Evaluation of the exposure dose of workers engaged in radiation work at the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station

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TEPCO has been evaluating the exposure dose of workers who engaged in radiation work at the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station under two types, internal and external exposure to radiation, and has submitted the evaluation results to the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare regularly.

TEPCO today submitted to the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare a report on the exposure dose evaluation the data of which are those we collected until the end of January 2022. Here is part of the report: the maximum value of the external exposure dose among the workers who engaged in the work at the power station in January was 10.28 mSv, and regarding the internal exposure dose, no significant value was measured.

Exposure Dose Distribution

1. Effective Dose from External Exposure

Table 1 shows the distribution of external exposure dose of workers who were involved in radiation work at the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station for the past three months.

Table 1. External Exposure Dose

	N	Tovember 202	21	Γ	December 202	.1	January 2022		
Dose Ranges (mSv)	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total
Above 100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
75-100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
50-75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
5-10	0	22	22	0	27	27	0	46	46
1-5	9	534	543	34	524	558	17	653	670
1 or less	998	5187	6185	1001	5284	6285	942	5144	6086
Total	1007	5743	6750	1035	5835	6870	959	5844	6803
Maximum (mSv)	2.00	7.70	7.70	3.50	8.43	8.43	3.31	10.28	10.28
Average (mSv)	0.09	0.36	0.32	0.12	0.36	0.32	0.10	0.42	0.37

[•] The values of the exposure dose and the number of the workers in the table above are subject to change, because there are cases that APD data are replaced with monthly dose data measured by integral dosimeters. Or dose data of workers who wore only an integral dosimeter (ex., workers who entered only the Seismic Isolation Building) need to be updated in the table after the publication of the data.

2. Sum of External and Internal Exposure Dose (Effective Dose)

Table 2 shows the distribution of cumulative exposure dose of workers who are involved in radiation work at Fukushima Daiichi for five years, starting on April 1, 2021. Table 3 shows the distribution of cumulative exposure dose in the fiscal year of 2021. Two different periods of time are shown in the Table 2: from April 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 and from April 1, 2021 to January 31, 2022, and Table 3: from April 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 and from April 1, 2021 to January 31, 2022 for comparison.

Table 2. Cumulative Exposure Dose for Five Years

	April 20	021 - Decemb	per 2021	April 2	Difference				
Dose Ranges (mSv)	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total
Above 100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
75-100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
50-75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-20	1	367	368	3	516	519	2	149	151
5-10	40	782	822	49	856	905	9	74	83
1-5	175	2126	2301	178	2158	2336	3	32	35
1 or less	1114	4759	5873	1110	4758	5868	-4	-1	-5
Total	1330	8034	9364	1340	8288	9628	10	254	264
Maximum (mSv)	10.02	16.94	16.94	10.68	17.08	17.08	-	-	-
Average (mSv)	0.62	2.08	1.87	0.69	2.31	2.08	-	-	-

[•] The values of the exposure dose and the number of the workers in the table above are subject to change, because there are cases that APD data are replaced with monthly dose data measured by integral dosimeters. Or dose data of workers who wore only an integral dosimeter (ex., workers who entered only the Seismic Isolation Building) need to be updated in the table after the publication of the data.

 $[\]bullet$ No significant internal exposure has been reported since October 2011.

Table 3. Cumulative Exposure Dose in the Fiscal Year of 2021

	April 20	021 - Decemb	per 2021	April 2	Difference	;			
Dose Ranges (mSv)	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total
Above 100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
75-100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
50-75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-20	1	367	368	3	516	519	2	149	151
5-10	40	782	822	49	856	905	9	74	83
1-5	175	2126	2301	178	2158	2336	3	32	35
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Average (mSv)	0.62	2.08	1.87	0.69	2.31	2.08	-	-	-

[•] The values of the exposure dose and the number of the workers in the table above are subject to change, because there are cases that APD data are replaced with monthly dose data measured by integral dosimeters. Or dose data of workers who wore only an integral dosimeter (ex., workers who entered only the Seismic Isolation Building) need to be updated in the table after the publication of the data.

3. Sum of External and Internal Exposure Dose of Workers Exposed to Especially High Radiation (Effective Dose)

Table 4 shows the distribution of cumulative exposure dose of workers exposed to especially high radiation.*1

Table 4. Cumulative Exposure Dose (workers exposed to especially high radiation)

Dose Ranges (mSv)	March 2011 - September 2015
Above 100	1
75-100	191
50-75	233
20-50	267
10-20	186
5-10	129
1-5	145
1 or less	51
Total	1203
Maximum (mSv)	102.69
Average (mSv)	36.49

(Since October 2015, TEPCO Holdings has opted not to report to the Labour Standards Inspection Office about workers exposed to especially high radiation.)

