

This Week's Update — World Energy Affairs (17th July, 2012)

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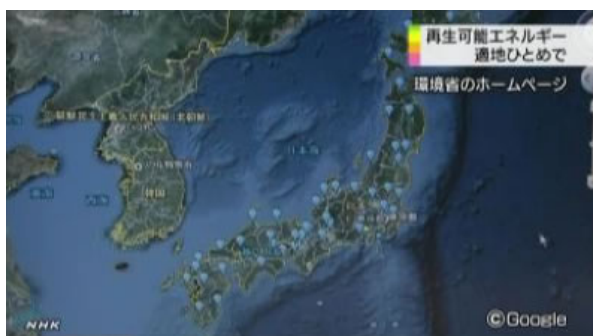
This Week's Column

1) Smart meters, which transmits detailed information of electricity usage, is attracting attention as means for power saving. In addition, there is expectation that new industry may occur by using these information. Korean information appliance venture "Nuri Telecom" installed smart meters to 270,000 houses in Sweden. Mr. Masayuki Suzuki, president of Japanese subsidiary contributed "Will Smart Meter Change Society? - From the experience of installing smart meters to 270,000 houses." (English Translation Coming Soon)

This Week's Link

1) "Renewable Energy Introduction Potential Map and Basic Zoning Information"

Ministry of the Environment, Government of Japan



From NHK news

Ministry of the Environment of Japan began a service to display potential location for renewable energy on a Japanese map by using Google Earth.

2) "A better mix Shale gas will improve global security of energy supplies" Economist

This article showed reserves of the shale gas. Reserves are abundant in the United States and China, countries with high energy consumptions. Therefore, it points out that it is beneficial for both energy security and global warming policy.