Main decommissioning work and steps

Fuel removal from the spent fuel pool was completed in December 2014 at Unit 4 and started from April 15, 2019 at Unit 3. Dust concentration in the surrounding environment is being monitored and work is being implemented with safety first. Work continues sequentially toward the start of fuel removal from Units 1 and 2 and debris (Note 1) retrieval from Units 1-3.





(Note 1) Fuel assemblies having melted through in the accident.

Fuel removal from the spent fuel pool

Fuel removal from the spent fuel pool started from April 15,

2019 at Unit 3. With the aim of completing fuel removal by

the end of FY2020, rubble and fuel are being removed.

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Removed fuel
(assemblies)
203/566
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Fuel removal (April 15, 2019) (As of July 2, 2020)

Contaminated water management proceeds with the following three efforts:

(1) Efforts to promote contaminated water management based on the three basic policies

[Three basic policies]

- 1. "Remove" the source of water contamination
- 2. "Redirect" fresh water from contaminated areas
- 3. "Retain" contaminated water from leakage

(2) Efforts to complete contaminated water treatment

- 4. Treatment of contaminated water in buildings
- 5. Measures to remove α -nuclide and reduce the concentration in contaminated water
- 6. Measures to alleviate the radiation dose of Zeolite sandbags in the Process Main Building and High-Temperature Incinerator Building and examine safe management methods



(3) Efforts to stably operate contaminated water management

- 7. Planning and implementing necessary measures to prepare for large-scale disasters such as tsunami and heavy rain
- 8. Periodically inspecting and updating facilities to maintain the effect of contaminated water management going forward
- 9. Examining additional measures as required, with efforts to gradually expand the scale of fuel debris retrieval in mind

(1) Efforts to promote contaminated water management based on the three basic policies Strontium-treated water from other equipment is being re-treated in the multi-nuclide removal equipment (ALPS)

- and stored in welded-joint tanks. Multi-layered contaminated water management measures, including land-side impermeable walls and subdrains, have stabilized the groundwater at a low level and the increased amount of contaminated water generated during rainfall is being suppressed by repairing damaged portions of building roofs, facing onsite, etc. Through these measures, the generation of contaminated water was reduced from approx. 540 m³/day (in May FY2014) to approx. 180 m³/dav (in FY2019).
- Measures continue to further suppress the generation of contaminated water to approx. 150 m³/day within FY2020 and 100 m³/day or less within 2025

(2) Efforts to complete contaminated water treatment

- Contaminated water levels in buildings declined as planned and connected parts between Units 1 and 2 and 3 and 4 were respectively separated. For a-nuclide detected as water levels declined progressively, characteristics are being determined and treatment methods examined.
- Treatment of contaminated water in buildings will be completed within 2020, excluding Unit 1-3 Reactor Buildings, Process Main Building and High-Temperature Incinerator Building. For Reactor Buildings, the amount of contaminated water there will be reduced from the level at the end of 2020 during the period FY2022 - 2024. For Zeolite sandbags on the basement floors of the Process Main Building and High-Temperature Incinerator
- Building, measures to reduce the radiation dose are being examined with stabilization in mind.

(3) Efforts to stably operate contaminated water management

To prepare for tsunamis, measures including closing building openings, installing sea walls and transferring and grounding the mega float are being implemented. For heavy rain, sandbags are being installed to suppress direct inflow into buildings while work to enhance drainage channels and other measures are being implemented as planned

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Progress status



No problem caused by the leakage from the treatment facility special for Subdrain &

Groundwater drain

On May 22, water drippage of about one drop/second was detected from the lower part of the pretreatment filter 2B insulator for the water treatment facility special for Subdrain & Groundwater drain. Generally, the water treatment facility operates with a single system. The drippage part was switched from System B to System A and the water treatment facility is currently operating without any trouble.

An inspection inside the container confirmed locally progressing corrosion, for which measures such as repairing or replacing filter containers will be implemented.

Thorough COVID-19 countermeasures implemented

At the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station, countermeasures are being implemented to prevent the COVID-19 infection spreading, such as requiring employees to take their temperature prior to coming to the office, wear masks at all times and avoid the "Three Cs" by shift-use of the rest house, etc. At present, no TEPCO HD employees or cooperative firm laborers have contracted COVID-19.

Restriction on travel to and from the outside of the prefecture was eased on June 19 and reception of visitors was resumed from July 1. However, concern about the second wave remains and thorough countermeasures to prevent the infection of TEPCO HD employees and cooperative firm laborers will to be maintained, including continued restraint of travel to and from the outside of the prefecture to both sustain the ongoing decommissioning work and prevent the COVID-19 infection spreading.



Cutting of obstacles inside the PCV toward injecting the Unit 1 inside investigation robot

As part of efforts to investigate inside the Unit 1 Primary Contamination Vessel (PCV), work to cut obstacles inside the PCV on the route for the

investigation equipment started from May 26 and cutting of the handrail was completed by June 4. After washing the equipment and exchanging the nozzle, the grating will be cut from early July.

Work continues with safety first to start the inside investigation in late FY2020.



