### Summary of Decommissioning and Contaminated Water Management December 22, 2016

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### Three principles behind contaminated water countermeasures

(5) Land-side impermeable walls

8 Sea-side impermeable walls

6 Waterproof pavement

Countermeasures for contaminated water are implemented in accordance with the following three principles:



## Progress Status and Future Challenges of the Mid- and Long-Term Roadmap toward Decommissioning of TEPCO Holdings' Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station Units 1-4 (Outline)

# **Progress status**

The temperatures of the Reactor Pressure Vessel (RPV) and the Primary Containment Vessel (PCV) of Units 1-3 were maintained within the range of approx. 15-30°C<sup>\*1</sup> for the past month. There was no significant change in the density of radioactive materials newly released from Reactor Buildings in the air<sup>\*2</sup>. It was evaluated that the comprehensive cold shutdown condition had been maintained.

\* 1 The values varied somewhat depending on the unit and location of the thermometer.

\* 2 In November 2016, the radiation exposure dose due to the release of radioactive materials from the Unit 1-4 Reactor Buildings was evaluated as less than 0.00069 mSv/year at the site boundary. The annual radiation dose by natural radiation is approx. 2.1 mSv/year (average in Japan).

# Efforts toward an investigation inside the Unit 2 PCV

Toward an investigation inside the Unit 2 Primary Containment Vessel (PCV), after making a hole at the pipe penetration from which a robot will be inserted, a prior investigation will be conducted using a camera mounted on the edge of an expansible pipe in January 2017 to check for deposits which may impact on the operation of the self-traveling equipment and the damage status of the platform inside the pedestal. Following the preliminary investigation, the status inside the PCV will be inspected using self-traveling equipment.



# Completion of Shield Installation on the Unit 3 R/B top floor

Toward fuel removal from Unit 3, the installation of shields was

completed on December 2 as a measure to reduce the dose on the Reactor Building (R/B) top floor. Based on the dose gaging results after the installation of shields, measures will be implemented to reduce exposure and ensure safety while the cover for fuel removal will be installed. Stoppers\* will be installed as part of the cover from January 2017.

\* Projections to horizontally support the fuel removal cover to the reactor building.



<Status of the R/B top floor (operation floor)>



# Results of the questionnaire survey for workers to improve the work environment

With the aim of improving the work environment for workers at the power station, the 7<sup>th</sup> questionnaire survey was conducted, to which approx. 89% (6,182) of workers responded. The evaluation results on the work environment showed further improvement compared to those of the previous survey.

For potentially inappropriate working situations (such as cases labor conditions were not explained to the workers) were identified in the questionnaire answers, a follow-up investigation was conducted into the items for which the prime contractors and employer companies identified.

The investigative results confirmed that the working situations were appropriate. Efforts to improve the work environment will continue, based on opinions and requests received from workers.

# Suspension of safety equipment attributable to human errors

Equipment for safety failed: on December 4, cooling of the Unit 2 and 3 spent fuel pools was suspended; and on December 5, water injection to the Unit 3 reactor was suspended. As both were attributable to human errors, we must reaffirm that even a single error may lead to suspension of important functions. Based on this awareness, rigorous recurrence prevention measures will be implemented.

In addition to thorough measures such as physical protection to prevent suspension of important functions in the event of a human error, notifications and announcements will be made without delay for keeping people from worrying.

# Reduction of water injection volume to the reactor

The water injection volume to the Unit 1 reactor was reduced from 4.5 to 4.0 m<sup>3</sup>/h from December 14. The temperature of the Reactor Pressure Vessel bottom remains within the anticipated range. The volume will be further reduced up to  $3.0m^3/h$ .

After the water injection reduction, the frequency of disclosing plant parameters, has been increased to twice daily.

# Status of the land-side impermeable walls

As for the land-side impermeable walls (on the mountain side), closure of two of seven unfrozen sections started on December 3 and the temperature is decreasing gradually.

As for the land-side impermeable walls (on the sea side), groundwater levels and its volumes pumped at the area 4 m above sea level have been monitored to evaluate the effect of the closure.

The water level declined to that before heavy rainfall in August and September. Effects of the land-side impermeable walls and other measures have been identified such as a record-low groundwater volume pumped at the area 4 m above sea level and lower increase after rainfall.

# Leakage from the water treatment facility for Subdrains

For leakage from flexible hoses connecting to the absorption vessel inlet and outlet of the facility detected on November 15 and December 6, flexible hoses of equivalent specification were replaced with new hoses by December 8. Materials of flexible hoses will be changed to corrosion-resistant synthetic rubber to prevent recurrence.