*1. Workers exposed to especially high radiation means workers who are involved in operations in which they could be exposed to the emergency exposure dose limit (100 mSv), which is stipulated in "Ordinance on Prevention of Ionizing Radiation Hazards, Chapter 7." In more detail, they are workers engaged in the work to maintain the function of the cooling facility to cool down the reactor facility or the spent fuel tank in the reactor facility, the steam turbine and its related facilities or the surrounding area where the radiation doses exceed 0.1 mSv/h. Or they are workers who would engage in keeping running the function to control or prevent the release of a large number of radioactive materials should it be likely to occur due to malfunction or damage of the reactor facility.

So far workers who have worked as "workers exposed to especially high radiation" are all TEPCO employees.

- *2. The figures in the cumulative data during the period from March 2011 to September 2015 in Table 4 above include the numbers of workers who have been reported to work as "workers exposed to especially high radiation" at least once.
- *3. The values of the exposure dose and the number of the workers in the table above are subject to change, because there are cases that APD data are replaced with monthly dose data measured by integral dosimeters. Or the dose data of workers who wore only an integral dosimeter (ex., workers who entered only the Seismic Isolation Building) need to be updated in the table after the publication of the data.
- *4. The figure shown in the dose range, "Above 100mSv," in the cumulative data during the period from March 2011 to September 2015 is the figure when the March 2011 data of the internal exposure dose were reevaluated in July 2013.

4. Equivalent Dose

Table 5 and Table 6 show equivalent dose to the skin and the lens of the eye of the workers, respectively, who were involved in radiation work at the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station for the past three months.

Table 5. Equivalent Dose to the Skin

	November 2021			Γ	December 202	.1		January 2022	2
Dose Ranges (mSv)	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total
Above 500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
300-500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
250-300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
200-250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
150-200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
100-150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
75-100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
50-75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-20	0	1	1	0	3	3	0	1	1
5-10	0	39	39	0	38	38	0	49	49
1-5	18	585	603	35	608	643	17	721	738
1 or less	989	5118	6107	1000	5186	6186	942	5073	6015
Total	1007	5743	6750	1035	5835	6870	959	5844	6803
Maximum (mSv)	3.00	14.45	14.45	4.42	15.40	15.40	3.31	10.28	10.28
Average (mSv)	0.10	0.41	0.37	0.13	0.42	0.38	0.10	0.45	0.40

- The values of the exposure dose and the number of the workers in the table above are subject to change, because there are cases that APD data are replaced with monthly dose data measured by integral dosimeters. Or the dose data of workers who wore only an integral dosimeter (ex., workers who entered only the Seismic Isolation Building) need to be updated in the table after the publication of the data.
- Equivalent dose is a measure of the radiation dose to organs and tissues, and the equivalent dose limit to the skin is 500 mSv/year (the emergency exposure dose limit is 1 Sv).
- Equivalent dose to the skin is measured at a depth of 70 micrometers from the skin surface. When the equivalent dose is measured with a dosimeter other than the one put on around the chest and the abdomen, for example, a finger dosimeter, and the maximum measurement value is counted as the equivalent dose.

Table 6. Equivalent Dose to the Lens of the Eye

	November 2021			Ι	December 202	21		January 2022			
Dose Ranges (mSv)	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total		
Above 150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
100-150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
75-100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
50-75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
20-50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
10-20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1		
5-10	0	22	22	0	30	30	0	49	49		
1-5	13	540	553	34	531	565	17	721	738		
1 or less	994	5181	6175	1001	5274	6275	942	5073	6015		
Total	1007	5743	6750	1035	5835	6870	959	5844	6803		
Maximum (mSv)	2.00	9.40	9.40	3.50	8.80	8.80	3.31	10.28	10.28		
Average (mSv)	0.09	0.37	0.33	0.13	0.36	0.33	0.10	0.45	0.40		

- The values of the exposure dose and the number of the workers in the table above are subject to change, because there are cases that APD data are replaced with monthly dose data measured by integral dosimeters. Or the dose data of workers who wore only an integral dosimeter (ex., workers who entered only the Seismic Isolation Building) need to be updated in the table after the publication of the data.
- Equivalent dose is a measure of the radiation dose to organs and tissues, and the equivalent dose limit to the lens of the eye is 50 mSv/year and 100 mSv/5 years (the emergency exposure dose limit is 300 mSv). The equivalent dose limit to the lens of the eye before April 1, 2021 was 150mSv/year (the emergency exposure dose limit was 300 mSv).
- The equivalent dose to the lens of the eye is measured at a depth of 1 centimeter for neutron ray, 3 millimeters for X-ray, gamma ray and beta ray from the skin surface. However, as for X-ray, gamma ray and beta ray, it is measured at a depth of 1 centimeter or 70 micrometer when deemed appropriate with consideration for radiation type and energy type (since April, 2021).

5. Cumulative Equivalent Dose

Table 7 and Table 8 show the distribution of cumulative equivalent dose to the skins and the lens of the eye of the workers, respectively, who were involved in radiation work at the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station during two different periods of time, from April 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 and from April 1, 2021 to January 31, 2022 for comparison.