Equipment being developed toward starting trial fuel debris retrieval of the Unit 2

Toward starting the trial retrieval of Unit 2 fuel debris scheduled in 2021, retrieval equipment is being developed in the UK. In the trial retrieval plan, a robot arm will be used to access the PCV, obstacles inside the PCV will be removed by the cutting equipment and powder fuel debris will be collected by metal-brush type adhering equipment or vacuum-container type suction equipment. For remotely operated work in a severe environment with high exposure to radiation and within a confined space, tests and training will be implemented using a realistic mock-up in advance and work will be implemented steadily with safety first. Mockup facility (JAEA Naraha

Robot arm (UK factory)

Fuel debris retrieved from the trial will be placed in closed metal transportation casks to be transported to the existing analysis facility.



·Height: approx. 7m

·Area: approx. 10m×30m ·Height: approx. 8m

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Data (10-minute values) of Monitoring Posts (MPs) measuring the airborne radiation rate around site boundaries showed 0.381 – 1.268 µSv/h (May 27 – June 30, 2020).

We improved the measurement conditions of monitoring posts 2 to 8 to measure the air-dose rate precisely. Construction work, 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 panels around monitoring post No. 6, which is one of the instruments used to measure the radiation dose at the power station site boundary, were taken off from July 10-11, 2013, since further deforestation, etc. had caused the surrounding radiation dose to decline significantly.

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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. 20 to 30°C for the past month, though it varied depending on the unit and location of the thermometer.



2. Release of radioactive materials from the Reactor Buildings

As of May 2020, the concentration of the radioactive materials newly released from Reactor Building Units 1-4 into the air and measured at the site boundary was evaluated at approx. 2.3×10⁻¹² Bq/cm³ and 3.6×10⁻¹² Bq/cm³ for Cs-134 and Cs-137 respectively, while the radiation exposure dose due to the release of radioactive materials there was less than 0.00006 mSv/year.



2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020

Note 1: Different formulas and coefficients were used to evaluate the radiation dose in the facility operation plan and monthly report. The evaluation methods were integrated in September 2012. As the fuel removal from the spent fuel pool (SFP) commenced for Unit 4, the radiation exposure dose from Unit 4 was added to the items subject to evaluation since November 2013. The evaluation has been changed to a method considering the values of continuous dust monitors since FY2015, with data to be evaluated monthly and announced the following month.

Note 2: Radiation dose was calculated using the evaluation values of release amount from Units 1-4 and Units 5 and 6. The radiation dose of Unit 5 and 6 was evaluated based on expected release amount during operation until September 2019 but the evaluation method was reviewed and changed to calculate based on the actual measurement results of Units 5 and 6 from October.

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 anomaly 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 management

Based on the three basic policies: "remove" the source of water contamination. "redirect" fresh water from contaminated areas and "retain" contaminated water from leakage, multi-layered contaminated water management measures have been implemented to stably control groundwater

- Status of contaminated water generated
- · Multi-layered measures, including pumping up by subdrains and land-side impermeable walls, which were buildings.
- · After "redirecting" measures (groundwater bypass, subdrains, land-side impermeable walls and others) were measures were first launched to approx. 180 m³/day (the FY2019 average).
- Measures will continue to further reduce the volume of contaminated water generated.



Operation of the groundwater bypass \geq

Daily

- 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 required based on their operational status.
- Operation of the Water Treatment Facility special for Subdrain & Groundwater drains
- To reduce the level of groundwater flowing into the buildings, work began to pump up groundwater from wells operational targets.
- Due to the rising level of the groundwater drain pond after the sea-side impermeable walls had been closed, for the period May 21 – June 24, 2020).
- · As one of the multi-layered contaminated-water management measures, in addition to a waterproof pavement that

implemented to control the continued generation of contaminated water, suppressed the groundwater inflow into

steadily implemented, the generation amount reduced from approx. 470 m³/day (the FY2014 average) when the

groundwater. The release then 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 June 30, 2020, 564,331 m³ of groundwater had been released. The pumped-up groundwater was temporarily stored in tanks and

(subdrains) around the buildings on September 3, 2015. The pumped-up groundwater was then purified at dedicated facilities and released from September 14, 2015, in the presence of officials from the Intergovernmental Liaison Office for the Decommissioning and Contaminated Water Issue of the Cabinet Office. Up until June 30, 2020, a total of 921,586 m³ had been drained after TEPCO and a third-party organization had confirmed that its quality met

pumping started on November 5, 2015. Up until June 30, 2020, a total of approx. 240,155 m³ had been pumped up and a volume of under 10 m³/day is being transferred from the groundwater drain to the Turbine Buildings (average

aims to prevent rainwater infiltrating, facilities to enhance the subdrain treatment system were installed and went into

Figure 1: Changes in contaminated water generated and inflow of groundwater, rainwater, into buildings

operation from April 2018, increasing the treatment capacity from 900 to 1,500 m³/day and improving reliability. Operational efficiency was also improved to treat up to 2,000 m³/day for almost one week during the peak period.

