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Suggestions to the Taiwan Government based on the Conference of 「 Related Measures and Development of Certifications for European Union WEEE and RoHS Directives 」 :

As a non-profit foundation, CTCI Foundation worked with *Economic Daily News* and invited nine specialists from governmental, academic and research fields to host the conference on 「 Related Measures and Development of Certifications for European Union WEEE and RoHS Directives 」 on July 11th, 2006. The main focus of issues include the generalizability of the Green Product Management System (GPMS) from the Department of Industrial Technology of the Ministry of Economic Affairs, the applicability of Energy-Using Product (EuP), Registration, Evaluation and Authorization of Chemicals (REACH), and the arrangement of the division of work between the partnership of government and the public and the suggestions are as follows:

1. The Active Expansion of GPMS

It is recommended that since the Department of Industrial Technology of the Ministry of Economic Affairs has already outlined GPMS in the Green Plan, it should organize seminars and make cross-departmental promotions.

2. The National Standardization of GPMS and Signing of Multilateral Recognition Agreement (MLA)

Upon studies of the corporation characteristics and needs in Taiwan and standards of international regulations, Taiwan Electrical and Electronic Manufacturers' Association (TEEMA) urges the Ministry of Economic Affairs to adopt GPMS as national standards as QC080000 of international standard. Also, there should be multilateral recognition agreement so companies can obtain both Hazardous Substance Process Management (HSPM) and GPMS simultaneously through certifications.

3. The Establishment of an Up-to-date and Globalized Platform

Following the EU RoHS and WEEE directives, countries such as USA, Japan, Korea and China will also follow with similar measures. In view of this, a globalized platform for convenient retrieval of information for companies is much needed.

4. Integration of Management System Derivatives for International Directives and Regulations

Government should assist companies to establish a comprehensive management system with regards to regulations of REACH, SA8000 (ISO26000), ISO1064 and such.

5. Laying Emphasis on Legislative Direction that Increases Green Competitiveness

In view of international regulations such as the EU RoHS and WEEE directives, legislatures should be reviewed to make necessary revision or addition.