

IAEA Mission Makes Inspection Visit to Kashiwazaki-Kariwa NPS on December 4

Visiting Japan during the first five days of December 2008, the second follow-up mission team from the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) made an inspection visit to the Kashiwazaki-Kariwa NPS in Niigata Prefecture on the 4th, the facilities of which were damaged in a giant earthquake on July 16, 2007. Before and after their inspection tour, they also exchanged views with representatives of Japan's Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency (NISA) in Tokyo.

The team consisted of ten expert members, headed by Antonio R. Godoy, Deputy Team Leader of the Engineering Safety Section of IAEA's Division of Nuclear Installation Safety. The members met with officials from the NISA from December 1 to 3 and again on the 5th. During its visit to the Kashiwazaki-Kariwa NPS on the 4th, the team divided into groups to look into faults, improvement work, and so forth.

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