- To maintain the groundwater level, work to install additional subdrain pits and recover existing ones is underway. The additional pits are scheduled to start operation sequentially, from a pit for which work is completed (12 of 14 new subdrain pits went into operation). To recover existing pits, work for all three pits scheduled was completed and all went into operation from December 26, 2018. Work to recover another pit started from November 2019 (No. 49 pit).
- To eliminate the need to suspend water pumping while cleaning the subdrain transfer pipe, the pipe will be duplicated. Installation of the pipe and ancillary facilities was completed.
- Since the subdrains went into operation, the inflow to buildings tended to decline to under 150 m³/day when the subdrain water level declined below T.P. 3.0 m but increased during rainfall.



Figure 2: Correlation between inflow such as groundwater and rainwater into buildings and the water level of Units 1-4 subdrains

- Implementation status of facing
- Facing is a measure that covers the ground surface onsite with asphalt to reduce the radiation dose, prevent rainwater infiltrating into the ground and decrease the amount of underground water flowing into buildings. As of the end of May 2020, 94% of the planned area (1,450,000 m² onsite) had been completed. For the area inside the land-side impermeable walls, implementation proceeds appropriately after constructing a yard from implementable zones that do not affect the decommissioning work. As of the end of May 2020, 12% of the planned area (60,000 m²) had been completed.
- \geq Construction status of the land-side impermeable walls and status of groundwater levels around the buildinas
- · An operation to maintain the land-side impermeable walls and prevent the frozen soil from thickening further continued from May 2017 on the north and south sides and started from November 2017 on the east side, where sufficiently thick frozen soil was identified. The scope of the maintenance operation was expanded in March 2018.
- In March 2018, construction of the land-side impermeable walls was completed, except for a portion of the depth, based on a monitoring result showing that the underground temperature had declined below 0°C in almost all areas, while on the mountain side, the difference in internal and external water levels increased to approx. 4-5 m. The 21st Committee on Countermeasures for Contaminated-Water Treatment, held on March 7, 2018, evaluated that alongside the function of subdrains and other measures, a water-level management system to stably control groundwater and redirect groundwater from the buildings had been established and allowed the amount of contaminated water generated to be reduced significantly.
- A supplementary method was implemented for the unfrozen depth and it was confirmed that the temperature of this portion had declined below 0°C by September 2018. From February 2019, a maintenance operation started throughout all sections.

The groundwater level in the area inside the land-side impermeable walls has been declining every year. On the mountain side, the difference between the inside and outside increased to approx. 5-6 m. The water level in the bank area has remained low (T.P. 1.6-1.7 m) compared to the ground surface (T.P. +1.5 m).



Figure 3: Closure parts of the land-side impermeable walls (on the mountain side)

- Operation of multi-nuclide removal equipment \geq
- multi-nuclide removal equipment went into full-scale operation from October 16, 2017.
- · As of June 25, 2020, the volumes treated by existing, additional and high-performance multi-nuclide removal 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 June 25, 2020, approx. 737,000 m³ had been treated.
- \geq Toward reducing the risk of contaminated water stored in tanks
- 592.000 m³ had been treated.
- Measures in the Tank Area \geq
- discharging into the environment since May 21, 2014 (as of June 30, 2020, a total of 155,846 m³).

Regarding the multi-nuclide removal equipment (existing and high-performance), hot tests using radioactive water are underway (for existing equipment, System A: from March 30, 2013, System B: from June 13, 2013, System C: from September 27, 2013; and for high-performance equipment, from October 18, 2014). The additional

equipment were approx. 448,000, 664,000 and 103,000 m³, respectively (including approx. 9,500 m³ stored in the J1(D) tank, which contained water with highly concentrated radioactive materials at the System B outlet of the

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

Treatment measures comprising the removal of strontium by cesium-absorption apparatus (KURION) (from January 6, 2015), the secondary cesium-absorption apparatus (SARRY) (from December 26, 2014) and the third cesium-absorption apparatus (SARRY II) (from July 12, 2019) are underway. Up until June 25, 2020, approx.

Rainwater accumulates and is collected inside the area of contaminated-water tanks. After removing radionuclides, the rainwater is sprinkled on the ground of the site, if the radioactivity level does not meet the standard for



*1: Water amount for which the water-level gauge indicates 0% or more

*2: To detect storage increases more accurately, the calculation method was reviewed as follows from February 9, 2017: (The revised method was applied from March 1, 2018)

[(Inflow of groundwater/rainwater into buildings) + (other transfer) + (chemical injection into ALPS)] *3: The storage amount increased due to transfer to buildings in association with the decommissioning work.

(The transferred amount comprised (① Transfer of RO concentrated water from groundwater drains to Turbine Building: approx. 80 m³/day, ② Transfer from wells and groundwater drains: approx.50 m³/day, ③ Transfer from Unit 5/6 SPT to Process Main Building: approx. 20 m3/day, others)

*4: Changed from December 13, 2018 from rainfall in Namie to that within the site.

