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April 7, 2011 Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency

Seismic Damage Information (the 79th Release)
(As of <u>15:30 April 7th</u>, 2011)

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Major updates are as follows.

- 1. Nuclear Power Stations (NPSs)
- Fukushima Dai-ichi NPS
  - Fresh water injection (Around 36t) to the Spent Fuel Pool of Unit 2 via the Spent Fuel Pool Cooling Line was carried out. (From 13:39 till 14:34 April 7th)
  - Fresh water spray (Around 70t) for Unit 3 using Concrete Pump Truck (50t/h) was carried out. (From 06:53 till 08:53 April 7th)

For more information:

NISA English Home Page

http://www.nisa.meti.go.jp/english/index.html

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April 8, 2011 Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency

#### Seismic Damage Information (the 80th Release) (As of <u>08:00 April 8th</u>, 2011)

Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency (NISA) confirmed the current situation of Onagawa NPS, Tohoku Electric Power Co. Inc.; Fukushima Dai-ichi and Fukushima Dai-ni NPSs, Tokyo Electric Power Co. Inc. (TEPCO); Tokai Dai-ni NPS, Japan Atomic Power Co. Inc. as follows:

Major updates are as follows.

- 1. Nuclear Power Stations (NPSs)
- Fukushima Dai-ichi NPS
  - Water spray of around 38t of fresh water for Unit 4 using Concrete Pump Truck (50t/h) was carried out. (From 18:23 till 19:40 April 7th)

#### 2. Other injuries

- On the afternoon of 7 April, a worker who was making sandbags at the soil disposal yard (spoil bank) on the north side of Fukushima Dai-ichi NPS got sick and was transported to J-Village for the body survey of contamination of radioactive materials. Being confirmed to be free from contamination, he was taken to the Iwaki City Kyouritsu Hospital by ambulance.

#### 3. Action taken by NISA

- The Local Nuclear Emergency Response Headquarters issued the News Letter No.3 for the residents within the area from 20km to 30km radius. (April 7th)

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#### Regarding the Injection of Nitrogen to the Reactor Containment Vessel

April 6, 2011 Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency

- 1. The Tokyo Electric Power Company, Inc. (TEPCO) plans to implement the injection of nitrogen to the Primary Containment Vessel (hereinafter "PCV") as an emergency measure pursuant to the Clause 1, Article 64 of the Act on the Regulation of Nuclear Source Materials, Nuclear Fuel Materials and Reactors (Act No. 166 of 1957) (hereinafter "Nuclear Regulation Act") for the reasons spelt out below:
  - As steam accompanying the removal of decay heat in the reactor core in the Reactor Pressure Vessel (hereinafter "RPV") of Unit 1 of Fukushima Dai-ichi Nuclear Power Station (NPS) currently is being supplied, which is likely to have created a steam atmosphere in PCV, the possibility of combustion of the hydrogen generated in RPV is considered to be small in PCV.
  - ➤ However, on condition that the integrity of RPV boundary is lost, there is a concern that continued cooling of the reactor core will cause condensation of the steam in PCV, and possibly reach the inflammability limit caused by ensuing rise in the concentration of hydrogen in PCV, which leaks from RPV.
  - Furthermore, in case the steam in PCV condenses as a result of the cooling of the reactor core, there is the possibility that the pressure in PCV will turn negative, inducing supply of oxygen from outside, and the subsequent rise in partial pressure will lead to the inflammability limit of hydrogen.
  - ➤ Therefore, nitrogen will be injected to PCV in order to reduce the possibility of hydrogen combustion in PCV.
- 2. The Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency (hereinafter "NISA") had requested TEPCO to report on the necessity, method of implementation, safety evaluation, etc. of the nitrogen injection to PCV. The following

points have been confirmed.

