



JR-West Group ZeroCarbon 2050

- Utilization of Carbon-Neutral Fuel in the Railway Sector -

January 19, 2026
West Japan Railway Company



Employees 24,580 (JR-West)
45,450 (JR-West Group)



Subsidiaries : 145



Total Route Length
4,898 km



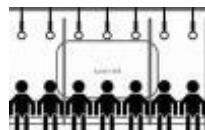
Stations
1,150



Rolling Stocks
6,303



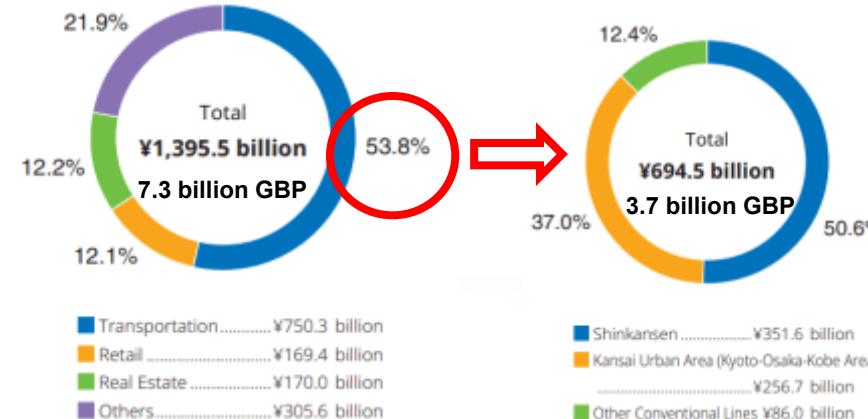
Passengers
1,758 million



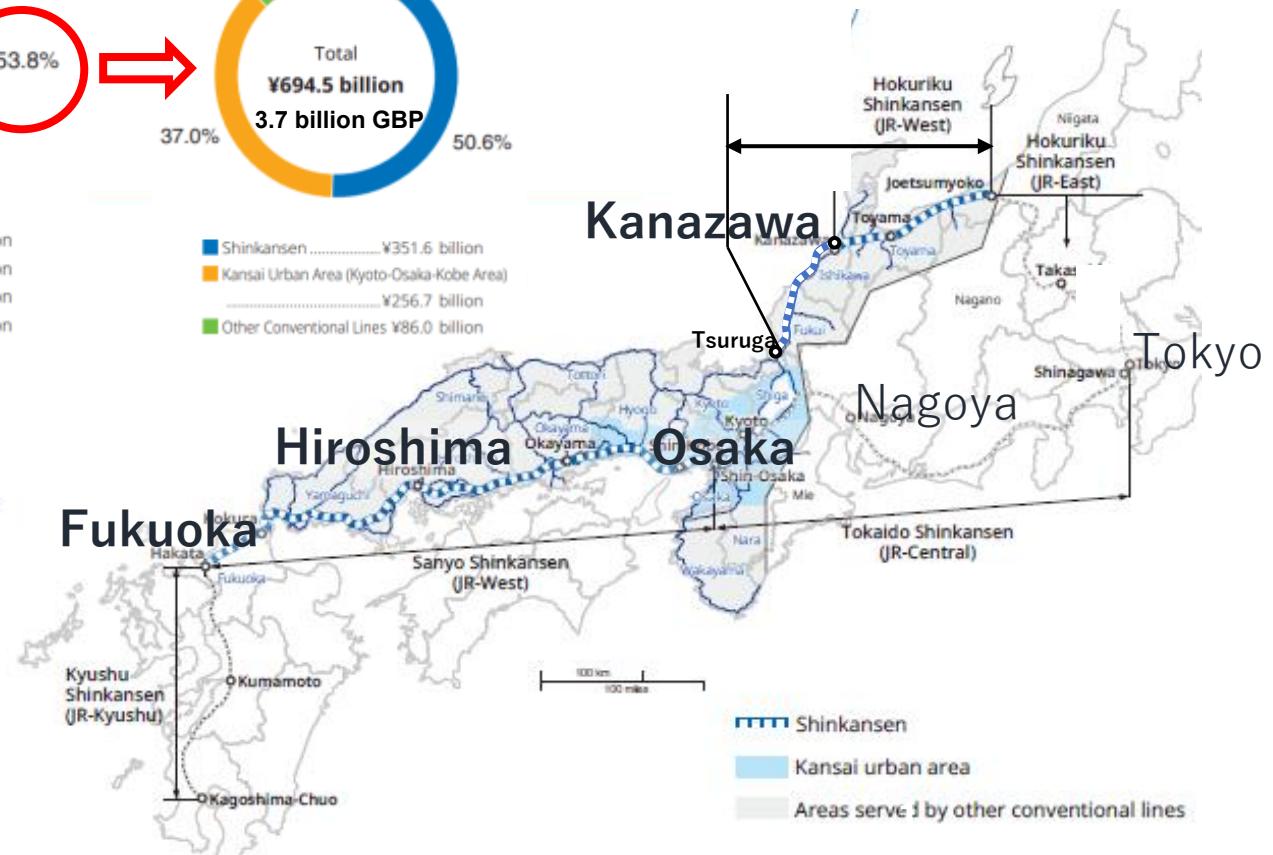
Passenger-kilometers
54,975 million

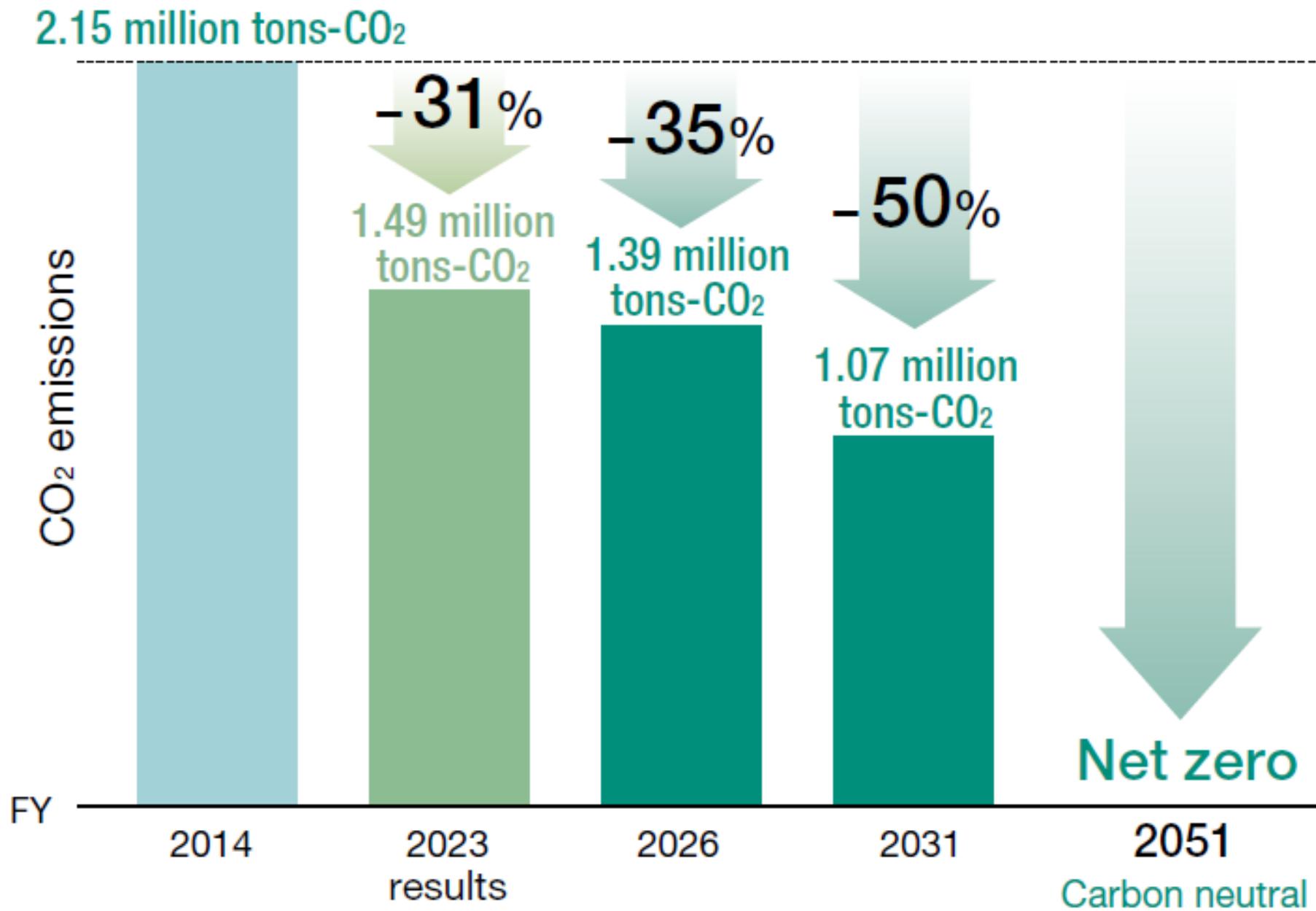
■ Operating Revenues (JR-West Group)