*5: Considered attributable to the increased inflow of groundwater, rainwater and others to buildings due to the decline in the level of contaminated water in buildings. (June 27, 2019, March 18, May 7-14 and June 11-18, 2020)

*6: The methods of calculating the water volume and the capacity of tanks, which had varied in each tank area, were unified, which led to changes in the calculated increase in treated water and variation in Sr-treated water and others. However, the actual treated volumes were approx, 2,200 m³/week for treated water and approx, 1,100 m³/week for Sr-treated water and others (July 11, 2019).

*7: From the period January 16-23, 2019, amid a decline in the water level in Unit 4 R/B, system water in S/C flowing into R/B contaminated water is reflected in the inflow of groundwater and rainwater in addition to the transferred amount generated in decommissioning work

Figure 4: Status of contaminated water storage

- Progress status of contaminated water treatment in buildings
- The lowest floor surfaces of buildings will be exposed by 2020 except for the Unit 1-3 Reactor Buildings (R/B), for which circulation water injection is conducted, the Process Main Building (PMB), in which high-dose Zeolite sandbags were confirmed on the ground floor and the High Temperature Incinerator Building (HTI).
- For the Unit 1-3 Reactor Buildings (R/B), the water-level was decreased to around T.P.-1,800, which is lower than the floor surfaces of the Turbine Building (T/B) and the Radioactive Waste Treatment Building (Rw/B) (around T.P.-1,750). For the Unit 2-4 T/Bs and Rw/Bs, water was removed sequentially by temporary pumps. The ground floor surface of the T/Bs and Rw/Bs was already exposed first in Unit 4 and then in Units 2 and 3. Permanent pumps will be installed to maintain the floor surface exposure condition.
- For the PMB and HTI, after implementing measures for the high-dose Zeolite sandbags (including activated carbon). which were confirmed on the ground floor and to prevent a-nuclide spreading, the lowest floor surfaces will be exposed.
- Influence on contaminated water generation due to height differences of water-level gauges for Process Main Building
- On May 27, 2020, after the repair water-level gauge 2 for the Process Main Building (PMB), a decrease of indication value was confirmed. As a result of on-site confirmation and scaling, it was confirmed that there was no problem with the indication value after the repair.
- Based on this result, the PMB water-level gauge 1 was checked on June 2 and it was confirmed that the indication

As of June 25, 2020

value exceeded the installation height by 300mm. The difference was corrected on June 11.

- The installation height difference of the PMB water-level gauge affects the PMB storage value. However, the height difference is the same every week and the "increase/decrease in the PMB storage volume" is almost unchanged.
- The contaminated water generated is calculated based on the "increase/decrease in the PMB storage volume" and generated.
- Investigation inside the Unit 1/2 exhaust stack drain sump pit \succ
- 2020, approx. 99% of the opening was closed.
- The water level in the pit was confirmed as varying during rainfall, even after the lid was installed. The inside of the re-investigated on a day when rainfall is anticipated.
- Leakage from the lower part of the pretreatment filter 2B insulator for the water treatment facility special for Subdrain & Groundwater drain
- On May 22, 2020, water was accumulated in the reception pan around the pretreatment filter 2B for the water field investigation confirmed water drippage of about one drop/second from the lower part of the pretreatment filter water treatment facility is currently operating without any trouble.
- base material. This incident was considered attributable to system water leaking from the penetration hole.
- For pretreatment filters 1B and 3B, similar in design to 2B, the inside was also investigated and this confirmed that local corrosion had progressed in the pretreatment filter 1B as detected in 2B.
- For pretreatment filters 2B and 1B, after implementing measures to prevent galvanic corrosion, new filters will be heavy rain such as typhoon.

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 by December 22, 2014

- Main work to help spent fuel removal at Unit 1
- From March 18, 2019, the removal of small rubble in the east-side area around the spent fuel pool (SFP) started using pliers and suction equipment, while small rubble removal on the south side of the SFP started from July 9.
- The well plug, which was considered misaligned from the normal position due to the influence of the hydrogen with a camera, measuring the air dose rate and collecting 3D images.
- A prior investigation on September 27, 2019 confirmed the lack of any obstacle which may affect the plan to install fact that panel- and bar-shaped rubble pieces were scattered on the rack.
- After examining two methods: (i) installing a cover after rubble removal and (ii) initially installing a large cover over removal
- During rubble removal work on the upper part of the Reactor Building, roof steel frames, small rubble and other

the "installation height difference of the PMB water-level gauge" has little influence on the contaminated water

Dismantling of the Unit 1/2 exhaust stack was completed and by installing a lid on the exhaust stack top on May 1,

pit was investigated on June 30, 2020 to find an inflow route to the pit other than from the exhaust stack top. The investigation could detect no trace of any inflow route on the pit wall. To check the inflow status, the inside will be

treatment facility special for Subdrain & Groundwater drain (hereinafter referred to as "the pretreatment filter 2B"). A 2B insulator. Generally, the water treatment facility special for Subdrain & Groundwater drain operates with a single system. The pretreatment filter for the water treatment facility was switched from System B to System A and the

