A One-year Review of Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station "Steps to Achieve Stabilization"

March 2012



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Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station reached a cold shutdown condition and Step 2 of Roadmap towards Restoration was completed in December 2011. Now the mid and long term approach for decommissioning is ongoing. We hereby would like to explain the approach from the accident towards the stabilization so far.



(1) Earthquake Impact



Scale of the Earthquake and Tsunamis

This was a massive M9.0 earthquake (fourth largest ever recorded in the world) that was caused by a coupling movement of several regions off-shore of Miyagi prefecture, the southern trench off-shore of Sanriku to the east, off-shore of Fukushima prefecture, and off-shore of Ibaraki prefecture.

Time:	2:46 pm on Fri, March 11, 2011.
Place:	Offshore Sanriku coast (northern latitude of 38 degrees, east longitude of 142.9 degrees),
	24km in depth, Magnitude 9.0
Intensity:	Level 7 at Kurihara in Miyagi prefecture
	<u>Upper 6 at Naraha, Tomioka, Okuma, and Futaba in Fukushima pref.</u>
	Lower 6 at Ishinomaki and Onagawa in Miyagi pref., Tokai in Ibaraki pref.



Intensity Distribution of the earthquake









Intensity of the earthquake at the power stations

In Fukushima Daiichi the observed data partially exceeded the maximum response acceleration with respect to the design-basis earthquake, however most data was below the baseline

Observation Point (The lowest basement of reactor buildings)			Observed Data		Maximum Response Acceleration against Basic Earthquake Ground Motion (Gal)			
		Ma A	aximum Respon	lse I)				
		Horizontal (N-S)	Horizontal (E-W) Vertical		Horizontal (N-S)	Horizontal (E-W)	Vertical	
	Unit 1	460*	447*	258 [*]	487	489	412	
Fukushima	Unit 2	348*	550 *	302*	441	438	420	
	Unit 3	322*	507 *	231*	449	441	429	
Daiichi	Unit 4	281*	319*	200*	447	445	422	
	Unit 5	311*	548 *	256*	452	452	427	
	Unit 6	298*	444*	244	445	448	415	
	Unit 1	254	230*	305	434	434	512	
Fukushima Daini	Unit 2	243	196*	232*	428	429	504	
	Unit 3	277*	216*	208*	428	430	504	
	Unit 4	210*	205*	288*	415	415	504	

Status when the earthquake occurred :

In operation,

Shutdown

Note) Standard ground motion Ss: Seismic motion that was newly established to evaluate seismic safety, taking into account the earthquakes, etc., that could occur around the power station, based on the revised seismic design review guidelines.



The Earthquake Damage



Fukushima Daiichi



Fukushima Daini

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Ground subsidence partially occurred



Tsunami height at Fukushima Daiichi

The tsunami height at Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station was far above the height (OP^* + 5.4m ~ 6.1m) evaluated using the method of the Society of Civil Engineers.

The calculation results reproducing the tsunami that struck Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station





Outdoor Tsunami Flooding (Fukushima Daiichi)

Heavy Oil Tank (about 5.5 m high) was submerged by the tsunami, which was located at the level of OP +10 m.



- Date : 2011/3/11 15:43
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Date : 2011/3/11 15:44

Outdoor flooding conditions at Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station

(Near the Unit 4 South-side Central Environmental Facility Process Main Building site height O.P.+10m, heavy oil tank height approximately 5.5m)

Tsunami Damage at Fukushima Daiichi



The Tsunami Damage at Fukushima Daiichi



Washed Away Trees



Before March 11th

After March 11th



Tsunami height at Fukushima Daini

<u>The calculation results reproducing the tsunami that</u> <u>struck Fukushima Daini Nuclear Power Station (inundation depth and inundated area)</u>





The Tsunami Damage at Fukushima Daini



(1) Tsunami overflow



(2) Damage to the low area (Pickup area)





(3) No damage to Turbine Building of Units 3 and 4

Outside of Unit 1 emergency air blower room



Inside of Unit 1 emergency air blow room



Response of Fukushima Daiichi Units 1 to 3 (from Earthquake to Tsunami)

Although external power was lost due to the earthquake, the "Shutdown", "Cool" and "Containment" operations along with the plant responses were properly implemented prior to the arrival of the tsunami.