Data (10-minute value) of Monitoring Posts (MPs) measuring airborne radiation rate around site boundaries show 0.554 – 2.125 µSv/h (November 22 – December 20, 2016)

We improved the measurement conditions of monitoring posts 2 to 8 for precise measurement of the air dose rate. Construction works such as tree-clearing, surface soil removal and shield wall setting were implemented from February 10 to April 18, 2012.

Therefore monitoring results at these points are lower than elsewhere in the power plant site.

The radiation shielding panel around monitoring post No. 6, which is one of the instruments used to measure the radiation dose of the power station site boundary, were taken off from July 10-11, 2013, since the surrounding radiation dose has largely declined due to further deforestation, etc.

# I. Confirmation of the reactor conditions

# 1. Temperatures inside the reactors

Through continuous reactor cooling by water injection, the temperatures of the Reactor Pressure Vessel (RPV) bottom and the Primary Containment Vessel (PCV) gas phase were maintained within the range of approx. 15 to 30°C for the past month, though they vary depending on the unit and location of the thermometer.





# 2. Release of radioactive materials from the Reactor Buildings

As of November 2016, the density of radioactive materials newly released from Reactor Building Units 1-4 in the air and measured at the site boundary was evaluated at approx. 1.0×10<sup>-11</sup> Bg/cm<sup>3</sup> for Cs-134 and 5.8×10<sup>-11</sup> Bg/cm<sup>3</sup> for Cs-137 the site boundary. The radiation exposure dose due to the release of radioactive materials was less than 0.00069 mSv/year at the boundary.

Annual radiation dose at site boundaries by radioactive materials (cesium) released from Reactor Building Units 1-4



\* The density limit of radioactive materials in the air outside the surrounding monitoring area: [Cs-134]: 2 x 10-5 Bg/cm3 [Cs-137]: 3 x 10-5 Bg/cm3 \* Dust density around the site boundaries of Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station (actual measured values) [Cs-134]: ND (Detection limit: approx. 1 x 10-7 Bq/cm3) [Cs-137]: ND (Detection limit: approx. 2 x 10-7 Bq/cm<sup>3</sup>) \* Data of Monitoring Posts (MP1-MP8). Data of Monitoring Posts (MPs) measuring the airborne radiation rate around the site boundary showed 0.554 - 2.125 µSv/h (November 22 - December 20, 2016). To measure the variation in the airborne radiation rate of MP2-MP8 more accurately. environmental improvement (tree trimming, removal of surface soil and shielding around the MPs) was completed.



## 3. Other indices

There was no significant change in indices, including the pressure in the PCV and the PCV radioactivity density (Xe-135) for monitoring criticality, nor was any abnormality in the cold shutdown condition or criticality sign detected.

Based on the above, it was confirmed that the comprehensive cold shutdown condition had been maintained and the reactors remained in a stabilized condition.

## II. Progress status by each plan

## 1. Contaminated water countermeasures

To tackle the increase in accumulated water due to groundwater inflow, fundamental measures to prevent such inflow into the Reactor Buildings will be implemented, while improving the decontamination capability of water treatment and preparing facilities to control the contaminated water

- Operation of groundwater bypass  $\geq$
- From April 9, 2014, the operation of 12 groundwater bypass pumping wells commenced sequentially to pump up released after TEPCO and a third-party organization had confirmed that its quality met operational targets.
- Pumps are inspected and cleaned as necessary based on their operational status.
- Water treatment facility special for Subdrain & Groundwater drains  $\geq$
- TEPCO and a third-party organization had confirmed that its guality met operational targets.
- Due to the level of the groundwater drain pond rising since the sea-side impermeable walls were closed, pumping started on November 5, 2015. Up until December 20, 2016, a total of approx. 112,100 m<sup>3</sup> had been pumped up. November 17 – December 14, 2016).
- The effect of ground water inflow control by subdrains is evaluated by both correlations: the "subdrain water levels"; and the "difference between water levels in subdrains and buildings", for the time being.
- · However, given insufficient data on the effect of rainfall after the subdrains went into operation, the method used to evaluate the inflow into buildings will be reviewed as necessary, based on data to be accumulated.
- operation.
- The leakage, from the subdrain treatment facility absorption vessel 1B inlet pipe (flexible hose) detected on November 15, was considered attributable to corrosion based on investigative results into the flexible hose in question.
- On December 6, leakage was identified from a subdrain treatment facility absorption vessel 5B inlet pipe (flexible operation resumed after a leak check. These flexible hoses will be investigated.
- synthetic rubber to prevent recurrence.