■ Railway Revenues



※ reference values
1 USD = 150 JPY
1 EUR = 150 JPY
1 GBP = 190 JPY

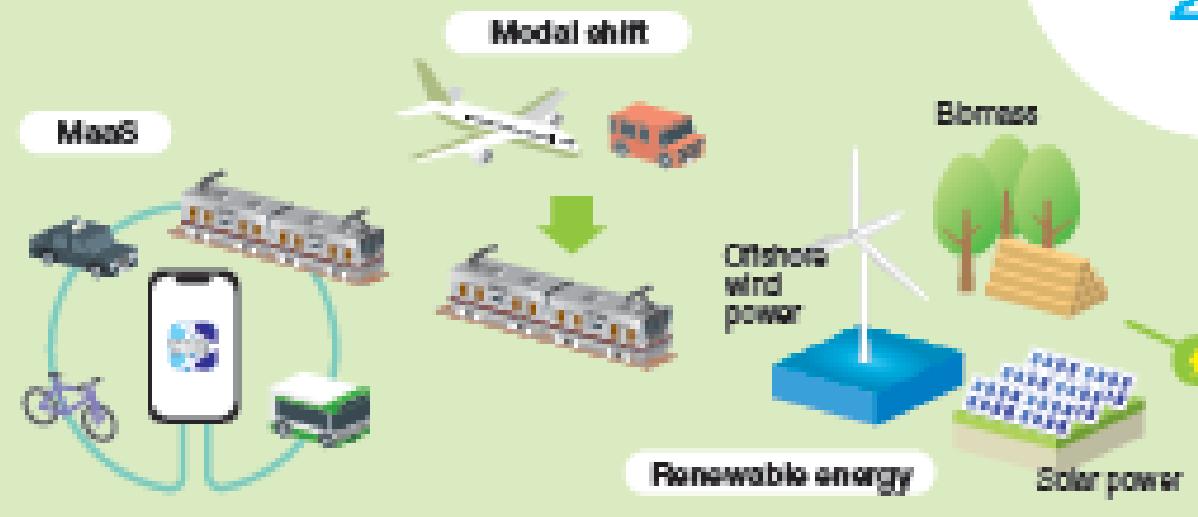




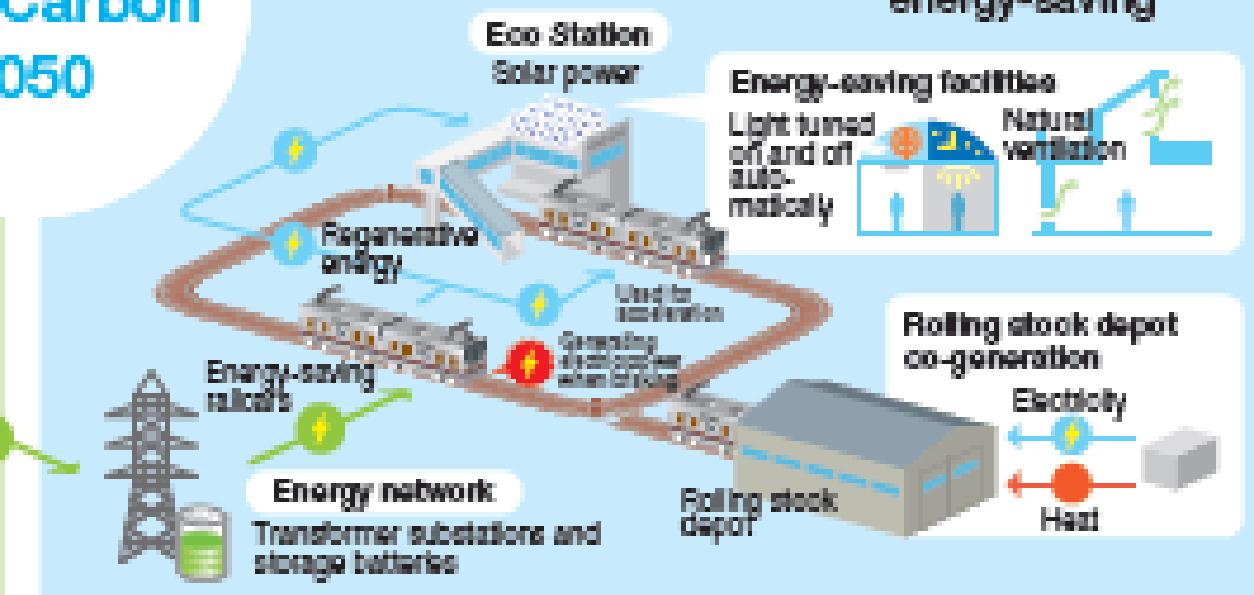
Fostering innovation in the railway environment through new technologies



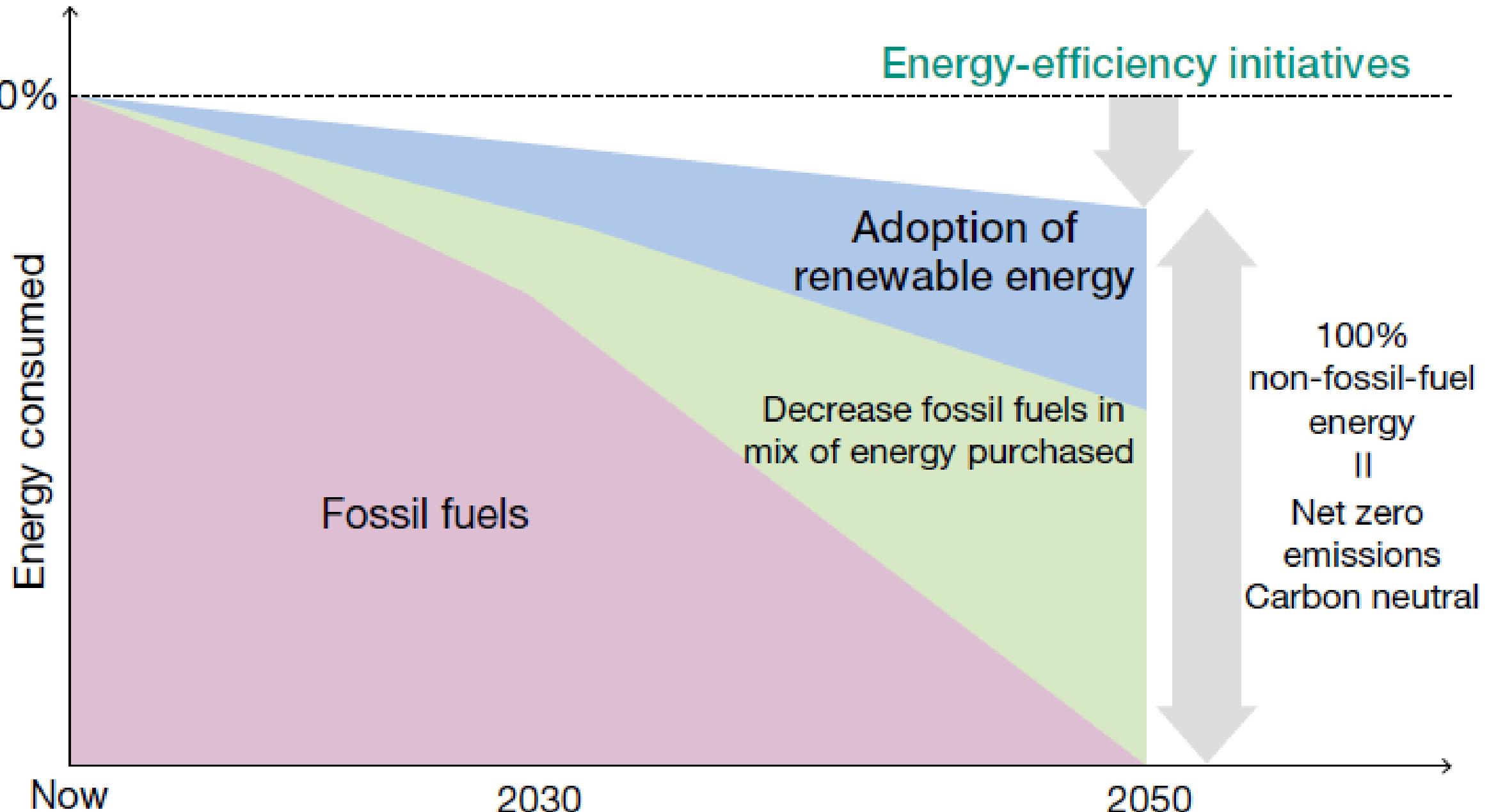
Contributing to the realization of a decarbonized society through collaboration with local communities



