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SKYLARK HOLDINGS CO., LTD.

## 【Environmentally Conscious Model Store】

### **First GUSTO store with virtually zero CO<sub>2</sub> emissions opens**

**Uses 100% renewable electricity, reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by approx. 88 tons per year**

Skylark Holdings Co., Ltd. (Headquarters: Musashino, Tokyo; Chairman and CEO: Makoto Tani; TSE Prime Market; Stock code: 3197) has opened an environmentally friendly Gusto restaurant in accordance with its sustainability policy to realize a decarbonized society.

Gusto Higashi-Murayama Shiyakusho-mae store, which opens on August 11, will use 100% renewable energy for electricity by introducing solar power generation equipment and CO<sub>2</sub>-free electricity. In addition, carbon-neutral city gas is introduced to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions to virtually zero for both electricity and gas, resulting in an annual reduction of approximately 88 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

The store will be a sustainable store that also actively utilizes DX, aiming to improve customer convenience while creating a comfortable working environment for all employees.



**Decarbonization Target for Skylark Group :**

**Long-term Target : Virtually Zero by 2050**

Please see the link below for Scope 1-3 disclosures:

<https://corp.skylark.co.jp/en/sustainability/environment/climate/>

# Toward a Decarbonized Society

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions  
Virtually ZERO

## Solar Power Generations

Supported by: Looop Inc.

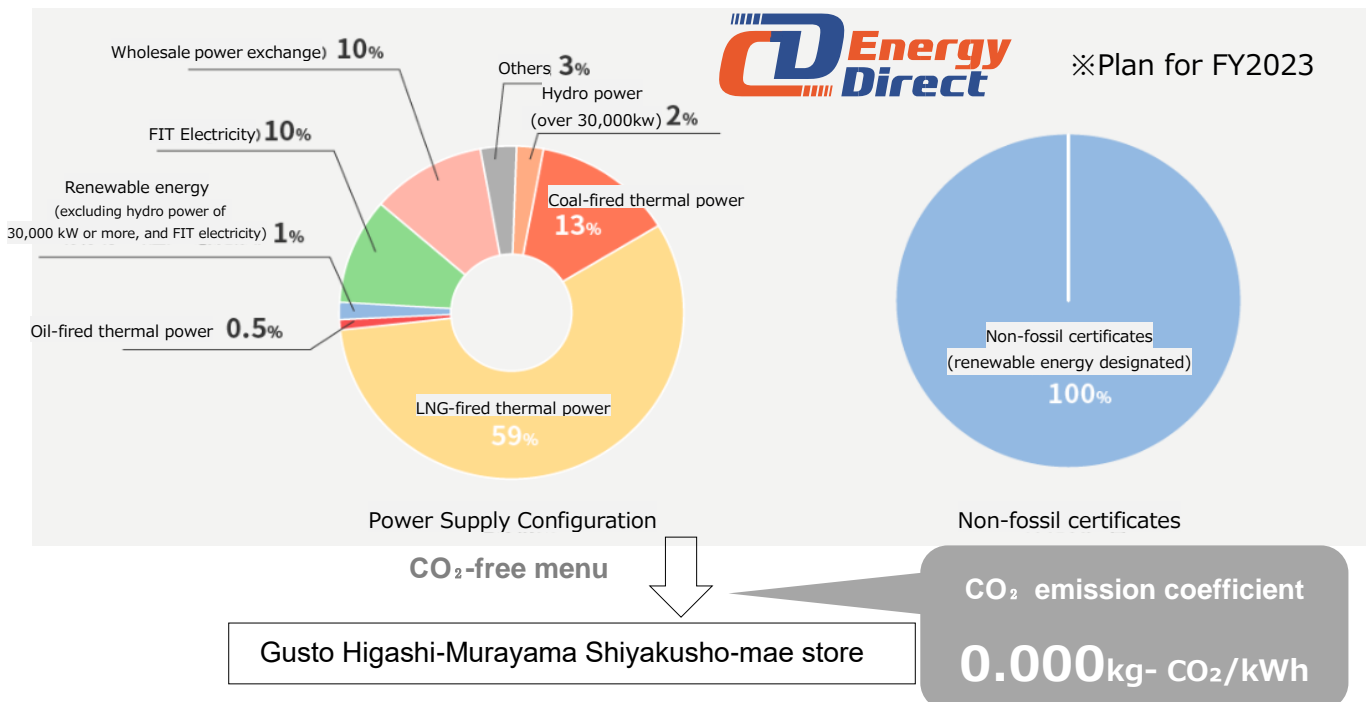
A 54.72kWh photovoltaic power generation system has been installed on the roof of the store to conserve energy. All the electricity generated by the system is used for the store's operation, which is equivalent to 30% of the total electricity required by the store. (\*Scheduled to start operation at the end of August.)



## CO<sub>2</sub>-free Electricity

Supported by: CD Energy Direct Co.,Ltd.

With 100% of the power sources procured by CD Energy Direct emitting virtually zero CO<sub>2</sub> through the use of non-fossil certificates with tracking information to renewable energy, the remaining 70% of power used for store operations that cannot be covered by solar power is also virtually CO<sub>2</sub> emission free.