Figure 1: Evaluation of inflow into buildings after the subdrains went into operation

- Construction status of the land-side impermeable walls  $\geq$
- As for the land-side impermeable walls (on the mountain side), the ongoing supplementary method continues. Closure of two ("West (1)" and "West (5)") of seven unfrozen sections started on December 3.
- As for the land-side impermeable walls (on the sea side), groundwater levels and its volumes pumped at the area 4 m above sea level were monitored to evaluate the effect of the closure. The water level declined to that before

groundwater. The release started from May 21, 2014 in the presence of officials from the Intergovernmental Liaison Office for the Decommissioning and Contaminated Water Issue of the Cabinet Office. Up until December 20, 2016, 242,881 m<sup>3</sup> of groundwater had been released. The pumped-up groundwater was temporarily stored in tanks and

To reduce the groundwater flowing into the buildings, work began to pump up groundwater from wells (subdrains) around the buildings on September 3, 2015. The pumped-up groundwater was then purified at dedicated facilities and released from September 14, 2015. Up until December 20, 2016, a total of 246,233 m<sup>3</sup> had been drained after

Approx. 40 m<sup>3</sup>/day is being transferred from the groundwater drain to the Turbine Buildings (average for the period

Inflow into buildings tended to decline to below 200 m<sup>3</sup>/day when the subdrain water level decreased to below T.P. 3.5 m or when the difference in water levels with buildings decreased to below 2 m after the subdrains went into

hose) into the fences. The potentially abnormal flexible hoses (5B inlet and outlet, 1B outlet) were replaced and the

For the leakage on November 15 and December 6, flexible hoses of equivalent specification were replaced with new hoses by December 8 as an interim measure. Materials of flexible hoses will be changed to corrosion-resistant

As of December 15, 2016

heavy rainfall in August and September. Effects of the land-side impermeable walls and other measures have been identified, such as a record-low groundwater volume pumped at the area 4 m above sea level and a lower increase after rainfall.



Figure 2: Closure of part of the land-side impermeable walls (on the mountain side)

- Operation of multi-nuclide removal equipment
- Regarding the multi-nuclide removal equipment (existing, additional and high-performance), hot tests using October 18, 2014).
- As of December 15, the volumes treated by existing, additional and high-performance multi-nuclide removal equipment were approx. 320,000, 315,000 and 103,000 m<sup>3</sup> respectively (including approx. 9,500 m<sup>3</sup> stored in the J1(D) tank, which contained water with a high density of radioactive materials at the System B outlet of existing multi-nuclide removal equipment).
- To reduce the risks of strontium-treated water, treatment using existing, additional and high-performance 2015; high-performance; from April 15, 2015). Up until December 15, approx. 288,000 m<sup>3</sup> had been treated.
- pipes in question were replaced (on December 5).



Figure 3: Status of accumulated water storage

radioactive water have been underway (for existing equipment, System A: from March 30, 2013, System B: from June 13, 2013, System C: from September 27, 2013; for additional equipment, System A: from September 17, 2014, System B: from September 27, 2014, System C: from October 9, 2014; for high-performance equipment, from

multi-nuclide removal equipment has been underway (existing: from December 4, 2015; additional: from May 27,

Regarding the water drippage from the multi-nuclide removal equipment System A detected on October 15, the

As of December 1	15,	2016
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- \*1: Water amount with which water-level gauge indicates 0% or more
- \*2: Since September 10, 2015, the data collection method has been changed

(Evaluation based on increased in storage: in buildings and tanks → Evaluation based on increase/decrease in storage in buildings)

- "Inflow of groundwater/rainwater into buildings" =
- "Increase/decrease of water held in buildings"
- + "Transfer from buildings to tanks"
- "Transfer into buildings (water injection into reactors and transfer from well points, etc.)"
- \*3: Since April 23, 2015, the data collection method has been changed. (Increase in storage  $(1)+(2) \rightarrow (1)+(2)+^*$ )
- \*4: On February 4, 2016, corrected by reviewing the water amount of remaining concentrated salt water
- \*5: "Increase/decrease of water held in buildings" used to evaluate "Inflow of groundwater/rainwater into buildings" and "Storage increase" is calculated based on the data from the water-level gauge. During the following evaluation periods, when the gauge was calibrated, these two values were evaluated lower than anticipated.
- (March 10-17, 2016: Main Process Building; March 17-24, 2016: High-Temperature Incinerator Building (HTI); September 22-29, 2016: Unit 3 Turbine Building)
- \*6: For rainfall, data of Namie (from data published by the Japan Meteorological Agency) is used. However, due to missing values, data of Tomioka (from data published by the Japan Meteorological Agency) is used alternatively (April 14-21, 2016)