JR West Group Zero Carbon 2050



Road map to carbon neutrality



Energy-saving railcars



Shinkansen N700S



Express train Series273



Local train Series227

etc.

Energy-saving facilities



Air Conditioners



LED Lightings



Snow melters

etc.

Renewable energy generation

■ Solar cells on roofs of facilities such as stations



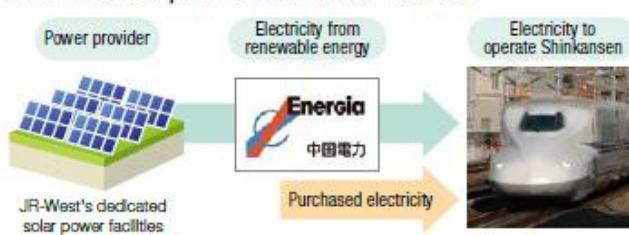
■ Film-type perovskite solar cell



(Photo: Sekisui Chemical Co., Ltd.)

Electricity from renewable energy into train operation

■ Off-site corporate PPA for Shinkansen



■ KPIs (key performance indicators)

Electricity from renewable energy as percentage of all power to operate trains

FY2026	Shinkansen: 6%
	Osaka Loop Line and JR Yumesaki Line total: 60%
FY2028	Shinkansen: 10%
	Osaka Loop Line and JR Yumesaki Line total: 100%