- As the steam accompanying the removal of decay heat in the reactor core is being fed in Unit 1, the risk of combustion of the hydrogen generated in RPV is considered to be extremely small. However, the injection of nitrogen to PCV will make it possible to reduce the possibility of hydrogen combustion, which would be a matter of concern when cooling the reactor core.
- ➤ Under the conditions of hydrogen and oxygen concentrations in PCV assumed at present, the injection of 98% nitrogen to PCV will reduce the possibility of hydrogen combustion to below the inflammability limit even in the safety-side evaluation where the entire steam in PCV is condensed.
- The downward trend in the monitoring values at the site boundary of the NPS since March 26 is due to the attenuation of radioactive materials. As it seems that the effects of a decline in the pressure in PCV are not detected, it is deemed that there will be no significant increase in leakage of radioactive materials from PCV even if the pressure in PCV were to rise as a result of the nitrogen injection.
- Specific procedures have been established to enable reliable work that will not cause condensation of steam in the PCV. Relevant equipment and organizational setup have been prepared appropriately.
- Even if unexpected hydrogen combustion in the process of the nitrogen injection were assumed, a conservative estimate of its impact in terms of increase in exposure dose at a point 20km from the site would be 0.028mSv for external exposure and 1.3mSv for internal exposure. These values are sufficiently smaller than the value from 10 to 50 mSv for external exposure and from 100 to 500 mSv for internal exposure, which are the benchmarks for in-house evacuation. They, therefore, would not warrant an immediate modification of the current protection measures.

On the basis of the above, NISA deemed that TEPCO's assessment is appropriate with regard to the implementation of nitrogen injection as an emergency measure pursuant to the Clause 1, Article 64 of the Nuclear Regulation Act, and that the measure was necessary to avert an emergency.

- 3. NISA has decided to give the directions to TEPCO on the following points with regard to the implementation of nitrogen injection, and to ascertain that all necessary measures are taken in the presence of the Nuclear Safety Inspectors.
  - Properly control plant parameters and take measures appropriately to ensure safety in response to the changes in the parameters.
  - ➤ Establish and implement an organizational structure and so on that will ensure the safety of the workers who will engage in the operation.
  - As the possibility of leakage of the air in PCV to the outside due to the nitrogen injection cannot be ruled out, judiciously conduct the monitoring. Furthermore, survey and confirm the impact of the release and spreading of radioactive materials due to the nitrogen injection and strive to disclose information.

## **News Release**



April 8, 2011 Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency

Information of the Situation Caused by the Earthquake Off the Coast of Miyagi Prefecture (the 3rd Release)

(As of 09:30 April 8th, 2011)

Around 23:32 (UTC 14:32) April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011, Earthquake occurred off the coast of Miyagi Prefecture.

All units of Tomari Nuclear Power Station (NPS) (Hokkaido Electric Power Company Inc.) are in operation. All units of Higashidori NPS, Onagawa NPS (Tohoku Electric Power Company Inc.), Fukushima Dai-ichi NPS and Fukushima Dai-ni NPS (Tokyo Electric Power Company Inc.) have been shutdown since the 2011 Tohoku district - off the Pacific Ocean Earthquake occurred on March 11<sup>th</sup> 2011. As for the Rokkasho Reprocessing Plant (Japan Nuclear Fuel Limited) are under pre-service inspection or shutdown.

The current situation of each nuclear facility is as follows;

- Tomari NPS (According to Hokkaido Electric Power Company Inc.)

  Units 1 and 2 was in operation with 90% output due to the captioned earthquake, but has recovered the operation at rated power.
- Higashidori NPS (According to Tohoku Electric Power Company Inc.)

Loss of external power supply happened once and electric power was supplied by using Emergency Diesel Generator (DG). There was no impact on the cooling function, etc. of the Spent Fuel Storage Pool. Thereafter, the external power supply was reported to be recovered at 03:30 April 8<sup>th</sup>. No abnormality has been detected in the readings of ventilation stack monitors and monitoring posts.

• Onagawa NPS (According to the Nuclear Safety Inspector at the site and Tohoku Electric Power Company Inc.)

