

Cooling and circulating water purification system Weets



Background of Development



1) Overview of Kariya Plant, Toyota Boshoku Global Mainstay Hub (Kariya City, Aichi Prefecture)

- Main plant for unit components
- Production of air cleaners and other molded plastic products
- Number of plastic molding machines: Approximately 60 (75t 850t*)

2) Problems encountered in kaizen activities

*Variety of molding machines ranging from 75t to 850t

- Intermittent defects in plastic molding
- Extended time for molding is required

Photo of metal mold surface

Location of

defective molding

Metal mold

High

 Locations of mold defects match high-temperature spots in metal molds

Thermographic image

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Area of high temperature

Cause is insufficient

- Scale accumulated inside the piping for the insufficiently cooled part
- → Factors that inhibit cooling



Background of Development



3) Mechanism by which scale adheres to piping

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Depositing of scale constituents contained in water

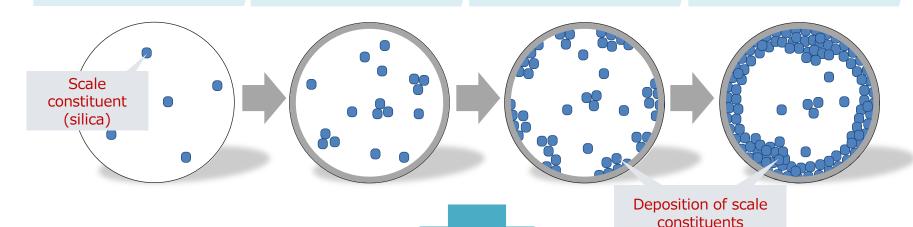
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Temperature changes during circulation increases concentration of scale constituents in coolant water

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Scale constituents not fully dissolved in water begin to adhere to piping 4

Increasing build-up inhibits absorption and radiation of heat



In 2012, steps begun to improved quality of water used in circulating coolant water for metal molds

Aims in Developing Water Environment Ecology Technology Systems



Toyota Boshoku's Core Technologies

Filters



Filtration

Oil mist separator



Separation

Ion exchanger



Modification/ Reformulation Aims in improving water quality

Removing scale in piping

Preventing scale from repeated adhesion (rust prevention)

Discharging removed impurities

Corrective measures (see next page)

Purification with
TB's proprietary
water conditioner

Reduction of scale constituents using ceramic balls

Separation of

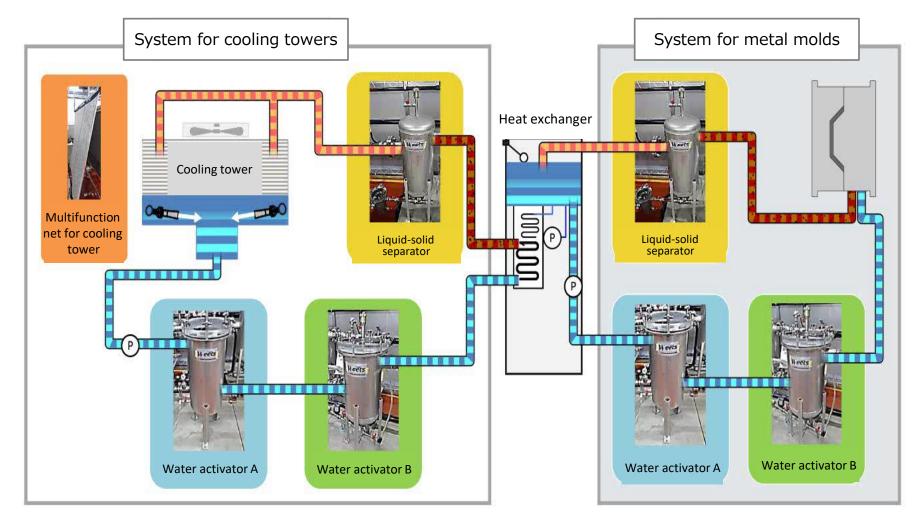
impurities through application of filtration technologies