- On December 17, puddles (at two points) and traces of puddles (at two points) were identified on the floor under connection parts (flanges) between a valve and pipe of the high-performance multi-nuclide removal equipment. The puddles remained within the fences of the building. The equipment was in standby state at the time.
- Toward reducing the risk of contaminated water stored in tanks  $\geq$
- Treatment measures comprising the removal of strontium by cesium absorption apparatus (KURION) (from January 6, 2015) and the secondary cesium absorption apparatus (SARRY) (from December 26, 2014) have been underway. Up until December 15, approx. 329,000 m<sup>3</sup> had been treated.
- Measures in Tank Areas  $\triangleright$
- Rainwater, under the release standard and having accumulated inside the fences in the contaminated water tank area, was sprinkled on site after eliminating radioactive materials using rainwater-treatment equipment since May 21, 2014 (as of December 19, 2016, a total of 73,015 m<sup>3</sup>).

# 2. Fuel removal from the spent fuel pools

Work to help remove spent fuel from the pool is progressing steadily while ensuring seismic capacity and safety. The removal of spent fuel from the Unit 4 pool commenced on November 18, 2013 and was completed on December 22, 2014

- Main work to help remove spent fuel at Unit 1
- The status of rubble under the fallen roof is being investigated to collect data, which will then be used when considering rubble removal methods (from September 13) for the Unit 1 Reactor Building operating floor. No significant variation associated with the work was identified at monitoring posts and dust monitors. The building cover is being dismantled, with anti-scattering measures steadily implemented and safety first.
- An annual inspection of cranes used in the work to dismantle the Unit 1 building cover is underway (from November 23).
- · Pillars and beams of the building cover will be modified and windbreak sheets installed on the beams from March 2017. The pillars and beams (covered by windbreak sheets) will be restored in the 1st half of FY2017.
- > Main work to help remove spent fuel at Unit 2
- To help remove the spent fuel from the pool of the Unit 2 Reactor Building, construction is underway from September 28 on the west side of the Reactor Building to install a gantry accessing the operating floor. Up until December 19, 45% of the installation had been completed. (The work will be completed in late April 2017)
- $\geq$ Main work to help remove spent fuel at Unit 3
- On the operating floor of the Reactor Building, the installation of shields was completed on December 2 (A zone: April 12-22, July 29 – September 7; B zone: July 13-25; C zone: July 11 – August 4; D zone: July 27 – August 11; F zone: October 28 – November 4; G zone: September 9-20; shields between the supplementary and gantry: August 24 - December 2).
- A transport cask frame structure was installed (November 24-28).
- The dose on the operation floor after installing the shields was measured from December 5 to 20.
- · On December 20, marine transportation and creasing of stoppers and other materials were completed.
- Stoppers will be installed as part of the cover for fuel removal alongside other works from early January 2017.

# 3. Removal of fuel debris

Promoting the development of technology and collection of data required to prepare fuel debris removal, such as investigations and repair of PCV's leakage parts as well as decontamination and shielding to improve PCV accessibility.

- Status toward an investigation inside the Unit 2 PCV
- An investigation inside the Unit 2 PCV will be conducted to identify the status of fuel debris and surrounding structures there.
- From November 21 to 28, the floor surface in front of the pipe (X-6) penetration, from which the investigative device

will be inserted, was leveled using a remote-control robot.

· After making a hole in the X-6 penetration closure flange (lid) using remote-control equipment, a preliminary debris on the platform and the Control Rod Drive housing as well as structures inside the pedestal.

# 4. Plans to store, process and dispose of solid waste and decommission of reactor facilities

Promoting efforts to reduce and store waste generated appropriately and R&D to facilitate adequate and safe storage, processing and disposal of radioactive waste

- Management status of rubble and trimmed trees
- The decrease in used protective clothing was mainly attributable to the incineration of used clothing.
- Management status of secondary waste from water treatment
- As of December 15, 2016, the total storage volume of waste sludge was 597 m<sup>3</sup> (area-occupation rate: 85%) and High-Integrity Containers (HICs) for multi-nuclide removal equipment, etc. was 3,423 (area-occupation rate: 55%).

# 5. Reactor cooling

The cold shutdown condition will be maintained by cooling the reactor by water injection and measures to complement the status monitoring will continue

- Reduction of water injection volume to the Unit 1-3 reactors
- The water injection volume to Unit 1 reactor was reduced from 4.5 to 4.0 m<sup>3</sup>/h from December 14. No abnormality from 4.0 to 3.0 m<sup>3</sup>/h from January 2017.
- The water injection volume to Unit 2 and 3 reactors will be reduced gradually by 0.5m<sup>3</sup>/h from 4.5 to 3.0 m<sup>3</sup>/h from March and February 2017 respectively.
- After the water injection reduction, the frequency of disclosing plant parameters, such as RPV bottom temperature, has been increased to twice daily.
- > Suspension of safety equipment attributable to human errors (two cases) and recurrence prevention measures
- On December 4, the vent valve (fully closed) of the Unit 1 spent fuel pool (SFP) primary FPC pump bearing cooling facility was manually suspended.
- to this error, water injection into the reactor was suspended.
- Important equipment for safety for fuel pool cooling and water injection to the reactor was suspended due to a single human error.

