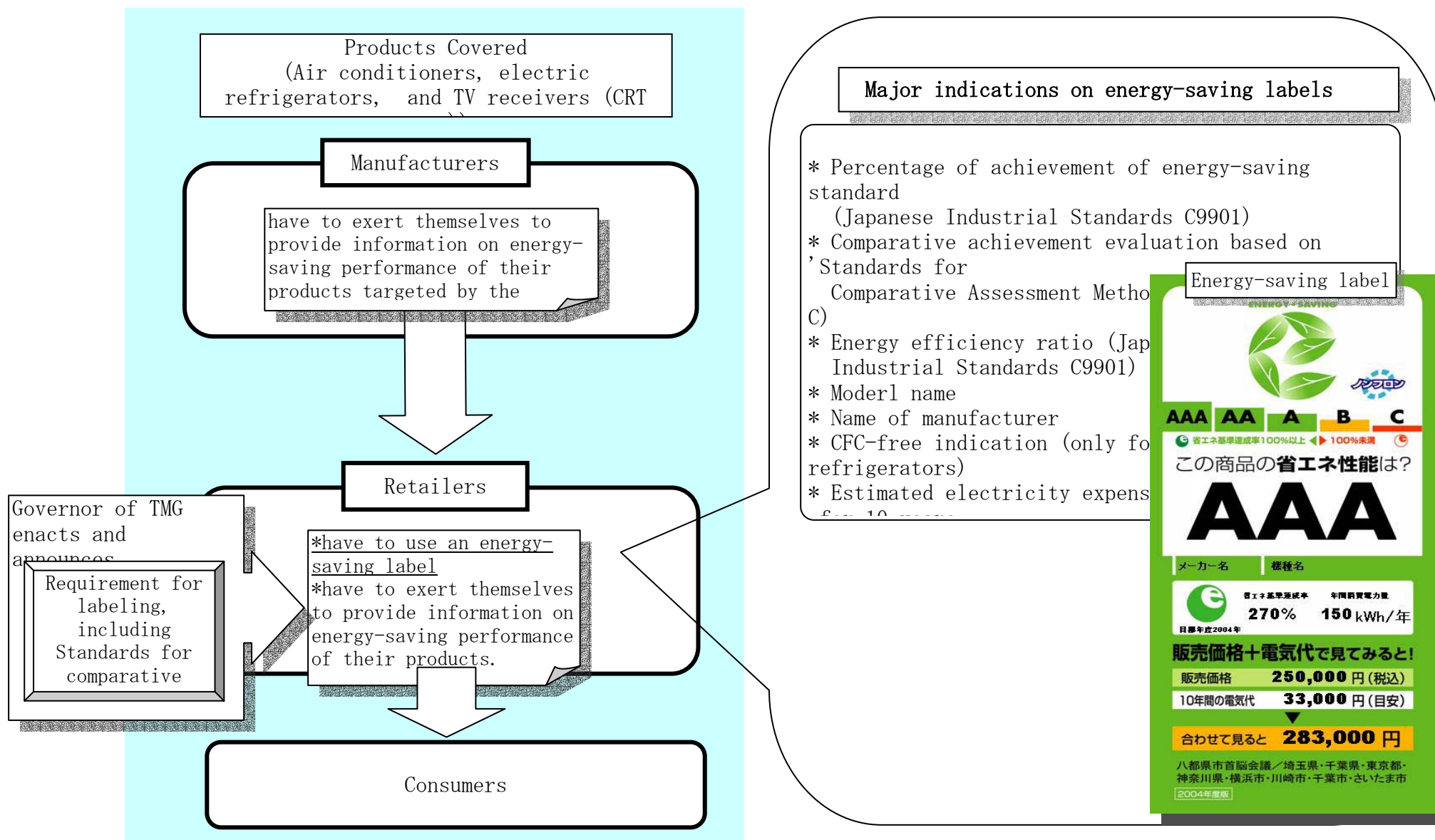


Outline of the Tokyo Metropolitan Government Labeling System for Energy Saving



A summary of the amendment

Tokyo Metropolitan Government Ordinance on the Environment to Secure the Health and Safety of Citizens of Tokyo and etc.

Considering larger CO2 emission from households in Tokyo compared with those of Japan's average, there is the necessity to further disseminate energy-saving electric appliances as a measure against global warming at households sector.

Therefore, the amendment of the "Tokyo Metropolitan Government Ordinance on the Environment to Secure the Health and Safety of Citizens of Tokyo" and its implementation regulations, and the enactment of the "Standards for Comparative Assessment Methods on Specific Home Electric Appliances" and "Labels which Show Energy Saving Performance" (TMG notification of adoption: 2005) require appliances retailers to label energy-saving performance of goods such as air conditioners, electric refrigerators, and TV receivers (CRT) , when they are displayed and sold at their stores in Tokyo (see attachment).

Most of the technical regulations on each labeling item cite the Japanese government's laws which were already notified under the TBT agreement and Japanese Industrial Standards which meet annex3 of the TBT agreement (CGP). Some of them are unique standards, due to some unavoidable reasons such as fundamental climatic or other geographical factors and technical reasons. Details are shown on the Table 1.

Table 1

| Standards | TBT Notification |
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| Implementation regulations on recycle of specific home electrical appliances (1998 government decree #378) | TBT Notified |
| Standards for manufactures on the improvement of performance of air conditioners (March 31, 1999, Ministerial notification #190, Ministry of Economic, Trade and Industry) | TBT Notified |
| Standards for manufactures on the improvement of performance of electric refrigerators (December 22, 1999, Ministerial notification #704, Ministry of Economic, Trade and Industry) | TBT Notified |
| Standards for manufactures on the improvement of performance of TV receivers | TBT Notified |

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| (March 31, 1999, Ministerial notification #192, Ministry of Economic, Trade and Industry) | |
| Japanese Industrial Standards C9901 | Accept and fulfill TBT agreement annex 3; Code of good practice for the preparation, adoption and allocation of standards (CGP) |
| Japan Society of Refrigerating and Air Conditioning Engineers Standards, JRA4046 | Not applicable |