There are five external power lines, among which one line was under repair. three lines out of the rest four lines shut off. Thereafter, one line that shut off and one line under repair were recovered, and consequently, from the three lines out of five lines, external power is received. Furthermore, as a result of inspection by eyes, malfunction of an insulator was confirmed in one of the three lines. The line had shut off and currently external power is received from the two lines. There are no unusual data measured at monitoring posts. The Cooling System for the Spent Fuel Pool had shut down once, but everything recovered.

- Fukushima Dai-ichi NPS (According to Tokyo Electric Company Inc.)
- -There are no unusual data measured at monitoring posts.
- -The water injection to the Reactor Pressure Vessels was reported to be being carried out continuously.
- Fukushima Dai-ni NPS (According to Tokyo Electric Company Inc.)
- -There is no unusual data in plant parameters
- Tokai Dai-ni NPP (According to The Japan Atomic Power Company)
- -No unusual event has been confirmed.
- Rokkasho Reprocessing Plant:
- -Loss of external power supply,
- -Electric power is supplied by Emergency DG,
- -There is no impact on the cooling function of the Fuel Storage Pool, etc.
- -Thereafter the external power supply was received at 09:44 April 8th.
- 1. The status of operation at Nuclear Power Station
  - Tomari NPS (Hokkaido Electric Power Company)

**Unit 1: in operation** 

**Unit 2: in operation** 

Unit 3: in operation

Higashidori NPS (Tohoku Electric Power Company Inc.)

Unit 1: in outage

- Onagawa NPS (Tohoku Electric Power Company Inc.)
  - Unit 1: Shutdown since the 2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku Earthquake
  - Unit 2: Shutdown since the 2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku Earthquake
  - Unit 3: Shutdown since the 2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku

#### Earthquake

- Fukushima Dai-ichi NPS (Tokyo Electric Company Inc.)
  - Unit 1: Shutdown since the 2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku Earthquake
  - Unit 2: Shutdown since the 2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku Earthquake
  - Unit 3: Shutdown since the 2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku Earthquake

Unit 4: in outage

Unit 5: in outage

Unit 6: in outage

- Fukushima Dai-ichi NPS (Tokyo Electric Company Inc.)
  - Unit 1: Shutdown since the 2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku Earthquake
  - Unit 2: Shutdown since the 2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku Earthquake
  - Unit 3: Shutdown since the 2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku Earthquake
  - Unit 4: Shutdown since the 2011 off the Pacific coast of Tohoku Earthquake
- Tokai Dai-ni NPP (The Japan Atomic Power Company)
   In outage
- 2. Japan Nuclear Fuel Limited (Rokkasho Village , Kamikita County, Aomori Prefecture)
  - Rokkasho Reprocessing Plant

Reprocessing facility: in pre-service inspection

Uranium enrichment facility: in outage

#### (Reference)

Seismic Intensity in Japanese Scale of each area;

Max. 6+: Northern part of Miyagi Prefecture

Max. 5-: Hamadori in Fukushima Prefecture

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## Conditions of Fukushima Dai-ichi Nuclear Power Station Unit 1

(As of 6:00 April 8th, 2011) Spent Fuel Pool Water Temperature − °C Condition: Indicator failure Spent Fuel **Pool Cooling** Reactor Pressure A 0.491MPa\* System Reactor Pressure B 0.889MPa\* Condition: Tend to increase \*converted to absolute pressure Reactor Water Level A -1,650mm Reactor Water Level B -1,650mm Condition: No flooding of top of active fuel until the above level Reactor Water Temperature --Condition: No data available Reactor Pressure Vessel (RPV) Temperature: Feedwater Nozzle Temperature :260.7°C Temperature at the bottom head of :118.6°C PCV\*3 Pressure 0.180MPa Condition: Tend to increase S/P\*4 Water Temperature — Condition: No data available S/P\*4 Pressure 0.150MPa External RHRS\*1 Condition: No large fluctuation FDG\*2 **Power** · • • • •

