Today (May 20), pursuant to the provisions of Article 67, paragraph 1 of the Act on the Regulation of Nuclear Source Materials, Nuclear Fuel Materials and Reactors (Act No. 166 of June 10, 1957), Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency (NISA) has instructed Tokyo Electric Power Co. (TEPCO) to submit a report as follows, in order to verify the validity of the emergency measures in Article 64, paragraph 1 of the same Act.

1. TEPCO is planning to install a Circulating Cooling System consisting of a temporary Heat Exchanger, Cooling Tower and other components in the Radioactive Waste Treatment Building contiguous to the Reactor Building, as a part of the measures in the “Roadmap for Immediate Actions (Issues / Targets / Major Countermeasures) revised on 5/17”, which it published on May 17.

2. In order to confirm that the installation of the Circulating Cooling System in its currently-proposed form is both necessary and unavoidable to cool the Spent Fuel Pool, it is informed that NISA instructed TEPCO to submit details of the installation plan, its effect on the stable cooling of spent fuel inside the pool, as well as the results of a safety assessment on the structural integrity and other aspects of the facilities comprising the Circulating Cooling System, pursuant to the provisions of Article 67, paragraph 1 of the Act on the Regulation of Nuclear Source Materials, Nuclear Fuel Materials and Reactors (Act No. 166 of June 10, 1957).
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