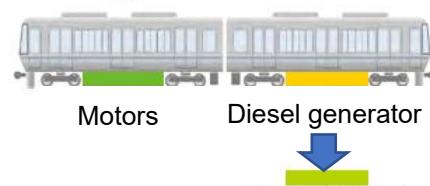
Biofuel and Hydrogen

■ Diesel train and biofuel



■ Converting diesel trains to hydrogen fuel cell trains

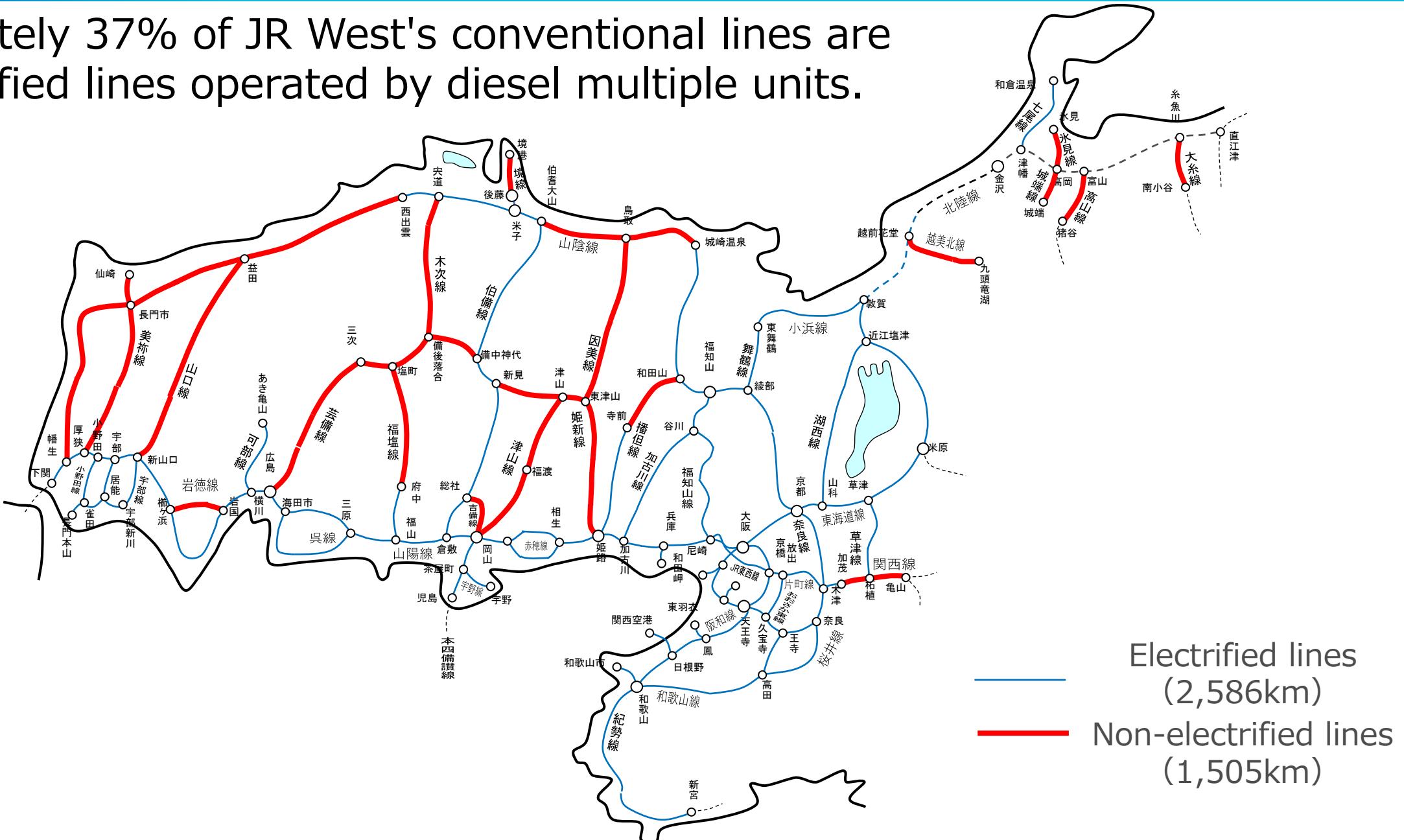
Electric
diesel train



Fuel cells Hydrogen tanks

Non-electrified lines of JR West

Approximately 37% of JR West's conventional lines are non-electrified lines operated by diesel multiple units.