#### Major Events after the earthquake

- 11<sup>th</sup> 14:46 Under operation, Automatic shutdown by the earthquake
- 11<sup>th</sup> 15:42 Report based on the Article 10 (Total loss of A/C power)
- 11th 16:36 Occurrence of the Article 15 event (Inability of water injection of the Emergency Core Cooling System)
- 12<sup>th</sup> 01:20 Occurrence of the Article 15 event (Unusual rise of the pressure in PCV)
- 12th 10:17 Started to vent.
- 12th 15:36 Sound of explosion
- 12<sup>th</sup> 20:20 Started to inject seawater and borated water to core.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> 02:33 The amount of injected water to the Rector Core was increased utilizing the Feedwater Line in addition to the Fire Extinguish Line. (2m³/h →18m³/h) 09:00 Switched to the Feedwater Line only.(18m³/h →11m³/h)
- 24<sup>th</sup> 11:30 Lighting in the Central Control Room was recovered.
- 25th 15:37 Started fresh water injection.
- 29<sup>th</sup> 08:32 Switched to the water injection to the core using the temporary motor-driven pump.
- 31st 12:00 ~2nd 15:26 Started to transfer the stagnant water from the Condensate Storage Tank (CST) to the Surge Tank of Suppression Pool Water (SPT)
- 31<sup>st</sup> 13:03~16:04 Water spray by Concrete Pump Truck (Fresh water)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> 12:02 The power supply to the temporary motor-driven pump was switched from the temporary power supply to the external power supply.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> 13:55 Started to transfer the water from the condenser to CST.
- 6<sup>th</sup> 22:30 Started the operation for the injection of nitrogen to PCV.
- 7<sup>th</sup> 01:31 Confirmed starting the injection of nitrogen to PCV.

\*1 Residual Heat Removal System \*2 Emergency Diesel Generator

\*3 Primary Containment Vessel

\*4 Suppression Pool

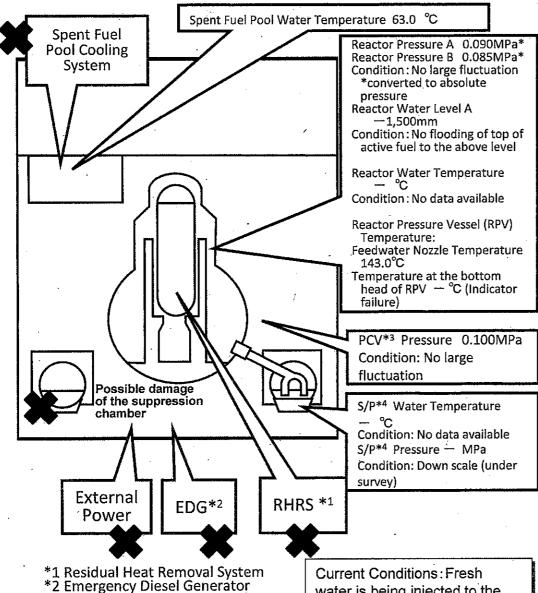
Current Conditions : Fresh water is being injected to the Spent Fuel Pool and the core

## Conditions of Fukushima Dai-ichi Nuclear Power Station Unit 2

( As of 6:00 April 8th, 2011 )

