Mid-Long Term Planning for Decommissioning of Fukushima Daiichi Plant Site and Nuclear Energy Policy

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Japan Atomic Energy Commission (JAEC)

OThe Role of Japan Atomic Energy Commission

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JAEC set up an Advisory Committee on Mid-Long Term Measures for Fukushima Site (Aug. 2011)

- Tokyo Electric Power Co. is primarily responsible for implementation of mid-long term decommissioning of the Fukushima Dai-ichi Site. The task will require extraordinary efforts as the scale and difficulties of the task are unprecedented
- However, it is also government responsibility to assist such efforts by providing comprehensive "road map" for such long term efforts as well as providing R&D assistance.
- Therefore, JAEC set up an Advisory Committee (Chair: Prof. Hajime Yamana) on Mid-Long Term Measures for Decommissioning of Fukushima Dai-ichi site to provide such "road map" and identify key issues to be addressed.



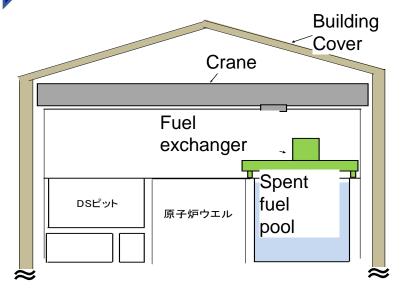
Removal of SF from SF pool

SF remain covered by water during and after the accident: sipping analysis suggests that SF is mostly intact, though some might be damaged by falling objects due to hydrogen explosion

