preparation)</li> </ul>



Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
1c	Environmental benefits	All green projects to which the funds are used should have clear environmental benefits, the effects of which should be assessed by the issuer and, where possible, quantitatively demonstrated.	<ul> <li>Confirmed documents</li> <li>Framework</li> <li>Investment plan for the use of proceeds</li> <li>Information related to each project</li> <li>Interviews with stakeholders</li> </ul>	Transition projects will contribute to goals based on JERA's Transition Strategy, and to low and decarbonized emissions through the two eligible criteria categories indicated in 1b. The environmental impact is the reduction of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions, which has been quantitatively or qualitatively evaluated by the issuer. It was confirmed that, prior to the implementation of the transition finance, only the outline of each project shall be disclosed. In the annual report, the outline and progress of each project should be reported to the extent practicable, taking into account the characteristics of the project.
1d	Refinancing rate	If all or part of the proceeds are used or may be used for refinancing, the issuer will indicate the estimated ratio of the initial investment to the refinancing and, if necessary. Therefore, it is recommended to clarify which investment or project portfolio is subject to refinancing.	<ul> <li>Confirmed documents</li> <li>Framework</li> <li>Investment plan for the use of proceeds</li> <li>Information related to each project</li> <li>Interviews with stakeholders</li> </ul>	JERA plans to use all proceeds for new investments, refinancing, or both for eligible project candidates included in Schedule-1. If it is clear in advance whether to make new investment or refinance before implementing financing, it will be disclosed in legal documents. DNV confirmed that if it is not yet clear, the Issuer plans to disclose the amounts of the proceeds which was allocated to refinancing through reporting (annual report).



## **GBP/GLP-2** Process for Project Evaluation and Selection

Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
2a	Project selection process	Green bond issuers should provide an overview of the process of qualifying projects for which green bond funding will be used. This includes (but is not limited to): •The process by which the issuer determines that the project in question is included in the business category of a qualified green project. • Creation of criteria for eligibility of projects for which green bond funding will be used • Environmental sustainability goals	Confirmed documents - Framework - Information related to each project Interviews with stakeholders	DNV confirmed that the issuer has a process and a system of determining the eligibility of projects for which the transition finance, and that the outline is specified in the Framework.
2b	Issuer's Environmental and Social Governance Framework	In addition to criteria and certifications, the information published by issuers regarding the green bond process also considers the quality of performance of the issuer's framework and environmental sustainability.	Confirmed documents - Framework - Information related to each project Interviews with stakeholders	The issuer complies with environment-related laws, ordinances and regulations, and considers that the effects of environmental improvement such as CO <sub>2</sub> reduction are clear in the entire life cycle or each process when selecting transition projects to be implemented. In the operation and implementation of the project, each of the departments involved is committed to the preservation of the surrounding environment. DNV has confirmed that the transition projects implemented by the issuer are consistent with issuer's management and environmental policies, as well as with the transition strategy, goals and pathways.



# **GBP/GLP -3** Management of Proceeds

Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
За	Tracking procedure-1	The net proceeds from of Green bonds should be managed in sub-accounts, included in sub-portfolio, or otherwise tracked. It should also be certified by the issuer in a formal internal process related to the issuer's investment and financing operations for the Green Project.	Confirmed documents - Framework - Funds management forms of transition bonds - Accounting regulations Interviews with stakeholders	DNV has confirmed that the proceeds by the transition financing can be tracked in line with the issuer's accounting system and confirmed the systems or the systems to be planed for use and the dedicated document to be created and other documents actually used through the assessment, and confirmed that the management status of the proceeds was proved.
3b	Tracking procedure-2	During the green bond redemption period, the balance of funds raised that is being tracked should be adjusted at regular intervals to match the amount allocated to eligible projects undertaken during that period.	Confirmed documents - Framework - Funds management forms of transition bonds - Accounting regulations Interviews with stakeholders	DNV confirmed that the issuer plans to periodically (at least annually) review the balance of the transition finance by the accounting system, the dedicated document to be created and others described in 3a during the period from the implementation of the transition finance to its redemption or repayment.
3с	Temporary holding	If no investment or payment has been made in a qualified green project, the issuer should also inform the investor of the possible temporary investment method for the balance of unallocated proceeds.	Confirmed documents - Framework - Funds management forms of transition bonds	DNV has confirmed that the confirmation process through the issuer's accounting system, the dedicated document to be created and others is structured to ensure that the balance of unallocated proceeds are recognized sequentially. DNV confirmed through the Framework and Assessment that the balance of unallocated proceeds will be managed in cash or cash equivalents. DNV has also confirmed that the balance of



Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
			- Accounting regulations Interviews with stakeholders	unallocated proceeds will be disclosed through reporting on the allocation status of proceeds.



## **GBP/GLP-4** Reporting

Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
4a	Periodical Reporting	In addition to reporting on the use of proceeds and the temporary investment of unallocated proceeds, the issuer will consider each project at least once a year for projects to which the Green bond proceeds have been allocated, taking into account the following: A list of each project should be provided. -Confidentiality and competitive considerations -Outline of each project, expected sustainable environmental and social effects	Confirmed documents - Framework - Investment plan for the use of proceeds - Funds management forms of transition bonds - Information related to each project Interviews with stakeholders	<ul> <li>DNV confirmed that the issuer will report on the transition finance (annual report) until the proceeds are allocated, and disclose information on the allocation status. As for the environmental improvement impacts, DNV confirmed that JERA plans to conduct reporting on the overview and progress of projects for which funds have been allocated until the completion of eligible projects.</li> <li>DNV also confirmed that, even after the allocation plan or allocation has been completed, the issuer plans to report in a timely manner or in its reporting on any changes in transition strategy or pathways, or any major changes in the allocation plan or project for which allocation has been started, significant postponement on an annual basis, sale or retirement, etc.).</li> <li>The report will be disclosed on the website.</li> <li><allocation status=""></allocation></li> <li>Eligible criteria and amounts to be allocated</li> <li>Balance of unallocated amounts and the management method</li> <li>Amount of proceeds to be used for refinancing</li> <li><environmental impacts=""></environmental></li> <li>Environmental impacts are disclosed within the scope of confidentiality, to the extent practicable, and in consideration of the characteristics of the project, including an overview of the project (including</li> </ul>



Ref.	Criteria	Requirements	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
				progress, completion, operation, etc.) and the expected environmental benefits (e.g., t- $CO_2$ /year).
				<others></others>
				<ul> <li>Efforts to achieve zero CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 2050 will be reviewed as appropriate in light of policy and technological trends, and disclosed as required.</li> </ul>
				The currently planned reporting for the transition project is described in the section of GBP/GLP-4. Reporting in this document.



## Schedule-4: Basic Guidelines on Climate Transition Finance Eligibility Checklist

The following checklist (from CTF-1 to CTF-4) are based on four "disclosure elements "which indicated in the "Basic Guidelines on Climate Transition Finance (CTF)" established by the Financial Services Agency, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, and Ministry of the Environment in May 2021.

According to the CTF, "disclosure elements" are classified into the following three categories. Should:  $\odot$  recommend:  $\bigcirc$  be considered/possible:  $\triangle$ 

These expressions are used in the following context.

- Items described with the word "should" are basic elements that financial instruments labelled as transition finance are expected to have.
- Items described with the word "recommended" are elements that financial instruments labelled as transition finance are optimally recommended to have under these Guidelines although instruments which do not have these items can also be labelled as "transition".
- Items described with the word "be considered" or "possible" are elements that these Guidelines provides as examples and interpretations although it is not considered problematic even if financial instruments labelled as transition finance do not have them.

There is a supplementary explanation in the margin of each checklist for the annotations in the disclosure elements.

The number /01/,  $/02/\sim/18/$  listed in the "Work Undertaken" are documents confirmed through the eligibility evaluation work. Details (document name) are shown in Appendix. In addition to the confirmed documents, the "Work Undertaken" includes the case where the information obtained through discussions and interviews with the issuer is used as evidence.

## **CTF-1** Fundraiser's Climate Transition Strategy and Governance

Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements	Requirement check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
0	1-a)	Financing through transition finance should aim to implement or incentivize the achievement of transition strategies <sup>9</sup> . Such strategies should incorporate a long-term target to align with the goals of the Paris Agreement, relevant interim targets on the trajectory towards the long-term goal, disclosure on the levers towards decarbonization, and fundraiser's	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//17/ / <u>18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	The financing that JERA implements by utilizing transition finance is aimed at achieving the JERA transition strategy which is in line with the low carbon decarbonization strategy set by the transition roadmap for electricity sector of METI, which aims to align with the goals of the Paris Agreement. JERA set a long-term goal of zero CO <sub>2</sub> emissions by 2050 in the "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan <u>(Updated in May 2022)</u> " as a goal of its transition strategy. JERA also incorporates the medium-term targets and its strategic plan for decarbonization (a plan to introduce



Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements	Requirement check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findin	gs
		strategic planning.			Environmen In "JERA En target to rec	tal Target 2030". vironmental Target 2035," JERA has established a duce CO <sub>2</sub> emissions from its domestic operations by (relative to FY 2013) by FY 2035.
					MEDIUM- TERM GOALS	<ul> <li>FY 2030</li> <li>Reduce carbon emission intensity of thermal power plants by 20% based on the long-term energy supply-demand outlook for FY 2030 as set by the government.</li> <li>Shut down all inefficient (supercritical or less) coal power plants</li> <li>Promote demonstration of mixed combustion with ammonia at high-efficiency (ultra-supercritical) power plants</li> <li>Promote the development of renewable energy cantered on offshore wind power projects</li> <li>Work to further improve the efficiency of LNG thermal power generation</li> <li>FY 2035</li> <li>Reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from domestic operations by at least 60% (relative to FY 2013) by FY 2035.</li> <li>Given the expanded adoption of renewable energy based on the national government's 2050 carbon neutral policy, JERA will strive to develop and adopt renewable energy in Japan</li> <li>Work to reduce carbon emission intensity from thermal power generation by promoting hydrogen and ammonia co-firing</li> </ul>



Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements	Requirement check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
					LONG- TERM GOALS       • CO2 zero emissions         JERA's roadmap will be refined in stages based on policy and other assumptions. The roadmap will also be revised if the assumptions change significantly.
© (△)	1-b)	A transition strategy should serve to explicitly communicate the implementation of an issuer's strategy to transform the business model in a way which effectively addresses climate-related risks and contributes to achieving the goals of the Paris Agreement <sup>10</sup> . Transformation of a business model is not limited to initiatives as an extension of existing businesses but can also be transformation based on various other perspectives. It includes fuel conversion that achieves significant carbon and GHG reduction benefits, introduction of innovative technologies, improvement of / changes in manufacturing processes and products, and development and provision of products and services in new fields.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: 01//02//03//04//05/ /15//16//17/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	The JERA's Transition Strategy takes into account scenarios that make use of the TCFD guidance. The JERA's Transition Strategy includes the significant reduction targets by 2030, which realize to reduce carbon emission intensity of thermal power plants by 20% based on the long-term energy supply- demand outlook for FY 2030 as set by the government, regarding the thermal power generation business as its core business. Regarding the coal power, shutting down all inefficient (supercritical or less) power plants, promoting demonstration tests of mixed combustion with ammonia at high-efficiency (ultra-supercritical) power plants and the measures of further improve the efficiency of LNG thermal power generation are incorporated.The following (table below) are listed as specific initiatives of the transition strategy.Table JERA's Main Initiatives to Achieve Carbon Neutrality (Transition Finance and Nominated Projects)Eligibility CriteriaProject Overview (Main Expenditure)



Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements	Requirement check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings	
					The expenditures related to demonstration projects of fossil fuels and ammonia/hydr ogen co-firing	<ol> <li>Demonstration study of 20% ammonia co- firing in 1 million kW class coal-fired power plant         <ul> <li>Project period: June 2021 - March 2025</li> <li>Project description: Development and demonstration test of technology to convert 20% of fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at Hekinan Thermal Power Station Unit 4 (to FY2024)</li> <li>NEDO subsidized project "Development of Technologies for Carbon Recycling and Next-Generation Thermal Power Generation / Research, Development and Demonstration of Technologies for Ammonia Co-Firing Thermal Power Generation"</li> </ul> </li> <li>Demonstration study on actual equipment to establish technology for high ammonia co-firing rate at commercial thermal power plants         <ul> <li>Project period: FY2021 to FY2028</li> <li>Project description: Development of a new ammonia high-efficiency burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to FY 2024), and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at the Hekinan thermal power station (to FY2028).</li> </ul></li></ol>



Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements	Requirement check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings	
						X Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund Project "Establishment of Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Project"
						<ul> <li>3 Demonstration of high co-firing rate at thermal power station using ammonia single-fuel burners         <ul> <li>Project period: FY2021 to FY2028</li> <li>Project description: Development of a new ammonia single-fuel burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to 2024), and conducting technology development and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at two different boiler units (to FY2028).</li> <li>※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund Project "Establishment of Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Project"</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
						<ul> <li>Technical verification of hydrogen co-firing power generation for the construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain</li> <li>Project period: October 2021 to March 2026</li> <li>Project description: Conducting demonstration tests at large-scale LNG-</li> </ul>



Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements	Requirement check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings	
						fired power plants in Japan to convert approximately 30% (by volume) of LNG into hydrogen for power generation (to FY2025).
		The expenditures related to		expenditures related to	<ul> <li>Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Goi Thermal Power Station (LNG)</li> </ul>	
					decommissions of inefficient thermal power plants, with the aim of replacement for high-efficiency thermal power plants	<ul> <li>Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Chita Thermal Power Station (LNG)</li> <li>(Demolition plan is in preparation)</li> </ul>
0	1-c)	The implementation of a transition strategy assumes cases where it affects society and environment other than climate change, such as employment or stable provision of products and services, through transformation of a business model. In such cases, it is recommended that the fundraiser also takes into	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//09//10//11//12/ Interviews with stakeholders	DNV confirmed that there are no additional significant social or environmental impacts on the implementation of JERA's Transition Strategy at this time. DNV also confirmed that the negative environmental/social considerations are potentially taken into account for implementation of the projects, JERA has the process to verify the appropriateness of each correspondence required in subject facilities, installation countries/regions/communities, in the project evaluation and selection process.	


Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements	Requirement check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
		consideration the impact of business innovations to society and environment other than climate change.			
© (△)	1-d)	Climate change-related scenarios <sup>11</sup> should be referenced in developing transition strategies. The pathway to transition should be planned for respective sector and regions of individual fundraiser, who may generally be placed in a different starting point and pathway to transition.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//05/ /17/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	JERA's transition strategy is built on the transition roadmap for electricity sector of the METI and the use of TCFD guidance. JERA developed a transition strategy that is consistent with the transition roadmap for the electricity sector, which the energy industry should refer to, and which identifies criteria, pathways and targets for $CO_2$ emission reductions.
0	1-e)	Transition strategies and plans must be highly credible in terms of their effectiveness. Therefore, it is recommended that a transition strategy and plan are linked to management strategy and business plan, including medium-term management plans.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//05/ /17/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	JERA has formulated "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050" and "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan <u>(Updated in May 2022)</u> ", with the introduction of renewable energy and zero-emission thermal power as key points in the plan. In order to ensure the implementation of this plan, JERA has set "JERA Environmental Target 2030" <u>and</u> <u>"JERA Environmental Target 2035"</u> as the medium-term target by 2030, and have drawn up specific transition strategies and plans. These cover thermal power generation, which is JERA's core business, and include quantitative targets, so they are closely related to the management plan and are judged to be highly effective and credible initiatives.
Δ	1-f)	However, because such strategies and plans run for a long period of time, it is possible	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//15/ /16//17/ <u>/18/</u>	JERA has included a range of technology options in the implementation of its Transition Strategy. DNV also confirmed through the assessment that JERA plans to implement



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		that the content may be modified or adjusted in the event of a major change in the assumed external environment and so on.		Interviews with stakeholders	changes and modifications to the Transition Strategy and Plan in a flexible manner in response to revisions to the national guidelines.
	1-g)	In the initial phase of developing a transition strategy by the fundraiser, it is considered as an option for the fundraiser to indicate a plan for future implementation of items described with the words "recommended" and "be considered/ possible" in these Guidelines.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01/ Confirmation through this assessment	DNV confirmed that JERA's transition strategy is generally implemented for the "recommend" and "be considered/possible" items in this basic guideline. DNV also confirmed that there are plans to further consider the content of the disclosures as the standards, policies and targets are reviewed in the future.
0	1-h)	In order to secure the effectiveness of the transition strategy, the fundraiser should establish an organizational structure <sup>12</sup> for the board of directors and/or other such committee to oversee the activities addressing climate change and for management to play a role in assessing and managing such climate-related activities.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//05/ / <u>18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	<ul> <li>JERA considers all matters relating to transition finance to be matters of management strategy, and implements them under the following corporate governance structure:</li> <li>JERA considers all matters related to transition finance to be the management strategy and implements the following corporate governance system. In order to develop JERA's business globally in a variety of fields, the Board Director, which consists of directors who are familiar with the company's business and outside board directors with a wealth of knowledge and experience, is responsible for making significant management decisions, and supervisors of the independent audit company adopt the system for the</li> </ul>



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					<ul> <li>auditor installation company that implement the audit for operation status of board directors.</li> <li>In order to realize the appropriate and prompt decision-making and efficient operation, JERA separates the decision-making and supervision of management from the execution of business operation, and has adopted an executive officer system under which executive officers are responsible for business execution based on decisions made by the Board of Directors.</li> <li>Survey of the state of the system under which executive officers are responsible for business execution based on decisions made by the Board of Directors.</li> </ul>
	1-i)	While a transition strategy shall be basically developed by a company in need of finance, it is possible for entities to utilize the strategy of companies that are wholly or partially responsible for the initiatives to establish or explain their own strategy, given that the finance supports GHG emissions reduction initiatives of	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//15/ /16/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	JERA's transition strategy includes, in addition to its strategy as an energy company engaged in upstream fuel procurement, power generation, and wholesale electricity and gas sales, activities to contribute to the reduction of CO <sub>2</sub> emissions in Japan and abroad, and in society as a whole, through the provision of technologies, products and services that contribute to low-carbon demand and decarbonization, in accordance with national and other policies.



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		not just a single company but its supply chain.			
0	1-j)	Transition strategies should be disclosed in advance in a company's integrated report, sustainability report, statutory documents and other materials for investors (including such disclosures on the website). This also applies to the other three elements.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//05/ / <u>18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	JERA's transition strategy (and environmental initiatives in general) is explained and disclosed to stakeholders and the public in advance through "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050" and "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan <u>(Updated in May 2022)</u> ", "JERA Environmental Target 2030", <u>"JERA Environmental Target 2035"</u> , the Integrated Report, the website and other media.
	1-k)	It is possible to disclose transition strategies and elements concerning the governance guaranteeing that the execution of transition strategies is in alignment with the reporting frameworks such as the Recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD; Final Report) <sup>13</sup> .	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: 01//02//03//04//05/ / <u>18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	JERA's transition strategy takes into account the TCFD recommendations, and its transition strategy is consistent with the governance of TCFD recommendations. JERA discloses governance-related items in its integrated report, website and Framework. Relevant information can be found in 1-d), 1-h) and 1-j).
0	1-l)	If the implementation of a transition strategy assumes impacts on society and environment other than climate change, it is recommended that the fundraiser explain the view underlying its approach <sup>14</sup> , etc. to	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//05//09 //10//11//12/ /18/ Interviews with stakeholders	DNV confirmed that there are no additional significant social or environmental impacts on the implementation of JERA's Transition Strategy at this time. DNV also confirmed that the negative environmental/social considerations are potentially taken into account for implementation of the projects, JERA has the process to verify the appropriateness of each correspondence required in subject facilities, installation



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		address such impacts and disclose how the strategy on the whole contributes to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) so that the effects can be appropriately evaluated by the financier.			countries/regions/communities, in the project evaluation and selection process. the material issue (materiality) mainly relevant to the transition finance is to tackle the climate change, as outlined in JERA's vision, "Global leader in LNG and renewables, sparking the transition to a clean energy economy", and the relationship with the SDGs is summarised as follows: Reference (in Table-1 of the main text) Vision: Global leader in LNG and renewables, sparking the transition to a clean energy economy Materiality: Environment (Climate change) Goal 7: Affordable and Clean Energy Goal12: Responsible Consumption and Production Goal 13: Climate Action *In May 2022, JERA's vision was changed to "To scale up its clean energy platform of renewables and low greenhouse gas thermal power, sparking sustainable development in Asia and around the world"
0	1-m)	Considering the length of application and other factors, there may be instances when a transition strategy and plan will need to be modified due to major changes in the external environment and relevant conditions that were assumed at a planning phase. In this case,	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//17/ / <u>18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	JERA has included a range of technology options in the implementation of its Transition Strategy. DNV also confirmed through the assessment that JERA plans to implement changes and modifications to the Transition Strategy and Plan in a flexible manner in response to revisions to the national guidelines and technology movement. JERA plans to disclose any material changes to its transition strategy and plans in a timely manner, together with the reasons for such changes.