An inspection inside the container confirmed galvanic corrosion, which had progressed locally and penetrated the

manufactured and replaced with existing filters. For 3B, after repairing, measures to prevent galvanic corrosion will be implemented. For 1B, tentative repair will be implemented for the period pending replacement to prepare for

explosion at the time of the accident, was investigated for the period July 17 – August 26, 2019, by taking photos

the cover over the SFP, the absence of any heavy object such as a concrete block, as detected in Unit 3 and the

the Reactor Building and then removing rubble inside the cover, method (ii) was selected for safer and more secure

objects may fall. To reduce the potential risk of these fallen objects affecting the soundness of fuel assemblies stored there, a cover bag was installed over the surface of the spent fuel pool. During the period June 8 to 11, the cover bag was injected onto the pool surface, extended to cover the entire pool surface area, expanded by inflating it with air and filled with air mortar. Support materials will be installed for the fuel-handling machine in October 2020 and for the overhead crane in November and rubble removal and other work will proceed steadily with safety first, toward starting fuel removal during the period FY2027 to FY2028.

- Main work to help spent fuel removal at Unit 2 \geq
- On November 6, 2018, before investigating with a work plan to dismantle the Reactor Building rooftop and other tasks in mind, work to move and contain the remaining objects on the operating floor (1st round) was completed.
- On February 1, 2019, an investigation to measure the radiation dose on the floor, walls and ceiling inside the operating floor and confirm the contamination status was completed. After analyzing the investigative results, the "contamination concentration distribution" throughout the entire operating floor was obtained, based on which the air dose rate inside the operating floor could be evaluated. A shielding design and measures to prevent radioactive material scattering will be examined.
- From April 8, 2019, work to move and contain the remaining objects on the operating floor (second round) started. such as materials and equipment which may hinder installation of the fuel-handling facility and other work. The second round mainly included moving the remaining small objects and placing them in the container. It also included cleaning the floor to suppress dust scattering and was completed on August 21.
- From September 10, 2019, work to move and contain the remaining objects on the operating floor (third round) started, such as materials and equipment which may hinder the installation of the fuel-handling facility and other work. The third round mainly included moving the remaining large objects and placing them in the container.
- Training to practice work skills started from March 2020 and containers housing the remaining objects during the previous work will be transported to the solid waste storage facility from May.
- · For fuel removal methods, based on the investigative results inside the operating floor from November 2018 to February 2019, a method to access from a small opening installed on the south side of the building was selected with aspects such as dust management and lower work exposure in mind (the method previously examined had involved fully dismantling the upper part of the building).
- On June 10 and 11, 2020, the inside of the spent fuel pool was investigated for the first time after the earthquake. The investigation did not confirm any conditions that could hinder the fuel removal, such as damage to the fuel racks or fuel handles, fallen control rods or deformed control-rod hangers. The collected images will be specifically checked and the investigation results reflected in the design of the fuel facility and others as part of efforts to advance work steadily toward fuel removal from the Unit 2 spent fuel pool, which is scheduled to start during the period FY2024 to FY2026. For the underwater ROV used in this investigation, mock-up training was conducted for operators in the Fukushima Robot Test Field (Minamisoma City).
- Main process to help fuel removal at Unit 3
- From April 15, 2019, work to remove 514 spent fuel assemblies and 52 non-irradiated fuel assemblies (566 in total) stored in the spent fuel pool started. Seven non-irradiated fuel assemblies were then loaded into the transportation cask and transported to the common pool on April 23. The first fuel removal was completed on April 25.
- The periodical inspection of the fuel-handling facility, which started on July 24, 2019, was completed on September 2, 2019. Some defective rotations of the tensile truss and mast were detected during the following adjustment work toward resumption of the fuel removal. In response, parts were replaced and the operation checked to confirm no problem.
- Fuel removal work was resumed from December 23, 2019 and has proceeded as planned.
- By February 14, 2020, a visual check of all fuel handles was completed.
- The inspection of the fuel-handling machine and other equipment and additional training for added workers, which had been conducted since March 30, 2020, were completed by May 23 smoothly, whereupon fuel removal was

resumed from May 26. At present, 203 of 566 fuel assemblies were removed. Retrieval work proceeds steadily with 25 assemblies remaining, for which rubble needs to be removed from the fuel top.

The method to remove the fuel assembly with a deformed handle, which could not be lifted during the lifting test last FY2020.

