Electrical Supporting Information

Effects of kaolinite layer expansion and impurities on the solid-state reaction of kaolinite

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Figure S1. IR spectra in the OH stretching region for (a) GK, (b) GK mixed with $CaCO_3$ after grinding, (c) Me-GK, and (d) Me-GK mixed with $CaCO_3$ grinding.



Figure S2. XRD patterns of (a) KP, (b) U-Me-KP, and (c) L-Me-KP. Reflections due to quartz and illite are marked as filled squire and diamond, and a cross mark represents an unknown phase.



Figure S3. XRD patterns for (a) halloysite+C-4.5 h, (b) halloysite, and (c) ground halloysite mixed with $CaCO_3$. Reflections due to anorthite, $CaCO_3$ and quartz are indicated by filled triangles, circles and squares, respectively, while the cross mark indicates an unknown phase.



Figure S4. FE-SEM images of (a) halloysite, (b) ground halloysite mixed with CaCO₃ (dashed ellipse indicates a representative CaCO₃ particle), and (c) CaCO₃, and (d) magnified view of region in orange rectangle shown in (c).