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Please help conserve energy

To the Citizens of Sapporo:

To all of you affected by the Hokkaido Eastern Iburi Earthquake which occurred on September 6th, I sincerely express my sympathy.

Currently, Hokkaido's energy supply is limited and in an effort to avoid future power outages or scheduled power outages, it is vital that, as an area which consumes the most power, we take initiative to conserve energy.

The City of Sapporo is actively initiating power conservation efforts at city-operated institutions, and we kindly ask for all our citizens to cooperate in the following ways:

1. Time zones when energy conservation is necessary

From 8:30am until 8:30 pm

It is particularly important that we conserve energy during these hours. Please use any necessary energy *outside* of these hours.

2. Energy conservation at home

- Please turn down the lights to 1/3 of what you usually use. Please also turn off toilet seat heating.
- Turn your refrigerators, TVs, and other household electronic appliances to “low-power” or “energy-saving” mode.
- Use other forms of energy aside from electricity, such as boiling water using gas burners etc.
- Shift the hours you would normally use electricity. For example, use rice cookers to make a day's worth of rice 8 hours in advance, and fill up bathtubs after 9:00 pm.

3. Energy conservation at the office

- Dim the lights in office spaces, and completely turn off lights in areas where there is no one.
- Allow cool air to come in through windows rather than using air cooling.
- Turn your information appliances to “low-energy” or “power-saving” mode, and turn off the power completely when you leave the office.

Sincerely,

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