Table 9 shows the distribution of cumulative exposure dose for five years, starting on April 1, 2021: from April 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 and from April 1, 2021 to January 31, 2022 for comparison.

Table 7. Equivalent Dose to the Skin

	April 20	021 - Decemb	per 2021	April 2	2021 - Januar	y 2022		Difference	
Dose Ranges (mSv)	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total
Above 500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
300-500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
250-300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
200-250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
150-200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
100-150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
75-100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
50-75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-50	2	10	12	2	13	15	0	3	3
10-20	2	498	500	5	640	645	3	142	145
5-10	49	785	834	55	863	918	6	78	84
1-5	169	2116	2285	176	2151	2327	7	35	42
1 or less	1108	4625	5733	1102	4621	5723	-6	-4	-10
Total	1330	8034	9364	1340	8288	9628	10	254	264
Maximum (mSv)	39.11	30.20	39.11	39.21	33.94	39.21	-	-	-
Average (mSv)	0.73	2.33	2.10	0.79	2.57	2.32	-	-	-

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- Equivalent dose is a measure of the radiation dose to organs and tissues, and the equivalent dose limit to the skin is 500 mSv/year (the emergency exposure dose limit is 1 Sv).
- Equivalent dose to the skin is measured at a depth of 70 micrometers from the skin surface. When the equivalent dose is measured with a dosimeter other than the one put on around the chest and the abdomen, for example, a finger dosimeter, and the maximum measurement value is counted as the equivalent dose.

Table 8. Equivalent Dose to the Lens of the Eye

	April 20	021 - Decemb	per 2021	April 2	2021 - Januar	y 2022		Difference		
Dose Ranges (mSv)	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	
Above 150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
100-150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
75-100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
50-75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
20-50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
10-20	1	395	396	3	543	546	2	148	150	
5-10	41	779	820	50	864	914	9	85	94	
1-5	176	2114	2290	181	2167	2348	5	53	58	
1 or less	1112	4746	5858	1106	4714	5820	-6	-32	-38	
Total	1330	8034	9364	1340	8288	9628	10	254	264	
Maximum (mSv)	10.02	17.11	17.11	10.51	17.13	17.13	-	-	-	
Average (mSv)	0.64	2.11	1.90	0.70	2.36	2.13	-	-	-	

- The values of the exposure dose and the number of the workers in the table above are subject to change, because there are cases that APD data are replaced with monthly dose data measured by integral dosimeters. Or the dose data of workers who wore only an integral dosimeter (ex., workers who entered only the Seismic Isolation Building) need to be updated in the table after the publication of the data.
- Equivalent dose is a measure of the radiation dose to organs and tissues, and the equivalent dose limit to the lens of the eye is 50 mSv/year and 100 mSv/5 years (the emergency exposure dose limit is 300 mSv).
- The equivalent dose to the lens of the eye is measured at a depth of 1 centimeter for neutron ray, 3 millimeters for X-ray, gamma ray and beta ray from the skin surface. However, as for X-ray, gamma ray and beta ray, it is measured at a depth of 1 centimeter or 70 micrometer when deemed appropriate with consideration for radiation type and energy type.

 $Table \ 9. \ Equivalent \ Dose \ to \ the \ Lens \ of \ the \ Eye: \ Cumulative \ Exposure \ Dose \ for \ Five \ Years$

	April 20	021 - Decemb	per 2021	April 2021 - January 2022 Diff					Difference	
Dose Ranges (mSv)	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	
Above 100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
75-100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
50-75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
20-50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
10-20	1	395	396	3	543	546	2	148	150	
5-10	41	779	820	50	864	914	9	85	94	
1-5	176	2114	2290	181	2167	2348	5	53	58	
1 or less	1112	4746	5858	1106	4714	5820	-6	-32	-38	
Total	1330	8034	9364	1340	8288	9628	10	254	264	
Maximum (mSv)	10.02	17.11	17.11	10.51	17.13	17.13	-	-	-	
Average (mSv)	0.64	2.11	1.90	0.70	2.36	2.13	-	-	-	

- The values of the exposure dose and the number of the workers in the table above are subject to change, because there are cases that APD data are replaced with monthly dose data measured by integral dosimeters. Or the dose data of workers who wore only an integral dosimeter (ex., workers who entered only the Seismic Isolation Building) need to be updated in the table after the publication of the data.
- Equivalent dose is a measure of the radiation dose to organs and tissues, and the equivalent dose limit to the lens of the eye is 50 mSv/year and 100 mSv/5 years (the emergency exposure dose limit is 300 mSv).
- The equivalent dose to the lens of the eye is measured at a depth of 1 centimeter for neutron ray, 3 millimeters for X-ray, gamma ray and beta ray from the skin surface. However, as for X-ray, gamma ray and beta ray, it is measured at a depth of 1 centimeter or 70 micrometer when deemed appropriate with consideration for radiation type and energy type.