

## Temporary Suspension of ISO 9001 Certification at an Equity-Method Affiliate of Denka

Denka Company Limited announces in connection with the improprieties announced on May 29, 2023 discovered in products of Toyo Styrene Co., Ltd., an equity method affiliate, which is certified, etc. by Underwriters Laboratories Limited Liability Company (UL), that Japan Chemical Quality Assurance Ltd. (JCQA), which is the ISO (International Organization for Standardization) accredited certification body for Toyo Styrene, carried out an extraordinary inspection, as a result of which, Toyo Styrene reported receipt of notice to the effect that the ISO 9001:2015(\*) certification obtained at its Kimitsu Plant has been temporarily suspended.

We deeply apologize to all those concerned, including our customers, for the inconvenience caused in connection with these improprieties.

Denka will endeavor to strengthen compliance, which it sees as the cornerstone of management, in accordance with the Denka Group ESG Basic Policy. Denka takes this latest measure seriously and will focus all its efforts on preventing a recurrence and regaining trust and will also provide Toyo Styrene with our support to ensure the lifting of the temporary suspension of ISO 9001:2015 certification as soon as possible.

(\*) International standard that defines the requirements for a Quality Management System

< Overview of Temporary Suspension of ISO 9001:2015 Certification >

"Manufacture of styrene resins and development and manufacture of general colorants and compounds"  
at Toyo Styrene's Kimitsu Plant

\*Please visit Toyo Styrene's website for details. <http://www.toyo-st.co.jp/> (Japanese)

<Reference>

• “Improprieties Related to Third-Party Certification of Resin Products of Denka and an Equity-Method Affiliate, etc., and Establishment of an External Investigation Committee Consisting of Outside Experts”  
(May 29, 2023)

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