# The Present Status and the Future Of Fukushima Daiichi NPS

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# The Earthquake and the Tsunami of the 3/11/2011



The Epicenter and Intensity

Source area of the Earthquake Tsunami Wave Sources

- The M9.0 earthquake, fourth largest in the world caused by a coupling movement of several separate seismic regions; the Off-shore Miyagi pref., the Southern Trench off-shore Sanriku east, the Off-shore Fukushima pref., and the Off-shore Ibaraki pref.

-Although the Governmental Research Authority, as well as TEPCO had evaluated seismic motion and tsunamis in individual regions by the scientific analyses, the coupling movement of all these regions had not been taken into account.

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#### Most observed acceleration data was below that of the design-basis earthquake

Observation Point (The lowest basement of reactor buildings)		Observed Data			Maximum Response Acceleration against Basic Earthquake Ground Motion (gal)		
		Maximum Response Acceleration (gal)					
		Horizontal (N-S)	Horizontal (E-W)	Vertical	Horizontal (N-S)	Horizontal (E-W)	Vertical
Fukushima Daiichi	Unit 1	460*	447*	258*	487	489	412
	Unit 2	348*	550*	302*	441	438	420
	Unit 3	322*	507*	231*	449	441	429
	Unit 4	281*	319*	200*	447	445	422
	Unit 5	311*	548*	256*	452	452	427
	Unit 6	298*	444*	244	445	448	415
Fukushima Daini	Unit 1	254	230*	305	434	434	512
	Unit 2	243	196*	232*	428	429	504
	Unit 3	277*	216*	208*	428	430	504
	Unit 4	210*	205*	288*	415	415	504

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\*: The records were stopped approximately 130-150 seconds after recording started.

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# Height of the Tsunami at Fukushima Diichi(1)

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# Height of the tsunami at Fukushima Diichi (3)

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### Major inundation pathways;

- 1. Building Entrance
- 2. Equipment Hatch
- 3. Emergency Diesel Generators Air Supply Louver Boards
- 4. Trenches, Ducts (cable penetrations), etc.
- ⇒Inundation to Rooms for Emergency Diesel Generators & Electric Panel



# Height of the tsunami at Fukushima Diichi (4)



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# Emergency Response - Main Control Room

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# **Emergency Response – Alternate Water Injection**



# **Emergency Response** - Inside Emergency Response Center



**Emergency Response HQ** in the anti-seismic building



Entrance of the anti-seismic building

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Emergency Response HQ packed with people immediately after the accident



After Evacuation to Emergency Response Center

•6 TEPCO employees exceeded the exposure dose of 250mSv including one who exceeded 670mSv due to post-accident water injection and vent work.

•99 TEPCO employees and contractors exceeded 100mSv.

•No reports of health issues due to acute radiation damage as of present.

(Emergency dose limit for radiation workers was increased to 250mSv after March 14, 2011, now is resumed to100mSv.







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Screening

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Training

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Restoration Work -STEP1



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## **Restoration Work** -Countermeasure for Aftershocks and Tsunamis



Alternative Water Injection



Restoration of Breakwater





Installation of Seawall

#### Summery of the Step 2 Completion of "Roadmap towards Restoration from the Accident"

- > Confirmed the reactors were brought to a condition equivalent to "cold shutdown" and stabilized (in case an accident occurs, we will be able to keep the radiation dose at the site boundaries at a sufficiently low level)
- > The targets other than reactors had been achieved as follows, thus the completion of the Step 2 "Release of radioactive materials is under control and radiation doses are being significantly held down" was confirmed. Progress status of "Roadmap towards Restoration from the Accident at Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station" on December 16

#### [Issue (1) Reactors]: Achieved "condition equivalent to cold shutdown"

RPV bottom temperatures and internal PCV temperatures are , in general, below 100 . Release of radioactive materials from PCV is under control and public radiation exposure by additional release is being significantly held down. The mid-term safety of the circulating water cooling system is secured.

[Issue (2) Spent fuel pools]: Achieved "more stable cooling"

[Issue (3) Accumulated water]: "Total volume of accumulated water has been reduced"

[Issue (4) Groundwater]: The start of water shielding wall construction marked the achievement of Step 2 [Issue (5) Atmosphere/Soil]: Unit 1 reactor building cover completion marked the achievement of Step 2. [Issue (6) Measurement, Reduction, Announcement]: Full fledged decontamination work has begun according to the cabinet decision of the basic policy based on the Special Act

[Issue (7) Tsunami, Reinforcement, etc.]: Seismic safety assessment of the reactor buildings has completed in all Units. A support structure at the bottom of the Unit 4 Spent Fuel Pool has been installed. [Issue (8) Living/working environment]: Living/working environment has been improved via the construction of temporary dormitories and on-site rest stations.