investigation will be conducted using a guide pipe from January 2017 to check for any deposits which may impact on the operation of the self-traveling equipment and the damage status of the platform inside the pedestal. Following this investigation, the status inside the PCV will also be inspected using self-traveling equipment regarding fallen

As of the end of November 2016, the total storage volume of concrete and metal rubble was approx. 195,900 m<sup>3</sup> (+4,400 m<sup>3</sup> compared to at the end of October, with an area-occupation rate of 70%). The total storage volume of trimmed trees was approx. 89,000 m<sup>3</sup> (-800 m<sup>3</sup> compared to at the end of October, with an area-occupation rate of 84%). The total storage volume of used protective clothing was approx. 69,100 m<sup>3</sup> (-500 m<sup>3</sup> compared to at the end of October, with an area-occupation rate of 97%). The increase in rubble was mainly attributable to facing. The decrease in trimmed trees was mainly attributable to area arrangement associated with site preparation-related work.

that of concentrated waste fluid was 9,244 m<sup>3</sup> (area-occupation rate: 86%). The total number of stored spent vessels,

attributable to the reduction was detected in the cold shutdown condition. The volume will be reduced by 0.5 m<sup>3</sup>/h

line was slightly opened because a patrol worker on duty accidentally touched the vent valve. Due to this error, the pressure of the Unit 1-3 common facility secondary system decreased gradually to the alert level and the common

On December 5, during an instrument inspection of the Unit 3 condensate storage tank (CST) reactor water injection equipment, a part near the left hand of the protective clothing of a partner company worker touched an operation switch cover of the water injection pump (B) in service and turned the operation switch to the suspension side. Due

Recurrence prevention measures will be implemented from the perspective of equipment, management and operation for important equipment for safety, such as cooling systems, to prevent suspension of important functions. In terms of equipment, in particular, thorough physical protection and other measures will be taken to prevent such suspension in the event of human error.

### 6. Reduction in radiation dose and mitigation of contamination

Effective dose-reduction at site boundaries and purification of port water to mitigate the impact of radiation on the external environment

- Status of groundwater and seawater on the east side of Turbine Building Units 1 to 4
- Regarding radioactive materials in the groundwater near the bank on the north side of the Unit 1 intake, though the tritium density at groundwater Observation Hole No. 0-1 had remained constant at around 5,000Bg/L, it has been gradually increasing since October 2016 and currently stands at around 10.000 Bg/L. Thought the tritium density at groundwater Observation Hole No. 0-3-2 had been gradually increasing since January 2016, it has remained constant since mid-October 2016 and currently stands at around 40,000 Bg/L.
- Regarding the groundwater near the bank between the Unit 1 and 2 intakes, though the tritium density at groundwater Observation Hole No. 1-6 had been declining since July 2016, it has remained constant since October 2016 and currently stands at around 300,000 Bg/L. Though the density of gross β radioactive materials at groundwater Observation Hole No. 1-16 had been declining to 6,000 Bg/L since August 2016, it has remained constant since mid-October 2016 and currently stands at around 100,000 Bg/L. Though the tritium density at groundwater Observation Hole No. 1-17 had been declining from 40,000 Bg/L and increasing since March 2016, it has remained constant since November 2016 and currently stands at around 1,000 Bg/L. Since August 15, 2013, pumping of groundwater continued (at the well point between the Unit 1 and 2 intakes: August 15, 2013 – October 13, 2015 and from October 24; at the repaired well: October 14 - 23, 2015).
- Regarding radioactive materials in the groundwater near the bank between the Unit 2 and 3 intakes, though the tritium density at groundwater Observation Hole No. 2-3 had remained constant at around 4,000 Bg/L and been declining since November 2016, it has remained constant at around 600 Bq/L. Though the density of gross  $\beta$ radioactive materials at groundwater Observation Hole No. 2-5 had increased to 500,000 Bg/L since November 2015 and been declining since January 2016, it has been gradually increasing since mid-October 2016 and currently stands at around 50,000 Bg/L. Since December 18, 2013, pumping of groundwater continued (at the well point between the Unit 2 and 3 intakes: December 18, 2013 - October 13, 2015; at the repaired well: from October 14, 2015).
- Regarding radioactive materials in the groundwater near the bank between the Unit 3 and 4 intakes, though the densities of tritium and gross  $\beta$  radioactive materials at groundwater Observation Hole No. 3-2 had been increasing since September 2016, they have been gradually declining since the end of October from 3,000Bg/L for tritium and 3,500Bg/L for gross  $\beta$  radioactive materials and both are currently slightly higher than before the increase at around 2,000Bq/L. At groundwater Observation Hole No. 3-3, though the tritium density had been increasing since September 2016, it has been gradually declining from 2,500 Bg/L since early November and is currently slightly higher than before the increase at around 1,500 Bg/L. At groundwater Observation Hole No. 3-4, though the tritium density had been declining since September 2016, it has been gradually increasing from 2.500 Bg/L since the end of October and is currently slightly lower than the decline at around 3,000 Bg/L. Since April 1, 2015, pumping of groundwater continued (at the well point between the Unit 3 and 4 intakes: April 1 – September 16, 2015; at the repaired well: from September 17, 2015).
- Regarding the radioactive materials in seawater in the Unit 1-4 intake area, the densities have remained low except for the increase in cesium 137 and gross  $\beta$  radioactive materials at the time of heavy rain. They have been declining following the completed installation and the connection of steel pipe sheet piles for the sea-side impermeable walls.
- Regarding the radioactive materials in seawater in the area within the port, the densities have remained low except for the increase in cesium 137 at the time of heavy rain. They have been declining following the completed