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		the contents of the modification should be disclosed together with the underlying reason in a timely manner.			
0	1-n)	In terms of governance, it is recommended that disclosures include an organizational structure for overseeing the implementation of a transition strategy and for assessing and managing related initiatives. It is also recommended that disclosures include the specific roles of the constituent organizations and the management and the process by which the content of deliberations is reflected in management.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//05/ / <u>18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	<ul> <li>JERA has established the following organizational structure, and the details are disclosed in JERA Group Corporate Communication Book 2021(Integrated report).</li> <li>JERA considers all matters related to transition finance to be the management strategy and implements the following corporate governance system. In order to develop JERA's business globally in a variety of fields, the Board Director, which consists of directors who are familiar with the company's business and outside board directors with a wealth of knowledge and experience, is responsible for making significant management decisions, and supervisors of the independent audit company adopt the system for the auditor installation company that implement the audit for operation status of board directors.</li> <li>In order to realize the appropriate and prompt decisionmaking and efficient operation, JERA separates the decisionmaking and supervision of management from the execution of business operation, and has adopted an executive officer system under which executive officers are responsible for business execution based on decisions made by the Board of Directors.</li> </ul>



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0	1-0)	In cases where the fundraiser determines the need for an objective assessment regarding the transition strategy, it is recommended that a review, assurance and verification by an external organization for its transition strategy.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//05/ /15//16//17/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders * Confirmation through this assessment	JERA uses a review by DNV, an external reviewer, for an objective assessment of the eligibility of its transition finance, including its transition strategy.
	1-p)	It is recognized useful to obtain a review particularly concerning the following in connection with the transition strategy: - Alignment of short-term, mid- term and long-term targets (for targets, refer to Element 3) with the overall scenario - Credibility of the fundraiser's strategy to reach the targets - Appropriateness of the management process and governance for the transition strategy	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//05/ /15//16//17/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders * Confirmation through this assessment	<ul> <li>DNV has confirmed the following about the review of JERA's transition strategy: <ul> <li>JERA's Transition Strategy is consistent with the scenarios (specific action plans) and targets shown in the table below.</li> <li>JERA's transition strategy is positioned as an activity to realize"JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan (<u>Updated in May 2022</u>)" and its credibility is judged to be supported by specific plans and targets as "JERA Environmental Target 2030" and <u>"JERA Environmental Target 2030"</u>.</li> <li>The management processes and governance of the Transition Strategy will be properly implemented under the JERA's Corporation Governance Structure.</li> </ul> </li> <li>TABLE JERA TRANSITION TARGETS</li> </ul>



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					MEDIUM -TERM GOALS	<ul> <li>FY 2030</li> <li>Reduce carbon emission intensity of thermal power plants by 20% based on the long-term energy supply-demand outlook for FY 2030 as set by the government.</li> <li>Shut down all inefficient (supercritical or less) coal power plants</li> <li>Promote demonstration of mixed combustion with ammonia at high-efficiency (ultra-supercritical) power plants</li> <li>Promote the development of renewable energy cantered on offshore wind power projects</li> <li>Work to further improve the efficiency of LNG thermal power generation</li> <li>FY 2035</li> <li>Reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from domestic operations by at least 60% (relative to FY 2013) by FY 2035.</li> <li>Given the expanded adoption of renewable energy based on the national government's 2050 carbon neutral policy, JERA will strive to develop and adopt renewable energy in Japan</li> <li>Work to reduce carbon emission intensity from thermal power generation by promoting hydrogen and ammonia co-firing</li> </ul>
					LONG- TERM GOALS	CO <sub>2</sub> zero emissions
						ap will be refined in stages based on policy and other assumptions. will also be revised if the assumptions change significantly.

9 Transition finance is available for not only entities with strategies and plans for reducing emissions associated with their corporate economic activities, but also entities that plan to take initiatives that enable others to implement transition strategies through their own products and services. In such cases of financial institutions, a financier should articulate how the underlying projects or activities themselves fit into the fundraiser's strategy while, similarly, a subsidiary or an



SPC to make use of its group's or its sponsors' strategy. However, doing so they should explain how their strategy will contribute to the strategy as a whole. In addition, it can be considered that parent company or the group who established the strategy would explain the transition elements as the main fundraiser.

- 10 The Paris Agreement sets out a goal to Holding the increase in the global average temperature to well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels and pursuing efforts to limit the temperature increase to 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels.
- 11 Climate-related scenarios are listed in the "Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) Technical Supplement" and the document issued by the Ministry of the Environment: "Practical Guide for Scenario Analysis in line with TCFD Recommendations". In addition, Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI) disclose a set of climate scenario tools.
- 12 Assumes matters provided for under "governance" in the TCFD Recommendations.
- 13 As for the approach to disclosure aligned with TCFD Recommendations, refer to "Guidance on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD Guidance) 2.0", "Guidance for Utilizing Climate-related Information to Promote Green Investment (Green Investment Guidance)" (both published by the TCFD Consortium), and the document published by the Ministry of the Environment: "Practical Guide for Scenario Analysis in line with TCFD Recommendations".
- 14 An example of the approach may be to identify, eliminate, reduce, and manage potential negative effects.

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0	2-a)	Initiatives for achieving the transition strategy should be such that contribute to transforming core business activities that are environmentally material parts today and in the future. <sup>15</sup>	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed Documents: /01//02//03//04//0 5/ /07//09//10//11/ /12/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	JERA's Transition Strategy includes significant reduction goals to achieve to reduce carbon emission intensity of thermal power plants by 20% based on the long-term energy supply-demand outlook for FY 2030 as set by the government. The following measures are incorporated: for coal-fired thermal shutting down all inefficient (supercritical or less) coal power plants, and promoting the demonstration of mixed combustion with ammonia/hydrogen at high-efficiency (ultra-supercritical) power plants; for the LNG thermal power generation, further improve the efficiency of LNG-fired power generation. The transition

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					strategy includes below)	the following specific measures (see table
						Main Initiatives to Achieve Carbon Neutrality ition Finance and Nominated Projects)
					Eligibility Criteria	Project Overview (Main Expenditure)
					The expenditures related to demonstration projects of fossil fuels and ammonia/hydro gen co-firing	<ol> <li>Demonstration study of 20% ammonia co- firing in 1 million kW class coal-fired power plant</li> <li>Project period: June 2021 - March 2025</li> <li>Project description: Development and demonstration test of technology to convert 20% of fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at Hekinan Thermal Power Station Unit 4 (to FY2024)</li> <li>X NEDO subsidized project "Development of Technologies for Carbon Recycling and Next- Generation Thermal Power Generation / Research, Development and Demonstration of Technologies for Ammonia Co-Firing Thermal Power Generation"</li> </ol>



Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements	Requirement Check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings	
						<ul> <li>Demonstration study on actual equipment to establish technology for high ammonia co-firing rate at commercial thermal power plants         <ul> <li>Project period: FY2021 to FY2028</li> <li>Project description: Development of a new ammonia high-efficiency burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to FY 2024), and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at the Hekinan thermal power station (to FY2028).</li> <li>X Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund Project "Establishment of Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Project"</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
						<ul> <li>3 Demonstration of high co-firing rate at thermal power station using ammonia single-fuel burners</li> <li>Project period: FY2021 to FY2028</li> <li>Project description: Development of a new ammonia single-fuel burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to 2024), and conducting technology development and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at two different boiler units (to FY2028).</li> </ul>



Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements	Requirement Check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings	
						<ul> <li>※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund</li> <li>Project "Establishment of Fuel Ammonia</li> <li>Supply Chain Project"</li> </ul>
						<ul> <li>Technical verification of hydrogen co-firing power generation for the construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain</li> <li>Project period: October 2021 to March 2026</li> <li>Project description: Conducting demonstration tests at large-scale LNG-fired power plants in Japan to convert approximately 30% (by volume) of LNG into hydrogen for power generation (to FY2025).</li> <li>X Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund project for "Construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain"</li> </ul>
					The expenditures	⑤ Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Goi Thermal Power Station (LNG)
					related to decommissions of inefficient thermal power plants, with the aim of replacement for high-efficiency thermal power plants	<ul> <li>Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Chita Thermal Power Station (LNG) (Demolition plan is in preparation)</li> </ul>



