Ministry of Industry and Information Technology Confirmed 2014 Main Expected Targets for Energy-Saving and Comprehensive Utilization

Ministry of Industry and Information Technology confirmed that the main expected targets for energy-saving and comprehensive utilization in 2014 are: energy consumption and CO₂ emissions per unit of industrial added-value decreases by 4.5%, water consumption per ten thousand Yuan of industrial added-value decreases by 7%, comprehensive utilization of industrial solid waste is further improved, and pollution emissions in key industries is markedly reduced.

Modify and improve the overall scheme of pilot transformation cities of green low carbon industry as soon as possible, select about five urbanized industrial cities nationwide to carry out trials, and guide the formulation and approve the trial plan of pilot transformation cities of green low carbon industry. Make great efforts to implement the plan for increasing clean production level in Beijing-Tianjing-Hebei as well as the surrounding areas, and organize key enterprises in steel, cement, chemical, petrochemical, non-ferrous metal metallurgy and other industries to carry out clean technology improvement. Organize the implementation of plans to improve motor energy efficiency, and focus on the implementation of standards in production enterprises, the promotion and execution of special projects, and the construction of policy mechanism in 2014.

In 2014, Ministry of Industry and Information Technology will organize the implementation of plans to raise the technical standard of water saving in industries, study and advance the punishing water price policy based on quota standards in water usage, clarify policy thinking and plans.

At the same time, speed up in organizing the drafting of elimination directory on backward water process equipment in high water-consuming industries such as steel and paper industries, and implement mandatory elimination.

It is known that at the present, regional guidelines on water utilization efficiency in key industrial products has been initiated in some provinces and cities in our country. For example, in Beijing, decision has basically been made that thirty-four types of key products including integrated circuits and soft drinks should be covered in the guidelines. Survey and study of enterprises are currently underway.

Changbo Su, deputy minister of Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, pointed out that the economic and industrial development in our country has entered a new stage, which calls for new requirements on green industry development and further drives the central task of economic development toward the pursuit of quality and efficiency. Considering the trend in industrialization process, it is essential to accelerate the promotion in energy conservation and emissions reduction and achieve industrial transformation to green low carbon. In view of the situations in international competition, industries in our country face great pressure to transform to green low carbon type. All parts must fully understand the importance and urgency of the work in energy-saving and comprehensive utilization, promote structural transformation, industries upgrading and green development, and drive the efforts in energy-saving and comprehensive utilization to a new level.