TOKYO, June 16- In a major step toward the reactivation of its Kashiwazaki-Kariwa Nuclear Power Station, TEPCO submitted to regulators its amended application for a reactor installment alteration license, which updates the original to reflect the results of inspections conducted and further safety enhancements since the original filing.

The submission was made today to Japan’s Nuclear Regulation Authority. It is intended to facilitate the NRA’s assessment of the safety improvements implemented at Units 6 and 7, and their compliance with the New Regulatory Requirements.

The New Regulatory Requirements are standards that the national government uses to determine whether to permit a nuclear power generation facility to be built and operated. They were issued in July 2013 based upon the lessons learned from the March 2011 Fukushima Daiichi accident. Nuclear power facilities are now required to implement countermeasures for natural phenomena (i.e., earthquakes, tsunamis, volcanic eruptions, tornadoes, forest fires, etc.), severe accidents (i.e., discharge of radioactive substances, containment vessel damage, core damage, etc.) and acts of terrorism.

In September 2013, TEPCO made its original request for inspection, and since that time the facility has undergone 143 technical inspections and five field inspections, leading to the many further safety improvements detailed in the current application. Also since the March 2011 disaster, TEPCO has conducted more than 16,000 training sessions to enhance employee skills and improve emergency response capabilities.

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