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0	2-b)	When identifying business activities that are environmentally material parts, it is recommended that the fundraiser consider multiple climate change-related scenarios that may possibly impact its judgment on the identification <sup>16</sup> .	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ /05/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	JERA discloses climate change-related information in line with the recommendations of the TCFD. Specifically, JERA discloses information on governance, strategy (analysing risks and opportunities for "Average temperature below 2°C scenarios" and "4°C or more scenarios", including the period from the medium term to 2030 and the long term to 2050 for analysing period), risk management ("Management for integrated risks classified to "Operation risk", "Market risks", "Credit risks") and indicators and targets. JERA's Transition Strategy is linked to this TCFD initiative.
	2-c)	In terms of considering materiality, it is possible to apply existing guidance provided by an organization that creates standard criteria concerning sustainability reporting <sup>17</sup> .	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ /05/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	In identifying materiality, JERA has used analysis and evaluation methods using GRI standard <sup>*1</sup> , ISO 26000, TCFD, etc. In addition, efforts to address environmental materiality include not only the reduction of emissions from the company's own business activities, but also activities that contribute to the reduction of the scope3 and other companies. Furthermore, the contribution to the SDGs is also taken into account, and these are disclosed in the Framework and other documents. *1: Global Reporting Initiative (an international standard providing ESG-related reporting, management and analysis methods)
O	2-d)	The fundraiser should indicate that climate change is an environmentally material part of business activities <sup>18</sup> .	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ /05/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	One of the materialities defined for JERA, "Environment (climate change)" is closely linked to "Global leader in LNG and renewable energy leading to the clean energy economy" which is the JERA's vision. These are disclosed in the integrated report and on the website. <u>*In May 2022, JERA's vision was changed to "To scale up its</u> clean energy platform of renewables and low greenhouse gas



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					thermal power, sparking sustainable development in Asia and around the world"
0	2-e)	It is recommended that disclosures include the contents of climate change-related scenarios used in identifying business activities that are environmentally material parts along with the underlying reasons (e.g., regional and industrial characteristics) for selecting such scenarios.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ /05/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	JERA recognizes that the TCFD recommendations and the efforts to join the TCFD consortium are appropriate scenario analyses in order to provide effective corporate disclosure on climate change responses and to help financial institutions and others make appropriate investment decisions. These are disclosed in the integrated report and on the website.

15 They include activities that are environmentally material parts are considered to be business activities of the fundraiser that identifies climate change as part of its materiality.

16 Scenario analysis using multiple climate-related scenarios is similar to that required by the TCFD Recommendations, and it is considered useful to refer to relevant guidelines and such like for implementation methods. An example is the document issued by the Ministry of the Environment: "Practical Guide for Scenario Analysis in line with TCFD Recommendations".

17 "The SASB Materiality Map" issued by the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board serves as a guidance concerning materiality.

18 As for the approach to identifying environmentally material business activities, it is possible to use the materiality map and such like and outline the level of materiality of climate change for one's entity.



## JERA Corporation JERA Transition Bond Framework Second Party Opinion Rev1.0 CTF-3 Climate Transition Strategy to be Science-based Including Targets and Pathways

Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements	Requirement Check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
0	3-a)	The fundraiser should reference science-based targets in developing its transition strategies.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ /05/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	JERA's transition strategy and targets are in line with the transition roadmap for electricity sector of the METI, which aims to align with the goals of the Paris Agreement. The transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI is based on the scientific-based required to achieve the goals of the Paris Agreement, and therefore JERA's Transition Strategy is considered to be a science-based goal.
0	3-b)	This should include mid-term targets (short- to mid-term targets) in addition to long- term targets for 2050 and be quantitatively measurable based on a measurement methodology which is consistent over a long period of time.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ /05/ /18/ Interviews with stakeholders	JERA has developed its Transition Strategy as "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050", "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan <u>(Updated in May 2022)</u> " and "JERA Environmental Target 2030" and <u>"JERA Environmental Target</u> <u>2035</u> ", which set CO <sub>2</sub> zero emissions by 2050 and its medium- term goals by 2030 and 2035. Moreover, the strategic and specific plans for decarbonization (a plan to introduce technologies that contribute to transition) is also incorporated. Each goal based on JERA's Transition Strategy is disclosed as follows. <b>TABLE JERA TRANSITION TARGETS</b>
					FY 2030• Reduce carbon emission intensity of thermal power plants by 20% based on the long-term energy supply-demand outlook for FY 2030 as set by the government.GOALS• Shut down all inefficient (supercritical or less) coal power plants• Promote demonstration of mixed combustion with ammonia at high-efficiency (ultra- supercritical) power plants



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						<ul> <li>Promote the development of renewable energy cantered on offshore wind power projects</li> <li>Work to further improve the efficiency of LNG thermal power generation</li> </ul>
						FY 2035         • Reduce CO2 emissions from domestic operations by at least 60% (relative to FY 2013) by FY 2035.         • Given the expanded adoption of renewable energy based on the national government's 2050 carbon neutral policy, JERA will strive to develop and adopt renewable energy in Japan         • Work to reduce carbon emission intensity from thermal power generation by promoting hydrogen and ammonia co-firing
						• CO <sub>2</sub> zero emissions o will be refined in stages based on policy and other he roadmap will also be revised if the assumptions antly.
© (∆)	3-c)	In addition, it is recommended that GHG reduction targets, which could be formulated either in intensity and absolute terms, should consider environmental materiality and cover Scopes	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ /05/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	Scope 1. Scop measured and	ons reductions are assessed on a per-unit basis in be 3 emissions from JERA's business activities are I disclosed to the extent practicable, but no gets have been set because the ratio is small Scope 1.



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		1 through 3 of GHG Protocol, the international standard on supply-chain emissions. It is recommended that targets covering Scope 3 be set using a practical calculation method when it could be subject to significant reduction in the fundraiser's business model <sup>19</sup> . It is also possible to disclose the avoided emissions as necessary.			
◎ (△)	3-d)	Science-based targets are GHG reduction targets required for achieving the goals of the Paris Agreement and should be set while taking into account differences in regional characteristics and industries. In so doing, it is possible to refer to the following trajectories. - Scenarios widely recognized in the international community (Examples include the Sustainable Development Scenario (SDS) outlined by the International Energy Agency (IEA) <sup>20</sup> )	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ /05//17/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	<ul> <li>JERA's transition strategy targets refer to the following:</li> <li>A widely recognized international scenario ⇒For scenario analysis responding to TCFD, refer to IEA's analysis, "SDS : Sustainable Development Scenario", "STEPS : Stated Policies Scenario" and "SSP1-1.9, SSP1-2.6" and "SSP3-7.0, SSP5-8.5" in the IPCC Sixth Assessment Report, Working Group I.</li> <li>JERA's roadmap and targets, such as the Science Based Targets Initiative (SBTi), have not been verified, but the dealing validity of the plan has been confirmed through assessment.</li> <li>Targets consistent with the Paris Agreement targets (e.g. NDC, roadmaps by sector, scientific evidence set by industry etc.)</li> </ul>



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		<ul> <li>Objectives verified under the Science Based Targets Initiative (SBTi) and such like</li> <li>Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) of countries aligned with the goals of the Paris Agreement, roadmaps by industry sector<sup>21</sup>, industries set out plans that are science-based achieving the Paris Agreement<sup>22</sup> and so on.</li> </ul>			⇒See the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI.
0	3-e)	Short- to mid-term targets (with a term of three to fifteen years) should be set by referencing the aforesaid trajectories or on the pathway toward the long-term targets planned as benchmarks <sup>23</sup> .	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ /17/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	JERA's medium-term targets (year of 2030) are based on the asset deployment and technology development plans set out in the pathway (transition roadmap) towards the long-term target of 2050. *See 3-b) for details.
	3-f)	In doing so, since short- to mid-term targets will likely be set in consideration of various factors (including the starting point and track records of the issuer, timing of capital investments, economic rationality, cost-benefit	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ /17/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	In developing the roadmap, JERA has taken into account a range of issues (short term initiatives, medium- and long-term technology development and implementation) and plans to achieve its targets through multiple technology options. JERA recognizes that shutting down all inefficient (supercritical or less) coal power plants, further improvement of the efficiency of LNG thermal power generation and introduction of renewable energy are material, regarding the CO <sub>2</sub> emission reduction until



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		analysis, and availability of technology necessary to achieve the targets), it is possible that the pathway may not necessarily be linear with the same slope at all times but may be nonlinear.			<text><complex-block></complex-block></text>
0	3-g)	The fundraiser should disclose the short- to mid-term and long-term targets they have set, including the base years etc.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ / <u>18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	<ul> <li>JERA's Transition Strategy sets out the following medium-term goals by 2030:</li> <li>Reduce carbon emission intensity of thermal power plants by 20% based on the long-term energy supply-demand outlook for FY 2030 as set by the government.</li> <li>Shut down all inefficient (supercritical or less) coal power plants</li> <li>Promoting demonstration of mixed combustion with ammonia at high-efficiency (ultra-supercritical) power plants</li> <li>Promoting the development of renewable energy cantered on offshore wind power projects</li> <li>Further improvement of the efficiency of LNG thermal power generation</li> </ul>



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					<ul> <li>JERA's Transition Strategy sets out the following medium-term goals by 2035:</li> <li>Reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from domestic operations by at least <u>60% (relative to FY 2013) by FY 2035</u></li> <li>Given the expanded adoption of renewable energy based on the national government's 2050 carbon neutral policy, JERA will strive to develop and adopt renewable energy in Japan</li> <li>Work to reduce carbon emission intensity from thermal power generation by promoting hydrogen and ammonia co- firing</li> <li>JERA has also set long-term goals of CO<sub>2</sub> zero emissions by 2050. These are disclosed in "JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan (Updated in May 2022)".</li> </ul>
O	3-h)	In order to show that long- term targets are science- based, disclosures should explain the methodology or trajectory used to define target, including the underlying reasons (e.g., characteristics specific to a region or industry). In particular, when reference is made to plans and industry roadmaps established by an industry, etc., the explanation should include that they are grounded in scientific basis.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ /17/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	The long-term targets and efforts in JERA's Transition Strategy are consistent with those of the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI. The transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI refers various Japanese policies and international scenarios aimed at achieving carbon neutrality in 2050, and are clearly consistent with the Paris Agreement.