3. Retrieval of fuel debris

- Overview of trial retrieval of Unit 2 fuel debris
- Toward starting the trial retrieval of Unit 2 fuel debris scheduled in 2021, retrieval equipment is being developed in the UK. In the trial retrieval plan, a robot arm will be used to access to the PCV, obstacles inside the PCV will be removed by the cutting equipment and powder fuel debris will be collected by metal-brush type adhering equipment or vacuum-container type suction equipment. For remotely-operated work in a severe environment with high radiation exposure and within a confined space, tests and training will be implemented using realistic mock-up in advance and work will be implemented steadily with safety first.
- · Fuel debris retrieved from the trial will be placed in closed metal transportation casks to be transported to the existing analysis facility.
- Status of obstacle cutting work related to the Unit 1 PCV inside investigation
- · As part of efforts to investigate inside the Unit 1 Primary Contamination Vessel (PCV), work to cut obstacles inside July.
- Work continues with safety first to start the inside investigation in late FY2020.
- Check of the pressure-reduction function of the Unit 2 Primary Containment Vessel (PCV)
- Toward the trial retrieval and inside investigation of Unit 2 scheduled in 2021, pressure reduction is being examined to suppress external leakage from the PCV.
- Pressure in the PCV will be reduced by increasing the exhaustion volume via the existing gas-control facility filter. To reduce the PCV pressure to a level equal to air pressure, the pressure-reduction function will be checked in July 2020.
- This work will be implemented for a limited period to check whether or not pressure reduction via the existing carefully with safety first and the potential for plant condition changes in mind.
- Water sampling from the Unit 3 suppression chamber (S/C)
- manner.
- Water-intake equipment such as pumps and tanks is connected to existing (instrumentation) pipes, which connect the S/C bottom, to take in water. The work will be conducted from mid-July to early September 2020.
- · Samples will then be collected from the extracted water. Once the water quality analysis confirms no problem in transfer and treatment, the contaminated water will be released to the building underground.
- · As measures to prevent contamination spreading, equipment will be installed within the reception cover and duplicated hoses installed outside the reception cover. Moreover, remote operation and web camera monitoring will be introduced to reduce the exposure dose. Work will proceed carefully with safety first by these measures.
- Plan to improve the Reactor Building environment toward debris retrieval
 - toward fuel debris retrieval.
- From July 2020, obstacle removal in the west-side area will start for Unit 2 based on the Decommissioning Plan. On

month, will be examined promptly. Work will continue with safety first toward completion of fuel removal at the end of

the PCV on the route for the investigation equipment started from May 26, 2020 and cutting of the handrail was completed by June 4. After washing the equipment and exchanging the nozzle, the grating will be cut from early

gas-control facility is feasible and within the operational scope specified in the implementation plan. It will proceed

As a measure to enhance guake resistance, there are plans to reduce the water level in the PCV in a phased

The Mid-and-Long-Term Decommissioning Plan 2020 specifies improvement of the environment inside the building

this occasion, an overview of recent measures to improve the environment and work plan for the near future are reported

- As part of recent measures to improve the environment, the inside of the Unit 2 PCV was investigated, obstacles were removed for trial retrieval and the radiation dose in the Unit 3 northwest area was reduced.
- · Work plan for the near future includes preparatory work to reduce the radiation dose of the Unit 1 Reactor Equipment Cooling Water System and obstacle removal toward investigation inside the Unit 2 PCV.

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 the rubble and trimmed trees
- As of the end of May 2020, the total storage volume for concrete and metal rubble was approx. 295,000 m³ (+1,200 m³ compared to at the end of April with an area-occupation rate of 72%). The total storage volume of trimmed trees was approx. 134,300 m³ (±0 m³, with an area-occupation rate of 77%). The total storage volume of used protective clothing was approx. 41,400 m³ (-2,800 m³, with an area-occupation rate of 61%). The increase in rubble was mainly attributable to work related to tanks and rubble removal around the Unit 1-4 buildings, while the decrease in used protective clothing was attributable to the incinerator operation.
- \geq Management status of secondary waste from water treatment
- As of June 4, 2020, the total storage volume of waste sludge was 417 m³ (area-occupation rate: 60%), while that of concentrated waste fluid was 9,379 m³ (area-occupation rate: 91%). The total number of stored spent vessels, High-Integrity Containers (HICs) for multi-nuclide removal equipment and other vessels, was 4,820 (area-occupation rate: 76%).

5. 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 1-4
- In the Unit 1 intake north side area, the H-3 concentration has been below the legal discharge limit of 60,000 Bg/L at all observation holes and remained constant or been declining. The concentration of total β radioactive materials had remained constant overall but increased temporarily from April. The trend will continue to be monitored.
- In the area between Unit 1 and 2 intakes, the H-3 concentration has been below the legal discharge limit of 60,000 Bg/L at all observation holes and remained constant or been declining at many observation holes overall, though it has been increasing or decreasing in individual observation holes, including at No. 1 where the concentration peaked. The concentration of total β radioactive materials has remained constant at many observation holes overall, though it temporarily increased and is currently declining at No. 1-11 and peaked at No. 1-6 within the past variation range.
- In the area between Unit 2 and 3 intakes, the H-3 concentration has been below the legal discharge limit of 60,000 Bq/L at all observation holes and remained almost constant or been declining, though it has been increasing or decreasing at No. 2-3. The concentration of total ß radioactive materials has been increasing at No. 2-3 located on the east side of No. 2-5 at the highest location.
- In the area between Unit 3 and 4 intakes, the H-3 concentration has been below the legal discharge limit of 60,000 Bq/L at all observation holes and remained constant or been declining. The concentration of total β radioactive materials has also remained constant or been declining overall though it increased at No. 3-4 in June but was lower compared to No. 3-3.
- The concentration of radioactive materials in drainage channels has remained constant, despite increasing during rainfall.