1. Remove rubbles by crane

2. Install refueling machine & overhead crane



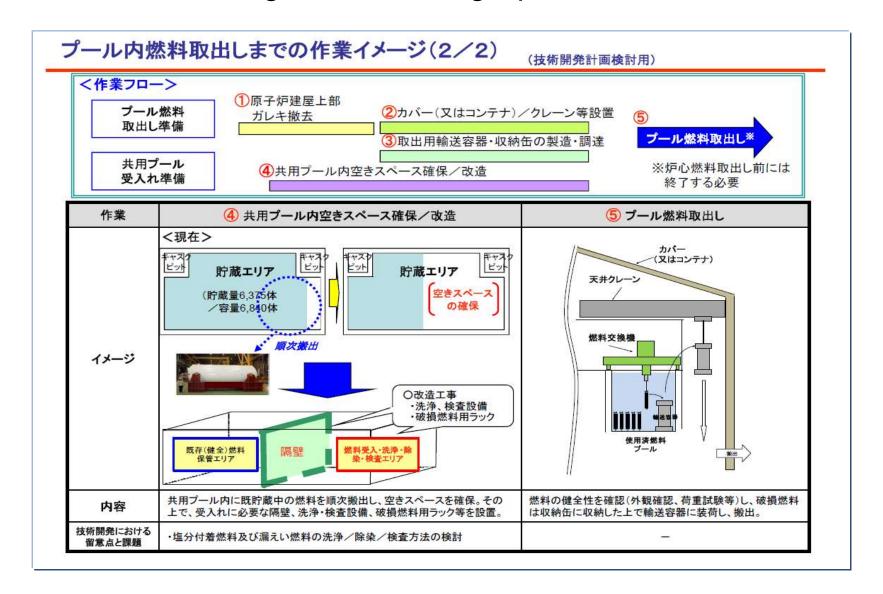






3. SF transfer by cask

Tentative Image of Removing Spent Fuel from Pool





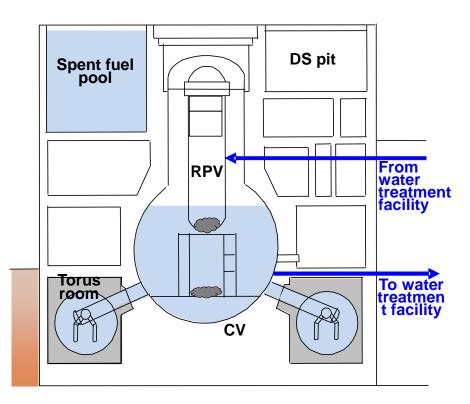
Removal of core debris

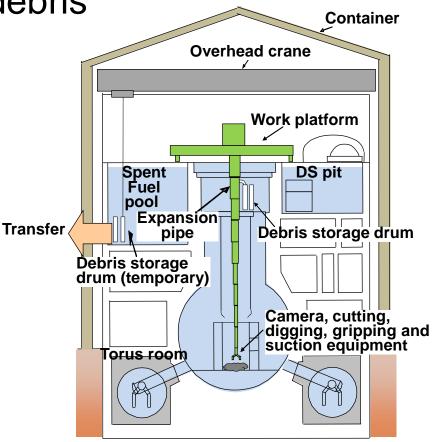
Decontamination (to reduce exposure)

→ Plugging the leaky holes

→ Flooding the containment

→ Removal of core debris







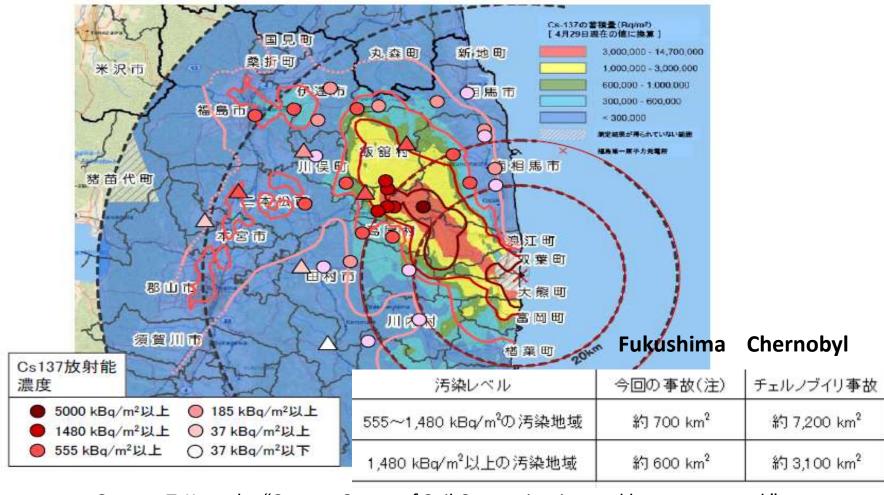
Major Issues Being Discussed

- Securing Safety and Security
- Collection of available technologies/knowhow
- Effective R&D plan and quick adaptation of new technologies
 - Need for advanced robot and remote control technologies
- Institutional Arrangement and Cost Sharing Scheme
 - Project management of complex, long-term tasks
 - Transparency and cost management
- Human resource development



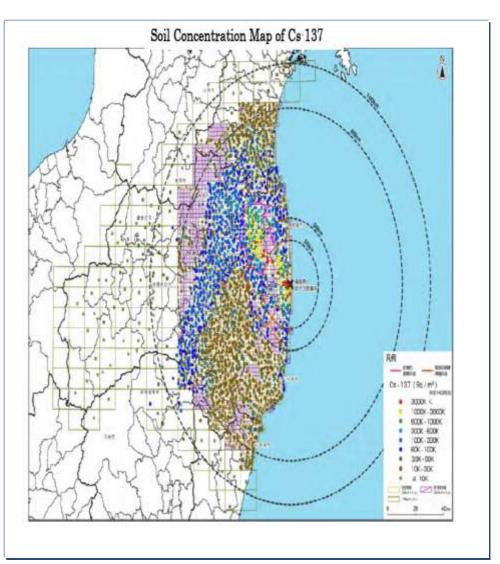
Contamination Map by MEXT and DOE (as of May 6, 2011)