#### Major Events after the earthquake

- 11th 14:46 Under operation, Automatic shutdown by the earthquake
- 11th 15:42 Report based on the Article 10 (Total loss of A/C power)
- 11th 16:36 Occurrence of the Article 15 event (Inability of water injection of the Emergency Core Cooling System )
- 13th 11:00 Started to vent.
- 14th 13:25 Occurrence of the Article 15 event (Loss of reactor cooling functions)
- 14th 16:34 Started to inject seawater to the Reactor Core.
- 14th 22:50 Occurrence of the Article 15 event (Unusual rise of the pressure in PCV)
- 15th 00:02 Started to vent.
- 15th 06:10 Sound of explosion
- 15th around 06:20 Possible damage of the suppression chamber
- 20th 15:05~17:20 Approximately 40 ton seawater injection to the Spent Fuel Pool (SFP) via the Fuel Pool Cooling Line (FPC)
- 20th 15:46 Power Center received electricity.
- 21st 18:22 White smoke generated. The smoke died down and almost invisible at 07:11
- 22rd 16:07 Injection of around 18 tons of seawater to SFP
- 25th 10:30~12:19 Sea water injection to SFP via FPC
- 26th 10:10 Started to inject fresh water to the Reactor Core.
- 26th 16:46 Lighting in the Central Control Room was recovered.
- 27th 18:31 Switched to the water injection to the core using the temporary motor-driven
- 29th 16:30~18:25 Switched to the temporary motor-driven pump injecting fresh water to
- 29th 16:45~1st 11:50 Transferred the water from the Condensate Storage Tank (CST) to the Surge Tank of Suppression Pool Water (SPT)
- 30th 9:25~23:50 Confirmed malfunction of the temporary motor-driven pump injecting fresh water to SFP(9:45). Switched to the injection using the fire pump Truck, but suspended as cracks were confirmed in the hose. (12:47, 13:10) Resumed injection of fresh water(19:05)
- 1st 14:56~17:05 Injection of fresh water from FPC to SFP using the temporary motor-
- 2<sup>nd</sup> around 9:30 The water, of which the dose rate was at the level of more than 1.000mSv/h, was confirmed to be collected in the pit located near the intake Channel of Unit 2. The outflow from the lateral surface of the pit into the sea was also
- 2<sup>nd</sup> 17:10 Started to transfer the water from the condenser to the Condensate Storage Tank (CST).
- 3rd 12:12 The power supply to the temporary motor-driven pump was switched from the temporary power supply to the external power supply.
- 3rd 13:47~14:30 20 bags of sawdust, 80 bags of high polymer absorbent and 3 bags of cutting-processed newspaper were put into the Pit for the Conduit.
- 4th 7:08~7:11 Approximately 13kg of tracer (bath agent) was put in from the Pit for the Duct for Seawater Pipe.
- 4th 11:05~13:37 Injection of fresh water from FPC to SFP using the temporary motor-
- 5th 14:15 Tracer is confirmed to outflow through the permeable layer around the pit into
  - 15:07 Started to inject coagulant.
- 6th around 5:38. The water outflow from the lateral surface of the pit, was confirmed to
- 7th 13:29~14:34 Freshwater injection to SFP via FPC (Around 36 ton)