Improved working environment that was harsh in the immediate aftermath of the accident via providing healthier meals, installing bathing & laundry facilities, and setting up temporary dormitories & on-site rest stations, thus maintaining worker motivation .: [Issue (9) Radiation control/Medical care]: Health care has been improved via restoring appropriate radiation controls and organizing a medical care system, etc.

Countermeasures for medical care have been implemented: countermeasures against heatstroke and influenza, radiation control system reinforcements, thorough exposure control, consideration for long-term healthcare. [Issue (10) Staff training/personnel allocation]: Continue staff training and continue to consider a strategy

to effectively procure required staff

Promote staff training, especially for high-demand staff engaged in radiation work, in conjunction with the government and TEPCO. [Action plan for mid-and-long term issues]: Confirmed that the mid-term safety of the circulating cooling system has been secure.

The facility operation plan in light of the mid-term safety was developed, followed by the government review. Hereafter, the government and TEPCO's mid-and-long-term countermeasure conference will be established, which will develop mid-and-long term roadmap and promote necessary on-site work and R&D towards decommissioning. . 7

## Cold Shutdown Status

Circulating Water Cooling continued (6/27/2011~)

✓ It is difficult to accurately understand where the damaged fuel is located in the RPV or PCV, but the temperature at the bottom of RPV bottom and inside the PCV are stable at below 100°C.

Release of radioactive materials from containment vessel controlled

✓ The release of radioactive materials from PCV is controlled and radiation dose is significantly reduced by cooling the inside of the PCV and controlling steam generation.



# **Controlling the Release of Radioactive Materials**

- The amount of radioactive materials (cesium) released from Unit 1-3 PCV is calculated the assessed value of total release amount (as of February 13, 2012) as <u>about 10 million Bq/hr.</u>
  - $\rightarrow$ <u>About one-80 millionth</u> compared to immediately after the accident.
- Accordingly, assessed the exposure dose at site boundary as <u>0.02mSv/yr.</u> <u>at maximum</u>.

(Excluding effect of already released radioactive materials) Note: Exposure limit established by law is 1mSv/yr.

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# Accumulated Water Treatment

∼Controlling the Total Amount of Accumulated Water 
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- Reliability improvement of Water Treatment Facility and Introduce Multi-nuclide Removal System (FY2012)
- Tanks with Total Capacity of 165 thousand tons are in operation. Additional 40thousand be installed.
- Reduction of groundwater flow into the buildings



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>An agent to prevent the dispersion of radioactive materials has been sprayed.

➤Installed reactor building cover on Unit 1 (October 28, 2011).

➢ Reduced radiation level at the station site by removing rubble and storing/managing them according to radiation level.

#### ➢Installed PCV gas control system. (Unit1,2,3)

✓ Maintains PCV internal pressure at around atmospheric levels and manages the released amount of radioactive materials.



building cover on Unit 1



Removing rubble from Unit 4

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# Mid-and-long Term Roadmap

Present (Com	pletion of Step 2) With	nin 2 Years Within	10 Years	After 30-40 Years
Step 1, 2	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	
<achieved conditions="" stable=""> -Condition equivalent to cold shutdown</achieved>	Period to the start of fuel removal from the spent fuel pool	Period to the start of fuel debris	Period to the end of decommissioning (Af	ter
-Significant Suppression of Emissions	(Within 2 years)	(Within 10 years)	30-40 years)	



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Target Timeline:

## 1) Reactor Cooling, Accumulated Water Processing

- In order to stably maintain "a condition equivalent to cold shutdown", water injection cooling will be continued up to the completion of the fuel debris removal.
- By examining the reliability of the system, system improvements will be continuously implemented.
- During Phase 2, processing of accumulated water in the buildings will be finished. In order to achieve more stable cooling, scaling down of the circulation loop is being considered.



# Target Timeline:

## 2) Plans to Mitigate Sea Water Contamination

- Should underground water be contaminated, water shielding walls will be installed by mid FY2014 in order to prevent underground water from flowing into the ocean.
- Covering and solidifying seabed soil in front of the intake canal will prevent the diffusion of radioactive materials in the soil. By the end of FY2012, the continuous operation of the circulating seawater purification facilities will reduce radioactive materials in the seawater inside the site port to the level below the limit for the outside of environment surveillance areas as determined by a notification of the government. Sediments dredged in order to secure a navigable depth for large ships will be similarly covered.
- Afterwards, while maintaining the installed facilities, underground water and sea water etc. will be continuously monitored.