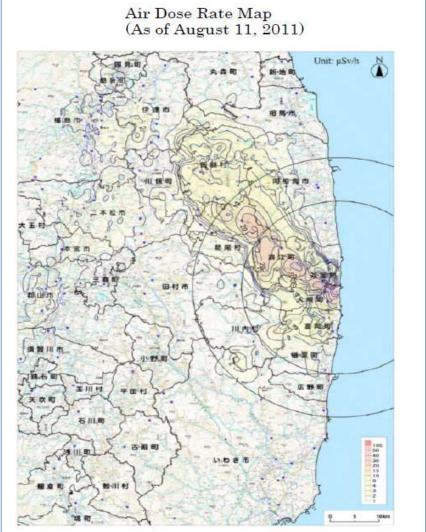
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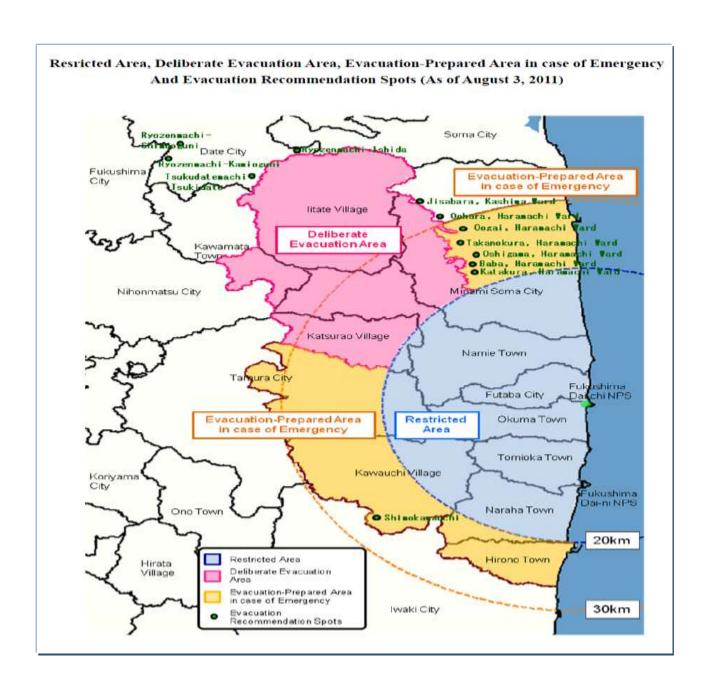




Source: T. Kawada, "Current Status of Soil Contamination and how to respond," Presentation at JapanAtomic Energy Commission Meeting, May 24, 2011 http://www.aec.go.jp/jicst/NC/iinkai/teirei/siryo2011/siryo16/siryo2.pdf







Short Term Energy Policy Issues: More nuclear plants may face shutdown

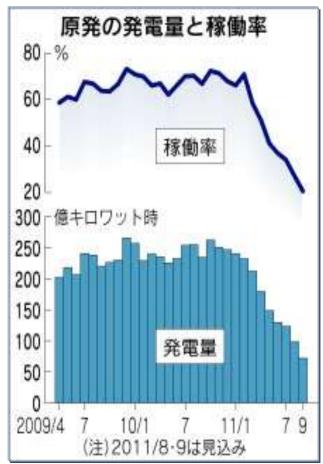
All nuclear plants may face shutdown by May 2012

- Out of all 54 units: (as of Sept.30, 2011)
 - 14 units are shutdown due to the Earthquake
 - 29 units are shutdown due to maintenance etc.
 - 11 units are now operating, but 4 more units will be shutdown due to maintenance by early next year.
 - All nuclear plants could be shutdown by May, 2012.
- The governor of Fukui said it will not approve the re-startup of nuclear reactors without new safety requirements. (May 20, 2011, Asahi)
- The governor of Hokkaido approved to restart the operation of Tomari #3. (Aug. 17, 2011)

Declining production of nuclear power



Nuclear Power Gen. (100MKwh



Source: Nikkei Shimbun, Aug. 23, 2011

New Energy Policy: Three Philosophies (July 29, 2011) by Energy and Environment Min. Council

- (1) Three principles toward new best energy mix (*reducing dependency on nuclear power*, strategic approach for energy security, *complete reevaluation of nuclear energy policy*)
- (2) Three principles toward new energy system (realization of distributed energy system, international contribution, multi-eyed approach)
- (3) Three principles toward national consensus (*national debate in order to overcome "pro-" "anti-" conflict*, strategy based on objective data, dialogue with various sectors of the public).