- \*3 Primary Containment Vessel \*4 Suppression Pool

water is being injected to the Spent Fuel Pool and the core

Conditions of Fukushima Dai-ichi Nuclear Power Station Unit 3 Major Events after the earthquake ( As of 6:00 April 8th, 2011 ) 11th 14:46 Under operation, Automatic shutdown by the earthquake 11th 15:42 Report based on the Article 10 (Total loss of A/C power) 13th 05:10 Occurrence of the Article 15 event (Inability of water injection Spent Fuel Pool Water Temperature - °C of the Emergency Core Cooling System) Condition: Indicator failure Spent Fuel 13th 08:41 Started to vent. 13th 13:12 Started to inject seawater and borated water to core. **Pool Cooling** 14th 05:20 Started to vent. 14th 07:44 Occurrence of the Article 15 event (Unusual rise of the System Reactor Pressure A 0.099MPa\* pressure in PCV) Reactor Pressure C 0.020MPa\* 14th 11:01 Sound of explosion 16th around 08:30 White smoke generated. Condition: No large fluctuation 17th 09:48~10:01 Water discharge by the helicopters of Self-Defense \*converted to absolute pressure Reactor Water Level A -2,000mm 17th 19:05~19:15 Water spray from the ground by High pressure water-Reactor Water Level B - 2,250mm cannon trucks of Police Condition: No flooding of top of 17th 19:35 ~ 20:09 Water spray from the ground by fire engines of Selfactive fuel to the above level Defense Force 18th before 14:00~14:38 Water spray from the ground by 6 fire engines Reactor Water Temperature -°C of Self-Defense Force Condition: No data available 18th ~14:45 Water spray from the ground by a fire engine of the US 19th 00:30 ~01:10 Water spray by Hyper Rescue Unit of Tokyo Fire Reactor Pressure Vessel (RPV) Department 19th 14:10 ~ 20th 03:40 Water spray by Hyper Rescue Unit of Tokyo Fire Temperature Feedwater Nozzle Temperature 20th 11:00 Pressure of PCV rose(320kPa). Afterward fell. :88.2°C(under survey) 20th 21:36 ~ 21st 03:58 Water spray by Hyper Rescue Unit of Tokyo Fire Temperature at the bottom head of 21st around 15:55 Gravish smoke generated and was confirmed to be **RPV** : 110.8°C died down at 17:55. 22<sup>nd</sup> 15:10 ~16:00 Water spray by Hyper Rescue Unit of Tokyo Fire Department and Osaka City Fire Bureau. 22<sup>nd</sup> 22:46 Lighting in the Central Control Room was recovered. 23rd 11:03 ~13:20 Injection of about 35ton of sea water to the Spent Fuel Pool (SFP) via the Fuel Pool Cooling Line (FPC) PCV\*3 Pressure 0.1061MPa 23rd around 16:20 Black smoke generated and was confirmed to died Condition: No large fluctuation down at around 23:30 and 24th 04:50. 24th 05:35~16:05 Approximately 120 ton sea water injection to SFP via 25th 13:28~16:00 Water spray by Kawasaki City Fire Bureau supported by S/P\*4 Water Temperature — °C Tokyo Fire Department Condition: No data available 25th 18:02 Started fresh water injection to the core. S/P\*4 Pressure 0.1726MPa 27th 12:34~14:36 Water spray by Concrete Pump Truck 28th 17:40~31st around 8:40 Transferring the water from the Condensate Condition: No large fluctuation External Storage Tank (CST) to the Surge Tank of Suppression Pool Water (SPT) EDG \*2 RHRS\*1 28th 20:30 Switched to the water injection to the core using a temporary Power motor-driven pump. 29th 14:17~18:18, 31st 16:30~19:33, 2nd 09:52~12:54, 4th 17:03~19:19

\*1 Residual Heat Removal System

\*2 Emergency Diesel Generator

\*3 Primary Containment Vessel \*4 Suppression Pool Current Conditions: Fresh water is being injected to the Spent Fuel Pool and the core

(Around 70 ton)

Water spray by Concrete Pump Truck (Fresh water)

3rd 12:18 The power supply to the temporary motor-driven pump was

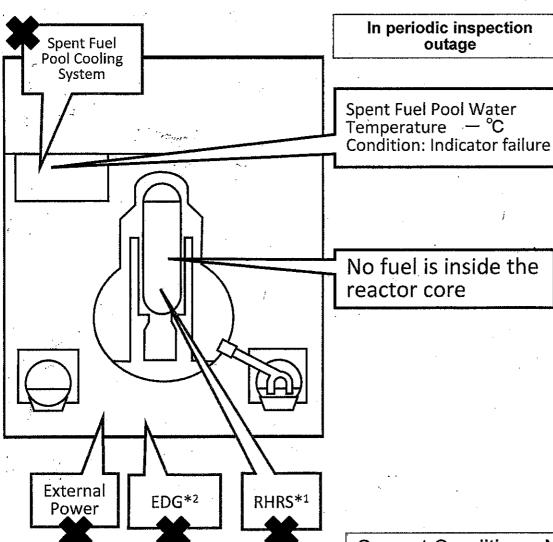
7th 06:53 ~08:53 Water spray by Concrete Pump Truck (Fresh water)

switched from the temporary power supply to the external power supply.