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	3-i)	It is possible that disclosures explain the pathway toward a long-term target and the alignment between the short- to mid-term targets on the pathway and the transition strategy, based on the investment plan (refer to	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ /09//10//11//12/ Interviews with stakeholders	of typical projects eligible for investr term goals. Table JERA's N	n the following specific initiatives as examples s (eligible project categories) that may be ment among the initiatives toward the long- Main Initiatives to Achieve Carbon Neutrality tion Finance and Nominated Projects)
		Element 4) and other plans.			Criteria	Project Overview (Main Expenditure)
					The expenditures related to demonstration projects of fossil fuels and ammonia/hydro gen co-firing	<ol> <li>Demonstration study of 20% ammonia co- firing in 1 million kW class coal-fired power plant</li> <li>Project period: June 2021 - March 2025</li> <li>Project description: Development and demonstration test of technology to convert 20% of fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at Hekinan Thermal Power Station Unit 4 (to FY2024)</li> <li>% NEDO subsidized project "Development of Technologies for Carbon Recycling and Next- Generation Thermal Power Generation /</li> </ol>
						Research, Development and Demonstration of Technologies for Ammonia Co-Firing Thermal Power Generation"



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						<ul> <li>Demonstration study on actual equipment to establish technology for high ammonia co-firing rate at commercial thermal power plants         <ul> <li>Project period: FY2021 to FY2028</li> <li>Project description: Development of a new ammonia high-efficiency burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to FY 2024), and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at the Hekinan thermal power station (to FY2028).</li> <li>※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund Project "Establishment of Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Project"</li> <li>Demonstration of high co-firing rate at thermal power station using ammonia single-fuel burners             <ul></ul></li></ul></li></ul>
						specifications of the equipment (to 2024), and conducting technology development and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at two different boiler units (to FY2028).



Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements	Requirement Check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings	
						※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund Project "Establishment of Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Project"
						<ul> <li>Technical verification of hydrogen co-firing power generation for the construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain</li> <li>Project period: October 2021 to March 2026</li> <li>Project description: Conducting demonstration tests at large-scale LNG-fired power plants in Japan to convert approximately 30% (by volume) of LNG into hydrogen for power generation (to FY2025).</li> <li>X Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund project for "Construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain"</li> </ul>
					The expenditures	⑤ Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Goi Thermal Power Station (LNG)
					related to decommissions of inefficient thermal power plants, with the aim of replacement for high-efficiency thermal power plants	<ul> <li>Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Chita Thermal Power Station (LNG) (Demolition plan is in preparation)</li> </ul>



Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements	Requirement Check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
	3-j)	Concerning targets and trajectories, obtaining expert reviews on the following is considered to be particularly useful: - Whether the long-term target is aligned with science- based targets →Whether the disclosed information explains the alignment with the Paris Agreement - Whether the short- to mid- term targets are determined using a GHG emissions forecast calculated based on a climate change scenario analysis →Whether scenarios, etc. widely recognized in the international community are used or referenced - Whether the actual values of the indicators used for the targets are quantitatively measured using consistent measurement methods →Whether a specific GHG emissions reduction measure has been	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ /17/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders *Confirmation through this assessment	<ul> <li>Based on the documentation and information provided by JERA, DNV has reviewed the following and confirmed that JERA's targets and trajectories are science-based.</li> <li>Whether the long-term target is aligned with science-based targets</li> <li>The targets and trajectory based on JERA's transition strategy refers various Japanese policies and international scenarios aimed at achieving carbon neutrality in 2050, which is incorporated into the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI. In addition, the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI is clearly consistent with the Paris Agreement.</li> <li>Whether the short- and medium-term targets are based on climate change scenario analysis and greenhouse gas calculation forecast</li> <li>Based on the IEA and IPCC scenarios, JERA conducts scenario analysis respectively for 2030 and 2050 for below 2°C and 4°C or more (assessment of risks and opportunities by scenario). This is closely related to JERA's efforts on greenhouse gas emissions and climate change.</li> <li>Whether the actual values of emission intensity indicators used for the targets are quantitatively measured using consistent measurement methods</li> <li>The actual value for the indicator adopted for the targets is the emission intensity. JERA has defined the methods to calculate and evaluate the reduction effects based on the amount of CO<sub>2</sub> emission and power energy in Scope 1. Through the review, DNV confirmed that the CO<sub>2</sub> reduction effect is estimated based on the above actual value.</li> </ul>



Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements	Requirement Check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
		developed to achieve short- to mid-term targets aligned with long- term goals			With difficulty of calculation of the direct $CO_2$ reduction benefits for some projects, the reduction effect will be disclosed by releasing the project progress, plans, etc.

19 Since an appropriate method for calculating Scope 3 emissions for specific industrial sectors is under development, it is possible to estimate Scope 3 emissions on a provisional "best effort" basis. When disclosing, it is recommended that boundaries, calculation methods and other relevant factors be also reported. "Basic Guidelines on Accounting for Greenhouse Gas Emissions Throughout the Supply Chain" (METI, MoE; 2017 Japanese only. Related information in English) can be used for calculation references.

- 20 In addition to benchmarks indicated by the IEA, there are those referenced by the IPCC, such as RCP 2.6 (keep global warming to below 2°C), RCP 1.9 (keep global warming to below 1.5°C) and other related Transition Pathway Initiative (TPI) benchmarks. Meanwhile, scenario listings are available in the TCFD Technical Supplement and in the document published by the Ministry of the Environment: "Practical Guide for Scenario Analysis in line with TCFD Recommendations".
- 21 An example of a sector-specific roadmap formulated by a public organization is the "Roadmap to Zero Emission from International Shipping" (Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism; 2020). The Ministry of International Trade and Industry also plans to formulate a roadmap for high emission industries.
- 22 In utilizing a plan formulated at a sector level, it is necessary to have a credible proposition that the alignment with the Paris Agreement can be explained with scientific grounds.
- 23 While it is possible to set short- to mid-term targets by determining the standard based on an assumed use of best available technologies (BAT), consideration should be made as to whether the use of such technologies might make it difficult to achieve long-term targets.

## **CTF-4 Implementation Transparency**

Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements	Requirement Check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
0	4-a)	In implementing transition strategies, the fundraiser should provide transparency of the basic investment plan to the extent	Yes	Confirmed documents:	DNV confirmed that the investment and business plans related to JERA transition strategy included agreement on investments that has been implemented and



Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements	Requirement Check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
		practicable.	Not Applicable	/01//02//03//04//07/ / <u>18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	investments and expenditure in the future. DNV also confirmed that overall investment plan (investment amount) will be executed in accordance with the timeline. DNV confirmed that JERA plans to consider the disclosure of its basic investment plan (investment amount) with a view to ensuring transparency to the extent possible. In addition, DNV reviewed the Framework and the efforts to ESG management of JERA and found the high transparency in the implementation. DNV also confirmed that the explanation and agreement for appropriateness of execution has been provided by JERA.
0	4-b)	The investment plan includes not only capital expenditure (Capex) but also capital and operational expenditure (Opex). Therefore, costs related to research and development, M&A, and dismantling and removal of facilities are also subject to the investment plan. In other words, it is recommended that the investment plan incorporate, to the extent possible, expenditure and investment necessary for implementing the transition strategy.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//07/ /09//10//11//12//18/ Interviews with stakeholders	The investment plan includes one or more of the following capitals, operational and running costs necessary to implement the following strategies that contribute to the necessary efforts to implement the Transition Strategy. The specific efforts (Project overview and main expenditure) are listed in the below table.
		Eligibility Criteria	•	Project Ove	erview
		1) related to	ion study of 20% ammon iod: June 2021 - March 2	ia co-firing in 1 million kW cla 025	ass coal-fired power plant



Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements		Requirement	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
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		of fossil fuels and ammonia/hydrog co-firing	en at Hekinan % NEDO subsic Research, Dever ② Demonstrat plants - Project pro- - Project de FY 2024), at thermal po ※ Adoption of I ③ Demonstrat - Project de 2024), and ratio) to ar ※ Adoption of I ④ Technical w - Project pro- Project pro- Project de 2024), and ratio) to ar ※ Adoption of I ④ Technical w	escription: Development a Thermal Power Station Ur dized project "Development lopment and Demonstrati tion study on actual equip eriod: FY2021 to FY2028 escription: Development of and demonstration tests to wer station (to FY2028). <u>NEDO Green Innovation Fu</u> tion of high co-firing rate eriod: FY2021 to FY2028 escription: Development of tion of high co-firing rate eriod: FY2021 to FY2028 escription: Development of conducting technology de nmonia at two different be <u>NEDO Green Innovation Fu</u> rerification of hydrogen co eriod: October 2021 to Ma escription: Conducting den	hit 4 (to FY2024) ht of Technologies for Carbon on of Technologies for Ammon oment to establish technology of a new ammonia high-efficient o convert more than 50% of the und Project "Establishment of at thermal power station usin of a new ammonia single-fuel levelopment and demonstration biler units (to FY2028). und Project "Establishment of -firing power generation for the arch 2026	hology to convert 20% of fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia Recycling and Next-Generation Thermal Power Generation / <u>hia Co-Firing Thermal Power Generation</u> " for high ammonia co-firing rate at commercial thermal power hcy burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to he fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at the Hekinan <u>Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Project</u> " g ammonia single-fuel burners burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to n tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value <u>Fuel Ammonia Supply Chain Project</u> " he construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain le LNG-fired power plants in Japan to convert approximately
	* Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund project for "Construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain"				of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain"	
		The expenditures related to			ion facilities at Goi Thermal P	
		2) decommissions o inefficient therma power plants, wit		of existing power general n plan is in preparation)	ion facilities at Chita Thermal	Power Station (LNG)



Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements	Requirement Check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
		the aim of replacement for high-efficiency thermal power plants			
	4-c)	It is recommended that the investment plan outline the assumed climate-related outcomes and impacts <sup>24</sup> in a quantitative fashion where possible, along with the calculation methods and prerequisites <sup>25</sup> . If quantification is difficult, the use of external certification systems can be considered as a substitute for qualitative assessment.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//07/ /09//10//11//12/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	The climate-related outcomes and impacts assumed by the investment plan are the reduction by conducting "Co-firing demonstration of fossil fuels with ammonia/hydrogen" and "The decommissioning of existing inefficient thermal power stations with a view to rebuilding them with high-efficiency thermal power stations" which is the eligible criteria shown in 4-b). " The decommissioning of existing inefficient thermal power stations with a view to rebuilding them with high-efficiency thermal power stations" sets the CO <sub>2</sub> reduction amount as the index. Meanwhile, "Co-firing demonstration of fossil fuels with ammonia/hydrogen" sets the progress status of demonstration test as the index. Through the assessment, DNV confirmed that JERA has established calculation methods and prerequisites for eligible criteria or each project category as appropriate. However, JERA will not disclose those to the public if the business strategy and customer information are included, and DNV confirmed the appropriatenes of that.
0	4-d)	In particular, when outlining the assumed climate-related outcomes and impacts, it is recommended that the disclosure include not only GHG emission reduction and other initiatives to ease climate change but also	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//07/ /09//10//11//12//18/	Any critical factors that would impede a "just transition" through the implementation of JERA's Transition Strategy have not identified. Regarding the utilization of CO <sub>2</sub> -free LNG, DNV considers that the influence on the business or employment related to mining LNG will



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		report how consideration of a "just transition" <sup>26</sup> is incorporated into the transition strategy.		Interviews with stakeholders	remain in the medium-to-long-term. However, in the process transiting to low carbonized/decarbonized and global society, it is considered that the above- mentioned will not be the disturbing factor for "Just transition" by reviewing the use of existing supply chain and plans of existing business. In addition, through the assessment, it was confirmed that JERA will take appropriate measures and disclose information, when necessary, if any negative impacts on "Just transition" or SDGs are considered in future projects to be implemented by JERA.
0	4-e)	If implementing the transition strategy has the potential of having a negative impact on employment or the environment and communities other than climate change, it is recommended that any expenditures to mitigate such negative impacts be added to the plan.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//07/ /09//10//11//12//18/ Interviews with stakeholders	DNV confirmed that there are no additional significant social or environmental impacts on the implementation of JERA's Transition Strategy at this time. However, for the eligibility assessment of each project, JERA will confirm the negative environmental/social impacts are potentially taken into account, and the procedures for facility certification, approval and license and environmental assessment required in the countries, regions and communities where the project is to be implemented are appropriate.
٥	4-f)	Moreover, the outcomes arising from investments included in the investment plan should align with the targets.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//07/ /09//10//11//12/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	JERA quantitatively evaluates the results (reduction effects of CO <sub>2</sub> emission intensity) of each eligible project candidate (see (2-a)) included in the investment plan are consistent with the targets (see (3-b)).



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O (△)	4-g)	Transition finance is a means to financially support the implementation of a transition strategy, and it is recommended that financing be provided for new initiatives. However, in the case of transition finance in the format of Use of Proceeds instruments, refinancing for a reasonably set lookback period (the period during which refinancing is to be applied for projects that have already started) is considered to be eligible.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//07/ /09//10//11//12/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	JERA plans to allocate its transition finance to fund both new initiatives and refinancing of existing ones (amounts and ratio are expected to vary for each project and bond). Where refinancing is targeted, DNV confirmed that a reasonable look-back period should be set (e.g. the transitional nature of the target asset should be maintained at the time of refinancing and the environmental improvement benefits should be realised during the redemption).
0	4-h)	It is recommended that investment plans be disclosed by linking the outcomes and impacts with the expenditures to the extent practicable <sup>27</sup> .	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//07/ /09//10//11//12/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	DNV confirmed that the investment and business plans related to JERA transition strategy included agreement on investments that has been implemented and investments and expenditure in the future. DNV also confirmed that overall investment plan (investment amount) will be executed in accordance with the timeline. DNV reviewed the Framework and the efforts to ESG management of JERA and found the high transparency in the implementation. Moreover, the explanation and agreement for appropriateness of execution has been provided by JERA.
0	4-i)	It is recommended that the fundraiser, after securing financing, reports any deviations between the initial plan and the actual expenditure, outcomes and impacts.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//07/ /09//10//11//12//18/ Interviews with stakeholders	JERA will include in its post-funding reporting any significant variances in expenditure, outcomes or impacts from the original plan, as well as the reasons for such variances.



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		For any deviations, it is recommended that the underlying reasons be explained.			
0	4-j)	In cases where the Use of Proceeds bonds include refinancing, the fundraiser should provide an explanation on the lookback period set under the framework or other relevant methods along with the underlying reasons and factors.	Yes	Confirmed documents: /01/ Interviews with stakeholders	JERA has set a look-back period of three years. This is a standardised period of time during which JERA's transition projects are likely to remain transitional in the short term. DNV confirmed that JERA will explain the reasons for the refinance at an appropriate time (e.g. in legal documents or reports prior to the bond issue) if necessary, after JERA confirms that transitional subject assets are maintained, and the environmental benefits appears during the redemption period, in the event of refinancing.
○	4-k)	While there are differences in business practices, such as the fact that loans are traditionally made based on the bilateral relationship between a borrower and a lender, it is recommended that disclosure on the above be made to the extent possible in order to ensure transparency and credibility of transition finance. However, if it is difficult to disclose such information to the public from the standpoint of confidentiality and competition, it is possible to report such information only to lenders or external evaluation organizations without disclosing it to the public.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01/ Interviews with stakeholders *This report	JERA will not be financed by the execution of loans.



Ref.	No.	Disclosure elements	Requirement Check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
	4-I)	Similarly, in cases where the fundraiser is a small-to-medium-sized enterprise and it is difficult to disclose to the public the same content as that reported to the financier or an external evaluation institution, it is possible for the fundraiser to simplify the content of disclosure, for example, by limiting disclosure to a summary of h) to j) of this section.	☐ Yes ☐ No ∑ Not Applicable	Interviews with stakeholders	JERA is not a small business.

24 The Ministry of the Environment, in its "Concept Paper on Impact Finance", refers to impact as "a positive or negative change to the environment, society or economy caused by an organization and is not a direct deliverable or output but an outcome as a change brought about in terms of the environment, society or economy."

- 25 In disclosing impacts, outlining the amount of contribution to reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in the global value chain on the whole and the entire lifecycle, including the consumption phase, can be considered. For the amount of contribution to the reduction, it is possible to reference the "Guideline for Quantifying GHG Emission Reduction Contribution" (METI, 2018). Furthermore, as for outcomes on research and development, it is possible to reference the IEA Measuring Innovation by Technology Readiness Level (TRL) or Importance for Net-Zero Emission, among others, and outline the progress in the R&D phase or the potential of reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions with the relevant technology by highlighting the importance of net-zero emissions.
- 26 A just transition is an attempt to ensure the wide sharing of virtual profits created through a transition to a green economy, as well as to support any party who will experience an adverse economic impact (be it a country, a region, an industry, a community, a worker, or a consumer). The concept of a just transition corresponds to several SDGs.
- 27 In particular, disclosure of investment plans is expected to be required for projects applicable to Use of Proceeds.



## Schedule-5 Green Bond Guidelines (Transition Finance with specific use of proceeds) Eligibility

#### Assessment

#### Following check list (GBGLs-1 ~ GBGLs-4) is prepared based on the Green Bond Guidelines (GBGLs, MOE, 2020).

According to the GBGLs, Requirements/Work Undertaken are divided into following two terms, Should: © Recommend: O

The numbers /01/,  $/02/ \sim /20/$  listed in the Work Undertaken column are the confirmed documents, and the details (document name) are shown in Appendix. In addition to the confirmed documents, the Work Undertaken includes the case where the information obtained through discussions and interviews with the publishers is used as evidence.

# This assessment applies as a requirement for Use of Proceeds based on CTFH and CTFBG, so any term "green" and "bond" in Schedule-5 should be read as "transition" or "finance (bond)".

### GBGLs-1 Use of proceeds

Ref.	Section	Requirements	Requirement check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
0	1-1)	Green Bond proceeds should be allocated to Green Projects that state the clear environmental benefits, which should be assessed by the issuer	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04//07/ /09//10//11//12/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	The proceeds from transition finance will be allocated to JERA's projects that contribute to low and decarbonization through the business related to environment (climate change), which is a materiality issue for JERA. Specific environmental benefits have been evaluated by the issuer as leading to a $CO_2$ reduction.
0	1-1)	Environmental benefit of Green Bond proceeds, where feasible, quantification is recommended.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//07//09//10//11/ /12/ Interviews with stakeholders	JERA will report on the project outline and progress within the scope of confidentiality, to the extent practicable, and taking into account the characteristics of the project.



Ref.	Section	Requirements	Requirement check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings	
0	1-④	In advance, issuers should provide investors with information regarding the use of Green Bond proceeds through legal documentation (such as a prospectus) or other documents.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//07//09//10//11/ /12//14/ Interviews with stakeholders		lain the use of proceeds to investors in the Framework and the Amended Shelf ment, etc.
	1-5	The provision of the information regarding the use of proceeds should specify the Green Project categories.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//07//09//10//11/ /12//14/ This report Interviews with stakeholders	projects, which wi Framework, the A other documents Table JERA's M	<ul> <li>be allocated to one or more of the following ill be explained to investors through the smended Shelf Registration Statement and and the results of external reviews.</li> <li>Iain Initiatives to Achieve Carbon Neutrality tion Finance and Nominated Projects)</li> <li>Project Overview (Main Expenditure)</li> <li>① Demonstration study of 20% ammonia cofiring in 1 million kW class coal-fired power plant <ul> <li>Project period: June 2021 - March 2025</li> <li>Project description: Development and demonstration test of technology to convert 20% of fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at Hekinan Thermal Power Station Unit 4 (to FY2024)</li> <li>※ NEDO subsidized project "Development of Technologies for Carbon Recycling and Next-Generation Thermal Power Generation / Research, Development and Demonstration</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



