Evaluation of the exposure dose of workers engaged in radiation work at the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station

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TEPCO has been evaluating the exposure dose of workers who engaged in radiation work at the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station under two types, internal and external exposure to radiation, and has submitted the evaluation results to the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare regularly.

TEPCO today submitted to the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare a report on the exposure dose evaluation the data of which are those we collected until the end of February 2022. Here is part of the report: the maximum value of the external exposure dose among the workers who engaged in the work at the power station in February was 13.68 mSv, and regarding the internal exposure dose, no significant value was measured.

Exposure Dose Distribution

1. Effective Dose from External Exposure

Table 1 shows the distribution of external exposure dose of workers who were involved in radiation work at the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station for the past three months.

Table 1. External Exposure Dose

	Γ	December 2021			January 2022	2]	February 2022	
Dose Ranges (mSv)	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total
Above 100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
75-100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
50-75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-20	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	9	9
5-10	0	27	27	0	44	44	0	45	45
1-5	34	524	558	17	630	647	20	730	750
1 or less	1001	5284	6285	942	5169	6111	877	5081	5958
Total	1035	5835	6870	959	5844	6803	897	5865	6762
Maximum (mSv)	3.50	8.43	8.43	3.31	10.28	10.28	4.43	13.68	13.68
Average (mSv)	0.12	0.36	0.32	0.10	0.41	0.37	0.11	0.47	0.42

[•] The values of the exposure dose and the number of the workers in the table above are subject to change, because there are cases that APD data are replaced with monthly dose data measured by integral dosimeters. Or dose data of workers who wore only an integral dosimeter (ex., workers who entered only the Seismic Isolation Building) need to be updated in the table after the publication of the data.

2. Sum of External and Internal Exposure Dose (Effective Dose)

Table 2 shows the distribution of cumulative exposure dose of workers who are involved in radiation work at Fukushima Daiichi for five years, starting on April 1, 2021. Table 3 shows the distribution of cumulative exposure dose in the fiscal year of 2021. Two different periods of time are shown in the Table 2: from April 1, 2021 to January 31, 2022 and from April 1, 2021 to February 28, 2022, and Table 3: from April 1, 2021 to January 31, 2022 and from April 1, 2021 to February 28, 2022 for comparison.

Table 2. Cumulative Exposure Dose for Five Years

	April 2	2021 - Januar	y 2022	April 2	021 - Februa	ry 2022		Difference			
Dose Ranges (mSv)	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total		
Above 100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
75-100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
50-75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
20-50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
10-20	3	509	512	5	646	651	2	137	139		
5-10	49	850	899	57	944	1001	8	94	102		
1-5	179	2161	2340	187	2237	2424	8	76	84		
1 or less	1109	4768	5877	1097	4747	5844	-12	-21	-33		
Total	1340	8288	9628	1346	8574	9920	6	286	292		
Maximum (mSv)	10.68	17.08	17.08	11.60	17.26	17.26	-	-	-		
Average (mSv)	0.69	2.30	2.08	0.76	2.55	2.30	-	-	-		

[•] The values of the exposure dose and the number of the workers in the table above are subject to change, because there are cases that APD data are replaced with monthly dose data measured by integral dosimeters. Or dose data of workers who wore only an integral dosimeter (ex., workers who entered only the Seismic Isolation Building) need to be updated in the table after the publication of the data.

 $[\]bullet$ No significant internal exposure has been reported since October 2011.

Table 3. Cumulative Exposure Dose in the Fiscal Year of 2021

	April 2	2021 - Januar	y 2022	April 2	Difference				
Dose Ranges (mSv)	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total
Above 100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
75-100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
50-75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-20	3	509	512	5	646	651	2	137	139
5-10	49	850	899	57	944	1001	8	94	102
1-5	179	2161	2340	187	2237	2424	8	76	84
1 or less	1109	4768	5877	1097	4747	5844	-12	-21	-33
Total	1340	8288	9628	1346	8574	9920	6	286	292
Maximum (mSv)	10.68	17.08	17.08	11.60	17.26	17.26	-	-	-
Average (mSv)	0.69	2.30	2.08	0.76	2.55	2.30	-	-	-

[•] The values of the exposure dose and the number of the workers in the table above are subject to change, because there are cases that APD data are replaced with monthly dose data measured by integral dosimeters. Or dose data of workers who wore only an integral dosimeter (ex., workers who entered only the Seismic Isolation Building) need to be updated in the table after the publication of the data.