Toyota Boshoku's original development of water environment ecology technology systems

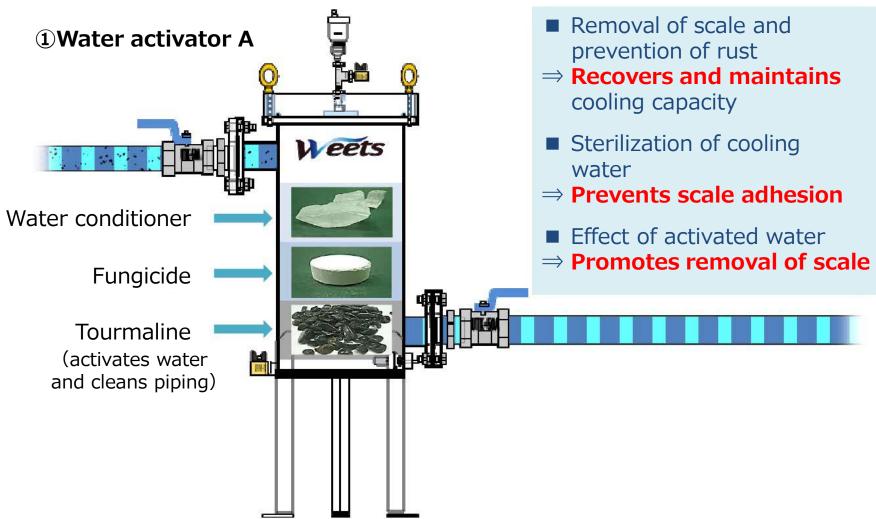


1) System layout



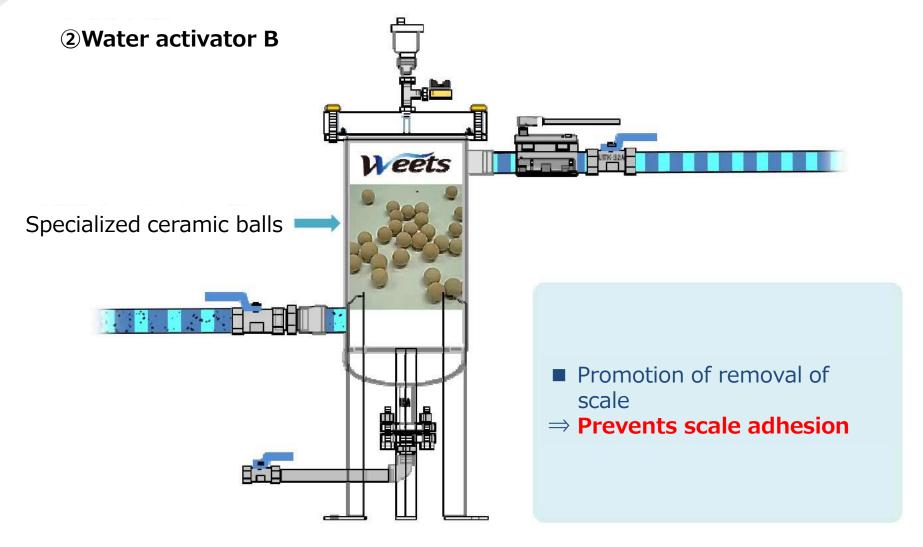


2) System details





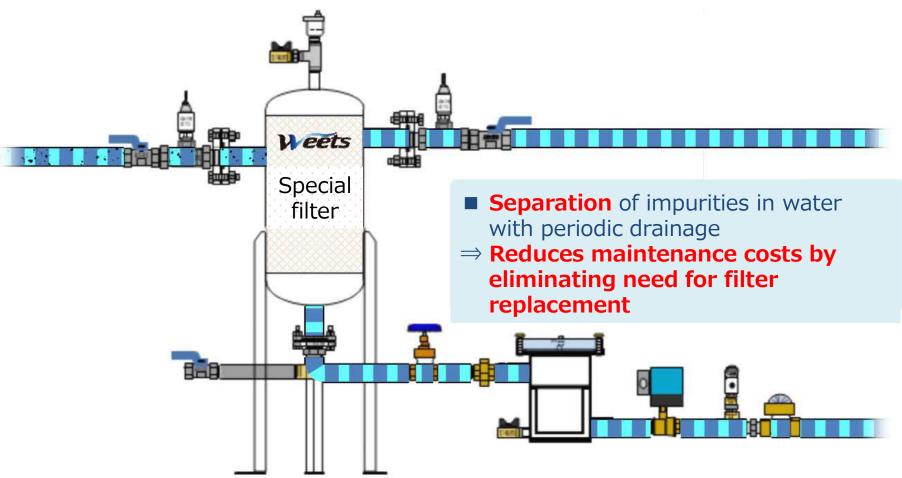
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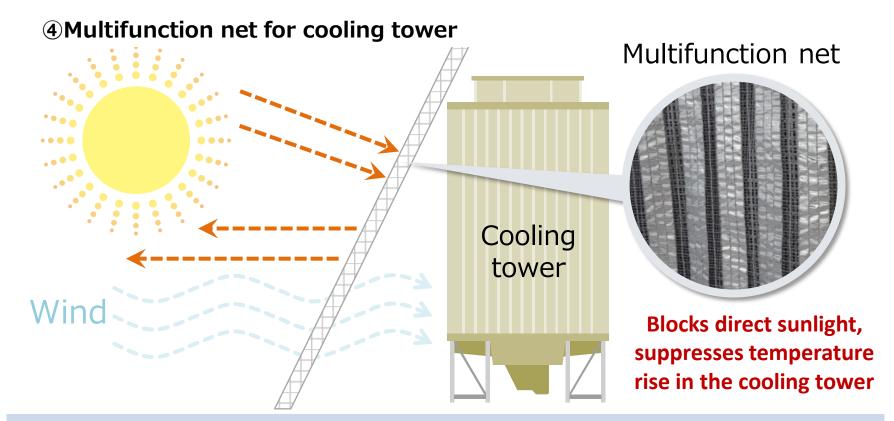
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3Liquid-solid separator





2) System details



- **1**Prevents the generation of bacteria from rising temperatures, prevents deterioration of water quality
- 2 Reduces power consumption by cooling towers and air-conditioning equipment



A cooling and circulating water purification system for metal molds





3) Effects

Before adoption

1 month after adoption

1 year after adoption









- ① Removal of scale adhering to coolant piping, maintenance of conditions, and prevention of rust
 ⇒Reduction in large-scale maintenance cost
- 2 Suppression of scale adhesion and progression of rust in piping
- ③ Reduction in power cost increases due to accumulation in piping (approx. 30% improvement at Toyota Boshoku)

Adoption of measures at Toyota Boshoku 100 sets in 13 sites



(As of May 2018)



Currently being introduced, initially in areas with water issues



Toyota Boshoku's water environment ecology technology systems

showing continuous onsite improvement,

and our commitment to manufacturing

through application of our filtration technologies



Cooling and circulating water purification system [Weets]

Features (Benefits)

- Reduces rate of defects in molded articles
- ·Removes scale in coolant piping
- Reduces cooling system maintenance costs
- Eliminates need for periodic cleaning due to scale adhesion

- **■** Filters are maintenance-free
- •Eliminates need to replace special filters
- **■** Energy-saving
- •Reduces power consumption by suppressing temperature rise in cooling towers
- **■** Environmentally friendly
- Natural water conditioner can be drained with conventional water drainage





Water environment ecology technology systems

Plans for sales of the Weets, our water environment ecology technology systems (In current fiscal year)

(Reference) Size of Japan's domestic market

- 1 Number of molding machines owned in Japan:
- ② Number of cooling towers owned in Japan :

Approximately 70,000

(Toyota Boshoku's in-house survey data)

Approximately 186,000

(Excerpted from results of survey of applicable facilities, from press release on Ministry of the Environment website)





Weets: Water environment ecology technology systems (Trademark registration pending)