installation and the connection of steel pipe sheet piles for the sea-side impermeable walls.

- Regarding the radioactive materials in seawater in the area outside the port, the densities have remained constant within the same range as before.
- The cesium and strontium absorption fiber, installed in front of the Unit 4 intake channel (in front of the sea-side abruption fiber would be difficult in seawater with a high density of strontium.





Figure 4: Groundwater density on the Turbine Building east side

impermeable wall opening) in January 2015 to examine purification methods for seawater in open channels with a high density of radioactive materials, was removed on November 8. The evaluation results of the absorption performance showed that regarding cesium 137, the absorption capacity peaked in low density seawater and the absorption performance decreased due to foul surface over an extended period after installation. Regarding strontium 90, the absorption performance was significantly lower than cesium and it was deemed that using

<Between Unit 2 and 3 intakes, between Unit 3 and 4 intakes>



## 7. Outlook of the number of staff required and efforts to improve the labor environment and conditions

Securing appropriate staff long-term while thoroughly implementing workers' exposure dose control. Improving the work environment and labor conditions continuously based on an understanding of workers' on-site needs

- > Staff management
- The monthly average total of people registered for at least one day per month to work on site during the past guarter from August to October 2016 was approx. 12,500 (TEPCO and partner company workers), which exceeded the monthly average number of actual workers (approx. 9,700). Accordingly, sufficient people are registered to work on site.
- It was confirmed with the prime contractors that the estimated manpower necessary for the work in January 2017 (approx. 5,970 per day: TEPCO and partner company workers)\* would be secured at present. The average numbers of workers per day for each month (actual values) were maintained, with approx. 4,500 to 7,500 since FY2014 (see Figure 6). Some works for which contractual procedures have yet to be completed were excluded from the estimate for January 2017.
- The number of workers from both within and outside Fukushima Prefecture has increased. The local employment ratio (TEPCO and partner company workers) as of November has remained at around 55%.
- The monthly average exposure dose of workers remained at approx. 1 mSv/month during FY2013, FY2014 and FY2015. (Reference: Annual average exposure dose 20 mSv/year = 1.7 mSv/month)
- For most workers, the exposure dose was sufficiently within the limit and allowed them to continue engaging in radiation work.



Figure 6: Changes in the average number of workers per weekday for each month since FY2014



- Results of the questionnaire survey for workers to improve the work environment
- With the aim of improving the work environment for workers at the power station, the 7th questionnaire survey was improve the work environment will continue based on opinions and requests received from workers.
- Measures to prevent infection and expansion of influenza and norovirus

X Calculated based on the number of workers as of January 20 (due to safety inspection from January 21) XXX Calculated based on the number of workers from August 3-7, 24-28 and 31 (due to overhaul of heavy machines)

conducted, to which approx. 89% (6,182) of workers responded. The evaluation results on the work environment showed further improvement compared to those of the previous survey. For potentially inappropriate working situations (such as cases labor conditions were not explained to the workers) were identified in the questionnaire answers, a follow-up investigation was conducted into the items for which the prime contractors and employer companies identified. The investigative results confirmed that the working situations were appropriate. Efforts to

Since November, measures for influenza and norovirus have been implemented, including free influenza vaccinations (subsidized by TEPCO Holdings) in the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station (from October 26 to December 2) and medical clinics around the site (from November 1 to January 31, 2017) for partner company workers. As of December 20, a total of 7,925 workers had been vaccinated. In addition, a comprehensive range of other measures is also being implemented, including daily actions to prevent infection and expansion (measuring body temperature, health checks and monitoring infection status) and response after detecting possible infections (control of swift entry/exit and mandatory wearing of masks in working spaces).