Status of Fukushima Daiichi Units 1 to 3								
Response between Earthquake and Tsunami ("Shutting down"& "Cooling down")								
Event	Expected plant response	Uni t 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Units 1/2 Main Control Room	Units 3/4 Main Control Room	Main Administratio n Building	
Earthquake occurrence <shutting down></shutting 	-Scram -Insertion of all control rods -Reactor sub criticality check	0000	0000	0000	 The operators waited for the shaking to subside then started normal scram operations An operator was assigned to each control panel, and condition-monitoring and operations were conducted in accordance with instructions from the supervisor 	-While the Main Control Room became clouded with dust, like a smoke curtain, the operators waited for the shaking to subside and then started normal scram operations	-Evacuation and confirmatio n of safety -Emergency disaster response personnel started responding at the anti- seismic building	
External power loss <cooling></cooling>	-Emergency diesel generator (D/G) startup -Main steam isolation valve (MSIV) all closed -Isolation condenser (IC) startup -Reactor core isolation cooling system (RCIC) startup -High pressure coolant injection system (HPCI) startup (if the water level decreases to L2)	O O - *No s were decre level	O O – tartup, no maj ases ir	O O – O as the or water	<unit 1=""> -Checked that the IC automatically started up -As the reactor water level was normal, IC was used to control reactor pressure rather than the HPCI -Determined that one IC system was sufficient, and the reactor pressure was controlled using the A system. -Unit 2 > -RCIC was manually started up (manual startup was implemented again later)</unit>	<unit 3=""> -Checked that the D/G started up and the emergency bus was charged -RCIC was manually started up and confirmed that it was tripped due to reactor water level high ↓ -After the earthquake, the safety of the operators was confirmed, and information regarding the earthquake and tsunami was disseminated by paging</unit>		

Immediate Post Earthquake Plant Conditions (Unit1 (1))

The scram was activated at 14:46 on March 11th, and all control rods were inserted at 14:47. Afterwards the reactor pressure was controlled within the approximate range of $6 \sim 7$ MPa and there are no signs of any piping ruptures.



- (1) Automatic scram due to the earthquake
- (2) Total insertion of all control rods

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- (4) Increase in pressure following IC shutdown
- (5) Pressure fluctuation (estimated) due to the IC

Strip Chart in Unit 1 (Reactor Pressure)

Immediate Post Earthquake Plant Conditions (Unit1 (2))

Following the loss of site power due to the earthquake, all of the emergency diesel generators (D/G) in each unit kicked in as they were designed to, allowing us to secure a power source.







Plant Evaluation of the Earthquake's Impact (1)

It is estimated that the safety functions of the important safety-related equipment had been secured after the earthquake because the stress strain analysis with actual seismic records resulted below the design basis in all equipments.

<u>(there is n</u>	<u>Res</u> o problem if th	ults of the seismic as a calculated value is	ssessments of Units smaller than the st	<u>s 1-3</u> andard evaluation va	<u>alue)</u>	Unit:MPa	No unit for Reactor Buildi	
		Un	it 1	Un	it 2	Unit 3		
Structure & Co	mponent	Calculated Value	Criterion Value	Calculated Value	Criterion Value	Calculated value	Criterion Value	
Reactor Building		0.14 X 10 ⁻³	2 X 10 ⁻³	0.43 X 10 ⁻³	2 X 10 ⁻³	0.14 X 10 ⁻³	2 X 10 ⁻³	
Reactor core support s	tructure	103	196	122	300	100	300	
Reactor pressure vessel		93	222	29	222	50	222	
Main steam system piping		269	374	208	360	151	378	
Reactor containment v	Reactor containment vessel		411	87	278	158	278	
Shutdown cooling	Pump	8	127					
system	Piping	228	414					
	Pump			45	185	42	185	
RHR Piping				87	315	269	363	
Others* –		_	-	_	113	335		
* Other listed equ It is estimated that	uipment subject to	c evaluation: (Unit 3) High Criterion Value	pressure coolant inject	ion system steam pipe Criterion Va		Çriterior	n Value	