(4) 原子力 Nuclear Power Policy 高い安全性の確保と原発への依存度低減への挑戦: Securing High Standard of Safety and Reducing Dependence on Nuclear Power



- ・聖域なき検証・検討: No "sacred area" (taboo)
- ・原子力安全の徹底: Assuring Safety
- ・原発への依存度低減に関する国民的議論を踏まえた対応: National Discussion on reducing dependence on nuclear energy

優先課題 Issues

短期 Short

○より高い安全性のもとでの活用と 原発への依存度低減に関する 国民的議論を踏まえた対応の決定 Utilization of existing nuclear power plants with enhanced safety National discussion on reducing dependence on nuclear energy 中期 Mid

○原発への依存度低減に 関する国民的議論を踏まえた。 対応

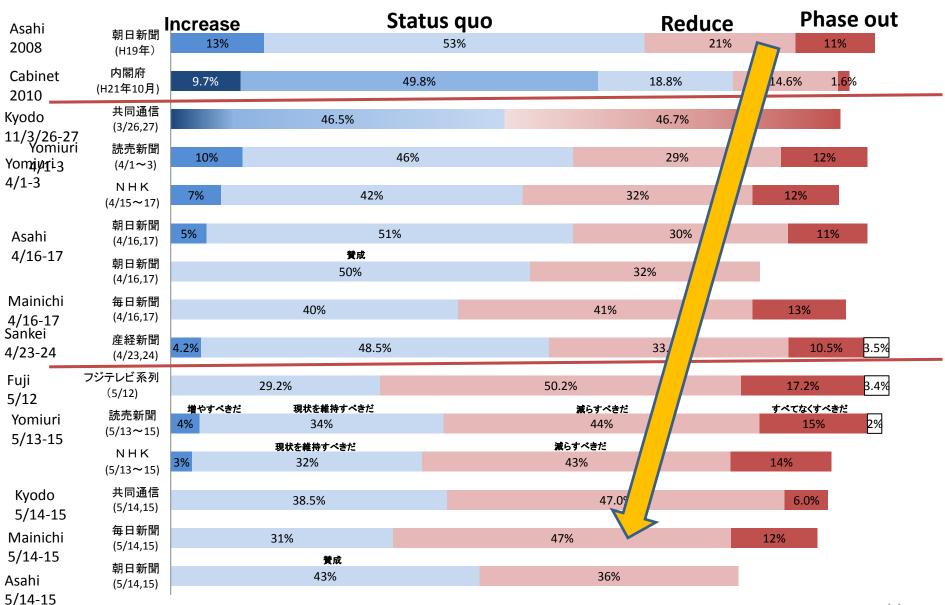
Appropriate measures to the results based on national discussion on reducing dependence on nuclear energy 長期 Long

