

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 17, line 5, and ending at page 17, line 19 with the following:

If an idle stop request exists (S2; Yes), ECU 9 then determines whether or not the operation temperature is not lower than the first predetermined temperature (operation temperature  $\geq$  first predetermined temperature) (S3). If the temperature TWOUT (operation temperature) detected by the outlet water temperature sensor 35 is not lower than the first predetermined temperature (S3; Yes), ECU sends an idle stop permission order and makes the fuel cell 3 become an idle stop state (S4). If the temperature TWOUT (operation temperature) detected by the outlet water temperature sensor 35 is lower than the first predetermined temperature (S3; No), ECU 9 sends an idle stop prohibition order and prohibits the idle stop of the fuel cell 3 (S5). ECU 9 makes the fuel cell 3 become the electricity generation state in preference to the idle stop control. This can expedite a warming-up of the fuel cell 3 so that the fuel cell vehicle 1 can move smoothly.