Plant Evaluation of the Earthquake's Impact (2)

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Plant Evaluation of the Earthquake's Impact (3)

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No damage was confirmed to the small-diameter piping inside the PCV according to the video observation in Unit 2 of Fukushima Daiichi



Plant Evaluation of the Earthquake's Impact (4), Unit 1 IC

No damage was confirmed to the body and piping of Unit 1 IC as a result of visual observation where possible.



Plant Evaluation of the Earthquake's Impact (5), Unit 4 HPCI

Although the piping rupture of HPCI in Unit 3 was a concern considering the reactor pressure decrease, no damage was confirmed by the operator who investigated in the field after HPCI had been brought to a stop. The reactor pressure decrease during HPCI operation is due to its continuous water injection.



Summary (Impact of the earthquake)

- Although the external power at Fukushima Daiichi was lost due to the earthquake, it is estimated that the power supply was secured by emergency diesel generators and the plant was in a condition to be properly managed after the earthquake.
 - (1) "Shutdown", "Cool" and "Containment" operations along with plant response and parameters were properly implemented.
 - (2) Estimated that the safety functions of important safetyrelated equipment were secured according to an analysis of observed seismic records.
 - (3) No damage to the important safety equipment was confirmed after Unit 5 investigation etc. (Damage was hardly observed even in the functions of the low seismiclevel equipment.)



(2) Following the tsunami strike



Flooding Path into the Main Building

Emergency diesel generators and electrical equipment rooms were flooded through (1) entrance of the building, (2) equipment hatch, (3) inlet air louver of emergency D/G, (4) trench and duct (cable penetrations etc.), and lost its functions. Emergency sea water pumps outdoor were submerged and lost its function.



Damage to Fukushima Daiichi (Power supply)



Damage to Fukushima Daiichi and Daini (Power supply)

A serious situation occurred at Units 1 to 4 of Fukushima Daiichi when the external power, the function of emergency diesel generators with M/C and P/C, and DC power supply along with the heat removal function of sea water pumps were lost.

	Fukushima Daiichi						Fukushima Daini				
		1F-1	1F-2	1F-3	1F-4	1F-5	1F-6	2F-1	2F-2	2F-3	2F-4
External power supply		×			;	×			0		
Emergency diesel generator (*: Air-cooling)	A B H	× ×	×	× ×	×	\triangleleft \neg \neg	\bigcirc^*	×	$ \begin{array}{c} \bigtriangleup \\ \bigtriangleup \\ \bigtriangleup \end{array} \\ \bigtriangleup \end{array} $	400	
Emergency M/C		×	×	×	×	×	0	1/3	0	0	0
Normal M/C		×	×	×	×	×	×	0	0	0	0
Emergency P/C (): number of systems under maintenance		×	2/3	×	1/2 (1)	×	0	1/4	2/4	3/4	2/4
Normal P/C () : number of systems under maintenance		×	2/4	×	1/1 (1)	2/7	×	0	0	0	0
DC power supply		×	×	O → ×	×	0	0	3/4	0	0	0
Sea water pump		×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	1/2	×

O: Available (or number of available systems)

 Δ : Not available due to submerged M/C etc. although D/G not flooded ×: Not available —: No system



Response after tsunami arrival (Fukushima Daiichi Units 1 to 3)

During loss of cooling water injection functions due to AC and DC power loss, alternative water injection into the reactors was conducted using fire trucks and PCV venting was conducted by improvised manual operations using temporary equipment.