○原発への依存度低減に 関する国民的議論を踏まえ た対応

6. 革新的エネルギー・環境戦略の実現に向けて -年央の「中間的な整理」を踏まえた検討体制(案)-

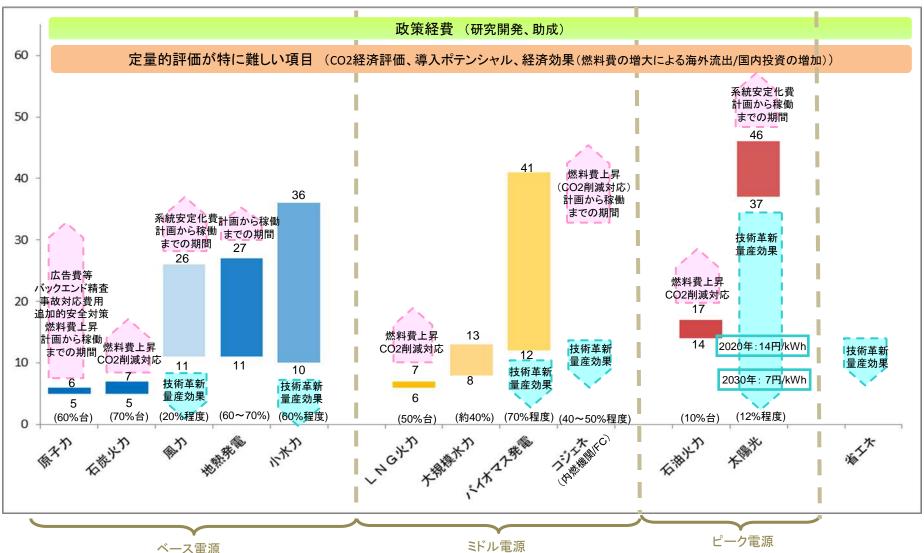
来年 年央 エネルギー・環境会議 エネルギー・環境会議 エネルギー・ エネルギー・ の中間的整理を踏まえ、 が関係機関の検討 エネルギー・環境会議が 環境会議が 環境会議の エネルギー・環境会議 をチェックしつつ、 基本的な方針 革新的エネルギー まずは中間的整理を実施 と関係機関が協力し、 基本的方針を 環境戦略とりまとめ を具体化 議論を深化 とりまとめ ○原発コスト等の客観データに エネルギー コスト検証を よる検証 基本計画 はじめ 革 ストミックス ○原発への依存度低減のシナリオ エネルギー・ ギ 作成 新 総合工才調 環境会議 ○エネルギー需要構造改革 エネルギー・ ○再生可能エネルギーの技術革新 環境 環境戦略 と市場拡大 グリーン 会議 ○資源・燃料の戦略的利用 イノベーション ○強靭なエネルギー環境産業と 戦略 で 総合エネ調等 雇用創出 エネ環境 チェック 会議 電 ○電力の需給安定とコスト低減 アンド システム ○分散型電源と需要家による エネルギー・ レビュー エネルギー 自律的な需要制御の促進 環境会議 環境産業 ○原子カリスクの管理の徹底 戦略 ○発送電分離を含め、上記3つの 目的を達成する上で望まん電力 エネ環境 総合エネ調等 事業形態のあり方の実現 会議 原子力 ○聖域なき検証・検討 ○原子力担当大臣の下で具体化 (JAEC's Panel) ○原子力安全の徹底

Public Opinion Shifting to "reduce" and "phase out"



5. 発電コスト試算比較(今後の方向性)

〔円/kWh〕 ※()内は設備利用率



【出典】 〇大規模水力、石油火力、LNG火力、石炭火力、原子力:【単価】【設備利用率】総合資源エネルギー調査会電気事業分科会コスト等検討委員会(平成16年1月)

- 〇地熱:【単価】地熱発電に関する研究会(平成21年6月) 〇風力:【単価】「新エネルギー等導入加速化支援対策費補助金(平成21年度)」における実績値をもとに一定条件の元に試算
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- 〇バイオマス:【単価】NEDOバイオマスエネルギー導入支援データベースより試算、【設備利用率】単価試算前提を資源エネルギー庁より聴取。

〇太陽光:【単価】「住宅用太陽光発電導入支援対策費補助金(平成21年度)」における実績値をもとに一定条件の元に試算、【2020年、2030年単価】NEDO「太陽光発電ロードマップ(PV2030+)」(2009年6月) (以上、「発電コストをめぐる現状と課題について」(平成23年3月10日 第1回 総合資源エネルギー調査会電気事業分科会 発電コスト等試算ワーキンググループ資料(資源エネルギー庁電力・ガス事業部))を参考に作成)

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JAEC's Activities for Nuclear Energy Policy

- Restarted the deliberation process for new Framework for Nuclear Energy Policy (Sept. 27, 2011)
 - It was suspended after the 3/11 Fukushima accident
 - Members of the Committee have been changed slightly to reflect changing circumstances after the accident
 - Major issues: Safety, Cost, Nuclear Power and Fuel Cycle Options, Waste Management, International Perspectives, R&D planning, etc.
- Established Sub-Committee on Evaluation of Nuclear Power and Fuel Cycle Technology options
 - 7 expert members (Chair: Tatsujiro Suzuki)
 - Identify options and criteria for evaluations
 - Identify key differences of cost estimates/evaluations over different options
 - Submit key findings to the JAEC (as necessary)