Ref.	Section	Requirements	Requirement check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
Ref.	Section	Requirements	Requirement check		ONV Findings           ØR Findings           ØR Technologies for Ammonia Co-Firing Thermal Power Generation"           (2) Demonstration study on actual equipment to establish technology for high ammonia co- firing rate at commercial thermal power plants           Project period: FY2021 to FY2028           Project description: Development of a new ammonia high-efficiency burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to FY 2024), and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to ammonia at the Hekinan thermal power station (to FY2028).           ※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund Project "Establishment of Fuel Ammonia
					<ul> <li>Supply Chain Project "</li> <li>Demonstration of high co-firing rate at thermal power station using ammonia single-fuel burners         <ul> <li>Project period: FY2021 to FY2028</li> <li>Project description: Development of a new ammonia single-fuel burner and study of the specifications of the equipment (to 2024), and conducting technology development and demonstration tests to convert more than 50% of the fuel (calorific value ratio) to</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



Ref.	Section	Requirements	Requirement check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings	
						ammonia at two different boiler units (to FY2028).
						<ul> <li>Technical verification of hydrogen co-firing power generation for the construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain         <ul> <li>Project period: October 2021 to March 2026</li> <li>Project description: Conducting demonstration tests at large-scale LNG-fired power plants in Japan to convert approximately 30% (by volume) of LNG into hydrogen for power generation (to FY2025).</li> <li>※ Adoption of NEDO Green Innovation Fund project for "Construction of a large-scale hydrogen supply chain"</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
					The expenditures related to	(5) Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Goi Thermal Power Station (LNG)
				decommissions of inefficient thermal power plants, with the aim of replacement for high-efficiency	<ul> <li>Demolition of existing power generation facilities at Chita Thermal Power Station (LNG)</li> <li>(Demolition plan is in preparation)</li> </ul>	


Ref.	Section	Requirements	Requirement check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
					thermal power plants
ο	1-5	In the cases where individual Green Projects have been specified, it is recommended that issuers clearly present the projects to investors.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//07//09//10//11/ /12//14/ This report Interviews with stakeholders	The explanations given to investors, taking into account confidentiality and other considerations, clearly outline the transition projects through the disclosure of the Framework and the results of the external review. Details of the specific eligible project candidates and projects to be funded are provided to the external reviewer to confirm eligibility. In case that the actual projects allocated to are decided in advance, those projects will be disclosed by every appropriate classification, through the Amended Shelf Registration Statement, etc. If the allocation is not decided, it will be disclosed through the annual report.
٥	1-6	In cases where Green Projects have incidental negative environmental impacts along with the alleged environmental benefits, the issuers should include information regarding these negative impacts (e.g., how they are assessed, what the issuers do to curb them) to investors so that the investors and market participants can appropriately evaluate these impacts.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//07//09//10//11/ /12//14/ Interviews with stakeholders	Negative impacts on project implementation are those identified below in the preliminary process for evaluation and selection. Projects with significant negative impacts are limited to those for which the necessary action has been taken or will be taken in advance. In addition to the following, if additional explanations are deemed necessary for investors, it will be explained in the Amended Shelf Registration Statement, etc. The funds raised by the transition bond will not be used for projects related to the following: • Inappropriate relationships such as unfair trade, bribery, corruption, extortion, embezzlement, etc. that do not comply with the laws of the country of residence • Transactions that can cause social problems such as human rights and the environment



Ref.	Section	Requirements	Requirement check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
0	1- ⑦	(In case of where a part of Green Bond proceeds is used to refinance existing Green Projects,) it is recommended that the issuers provide information to the investors regarding (1) the amount (or the share) of the bond proceeds being allocated for refinancing, and (2) which Green Projects (or Green Project categories) may be refinanced.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//07//09//10//11/ /12//14/ Interviews with stakeholders	DNV confirmed that JERA plans to disclose the estimated amount (or ratio) of the portion of the proceeds allocated to refinancing in the integrated report published on an annual basis or website. If the inclusion of refinancing and the nature of the refinancing is determined prior to the issue of the bond, JERA plans to disclose the necessary information in legal documents in accordance with CTF 4-g).
0	1-7	When Green Bonds are issued multiple times to refinance an asset that requires long-term maintenance, the issuer should clearly disclose the asset's age and remaining useful life and the amount to be refinanced as at the time of the bond issuance, evaluate the long-term sustainability of environmental benefits and obtain an assessment from an external reviewers for verification.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//07//09//10//11/ /12/ Interviews with stakeholders	At present, there are no plans to allocate for refinancing to projects that are long overdue. In cases where refinancing is targeted, DNV confirmed that a reasonable look-back period (e.g. the transitional nature of the target asset should be maintained at the time of refinancing and the environmental benefits should be realized during the redemption period) should be set.



## **GBGLs-2** Process for Project Evaluation and Selection

Ref.	Section	Requirements	Requirement check	Work Undertaken	DNV Finding	S
Ø	2-①	In advance, issuers should provide investors with information regarding the following: The environmental sustainability objectives that the issuers intend to achieve through Green Bonds.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ / <u>18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	The financing that JERA implements by utilizing transit finance is aimed at achieving the JERA transition strategy wh is in line with the low-carbon decarbonization strategy set by transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI, which ai to align with the goals of the Paris Agreement. JERA has developed the roadmap for its transition strategy "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business Japan <u>(Updated in May 2022)</u> " and incorporated the mediu term goals and a strategic plan for decarbonization (a plan introduce technologies that contribute to transition). Each g based on JERA's Transition Strategy is disclosed as follows. These are planned to be explained to investors in advance through the Framework, the external review and the Amendment Shelf Registration Statement. <b>TABLE JERA TRANSITION TARGETS</b>	
					MEDIUM- TERM GOALS	<ul> <li>FY 2030</li> <li>Reduce carbon emission intensity of thermal power plants by 20% based on the long-term energy supply-demand outlook for FY 2030 as set by the government.</li> <li>Shut down all inefficient (supercritical or less) coal power plants</li> <li>Promote demonstration of mixed combustion with ammonia at high-efficiency (ultrasupercritical) power plants</li> <li>Promote the development of renewable energy cantered on offshore wind power projects</li> </ul>



Ref.	Section	Requirements	Requirement check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings	
						<ul> <li>Work to further improve the efficiency of LNG thermal power generation</li> <li>FY 2035 <ul> <li><u>Reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from domestic operations by at least 60% (relative to FY 2013) by FY 2035.</u></li> <li><u>Given the expanded adoption of renewable energy based on the national government's 2050 carbon neutral policy, JERA will strive to develop and adopt renewable energy in Japan</u></li> <li>Work to reduce carbon emission intensity from thermal power generation by promoting hydrogen and ammonia co-firing</li> <li>CO<sub>2</sub> zero emissions</li> </ul> </li> <li>will be refined in stages based on policy and other ne roadmap will also be revised if the assumptions antly.</li> </ul>
Ø	2-①	In advance, issuers should provide investors with information regarding the following: The criteria for determining the appropriateness of Green Projects based on the environmental	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ /18/	the eligibility c basis of which criteria are as	ned through the Framework and Assessment that of the JERA Transition Project is described on the evaluation criteria (standards). Specifically, the follows: Transition Finance Handbook



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		sustainability objectives described above		Interviews with stakeholders	International Capital Market Association (ICMA), 2020 - Basic Guidelines on Climate Transition Finance Financial Services Agency, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, Ministry of the Environment, 2021 - Green Bond Principles International Capital Market Association (ICMA), 2021 - Green Bond Guidelines Ministry of the Environment, 2020 These will be specified in the Framework and external review and will be explained to investors in advance, through the Amended Shelf Registration Statement.
0	2-①	In advance, issuers should provide investors with information regarding the following: The process for determining how Green Projects fit the criteria for the achievement of the environmental sustainability objectives (The process for the determination refers to the reason why issuers determine that Green Projects can provide environmental benefits appropriately in light of the objectives and criteria for the use of Green Bond proceeds, how and by whom are the criteria applied and used to determine whether Green Projects are appropriate in light of the objectives, and the like)	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ /14/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	DNV confirmed that there is a description of the process by which decisions on the selection of transition projects were made in the Framework. Specifically, eligible projects are selected by the <u>Finance Group</u> , based on the eligible criteria, and finalised by <u>Executive Officer</u> , Head of the Finance Group after a comprehensive analysis and review of financial, technical and operational, market environment and ESG risks by the relevant departments. DNV confirmed that these processes had been established as a normal operation of JERA that the plan will be implemented in accordance with the appropriate processes.
0	2-6	It is recommended that the issuers explain to investors in advance any	Yes	Confirmed documents:	The transition strategy, which forms the basis for the evaluation and selection of transition finance, is JERA's roadmap based on



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		environmental standards or certifications that the issuers will refer to in evaluating and selecting a Green Project to be financed.	Not Applicable	/01//02//03//04/ /14/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI, with specific targets (medium and long term) and plans. These will be explained to investors through the Framework and second party opinions. There are no project-specific environmental standards or certifications. Some activities may include the project through the fund projects (Green Innovation Fund Project).
0	2-⑦	If an issuer intends to establish an exclusion standard to identify and control such potentially material environmental and social risks of Green Projects, the issuer should explain it to investors in advance as one of the criteria it applies.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//07//09//10/ /11//12//14/ Interviews with stakeholders	JERA has set out the following in its Framework as common confirmation for transition finance (a concept equivalent to exclusion criteria). The funds raised by the transition bond will not be used for projects related to the following: •Inappropriate relationships such as unfair trade, bribery, corruption, extortion, embezzlement, etc. that do not comply with the laws of the country of residence • Transactions that can cause social problems such as human rights and the environment
0	2-⑨	It is recommended that internal groups who have expertise, such as the environment related group, or external institutions check whether the determination process is suitable from an environmental point of view.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/ / <u>18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	DNV confirmed that there is a description of the process by which decisions on the selection of transition projects were made in the Framework. Specifically, eligible projects are selected by the <u>Finance Group</u> , based on the eligible criteria, and finalised by <u>Executive Officer</u> , <u>Head of the Finance Group</u> after a comprehensive analysis and review of financial, technical and operational, market environment and ESG risks by the relevant departments. DNV confirmed that these processes had been established as a normal operation of JERA that the plan will be implemented in accordance with the appropriate processes.
0	2-11	It is recommended that issuers position their environmental objectives, criteria and information on their processes in the context of their	Yes No	Confirmed documents: /01//02//03//04/	The transition strategy, which forms the basis for the evaluation and selection of transition finance, is JERA's roadmap based on the transition roadmap for the electricity sector of METI, with specific targets (medium and long term) and plans. These will



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		comprehensive environmental sustainability objectives, strategy, policies and so on (e.g., medium-term management plan, sustainability strategy, CSR strategy) when explaining them to investors.		/05//09//10//11//1 2/ <u>/18/</u> Interviews with stakeholders	be explained to investors through the Framework and second party opinions. JERA's transition strategy, "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050" and "JERA Zero CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan <u>(Updated in May 2022)</u> ", are closely linked to its ESG management and its initiatives under the TCFD.