Response to Fukushima Daiichi Unit 1 (Water injection to Reactor)

Improvised water injection was conducted with fire trucks prepared as a countermeasure after the Chuetsu-oki earthquake because the power supply was lost and diesel-driven fire pumps were not available. In addition, the water source had to be promptly switched from the fire protection water tank (fresh water) to sea water.

Water injection was prepared with one fire truck available

- Debris and scattered gates or cars on the roads were removed by two heavy equipment to gain access to the water injection inlet.
- It took time to find the water injection inlet after the debris had been removed.
- As the radiation dose had been increased after fresh water injection started, the operation was once suspended and restarted after the full-face masks were prepared.



The site superintendent instructed sea water injection when fresh water was about to be exhausted

- For sea water injection, three fire trucks including two provided by Kashiwazaki-Kariwa NPP and Self-Defense Forces were lined up in series utilizing the Unit 3 backwashing valve pit as a water source.
- Hoses for sea water injection became unavailable after the reactor building exploded before completion of the installation of the hoses..
- Sea water injection was started after injured staff were rescued and hoses were collected from the outdoor fire hydrant and then lined up again.*

*: Approval from the Prime Minister (the director-general of emergency response headquarters) was not confirmed for sea water injection and TEPCO headquarters instructed the site superintendent to stop temporarily. As it was deemed necessary, the site superintendent continued sea water injection.



Response to Fukushima Daiichi Unit 1 (PCV venting)

Normally venting can be operated from the main control room, but due to the power loss, actions outside of the normal procedures had to be taken.

Manual opening of PCV venting valve (MO valve)

- The valve could not be operated from the main control room due to power losses, thus it was decided to <u>open it manually</u> in the field.
- The first team reached the PCV venting valve (MO valve) located on the 2nd floor of R/B and manually opened the valve in the field.

Opening of PCV venting valve (MO valve) completed

Manual opening of S/C venting valve (small AO valve)

- The valve could not be operated from the main control room due to the loss of power supply and air pressure, thus it was decided to open it manually in the field.
- The second team entered the Torus room (R/B B1F), but the valve was located at the opposite side from the entrance.
- Since the radiation meter exceeded its measurable limit, the operators had to give up and return.

Decided to give up the manual operation for venting and to choose another method (to connect a portable compressor and generator etc.)



Field Operation Difficulty

Field operation difficulties increased due to the aftershocks, the risk of tsunamis, and obstacles from the tsunami debris interrupted the outdoor work and also lighting was lost due to AC power loss.



Subsidence of roads etc. Dangerous to walk in, especially at night

Obstacles

Detours to avoid fire truck hoses etc. After the explosion, debris and damaged fire trucks became obstacles.



Vice operation manager during monitoring Monitoring with a full-face mask on in complete darkness.

Temporary battery for instruments

Utilized temporary battery etc. for the power source of the instruments





Cause of Hydrogen Explosion

The evaluation of the hydrogen explosion at Fukushima Daiichi is as follows.
Unit 1 & 3: Hydrogen generated from the damaged reactor fuels without cooling function accumulated in the PCV, leaked into the Reactor Building and then exploded.
(It is estimated that inert gas (nitrogen) was properly inserted and thus the explosion inside the PCV was able to be avoided.)
Unit 4: Hydrogen leaked and accumulated from the neighboring Unit 3 through the Standby Gas Treatment System (SGTS) piping while it was venting and then it exploded.
Unit 2: It is estimated that the air ventilation inside the building was stimulated when the blow-out panel on the top floor burst open due to the explosion of Unit 1 and thus an explosion was avoided.





Opening the Unit 2 blowout panel

II. Circulating Water Cooling



Before Circulating Water Cooling

• High-level contaminated water spilled out to the Unit 2 intake. (2011.4.2)

- Contaminated water accumulated in the Central Radioactive Waste Treatment Building and was released into the ocean. (2011.4.4)
- Contaminated water spilled out through a pit near the Unit 3 intake.(2011.5.11)



Situation in the pit near Unit 3 intake

Increase of contaminated water accumulated in the basement of the Reactor and Turbine Buildings.