- In the Units 1-4 open channel area of seawater intake for Units 1 to 4, the concentration of radionuclides in seawater has remained below the legal discharge limit, despite small increases in Cs-137 and Sr-90 noted during rainfall. fence was transferred to the center of the open channel due to mega float-related construction.
- In the port area, the concentration of radionuclides in seawater has remained below the legal discharge limit, despite pipe sheet piles for the sea-side impermeable walls.
- In the area outside the port, regarding the concentration of radioactive materials in seawater, those of Cs-137 and connected.







<Between Unit 2 and 3 intakes, between Unit 3 and 4 intakes> Figure 5: Groundwater concentration on the Turbine Building east side

They have also been declining following the completed installation and the connection of steel pipe sheet piles for the sea-side impermeable walls. The concentration of Cs-137 has remained slightly higher in front of the south side impermeable walls and slightly lower on the north side of the east breakwater since March 20, 2019, when the silt

observing small increases in Cs-137 and Sr-90 during rainfall. They have remained below the level of those in the Units 1-4 intake open channel area and been declining following the completed installation and connection of steel

Sr-90 declined and remained low after steel pipe sheet piles for the sea-side impermeable walls were installed and



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

Adequate number of staff will be secured in the long-term, while firmly implementing radiation control of workers. The work environment and labor conditions will be continuously improved by responding to the needs on the site.

- Staff management
- The monthly average total of personnel registered for at least one day per month to work on site during the past guarter from February to April 2020 was approx. 9,200 (TEPCO and partner company workers), which exceeded the monthly average number of actual workers (approx. 6,700). Accordingly, sufficient personnel are registered to work on site.
- It was confirmed with the prime contractors that the estimated manpower necessary for the work in July 2020 (approx. 3,900 per day: TEPCO and partner company workers) would be secured at present. The average numbers of workers per day per month (actual values) were maintained, with approx. 3,400 to 4,400 since FY2018 (see Figure 7).
- The number of workers from within Fukushima Prefecture increased slightly while those from outside remained constant. The local employment ratio (TEPCO and partner company workers) as of May 2020 also remained constant at around 65%.
- The monthly average exposure doses of workers remained at approx. 0.22, 0.20 and 0.21* mSv/month during FY2017, FY2018 and FY2019, respectively. * Provisional value for FY2019 (Reference: Annual average exposure dose 20 $mSv/year \approx 1.7 mSv/month$)
- For most workers, the exposure dose was sufficiently within the limit and allowed them to continue engaging in radiation work.



- \geq Status of heat stroke cases
- In FY2020, measures to further prevent heat stroke commenced from April to cope with the hottest season.
- In FY2020, two workers suffered heat stroke due to work up until June 30 (in FY2019, one worker up until the end of June). Continued measures will be taken to prevent heat stroke.
- COVID-19 countermeasures at the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station
- At the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station, countermeasures are being implemented to prevent the COVID-19 infection spreading, such as requiring employees to take their temperature prior to coming to the office, wear masks at all times and avoid the "Three Cs" (Closed spaces, Crowded places, Close-contact settings) by shift-use of the rest house, etc. At present, no TEPCO HD employees or cooperative firm laborers have contracted COVID-19.
- Restriction on travel to and from the outside of the prefecture was eased on June 19 and reception of visitors was prevent the COVID-19 infection spreading.

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resumed from July 1. However, concern about the second wave remains and thorough countermeasures to prevent the infection of TEPCO HD employees and cooperative firm laborers will to be maintained, including continued restraint of travel to and from the outside of the prefecture to both sustain the ongoing decommissioning work and

7. 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. A total of 1,374 spent and 168 non-irradiated fuel assemblies, respectively, were stored in the spent fuel pool (storage capacity: 1,590 assemblies).
- Regarding Unit 6, fuel removal from the reactor was completed in November 2013. A total of 1,456 spent and 198 non-irradiated fuel assemblies (180 of which were transferred from the Unit 4 spent fuel pool) are stored in the spent fuel pool (storage capacity: 1,654), while 230 non-irradiated fuel assemblies are stored in the non-irradiated fuel storage vault (NFV) (storage capacity: 230).
- Status of contaminated water treatment in Units 5 and 6
- Contaminated water in Units 5 and 6 is transferred from Unit 6 Turbine Building to the outdoor tanks and sprinkled after undergoing oil separation and RO treatment and confirming the concentration of the radioactive materials.
- > Recovery of deformed fuel rods of non-irradiated fuel assemblies at Unit 6
- In April 2020, 72 fuel rods (71 sound and one deformed), which had been temporarily stored on the operating floor, were decontaminated, reassembled and stored in the non-irradiated fuel storage vault (NFV) in a form of fuel assemblies.
- One deformed fuel rod was unbent during the work on April 22 to 24 and 27. After confirming that it had passed the inspections for manual decontamination, appearance, contamination and other related items, the unbent fuel rod was inserted in the fuel assemblies where the 71 sound fuel rods had been inserted.
- For non-irradiated fuel assemblies in Unit 6, 15 in the non-irradiated fuel storage vault (NFV) will be dissembled, decontaminated and reassembled in FY2020 and 11 in the spent fuel pool (SFP), in FY2021.
- Transfer of the non-irradiated fuel assemblies to the outside of the site, which is scheduled for start in FY2021 or later, is being examined.

