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Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency

Regarding the Implementation of Reliable Access Control at Fukushima Dai-ichi Nuclear Power Station, Tokyo Electric Power Co. Inc. (Warning)

The Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency (NISA) found that the operational procedure for access control was different in some respects to the procedure under the Physical Protection Program at Fukushima Dai-ichi Nuclear Power Station (NPS), Tokyo Electric Power Co. Inc. (TEPCO), and that the procedure related to ID check of access-seekers was insufficient. Therefore, in addition to warning TEPCO strictly, NISA requested TEPCO to report on the improvement in order to implement reliable procedure of ID check for access control.

1. On June 20, 2011, NISA received a report from TEPCO on workers whose locations are not known at Fukushima Dai-ichi NPS. NISA confirmed compliance with access control under the Physical Protection Program by conducting an on-the-spot inspection of the NPS on July 7, 2011, pursuant to the Act on the Regulation of Nuclear Source Materials, Nuclear Fuel Materials and Reactors.

2. As the result of the inspection, NISA found that the procedure of ID check was insufficient since TEPCO was not confirming original forms of identification when issuing entry passes, and that the entry passes were not handed to individuals directly.

3. For this reason, today, NISA strictly warned TEPCO and requested to submit a report on the improvement in order to implement reliable procedure of ID check for access control.
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On June 20, 2011, the Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency (NISA) received a report from your company on workers whose locations are not known at the Fukushima Dai-ichi Nuclear Power Station (NPS). In addition, pursuant to the provisions of Article 68, Paragraph 1 of the Act on the Regulation of Nuclear Source Materials, Nuclear Fuel Materials and Reactors (1957, Act No. 166), NISA conducted an on-the-spot inspection of the NPS on July 7, 2011 to confirm compliance with access control under the Physical Protection Program. As the result of the inspection, NISA found that the operational procedure for access control was different in some respects to the procedure under the Physical Protection Program at Fukushima Dai-chi NPS, and that the procedure related to ID check of access-seekers was insufficient.

The procedure ID check of people who are attempting to enter an NPS is an important measure for the Physical Protection Program and it is truly regrettable that your company did not execute this measure properly, accordingly, NISA strictly warns your company.

Moreover, in addition to requesting improvement to the basic causes for the procedure of ID check to be insufficient, NISA directs your company to submit a report to NISA on the improvement by August 8, 2011.

In addition, NISA requests a report on the results of a survey on the workers whose locations are not known by the same date.