- Injected water into the reactors leaked through the damaged RPV and PCV into the basement of the buildings.



- Reuse of contaminated water for injection into the reactors after treatment

Establishment of Circulating Water Cooling System



Overview of Circulating Water Cooling (Water processing)

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"Circulated cooling water injection" has been established to reuse the contaminated water in the buildings (accumulated water) for injection into the reactors (since 2011/6/27.)



Achievement of "Cold Shutdown Conditions"

Temperatures of the RPV bottom and inside PCV are stable below 100 degree Celsius via the Circulating Water Cooling.





Level of Accumulated Water Maintained as Targeted

The level of accumulated water is being maintained so that the water does not overflow to the outside of the buildings with heavy rain and the long-term shutdown of the processing facilities.



Preventing the Spread of Contamination to the Ocean

To prevent the spread of contamination to the ocean in case the underground water becomes contaminated, an impermeable wall is under construction in front of Units 1 to 4. It is scheduled to be completed within the 2014 fiscal year.



Overview

Image of the impermeable wall

Cross-section



III. Mitigation of Radioactive emission



Radiation Dose Rate of Monitoring Posts etc.



The radiation dose rate was rapidly increased at each point after the accident, but since then it has been in a stable declining trend and is now approximately the background level at each point.

Mitigation of Radioactivity Particle Release

Radioactive particle (Cesium) release per hour from Units 1 to 3



-What is Bq?-

Unit for radioactivity. 1 Bq is the radioactivity where 1 nucleus decays per second with radioactive ray. (Source: Nuclear Disaster Prevention Glossary released by MEXT)

Radioactivity concentration inside the power station



Radioactivity has exhibited a declining trend since the accident, and is now below the legal limit or the criteria requiring that masks be worn. Thus, the management of fullface masks and Tybeks has been simplified since March 1st, 2012.



Radioactivity concentration in the ocean (Onshore and offshore)



III. Mitigation of Radioactive Emission

Radioactive dose rate at the Anti-seismic building





Dose rate at Emergency response room on 2nd floor of anti-seismic building (Maximum point in the room)

IV. Preparations for Future Event

(Countermeasures against the earthquake and tsunami)



Plant Evaluation of the Earthquake's Impact

The seismic resistance of reactor buildings was analyzed against future large earthquakes based on the seismic ground motion according to the seismic design review standards and the actual building damages, although Units 1, 3 and 4 were damaged due to the hydrogen explosion. As a result, it has been confirmed that there is enough margin to satisfy the criteria and the reactor buildings have a sufficient seismic safety margin against future large earthquakes.

Result of seismic analysis of Units 1 to 4 Unit:										
	Unit 1		Unit	2	Uni	t 3	Unit 4			
	calculation	criteria	calculation	criteria	calculation	criteria	calculation	criteria		
Reactor Buildings	0.12 X 10 ⁻³	4 X 10 ⁻³	0.17 X 10 ⁻³	4 X 10 ⁻³	0.14 X 10 ⁻³	4 X 10 ⁻³	0.17 X 10 ⁻³	4 X 10 ⁻³		

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* It is estimated that the safety is secured in Units 5 and 6 of Fukushima Daiichi as a result of the same analysis.

Reinforcement of Unit 4 Reactor Building







Installation of Temporary Coastal Barrier

Temporary coastal barrier was installed as a countermeasure against tsunamis in case of a large aftershock of a magnitude 8 level.

(completed in June 30th 2011)



Reinforcing the Water Injection System to the Reactor Core

The water injection systems to the reactor cores of Units 1 to 3 have redundancy and diversity with backups for water sources, pumps and water injection lines to secure stable water injection in case of an emergency shutdown of the facilities due to a blackout or large tsunami.





Fire trucks on a hill

Reinforcement of Power Supply

Power supply has redundancy so that the electricity can be received either by the external power through the transmission lines or the diesel generators at the site. The external power has **5 transmission lines** available. (End of March: 6 lines) **4 diesel generators** are available (end of March: 5 D/G.) In addition, **2 power supply vehicles** have been deployed in the case of a blackout.