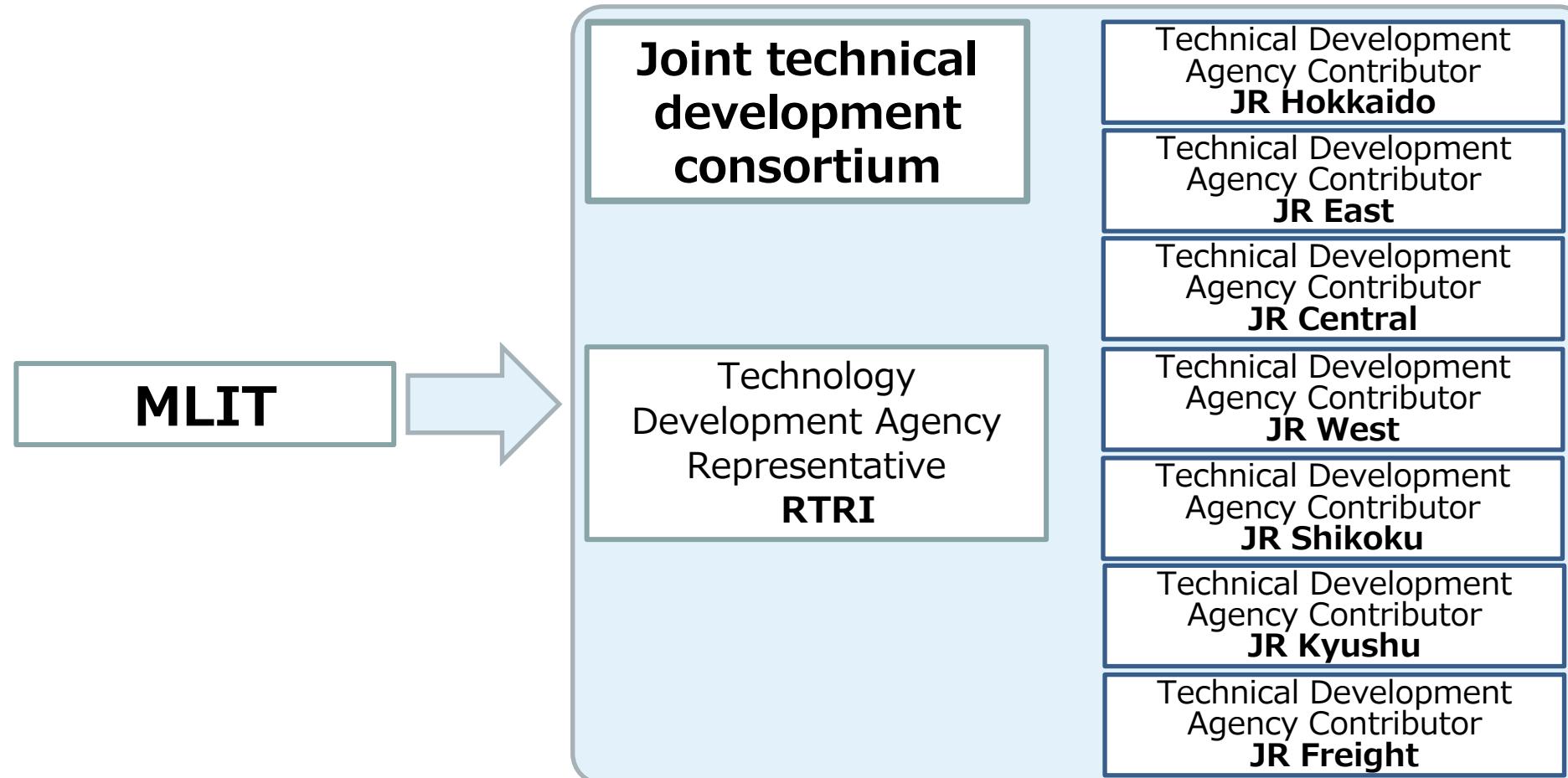




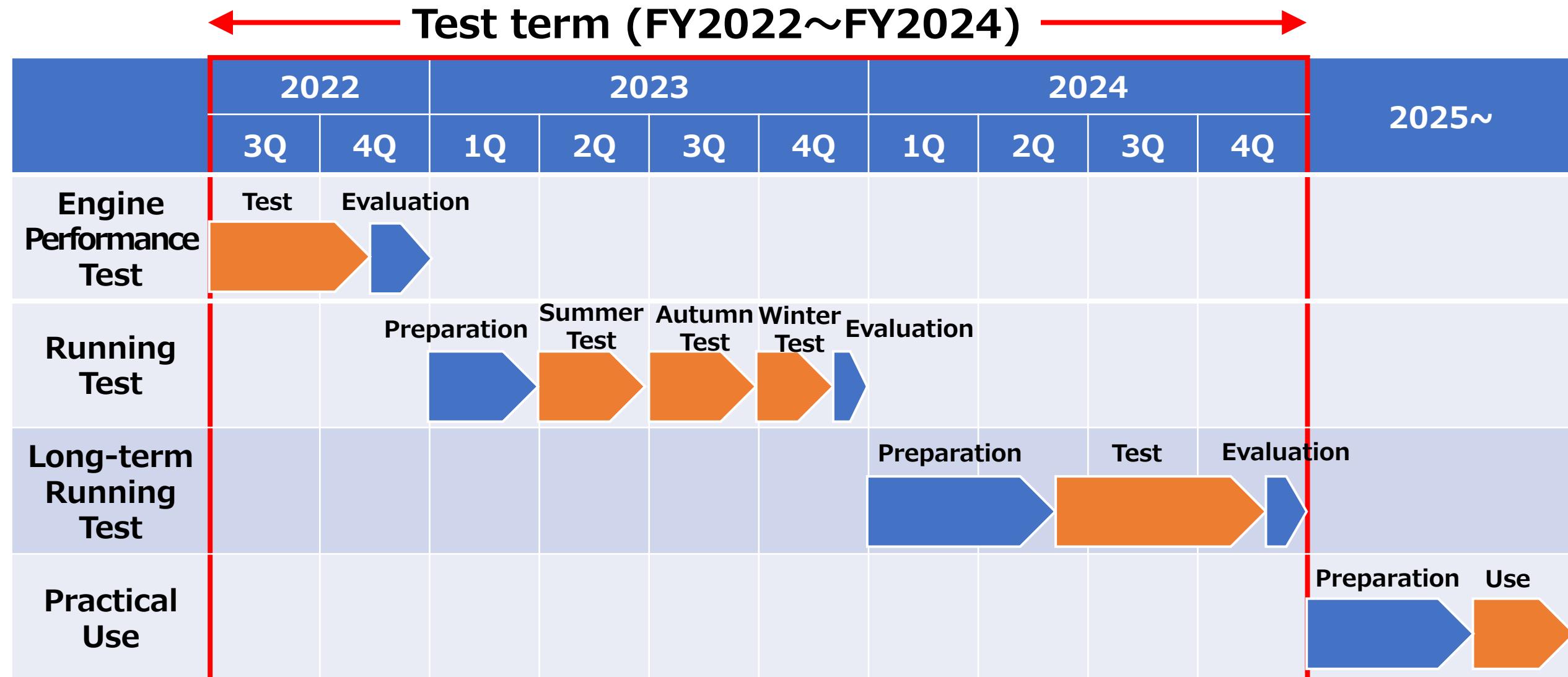
Biodiesel Fuel Demonstration Test

There had been no significant records of the full-scale use of biodiesel fuel (HVO) in railway vehicles until now, so a demonstration test was conducted to confirm that it could be used in railway vehicles without any issues.

The biodiesel fuel demonstration test conducted by a joint technical development consortium of the Railway Technical Research Institute (RTRI) and JR group as a project commissioned by the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism(MLIT).