- Status of influenza and norovirus cases
- Until the 50th week of 2016 (December 12-18, 2016), there were 47 influenza infections and four norovirus infections. The totals for the same period for the previous season showed six cases of influenza and three norovirus infections.

# 8. Status of Units 5 and 6

- Status of spent fuel storage in Units 5 and 6
- Regarding Unit 5, fuel removal from the reactor was completed in June 2015. 1,374 spent fuel assemblies and 168 non-irradiated fuel assemblies are stored in the spent fuel pool (storage capacity: 1,590 assemblies).
- Regarding Unit 6, fuel removal from the reactor was completed in FY2013. 1,456 spent fuel assemblies and 198 non-irradiated fuel assemblies (180 assemblies of which were transferred from the Unit 4 spent fuel pool) are stored in the spent fuel pool (storage capacity: 1,654 assemblies) and 230 non-irradiated fuel assemblies are stored in the storage area of non-irradiated fuel assemblies (storage capacity: 230 assemblies).
- > Status of accumulated water in Units 5 and 6
- Accumulated water in Units 5 and 6 is transferred from Unit 6 Turbine Building to outdoor tanks and sprinkled after undergoing oil separation and RO treatment and confirming the density of radioactive materials.

Appendix 1



# Status of seawater monitoring around outside of the port (comparison between the highest values in 2013 and the latest values)

Cesium-134: ND (2013)  $\rightarrow$  ND (0.68)

Cesium-137: ND (2013)  $\rightarrow$  ND (0.81)

ND (2013)  $\rightarrow$  ND (17)

ND (2013)  $\rightarrow$  ND (1.8)

Gross β:

Tritium:

Unit (Bg/L); ND represents a value below the detection limit; values in () represent the detection limit; ND (2013) represents ND throughout 2013

Northeast side of port entrance(offshore 1km) ] 🖉 [East side of port entrance (offshore 1km)]

Gross β:

Tritium:

Cesium-134: ND (2013)

(The latest values sampled during December 5-20)

	Legal discharge limit	WHO Guidelines for Drinking Water Quality
Cesium-134	60	10
Cesium-137	90	10
Strontium-90 (strongly correlate with Gross β)	30	10
Tritium	60,000	10,000

[Southeast side of port entrance(offshore 1km)]

Ce	sium-134:	ND (2013) $\rightarrow$ ND (2013) $\rightarrow$	ND (0.78)
Ce	sium-137:	ND (2013) →	ND (0.70)
Gro	oss β:	ND (2013) $\rightarrow$	ND (17)
Trit	ium:	ND (2013) →	ND (1.8)



Cesium-137: 1.6 (2013/10/18) → ND (0.73) Below 1/2

ND (2013)

 $\rightarrow$  ND (0.87)

 $\rightarrow$  ND (17)

 $6.4 (2013/10/18) \rightarrow ND (1.8)$  Below 1/3

Source: TEPCO website, Analysis results on nuclides of radioactive materials around Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station, http://www.tepco.co.jp/nu/fukushima-np/f1/smp/index-j.html

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### Reference

Progress toward decommissioning: Fuel removal from the spent fuel pool (SFP)

