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 August 2023. 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 August was 8.11 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.

		June 2023			July 2023			August 2023			
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	0	0		
5-10	0	44	44	0	21	21	0	13	13		
1-5	5	644	649	2	580	582	4	343	347		
1 or less	1092	5888	6980	996	6020	7016	1008	6026	7034		
Total	1097	6576	7673	998	6621	7619	1012	6382	7394		
Maximum (mSv)	2.00	9.00	9.00	2.30	7.60	7.60	2.72	8.11	8.11		
Average (mSv)	0.06	0.37	0.32	0.06	0.31	0.28	0.04	0.21	0.18		

Table 1. External Exposure Dose

• 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 2023. Two different periods of time are shown in the Table 2: from April 1, 2021 to July 31, 2023 and from April 1, 2021 to August 31, 2023, and Table 3: from April 1, 2023 to July 31, 2023 and from April 1, 2023 to August 31, 2023 for comparison.

	April 2021 - July 2023			April	2021 - Augus	st 2023	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	11	689	700	11	715	726	0	26	26	
10-20	47	1421	1468	50	1428	1478	3	7	10	
5-10	104	1298	1402	101	1325	1426	-3	27	24	
1-5	313	2515	2828	315	2559	2874	2	44	46	
1 or less	1199	6994	8193	1224	7090	8314	25	96	121	
Total	1674	12917	14591	1701	13117	14818	27	200	227	
Maximum (mSv)	24.01	45.32	45.32	24.07	46.67	46.67	-	-	-	
Average (mSv)	1.53	4.38	4.05	1.53	4.41	4.08	-	-	-	

Table 2. Cumulative Exposure Dose for Five Years

• 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.

· No significant internal exposure has been reported since October 2011.

Table 3. Cumulative Exposure Dose in the Fiscal Year of 2023

	Apri	1 2023 - July	2023	April	2023 - Augus	st 2023		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	0	115	115	0	163	163	0	48	48
5-10	2	492	494	2	551	553	0	59	59
1-5	73	1261	1334	86	1428	1514	13	167	180
1 or less	1207	6179	7386	1233	6191	7424	26	12	38
Total	1282	8047	9329	1321	8333	9654	39	286	325
Maximum (mSv)	5.40	15.70	15.70	6.16	16.20	16.20	-	-	-
Average (mSv)	0.21	1.11	0.99	0.24	1.23	1.10	-	-	-

• 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 Dos	e (workers ex	posed to est	pecially 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.

		June 2023			July 2023			August 2023	
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	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
10-20	0	8	8	0	2	2	0	0	0
5-10	0	80	80	0	45	45	0	14	14
1-5	6	701	707	2	639	641	4	364	368
1 or less	1091	5786	6877	996	5934	6930	1008	6004	7012
Total	1097	6576	7673	998	6621	7619	1012	6382	7394
Maximum (mSv)	2.40	24.30	24.30	2.30	20.40	20.40	2.72	8.11	8.11
Average (mSv)	0.07	0.45	0.39	0.06	0.38	0.34	0.04	0.22	0.19

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

		June 2023			July 2023			August 2023	
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	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0
5-10	0	52	52	0	23	23	0	14	14
1-5	5	659	664	2	606	608	4	364	368
1 or less	1092	5864	6956	996	5991	6987	1008	6004	7012
Total	1097	6576	7673	998	6621	7619	1012	6382	7394
Maximum (mSv)	2.40	10.90	10.90	2.30	10.50	10.50	2.72	8.11	8.11
Average (mSv)	0.06	0.39	0.34	0.06	0.34	0.30	0.04	0.22	0.19

• 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 150 mSv/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, 2023 to July 31, 2023 and from April 1, 2023 to August 31, 2023 for comparison.

Table 9 shows the distribution of cumulative exposure dose for five years, starting on April 1, 2021: from April 1, 2021 to July 31, 2023 and from April 1, 2021 to August 31, 2023 for comparison.

	Apri	l 2023 - July	2023	April	2023 - Augus	t 2023		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	0	7	7	0	8	8	0	1	1		
10-20	0	202	202	0	273	273	0	71	71		
5-10	3	523	526	3	561	564	0	38	38		
1-5	76	1263	1339	86	1426	1512	10	163	173		
1 or less	1203	6052	7255	1232	6065	7297	29	13	42		
Total	1282	8047	9329	1321	8333	9654	39	286	325		
Maximum (mSv)	5.80	45.10	45.10	6.16	45.60	45.60	-	-	-		
Average (mSv)	0.22	1.33	1.18	0.25	1.45	1.28	-	-	-		

Table 7. Equivalent Dose to the Skin

• 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 8. Equivalent Dose to the Lens of the Eye

	Apri	1 2023 - July	2023	April	2023 - Augus	t 2023		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	0	168	168	0	212	212	0	44	44		
5-10	3	485	488	3	550	553	0	65	65		
1-5	74	1247	1321	85	1419	1504	11	172	183		
1 or less	1205	6147	7352	1233	6152	7385	28	5	33		
Total	1282	8047	9329	1321	8333	9654	39	286	325		
Maximum (mSv)	5.80	17.00	17.00	6.16	17.00	17.00	-	-	-		
Average (mSv)	0.22	1.20	1.06	0.24	1.32	1.18	-	-	-		

• 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.

	Apri	l 2021 - July	2023	April	2021 - Augus	st 2023		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	15	776	791	15	809	824	0	33	33
10-20	44	1397	1441	46	1405	1451	2	8	10
5-10	104	1290	1394	102	1303	1405	-2	13	11
1-5	316	2493	2809	319	2540	2859	3	47	50
1 or less	1195	6961	8156	1219	7060	8279	24	99	123
Total	1674	12917	14591	1701	13117	14818	27	200	227
Maximum (mSv)	24.01	46.30	46.30	24.07	46.59	46.59	-	-	-
Average (mSv)	1.55	4.54	4.20	1.56	4.58	4.23	-	-	-

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

• 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.