Test Schedule

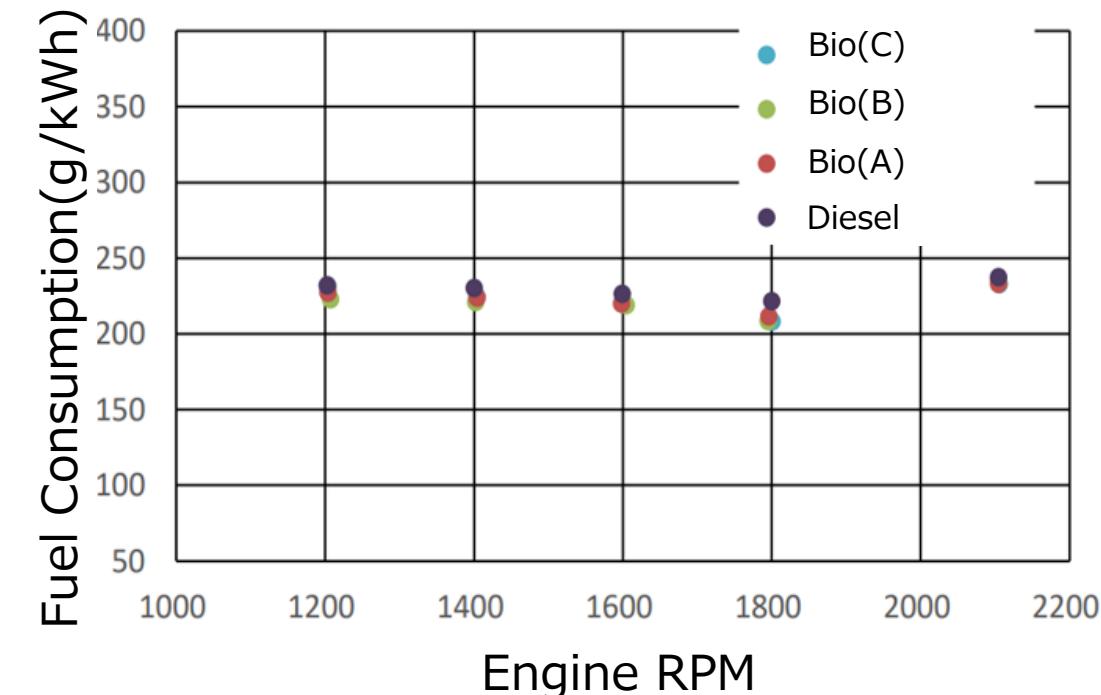
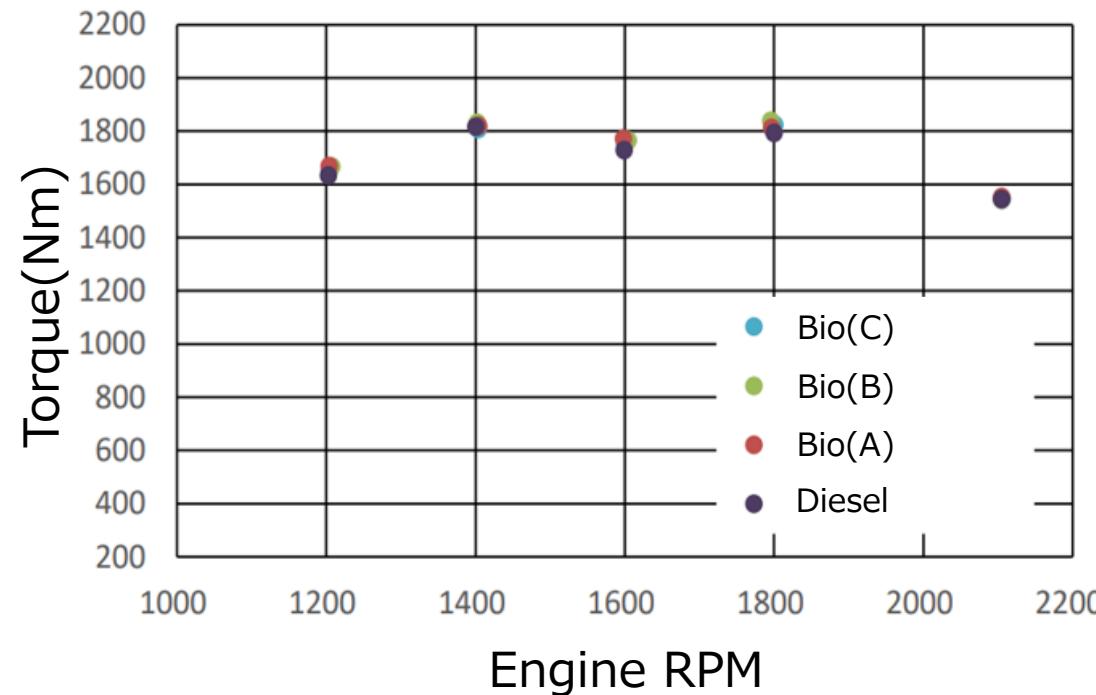


Engine Performance Test

Term	Test Field	Test Details
FY2022	RTRI	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We confirmed the differences in performance between using diesel fuel and biodiesel fuel.• We also conducted tests by varying the mixing ratio of diesel fuel and biodiesel fuel blends.• Depending on the engine's fuel injection system, a slight decrease in output was observed; however, no differences were noted in the trend of the output curve.• The exhaust emissions of biodiesel fuel (NO_x, CO, CO_2, and smoke concentration) are approximately equivalent to those of diesel fuel.
FY2023	JR Central	 A photograph showing a large, industrial-grade engine mounted on a dynamometer. The engine is a multi-cylinder unit with a prominent flywheel. It is connected to various pipes, hoses, and sensors for performance testing. The setup is located in a workshop or laboratory environment with other equipment visible in the background. <p>Test Equipment(Photo courtesy of RTRI)</p>

Engine Performance Test Result

The torque performance and the fuel consumption are equivalent for both diesel and biodiesel fuels.