## **GBGLs-3 Management of proceeds**

Ref.	Section	Requirements	Requirement check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
0	3-1	Issuers should track and manage the net Green Bond proceeds in an appropriate manner. These tracking and managing activities should be controlled by the issuer's internal process.	Yes No	Confirmed documents: /01//08//13/ Interviews with stakeholders	DNV confirmed that JERA plans to manage the procured funds in accordance with the procedures set out in the accounting regulations, by compiling payment data extracted from the accounting system into the "Funds management forms of transition bonds " and ensuring that the total transition-eligible project amount (or individual project amount) is not less than the amount of transition finance issued (or allocation amount). DNV also confirmed through the interviews that there is an operation (system) that can track the proceeds in the above management.
Ø	3-②	As long as the Green Bonds are outstanding, issuers manage the amount of the allocation to the green project is	Yes No	Confirmed documents: /01//08//13/	DNV has confirmed that JERA plans to manage the appropriated and unappropriated amounts on a regular basis (at least annually) using the funds management



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		equal to or more than proceed, or issuers should periodically adjust to match the amount of the total Green Bond proceeds to the sum of the amount of the proceeds allocated to Green Projects and the amount of the unallocated proceeds.		Interviews with stakeholders	forms of transition bonds, based on data extracted from the accounting system on the allocation of proceeds.
0	3-2	If any of the proceeds remains temporarily unallocated, the issuer should explain to investors how it intends to manage the balance of such unallocated funds and endeavour to promptly allocate such funds to Green Projects.	Yes No	Confirmed documents: /01//08//13/ Interviews with stakeholders	DNV confirmed that JERA will identify the balance of unallocated proceeds by means of "Funds management forms of transition bonds", etc., and explain to investors how the funds will be managed (by cash and cash equivalents) through the Framework. In addition, DNV confirmed that JERA plans to allocate the funds (including refinancing) to eligible projects in a timely manner after raising funds. However, if the project implementation (planning, construction, etc.) takes a long time, the period of allocation and refinancing may be flexibly adjusted to take into account the characteristics of the project transition. DNV also confirmed that if any significant excess to the original plan occurs, JERA will report it in the reporting, along with the reasons for such excess.
Ø	3-5	In advance, issuers should provide investors with information on how Green Bond proceeds will be tracked and managed.	Yes No	Confirmed documents: /01//08//13//14/ Interviews with stakeholders	DNV confirmed that JERA has internal processes in place to enable it to track and control the proceeds. DNV confirmed that these are planned to be explained to investors in the Framework, etc.
0	3-6	It is recommended that issuers keep evidenced documents appropriately that	Yes No	Confirmed documents:	DNV has confirmed that there are internal processes in place to ensure that documents relating to the



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		demonstrate how they tracked and managed Green Bond proceeds.		/01//08//13/ Interviews with stakeholders	management of proceeds are properly retained throughout the reimbursement period in accordance with JERA's accounting regulations
0	3 -®	In advance, issuers should provide investors with information on how unallocated Green Bond proceeds will be managed when the Green Projects that will receive the Green Bond proceeds have not been determined, or when such Green Projects have been determined but the proceeds have not been allocated because the allocation timing has not yet arrived.	Yes No	Confirmed documents: /01//08//13//14/ Interviews with stakeholders	DNV confirmed through the Framework that JERA describes how the pre-allocation equivalent of funds is to be managed (in cash or cash equivalents).
0	3-9	It is recommended that issuers manage unallocated Green Bond proceeds as an asset with high liquidity and safety such as cash, cash equivalents, or short-term financial assets	Yes No	Confirmed documents: /01//08//13/ Interviews with stakeholders	Cash or cash equivalents as specified in the Framework are highly secure assets and comply with the requirements.



## **GBGLs-4 Reporting**

Ref.	Section	Requirements	Requirement check	Work Undertaken	DNV Findings
0	<b>4-</b> ①	Issuers should publicly disclose the latest information on the use of Green Bond proceeds after issuance	Yes No	Confirmed documents: /01/ Interviews with stakeholders	From the year following the issuance of the transition finance, it was confirmed that the status of allocation of the proceeds from the issuance of the transition finance to the use of proceeds and the environmental benefits are planned to be reported at least annually until the allocation of all proceeds is completed. In addition, if necessary, the environmental benefits will be reported until the eligible projects by the transition finance are completed. The annual report will be disclosed on the JERA's website.
0	4-2	Issuers should disclose the latest information at least once a year until full allocation of the proceeds and as necessary thereafter in the event of new developments.	Yes No	Confirmed documents: /01/ Interviews with stakeholders	Same as 4-(1). In addition, if there is a significant change in the transition strategy or pathway, allocation plan or project implementation status (e.g., interruption of the project that started allocation, significant postponement on a yearly basis, sale or retirement, etc.), JERA will report the change in a timely manner or in reporting.
Ø	4-3	Disclosed information should include the following contents: <contents> • A list of the Green Projects to which Green Bond proceeds have been allocated • A brief description of each Green Project (including up-to-date progress) • The amount allocated to each Green Project</contents>	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//07//09//10/ /11//12/ Interviews with stakeholders	<ul> <li>The disclosed information will include the following contents in consideration of confidentiality.</li> <li>The report will be disclosed on the website.</li> <li><allocation status=""> <ul> <li>Eligible criteria to be allocated and allocated amounts</li> <li>Balance of unallocated amounts and its management</li> <li>Estimated amount (or percentage) of the proceeds used for refinancing</li> <li><environmental benefits=""></environmental></li> <li>Environmental benefits are disclosed within the scope of confidentiality, to the extent practicable, and in consideration of the characteristics of the project,</li> </ul> </allocation></li> </ul>



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		<ul> <li>The expected environmental benefits of each Green Project</li> <li>Information regarding unallocated Green Bond proceeds (the amount of the unallocated proceeds or the share of the unallocated proceeds to the total amount of the proceeds, when the unallocated proceeds are expected to be allocates to Green Projects, and how the unallocated proceeds are managed until allocation)</li> </ul>			<ul> <li>including an overview of the project (including progress, completion, operation, etc.) and the expected environmental benefits (e.g., t-CO<sub>2</sub>/year)</li> <li>&lt; Other&gt; <ul> <li>Efforts to achieve CO<sub>2</sub> zero emissions by 2050 will be reviewed as appropriate in light of policy and technological trends, and disclosed as necessary.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
0	4-④	If Green Bond proceeds have been allocated to the refinancing of existing projects, it is recommended that disclosed information include: 1) the approximate amount (or the share) of the allocated proceeds used for refinancing, and 2) a list of the Green Projects (or the project categories) refinanced.	Yes No	Confirmed documents: /01//07//09//10/ /11//12/ Interviews with stakeholders	DNV confirmed that JERA plans to disclose the estimated amount (or ratio) of the portion of the proceeds allocated to refinancing in the integrated report published on an annual basis or website.
0	4-5	While it is recommended to disclose 4-3 and 4-4 on a project-by-project basis, if there are confidentiality agreements, competitive considerations, or a large number of underlying projects that limit the disclosure of details, it is considered that information is presented in generic terms or in an aggregated portfolio.	Yes No	Confirmed documents: /01//07//09//10/ /11//12/ Interviews with stakeholders	It was confirmed that the disclosure of information is based on the disclosure of information for each transition project, but may take place in an aggregated format depending on the circumstances, taking into account confidentiality agreements.
Ø	4-⑦	When disclosing information regarding the expected environmental benefits of projects, issuers should use appropriate indicators while ensuring consistency with the "environmental sustainability objectives,"	Yes No	Confirmed documents: /01//07//09//10/ /11//12/	The environmental benefits will be based on the $CO_2$ reduction effect, but JERA will use an appropriate indicator and the progress status of projects depending on the nature of the project to be allocated for transition finance.



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		the "criteria" for Green Projects specified in Section 2, "Process for Project Evaluation and Selection," and the characteristics of Green Projects.		Interviews with stakeholders	
0	4-8	When disclosing the expected environmental benefits of projects, it is recommended that issuers, where feasible, use quantitative indicators and disclose information on methodologies and/or assumptions as well as these indicators.	Yes No Not Applicable	Confirmed documents: /01//07//09//10/ /11//12/ Interviews with stakeholders	Environmental improvement effects will be disclosed on a project-by-project basis, taking into account the nature of the projects subject to allocation.



## **List of Reference Materials**

- /01/ JERA Transition Bond Framework
- /02/ JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050
- /03/ JERA Zero CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions 2050 Roadmap for its Business in Japan (Updated in May 2022)
- /04/ JERA Environmental Target 2030
- /05/ JERA Group Corporate Communication Book 2021 (Integrated Report)
- /06/ Business Plans reflecting the integration of existing thermal power projects, etc.(April 2019)
- /07/ Investment plan for the use of proceeds
- /08/ Funds management forms of transition bonds
- /09/ Project-related information: Overview of Ammonia co-firing demonstration test
- /10/ Project related information: Overview of the hydrogen co-firing demonstration test
- /11/ Project related information: Goi Thermal Power Station
- /12/ Project related information: Chita Thermal Power Station
- /13/ Accounting regulations
- /14/ Amended Shelf Registration Statement
- /15/ Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, "Green Growth Strategy Through Achieving Carbon Neutrality in 2050" (December 2020)
- /16/ "Basic Energy Plan" (October 2021)
- /17/ Transition Roadmap for the Electricity Sector of Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, Japan (February 2022)
- /18/ JERA Environmental Target 2035

Other related information from JERA website