Appendix 1





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

TEPCO Holdings Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station Site Layout

Appendix 2 July 2, 2020





Spent adsorption vessel temporary storage facility

Provided by Japan Space Imaging, photo taken on June 14, 2018 Product(C) [2018] DigitalGlobe, Inc.

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Reference

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

July 2, 2020 Secretariat of the Team for Countermeasures for Decommissioning and Contaminated Water Treatment 1/6

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

Unit 1

Toward fuel removal from the Unit 1 spent fuel pool, investigations have been implemented to ascertain the conditions of the fallen roof on the south side and the contamination of the well plug. Based on the results of these investigations, "the method to initially install a large cover over the Reactor Building and then remove rubble inside the cover" was selected to ensure a safer and more secure removal. Work continues to complete installation of a large cover by around FY2023 and start fuel removal from FY2027 to FY2028.

Prior to the installation of a cover for fuel removal, removal of large rubble from the spent fuel pool was completed in November 2015. To ensure safe and steady fuel removal, training of remote control was conducted at the factory using the actual fuel-handling machine

Toward fuel removal, the rubble retrieval training inside the pool, which was scheduled in conjunction with fuel removal training, started

Fuel-handling

machine

shields) were completed in December 2016. Installation of a cover for fuel removal and a fuel-handling machine is underway from

over for fuel removal

January 2017. Installation of the fuel removal cover was completed on February 23, 2018.

from March 15, 2019, and started fuel removal from April 15, 2019.

which will be installed on site (February - December 2015). Measures to reduce dose on the Reactor Building top floor (decontamination,

<Reference> Progress to date

Unit 3

Immediate

target

Rubble removal on the north side of the operating floor started from January 2018 and has been implemented sequentially. In July and August 2019, the well plug, which was misaligned from its normal position, was investigated and in August and September, the conditions of the overhead crane were checked. Based on the results of these investigations, as the removal requires more careful work taking dust scattering into consideration, two methods were examined: installing a cover after rubble removal and initially installing a large cover over the Reactor Building and then removing rubble inside the cover.



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Onsite transportation

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Unit 2

Unit 4

Toward fuel removal from the Unit 2 spent fuel pool, based on findings from internal operating floor investigations from November 2018 to February 2019, instead of fully dismantling the upper part of the building, the decision was made to install a small opening on the south side and use a boom crane. Examination continues to start fuel removal from FY2024 to FY2026.

<Reference> Progress to date

Previously, potential to recover the existing overhead crane and the fuel handling machine was examined. However, the high radiation dose inside the operating floor meant the decision was taken to dismantle the upper part of the building in November 2015. Findings from internal investigations of the operating floor from November 2018 to February 2019 underlined the potential to conduct limited work there and the means of accessing from the south side had been examined.



Overview of fuel removal (bird's-eye view)

Fuel removal (image

In the Mid- and Long-Term Roadmap, the target of Phase 1 involved commencing fuel removal from inside the spent fuel pool (SFP) of the 1st Unit within two years of completion of Step 2 (by December 2013). On November 18, 2013, fuel removal from Unit 4, or the 1st Unit, commenced and Phase 2 of the roadmap started.



On November 5, 2014, within a year of commencing work to fuel removal, all 1,331 spent fuel assemblies in the pool had been transferred. The transfer of the

Fuel removal status

remaining non-irradiated fuel assemblies to the Unit 6 SFP was completed on December 22, 2014. (2 of the non-irradiated fuel assemblies were removed in advance in July 2012 for fuel checks)

This marks the completion of fuel removal from the Unit 4 Reactor Building. Based on this experience, fuel assemblies will be removed from Unit 1-3 pools.

* A part of the photo is corrected because it includes sensitive information related to physical protection.



Fuel removal status

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



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- Measuring water level and temperature - Sampling contaminated water

- Installing permanent monitoring instrumentation (December 2015)

- Installing permanent monitoring instrumentation (August 2017)

- Acquiring images

- Main steam pipe bellows (identified in May 2014)

(Oct - Dec 2015)

2nd (Jul 2017)

Investigations

inside PCV

Leakage points

from PCV

Period	Evaluation results						
May – Sep 2017	y – Sep 2017 The evaluation confirmed that no large lump existed in the core area where fuel h and that part of the fuel debris potentially existed at the bottom of the RPV.						
<glossary> (*1) SFP (Spent Fuel Pool)</glossary>	(*2) RPV (Reactor Pressure Vessel)	(*3) PCV (Primary Containment Vessel)	(*4) Penetration: Through-hole of the P	۷۵٬			

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ward blots such as rust were fed from around the PCV water level

Below the CRD housing

Inside the pedestal

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Progress toward decommissioning: Work related to circulation cooling and contaminated water treatment line

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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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