V. Misc. (Environmental improvements etc.)



Enhancement of the Medical Care System



Date : 2011.9.6

Venue : Fukushima Daiichi Emergency medical room at Units 5 & 6 Service building 1st floor. (Front) medical space (Back) patient space



Date : 2011.9.6 Venue : Fukushima Daiichi Emergency medical room at Units 5 & 6 Service building 1st floor. (Right) doctor (Left) nurse



Date : 2011.9.6 Venue : Fukushima Daiichi Emergency medical room at Units 5 & 6 Service building 1st floor. (Right) doctor (Left) nurse



Date : 2011.9.5 Venue : Fukushima Daiichi Entrance of Units 5 & 6 Service building 1st floor. Training for screening and decontamination for a patient

Installation of On-site Rest Stations

A total of 21 rest stations for approximately 1,800 people have been installed (as of March 7th).



Rest station (In front of an anti-seismic building)



Inside the rest station



Overview



Inside the rest station



Drinking water

Removal and Storage of Outdoor Rubble

Trying to improve the working environment and reduce the radiation dose exposure of workers by removing and storing the rubble. The removed rubble are stored separately according to its radiation dose.

[before] (1) In front of the Main Office (2) Road between Units 2 and 3



[Date] 2011.5.27



[Date] 2011.5.3



Rubble removal work using remotecontrol machine





Inside the tent

Solid waste storage building







[Date] 2011.6.7



[Date] 2011.5.14

Reactor Building Rubble Removal Work



To prepare for fuel removal from the Spent Fuel Pools, the scattered debris above the Units 3 & 4 reactor buildings are now being removed.

Unit 3 Rubble removal work above the reactor building is being carried out by the remote-control heavy equipment on the surrounding gantry or the ground to reduce the radiation dose of workers.



Unit 4 Rubble removal work is carried out by manned heavy equipments on the ground since the radiation dose around the working area is relatively low.





Removal of Unit 4 crane garter 2012.3.5



Unit 3 2012.2.21





Long and Mid term Roadmap

Will proceed with the long and mid term roadmap which indicates the schedule of main on-site works and R&D until the completion of decommissioning.

2011.12 Present (S	.16 Step 2 completed) Within 2 years	Within 10 years	30 ~ 40 years later
Step1, 2	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
<stabilization> - Cold shutdown condition - Effective mitigation of release</stabilization>	Until start of fuel removal from Spent Fuel Pools (within 2 years)	Until start of fuel debris removal (within 10 years)	Until decommissioning completed (30 ~ 40 years later)
	 Start of fuel removal from Spent Fuel Pools (Unit 4, within 2 years) Reduction of the radioactivity from additional release from the power station and radioactive waste (water processing by-product and debris etc.), with effective radiation dose at the site boundary below 1 mSv/year. Continuous safety and reliability improvement of reactor cooling and accumulated water processing. Start of technology development and decontamination work for fuel debris removal Start of R&D for radioactive waste treatment and disposal 	 Completion of fuel removal from Spent Fuel Pools of all Units Completion of preparation for decontamination inside buildings, PCV repair & flooding and fuel debris removal. Start of fuel debris removal (within 10 years as a target) Stable and continuous reactor cooling Completion of accumulated water processing Continuous R&D for radioactive waste treatment and disposal. Start of R&D for decommissioning 	 Completion of fuel debris removal (20 ~ 25 years later) Completion of decommissioning (30 ~ 40 years later) Implementation of radioactive waste treatment and disposal

Systematic staff training and allocation, motivation improvement, and efforts to secure safety (Continue)



* Debris : Pellet and cladding tube melted then solidified

We deeply apologize for the trouble and anxiety that has arisen due to the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station Accident.

We will continue with our efforts to maintain stable cooling conditions and work towards the decommissioning of the reactors per the long-andmid term roadmap while always keeping in mind that safety must be our top priority.

