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Comments following the 7th Inter-Ministerial Council for Steady Implementation of the Basic Policy on handling of ALPS Treated Water and the 7th Inter-Ministerial Council for Contaminated Water, Treated Water and Decommissioning Issues

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Today, August 30, the 7th meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Council for Steady Implementation of the Basic Policy on handling of ALPS Treated Water and the 7th meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Council for Contaminated Water, Treated Water and Decommissioning Issues were held. At these meetings, the “implementation status of the basic policy on the handling of ALPS treated water and the direction of future countermeasures” and the “status of progress with the decommissioning of the TEPCO Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station” were reviewed.

Since the commencement of discharge from August 2023, the discharge of ALPS treated water into the sea from the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station has been carried out in compliance with international standards and in accordance with domestic law. The discharge has been implemented as planned upon sufficiently confirming the safety of the human body and the environment.

The discharge of ALPS treated water into the sea, which is part of the decommissioning process, will be a long-term and continuous initiative. The entire company will remain vigilant as we engage in this initiative and fulfill our responsibilities as the entity in charge of this task while also “ensuring safety and quality,” “quickly disclosing monitoring data and disseminating accurate information,” “ensuring transparency through IAEA reviews,” “promoting the consumption of marine products and implementing distribution countermeasures,” and “providing suitable compensation when damages are incurred.”

Furthermore, we shall take each task at hand, such as implementing contaminated water countermeasures and waste countermeasures, etc., and complete them one by one in order to achieve the objective for the decommissioning of the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station put forth in the Japanese Government’s Mid/Long-Term Roadmap of “completing decommissioning in 30~40 years.” In particular, the Mid/Long-Term Decommissioning Action Plan, which summarizes the decommissioning work to be implemented over the next 10 years, have been periodically revised in accordance with

the progress of decommissioning and new issues that arise as we move forward with decommissioning while prioritizing safety.

In regards to the fuel debris trial retrieval from Unit 2 that was suspended on August 22, in response to instructions from the Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry, we are currently investigating the cause of the incident that resulted in the suspension of this task and implementing countermeasures. We would like to sincerely apologize to the regional residents, and society as a whole, for any concern that we have caused as a result of this incident.

We will continue to steadily implement treated water, etc. countermeasures and decommission the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station while prioritizing safety as we fulfill our responsibilities to Fukushima with the aim of promoting recovery in the region.

End of announcement