3. Sum of External and Internal Exposure Dose of Workers Exposed to Especially High Radiation (Effective Dose)

Table 4 shows the distribution of cumulative exposure dose of workers exposed to especially high radiation.*1

Table 4. Cumulative Exposure Dose (workers exposed to especially high radiation)

Dose Ranges (mSv)	March 2011 - September 2015
Above 100	1
75-100	191
50-75	233
20-50	267
10-20	186
5-10	129
1-5	145
1 or less	51
Total	1203
Maximum (mSv)	102.69
Average (mSv)	36.49

(Since October 2015, TEPCO Holdings has opted not to report to the Labour Standards Inspection Office about workers exposed to especially high radiation.)

*1. Workers exposed to especially high radiation means workers who are involved in operations in which they could be exposed to the emergency exposure dose limit (100 mSv), which is stipulated in "Ordinance on Prevention of Ionizing Radiation Hazards, Chapter 7." In more detail, they are workers engaged in the work to maintain the function of the cooling facility to cool down the reactor facility or the spent fuel tank in the reactor facility, the steam turbine and its related facilities or the surrounding area where the radiation doses exceed 0.1 mSv/h. Or they are workers who would engage in keeping running the function to control or prevent the release of a large number of radioactive materials should it be likely to occur due to malfunction or damage of the reactor facility.

So far workers who have worked as "workers exposed to especially high radiation" are all TEPCO employees.

- *2. The figures in the cumulative data during the period from March 2011 to September 2015 in Table 4 above include the numbers of workers who have been reported to work as "workers exposed to especially high radiation" at least once.
- *3. The values of the exposure dose and the number of the workers in the table above are subject to change, because there are cases that APD data are replaced with monthly dose data measured by integral dosimeters. Or the dose data of workers who wore only an integral dosimeter (ex., workers who entered only the Seismic Isolation Building) need to be updated in the table after the publication of the data.
- *4. The figure shown in the dose range, "Above 100mSv," in the cumulative data during the period from March 2011 to September 2015 is the figure when the March 2011 data of the internal exposure dose were reevaluated in July 2013.

4. Equivalent Dose

Table 5 and Table 6 show equivalent dose to the skin and the lens of the eye of the workers, respectively, who were involved in radiation work at the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station for the past three months.

Table 5. Equivalent Dose to the Skin

	December 2021				January 2022	2	I	February 2022	
Dose Ranges (mSv)	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total
Above 500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
300-500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
250-300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
200-250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
150-200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
100-150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
75-100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
50-75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-20	0	3	3	0	11	11	0	11	11
5-10	0	38	38	0	66	66	0	47	47
1-5	35	608	643	17	717	734	20	782	802
1 or less	1000	5186	6186	942	5050	5992	877	5025	5902
Total	1035	5835	6870	959	5844	6803	897	5865	6762
Maximum (mSv)	4.42	15.40	15.40	3.31	18.98	18.98	4.43	13.68	13.68
Average (mSv)	0.13	0.42	0.38	0.11	0.49	0.44	0.11	0.50	0.45

- The values of the exposure dose and the number of the workers in the table above are subject to change, because there are cases that APD data are replaced with monthly dose data measured by integral dosimeters. Or the dose data of workers who wore only an integral dosimeter (ex., workers who entered only the Seismic Isolation Building) need to be updated in the table after the publication of the data.
- Equivalent dose is a measure of the radiation dose to organs and tissues, and the equivalent dose limit to the skin is 500 mSv/year (the emergency exposure dose limit is 1 Sv).
- Equivalent dose to the skin is measured at a depth of 70 micrometers from the skin surface. When the equivalent dose is measured with a dosimeter other than the one put on around the chest and the abdomen, for example, a finger dosimeter, and the maximum measurement value is counted as the equivalent dose.