# Conditions of Fukushima Dai-ichi Nuclear Power Station Unit 4

( As of 6:00 April 8th, 2011 )

# Major events after the earthquake



- In periodic inspection outage when the earthquake occurred
- 14<sup>th</sup> 04:08 Water temperature in the Spent Fuel Pool (SFP), 84°C
- 15th 06:14 Confirmed the partial damage of wall in the 4th floor.
- 15<sup>th</sup> 09:38 Fire occurred in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. (12:25 extinguished)
- 16<sup>th</sup> 05:45 Fire occurred. TEPCO couldn't confirm any fire on the ground. (06:15)
- 20th 08:21~09:40 Water spray over SFP by Self-Defense Force
- 20<sup>th</sup> around 18:30~19:46 Water spray over SFP by Self-Defense Force
- 21st 06:37 ~ 08:41 Water spray over SFP by Self-Defense Force
- 21st around 15:00 Work for laying cable to Power Center was completed.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> 10:35 Power Center received electricity.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> 17:17~20:32, 23<sup>rd</sup> 10:00~13:02, 24<sup>th</sup> 14:36~ 17:30, 25<sup>th</sup> 19:05~22:07, 27<sup>th</sup> 16:55~19:25 Water spray by Concrete Pump Truck
- 25<sup>th</sup> 06:05 ~ 10:20 Sea water injection to SFP via the Fuel Pool Cooling Line (FPC)
- 29<sup>th</sup> 11:50 Lighting in the Central Control Room was recovered.
- 30<sup>th</sup> 14:04~18:33, 1<sup>st</sup> 8:28~14:14, 3<sup>rd</sup> 17:14~22:16, 5<sup>th</sup> 17:35~18:22, 7<sup>th</sup> 18:23~19:40
- Water spray by Concrete Pump Truck (Fresh water)

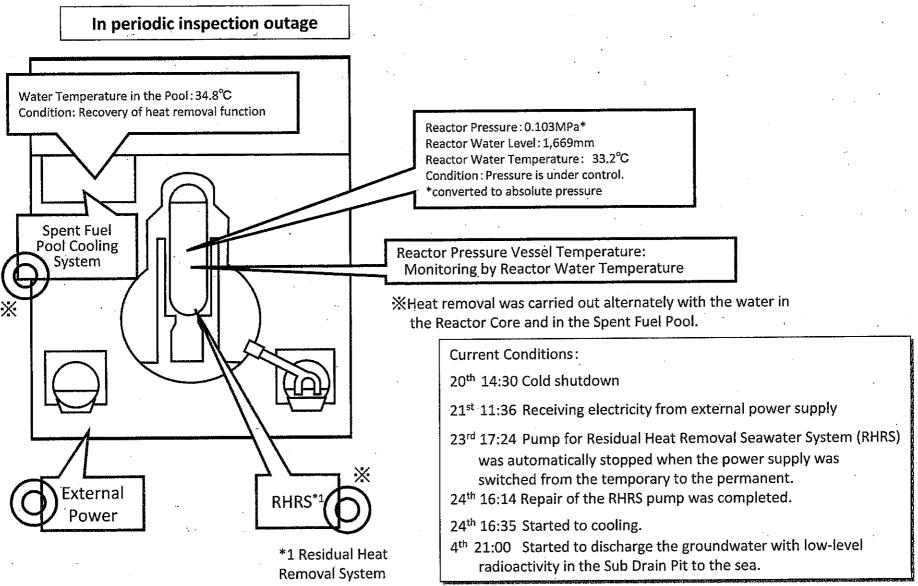
\*1 Residual Heat Removal System

\*2 Emergency Diesel Generator

\*3 Reactor Pressure Vessel

Current Conditions: No fuel is in RPV\*3. Fresh water is being injected to the Spent Fuel Pool.

## Conditions of Fukushima Dai-ichi Nuclear Power Station Unit 5 ( As of 6:00 April 8th, 2011 )



## Conditions of Fukushima Dai-ichi Nuclear Power Station Unit 6 ( As of 6:00 April 8th, 2011 )

