Closed-loop supply chain network optimization for Thailand motorcycle industry

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Background of study

- Recently, logistics have been increasing rapidly.
 However logistics network is still not advanced and transportation is still ineffective.
- In addition, number of the scraped equipment also increased which can be considered as environmental problem.
- To deal with these problems, Closed-loop supply chain investigation which both forward and reverse logistics are needed.



Objectives of study

- In Thailand, there is no much data about logistics which make it difficult to figure out the real current situation.
- The objective of this study is to propose, the reverse logistics by allocating the facility in the network.



Current motorcycle transportation in Thailand

- Recently, the environmental issue has become more concerned, in developed country there is a law that manufacturer must take responsibility to collect the product at the end of life.
- Japan: Automobile(2002~)、Motorcycles(2004~)
- ► EU: (2002~)
- Korea: 3Rs
- Thailand: no regulation currently but the tendency is high.





Current motorcycle transportation in Thailand

Number of new and 2nd motorcycles sales(Bangkok)











- Minimum error = 1.8%.
- The sudden drop in year 2004 is caused by the regulation that suspend the registration for those who do not pay tax for consecutive 3 years was first started.



ESTIMATION OF MOTORCYCLE TRANSPORTATION DEMAND IN THAILAND

Estimated number of new registered motorcycles

No. of motorcycles



New registered motorcycles



2nd hand motorcycles





Design variable: Location and number of facilities









Dealer Factory \bigcirc Collection 0 Centre





- The optimal number of Hybrid distribution/collection centre was found to be 39.
- Comparing with the current system, with Hybrid distribution/collection being established the total cost are reduced and more benefit can be gained.



SUMMARY

- In this study, for motorcycle transportation as a case study, it has been found that by introducing distribution/collection facility in the logistics network, the cost can be reduced.
- As a further study
 - Regional cohort model should be performed
 - Stochastic demand should be applied

Thank you for your attention