

AEC Begins Deliberations on Partitioning and Transmutation Technology

On September 19, the Advisory Committee on Nuclear Research and Development's Working Group on Partitioning and Transmutation Technology, under the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC), met for the first time to discuss how to carry out R&D on partitioning and transmutation.

Hereafter, the group will meet with representatives from both the Japan Atomic Energy Agency (JAEA) and the Central Research Institute of the Electric Power Industry (CRIEPI) to hear about the state and progress of R&D, and to identify technological issues. The group will then discuss such topics as the development of infrastructure for the Transmutation Experimental Facility, Phase II of the Japan Proton Accelerator Research Center (J-PARC), as well as international cooperation.

It is then expected to complete a report on its findings by the end of 2008.

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