Running Test

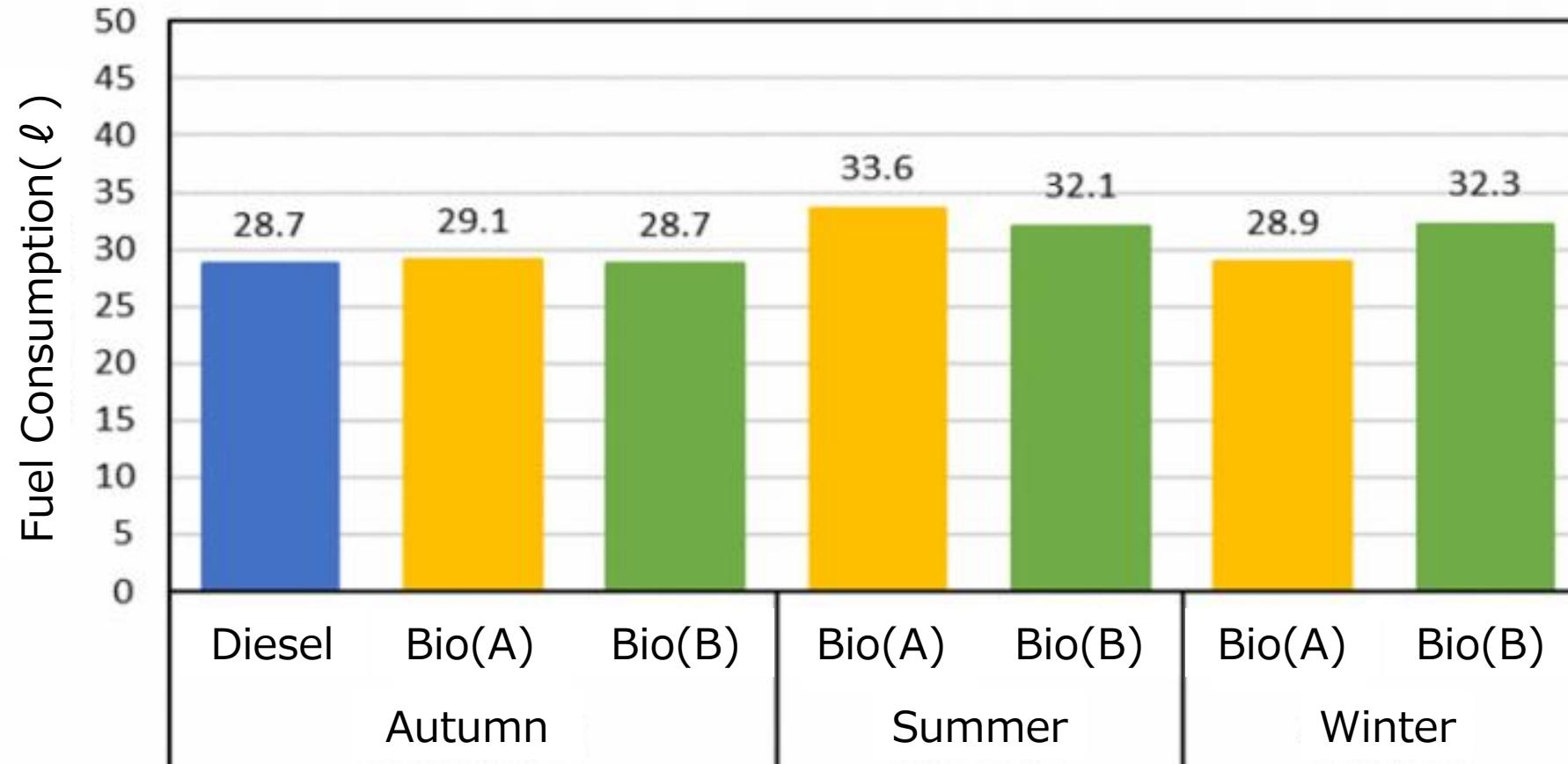
Term	Test Field	Test Details
FY2023	<p>San-in main line Between Shimonoseki and Kogushi</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• We operated the test train to verify the basic performance.• To verify the impact of temperature, we conducted driving tests across three seasons—summer, autumn, and winter—and obtained favorable results.  

Test Vehicle(DEC700)

Test Vehicle(Kiha40)

Running Test Result

Fuel consumption is equivalent for both diesel and biodiesel fuels.



Long-term Running Test

Term	Test Field	Test Details
FY2024	<p>Sanyo main line and Gantoku line Between Shin-yamaguchi, Tokuyama and Iwakuni</p> 	<p>After using a regular service train to check for any abnormalities caused by long-term use, we didn't find any issues.</p> <p>We conducted this test between September 3, 2024, and January 29, 2025.</p>   

Photo of the regular service train by using biodiesel fuel

Practical Use

We have started the practical use of biodiesel fuel from November 11, 2025.

- Area : Non-electrified line in Okayama prefecture and around
- Refueling point : Okayama depot and Tsuyama depot
- Vehicles using biodiesel fuel : Kiha40・47, Kiha120
- Fuel consumption : Approximately 2,100kL/year
※Approximately 10% of total diesel fuel consumption in JR-WEST
- CO2 Emission Reduction Amount : Approximately 5,500tons/year
※Approximately 0.26% of total CO₂ Emission Amount of JR-WEST in FY2013(The reference year)



Photo of train by using biodiesel fuel



Yellow box : Refueling point
Red line : Lines of using biodiesel fuel

We will address some issues related to cost and other factors, and we would like to expand the use of biodiesel fuel.

Thank you for your attention!