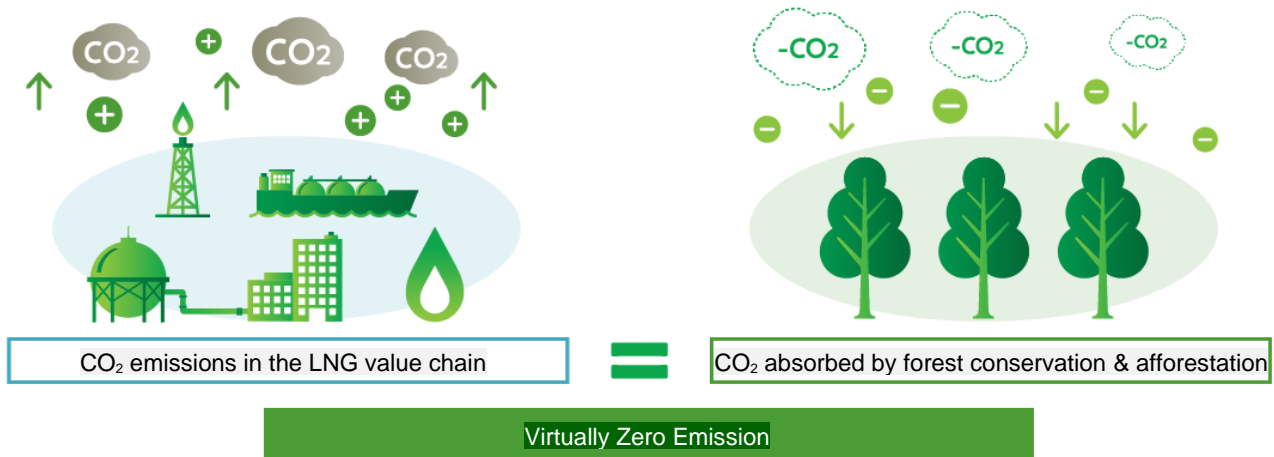


# Carbon-neutral City Gas

Supported by: Tokyo Gas Co.,Ltd.

Carbon-neutral city gas is a city gas that is considered CO<sub>2</sub>-free on a global scale by utilizing natural gas which offsets the greenhouse gas generated in the process from mining to combustion of natural gas with CO<sub>2</sub> credits generated by environmental conservation projects in emerging countries and other regions (carbon-offsetting). This store uses carbon-neutral city gas from Tokyo Gas.

By offsetting greenhouse gas emissions throughout the value chain with CO<sub>2</sub> credits generated through forest conservation and other means, emissions are considered zero on a global scale.



## LED Lighting



Reduce power consumption and heat generation

## Ceiling Fan



Circulates air inside the store and improves energy efficiency in the air conditioners

## High-side light



Reduce power consumption by bringing in natural light, and using less lighting during daytime

## Photosensors



Installed in restrooms and some other areas to reduce power consumption

## Sensor-sensitive Exterior Lighting



Use of sensors rather than timers to turn on/off exterior lighting, and signs to reduce employee workload

## Improving the work environment for employees

### ECO Air Conditioning



ECO air conditioning with reduced energy use (0.5t CO<sub>2</sub> reduction per year)

### Simultaneous air supply/exhaust hood



Kitchen airing equipment with reduced outside air load. Improves the work environment (25% improvement in outside air load)

### Installation of Outside Air Conditioner



Supplies conditioned air from the outside to the kitchen in the summer and winter to improve the work environment.

### Total Heat Exchanger



By transferring the indoor heat that is discarded during exhaust to the air, energy can be saved and a comfortable space can be created.

### Heat Insulating Material



Improve building insulation and reduce energy consumption from air conditioners

## Recycling

## Effective Use of Resources

### Rainwater Utilization



Rainwater from the roof is used for sprinklers for plants. Reduces flooding and other water damage caused by torrential rains

### Recycled Glass Lighting



Recycle discarded fluorescent lamps and upcycle them as pendant lighting

### Re-made Furniture



Remake and reuse damaged furniture from existing stores

## Kitchen Equipment Reuse



Reuse kitchen equipment and reduce waste

## Use of Recycled Building Materials



Use of recycled materials such as coal ash from thermal power plants, used coffee beans, and other waste materials











## Use of Local Timber

Partially using local timber "Tokyo no Ki, Tama Timber" which leads to local revitalization through forestry and lumber industry.

Proper harvesting to utilize planted and nurtured trees is important for environmental preservation, and contributes not only to carbon fixation but also the environment by reducing transportation energy (CO<sub>2</sub> emissions), as "Tokyo grown, Tokyo consumed".



<List of supporting companies>

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## DX Promotion

Increased  
convenience

We actively utilize IT digital technology in the store experience from the time customers enter the store to the time they leave, aiming to improve the quality of customer service through collaboration with people and to create a comfortable working environment for our employees.

### Digital Menu Books



Ordering through digital menu books, with notification function for tables where checks have been paid

### Floor Service Robots



Serving food by robots and staff. Kitchen layout that enables robots to start from the kitchen

### Smart In-ear Announcements



Automated service request announcements to employee in-ear systems, linked to buttons pressed on digital menu books

### Table Payment Service



QR code payment at the table

### Self-service Checkout Counters



Cash-enabled self-checkout



Manned semi-self checkout counters

For an introductory movie of Gusto Higashi-Murayama Shiyakusho-mae Store, please click [here](#) (Japanese version only)

Store location : 1-17-2 Honcho, Higashi-Murayama, Tokyo (Opening hours 7:00~24:00)

#### **【Company Information】**

Company Name : SKYLARK HOLDINGS CO., LTD.  
Representatives : Makoto Tani, Chairman and CEO Minoru Kanaya, President and COO  
Business Activities : Food services and related businesses  
Listed Market : Prime Market of the Tokyo Stock Exchange (TSE code 3197)  
Group Stores : 2,977 stores including overseas locations (as of July 31, 2023)

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