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# Target Timeline:

3) Radioactive Waste Management and Dose Reduction at the SiteBoundaries 25

- 4) Onsite Decontamination Plan
- Plan to reduce the effective radiation dose at the site boundaries to below 1 mSv / year by FY2012 as a target date, due to additional emissions from the whole site and radioactive waste stored on the site after the accident (secondary waste materials via water processing and rubble etc.).
- Plan to develop a facility renewal plan by the end of FY2014 that includes the lifetime assessment of the containers for secondary waste materials via water processing.
- ▶ Plan to continue ongoing land and sea environmental monitoring.
- In order to reduce exposure to the public and workers while improving the work environment, step-by-step decontamination measures will be implemented starting from the offices and working areas such as the Main Anti-Earthquake Building in conjunction with efforts to reduce radiation dosage outside the site.



# Lessons of the Response Policy to Prevent Core Damage

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- This accident occurred due to the simultaneous loss of multiple safety functions due to tsunami.
- Proposed safety improvement measures for existing NPPs based on lessons learned.
- Policy 1 : In addition to measures against tsunami itself, which was the direct cause of the accident, implement exhaustive tsunami measures for equipment important to core injection and cooling, considering accident response operations and plant behavior issues.
- Policy 2: Implement measures that flexibly secure functions with increased applicability and agility to prevent core damage, presuming multiple equipment failure or functional loss like in this accident (caused by "extended simultaneous loss of all AC and DC power" and "extended loss of emergency seawater system heat removal function").
- Policy 3: As additional measures, while placing first priority on preventing core damage, implement measures that mitigate the impact of core damage if it does occur.

## Immediate Safety Measures at Kashiwazaki-Kariwa NPS



## Emergency Response Training at Kashiwazaki Kariwa NPS



Emergency Response HQ



Emergency Instrallation of the Electric Cables



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On board Gas Turbine Generator (4500kVA)



Debris Removal

## Further Safety Measures at the Kashiwazaki-Kariwa NPS (1)



## Further Safety Measures at the Kashiwazaki-Kariwa NPS (2)



Alternative Water Injection (8 fire engines)



On-board Generators (500-750kVA, 14 Generators in addition to 2 On-board Gas Turbine Generators of 4500kVA)





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Water tight Doors

#### Construction of 15-meter Seawalls

# Monitoring Initiatives Toward Decontamination



Soil Sampling



Ambient dose rate measurement



Basic data collection monitoring and measurement work

TEPCO

Regional monitoring and measurement

Ambient dose rate measurement with monitoring car

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# **Decontamination Efforts**



- TEPCO developed decontamination plans and conducted measurements with personnel and monitoring car (approximately 500 man-days total, as of the end of March 2012)
- TEPCO provides support mainly for radiation management and work supervision to JAEA (Japan Atomic Energy Agency), who is commissioned with the Cabinet Office's Model Decontamination Project, to allow it to progress smoothly. (39 personnel)
- TEPCO followed the 36 personnel who were commissioned by the Ministry of Environment (MOE) as decontamination activity promoters, in giving assistance to monitoring, decontamination technologies, wastewater treatment and waste management during the decontamination of government buildings by the Self Defense Force.
- TEPCO assigned employees with radiation knowledge to the government's Expert Dispatch Program to respond to municipalities' questions and to develop specific decontamination plans.



Assisting Self Defense Force



Decontamination (in Ohkuma-machi) (photo taken on November 4, 2011)



## For Stable Power Supply

-Emergency Restoration of the damaged Thermal Power Stations

Restoration of the da	maged Thermal F	Power Stations
Power Station	Capacity (MW)	Restoration
Kashima#1-#6	4400	Summer 2011
HItachinaka#1	1000	Summer 2011
HIrono#1-#5	3800	Summer 2011
Ohi#1-#3	1050	March 2011
Chiba#2-1	360	March 2011
Goi#4	265	March 2011
Yokohama#8-4	350	March 2011
Higashiougishima#1	1000	March 2011
Kashima Kyodo	1050	Summer 2011
Souma Kyodo	2000	Winter 2011
Joban Nakoso#7-#9	1050	Summer 2011
AboveTotal	16325	

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## For Stable Power Supply -Emergency Installation of the Generating Capacity

Emergency Installation Capacity					
Location	Capacity (MW)	Commissioning			
Anegasaki	6	Summer 2011			
Sodegaura	110	Summer 2011			
Chiba	333x2	Summer 2011			
Chiba	333x1	Summer 2012			
Chiba c.c	500	Summer 2014			
Ohi	210	Summer 2011			
Kawasaki	130	Summer 2011			
Yokosuka	330	Summer 2011			
Hitachinaka	250	Summer 2011			
Tittaeiiinaka		Decommissioned 2012			
Kashima	800	Summer 2012			
Kashima c.c.	450	Summer 2014			
Above Total	3786				
Source: TEPCO					



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# Sharing Knowledge