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Immediate target

Commence fuel removal from the Unit 1-3 Spent Fuel Pools



(May 21, 2013): fuel stored in the common pool sequentially transferred





### Progress toward decommissioning: Works to identify the plant status and toward fuel debris removal

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Rust-stripping chemicals were injected and • At the east-side wall pipe penetrations (five points), "the North side South side the broken thermometer was removed on January 2015. A new thermometer was reinstalled on March. The thermometer status" and "existence of flow" were checked. has been used as a part of permanent supervisory instrumentation since April. Penetrations investigated A demonstration using the above two types of underwater (2) Reinstallation of the PCV thermometer and water-level gauge (Investigative equipmen R/B 1st floor wall investigative equipment showed how the equipment nsert point) Some of the permanent supervisory instrumentation for PCV could not be installed in the planned locations due to Fast T/B could check the status of penetration. interference with existing grating (Áugust 2013). The instrumentation was removed on May 2014 and new instruments R/B torus room -side Regarding Penetrations 1 - 5, the results of checking the wall Swimming were reinstalled on June 2014. The trend of added instrumentation will be monitored for approx, one month to evaluate its robot spraved tracer (\*5) by camera showed no flow around the validity. Trace The measurement during the installation confirmed that the water level inside the PCV was approx. 300mm from the penetrations. (investigation by the swimming robot) S/C bottom Regarding Penetration 3, a sonar check showed no flow Sona Floor traveling robot around the penetrations. (investigation by the floor traveling Unit 2 robot) Air dose rate inside the Reactor Building: Max. 4.400mSv/h (1F southeast area. Image of the torus room east-side cross-sectional investigation upper penetration<sup>(\*1)</sup> surface) (measured on November 16, 2011) Reactor Building Status of equipment development toward investigating inside the PCV Nitrogen injection flow Prior to removing fuel debris, to check the conditions inside the Primary Containment Vessel (PCV), including the rate into the RPV(\*3). location of the fuel debris, investigations inside the PCV are scheduled. 14 88Nm3/h [Investigative outline] Inserting the equipment from Unit 2 X-6 penetration<sup>(\*1)</sup> and accessing inside the pedestal using the CRD rail to SFP<sup>(\*2)</sup> temperature: 19.2°C conduct investigation. [Progress status] 615 Based on issues confirmed by the CRD rail status investigation conducted in August 2013, the investigation Reactor feed water system: 2.1m3/h method and equipment design were examined. Core spray system: 2.4m3/h As a portion of shielding blocks installed in front of X-6 penetration could not be moved, a removal method using small heavy machines was planned. The work for removing these blocks resumed on September 28. 2015 and removal of interfering blocks for future investigations was also completed on October 1, 2015. Temperature inside the PCV: Temperature of the RPV As manufacturing of shields needed for dose reduction around X-6 penetration was completed, after making a approx. 22°C bottom: approx. 21°C hole at the pipe penetration from which a robot will be inserted, an investigation prior to the installation of a robot will be conducted using a camera mounted on the edge of an expansible pipe in January 2017. PCV hydrogen concentration System A: 0.04vol% Nitrogen injection flow rate System B: 0.05vol% 2 into the PCV(\*4): -Nm3/h Alternative shield Water level of the torus room: approx. OP3.270 Self-traveling equipment Pan & tit f (draft plan) Pedestal (measured on June 6, 2012) Air dose rate inside Isolation value is olation value the PCV: Max. approx. Air dose rate inside the torus room: Chamber X-6 r 73Sv/h 30-118mSv/h(measured on April 18, 2012) 7. Avoiding rail holding tool 6-134mSv/h(measured on April 11, 2013) Temperature inside the 7777 PCV: approx. 24°C Water level at the triangular corner: OP3,050-3,190 Issues before using X-6 penetration 5. Avoiding the (measured on June 28, 2012) . Removal of existing shield in front of the foothold Measurement Platfe Water level inside the PCV: penetration Installation of alternative shield 6. Crossing over Temperature at the triangular corner: 30.2-32.1°C 8. Crossing over the deposit on the PCV bottom + approx. 300mm Boring in the nenetration batch. space betwee and platform (measured on June 28, 2012) 4. Removal of inclusion of the penetration 9 Travel on the grating This plan may be changed depending on the future examination status Water level of the Turbine Building: TP. 1,412 Investigative issues inside the PCV and equipment configuration (draft plan) \* Indices related to plant are values as of 11:00. December 21, 2016 Capturing the location of fuel debris inside the reactor by measurement using muons 1st (Jan 2012) Acquiring images - Measuring air temperature Evaluation results Period Investigations 2nd (Mar 2012) Confirming water surface - Measuring water temperature - Measuring dose rate Confirmed the existence of high-density materials, which was considered as fuel debris, at the bottom inside PCV 3rd (Feb 2013 - Jun 2014) Acquiring images - Sampling accumulated water Mar - Jul 2016 of RPV, and in the lower part and the outer periphery of the reactor core. It was assumed that a large Measuring water level - Installing permanent monitoring instrumentation part of fuel debris existed at the bottom of RPV.

Leakage points

from PC

No leakage from torus room rooftop

No leakage from all inside/outside surfaces of S/C

<Glossary> (\*1) Penetration: Through-hole of the PCV (\*2) SFP (Spent Fuel Pool) (\*3) RPV (Reactor Pressure Vessel) (\*5) Tracer: Material used to trace the fluid flow. Clay particles

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<Glossary> (\*1) CST (Condensate Storage Tank) Tank for temporarily storing water used in the plant.

### Progress toward decommissioning: Work to improve the environment within the site

Immediate targets Reduce the effect of additional release from the entire power station and radiation from radioactive waste (secondary water treatment waste, rubble, etc.) generated after the accident, to limit the effective radiation dose to below 1mSv/year at the site boundaries.
Prevent contamination expansion in sea, decontamination within the site



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