

IAEA Mission Team Completes Second Follow-up Inspection

The second follow-up mission team from the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to the Kashiwazaki-Kariwa NPS, damaged in an earthquake in July of last year, completed its inspection on December 5. At a press conference the same day, Antonio R. Godoy, team leader, said that the team had “reconfirmed the high level of safety at the Kashiwazaki-Kariwa NPS.”

Referring to the team’s having inspected primarily Unit 7, the subject of an existing evaluation, Godoy said, “We demonstrated our earlier view in an inspection report a year ago. This time we have confirmed once again that the Kashiwazaki-Kariwa NPS has a high safety level against earthquakes.”

IAEA has carried out evaluations of the new standard ground acceleration, improvement work, and so forth, and a report should be ready in about a month.

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