

Chubu Electric Announces Replacement Plan for Hamaoka NPS: Decommission Hamaoka-1 and -2 and Construct Unit 6

On December 22, Chubu Electric Power Co. announced that it has decided a plan to decommission Units 1 and 2 at the Hamaoka NPS and to build Unit 6 there instead.

Given that three decades have passed since Units 1 and 2 were originally started, and that a huge amount of money (about JPY300 billion = \$3.3 billion) would be needed to improve seismic margins there, the company has chosen a replacement plan. At Units 3, 4 and 5, work has already been finished to increase seismic margins to about 1,000 gals on open foundation surfaces, and those units are currently in operation.

Chubu Electric decided to decommission Hamaoka-1 (stopped since November 2001) and Hamaoka-2 (stopped since February 2004), because their economical and safety performance would not be sufficient to restart to work.

In stead of them, Hamaoka-6 would be constructed on the east side of the same site, targeting to start in 2018 and thereafter.

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