Table 6. Equivalent Dose to the Lens of the Eye

	Ι	December 202	<u>!</u> 1		January 2022	2	February 2022		
Dose Ranges (mSv)	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total
Above 150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
100-150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
75-100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
50-75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20-50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-20	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	10	10
5-10	0	30	30	0	56	56	0	46	46
1-5	34	531	565	17	636	653	20	782	802
1 or less	1001	5274	6275	942	5150	6092	877	5027	5904
Total	1035	5835	6870	959	5844	6803	897	5865	6762
Maximum (mSv)	3.50	8.80	8.80	3.31	11.90	11.90	4.43	13.68	13.68
Average (mSv)	0.13	0.36	0.33	0.10	0.43	0.38	0.11	0.50	0.45

- The values of the exposure dose and the number of the workers in the table above are subject to change, because there are cases that APD data are replaced with monthly dose data measured by integral dosimeters. Or the dose data of workers who wore only an integral dosimeter (ex., workers who entered only the Seismic Isolation Building) need to be updated in the table after the publication of the data.
- Equivalent dose is a measure of the radiation dose to organs and tissues, and the equivalent dose limit to the lens of the eye is 50 mSv/year and 100 mSv/5 years (the emergency exposure dose limit is 300 mSv). The equivalent dose limit to the lens of the eye before April 1, 2021 was 150mSv/year (the emergency exposure dose limit was 300 mSv).
- The equivalent dose to the lens of the eye is measured at a depth of 1 centimeter for neutron ray, 3 millimeters for X-ray, gamma ray and beta ray from the skin surface. However, as for X-ray, gamma ray and beta ray, it is measured at a depth of 1 centimeter or 70 micrometer when deemed appropriate with consideration for radiation type and energy type (since April, 2021).

5. Cumulative Equivalent Dose

Table 7 and Table 8 show the distribution of cumulative equivalent dose to the skins and the lens of the eye of the workers, respectively, who were involved in radiation work at the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station during two different periods of time, from April 1, 2021 to January 31, 2022 and from April 1, 2021 to February 28, 2022 for comparison.

Table 9 shows the distribution of cumulative exposure dose for five years, starting on April 1, 2021: from April 1, 2021 to January 31, 2022 and from April 1, 2021 to February 28, 2022 for comparison.

Table 7. Equivalent Dose to the Skin

	April 2	2021 - Januar	y 2022	April 2	021 - Februar	ry 2022		Difference		
Dose Ranges (mSv)	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	
Above 500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
300-500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
250-300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
200-250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
150-200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
100-150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
75-100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
50-75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
20-50	2	16	18	2	26	28	0	10	10	
10-20	5	642	647	8	783	791	3	141	144	
5-10	55	882	937	60	935	995	5	53	58	
1-5	178	2127	2305	188	2204	2392	10	77	87	
1 or less	1100	4621	5721	1088	4626	5714	-12	5	-7	
Total	1340	8288	9628	1346	8574	9920	6	286	292	
Maximum (mSv)	39.21	33.90	39.21	39.21	36.51	39.21	-	-	-	
Average (mSv)	0.80	2.60	2.35	0.87	2.86	2.59	-	-	-	

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- Equivalent dose is a measure of the radiation dose to organs and tissues, and the equivalent dose limit to the skin is 500 mSv/year (the emergency exposure dose limit is 1 Sv).
- Equivalent dose to the skin is measured at a depth of 70 micrometers from the skin surface. When the equivalent dose is measured with a dosimeter other than the one put on around the chest and the abdomen, for example, a finger dosimeter, and the maximum measurement value is counted as the equivalent dose.

Table 8. Equivalent Dose to the Lens of the Eye

	April 2	2021 - Januar	y 2022	April 2	021 - Februa	ry 2022		Difference		
Dose Ranges (mSv)	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	
Above 150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
100-150	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
75-100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
50-75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
20-50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
10-20	3	537	540	5	673	678	2	136	138	
5-10	51	864	915	59	959	1018	8	95	103	
1-5	181	2137	2318	188	2239	2427	7	102	109	
1 or less	1105	4750	5855	1094	4703	5797	-11	-47	-58	
Total	1340	8288	9628	1346	8574	9920	6	286	292	
Maximum (mSv)	10.51	17.15	17.15	11.43	17.24	17.24	-	-	-	
Average (mSv)	0.70	2.34	2.11	0.77	2.60	2.36	-	-	-	

- The values of the exposure dose and the number of the workers in the table above are subject to change, because there are cases that APD data are replaced with monthly dose data measured by integral dosimeters. Or the dose data of workers who wore only an integral dosimeter (ex., workers who entered only the Seismic Isolation Building) need to be updated in the table after the publication of the data.
- Equivalent dose is a measure of the radiation dose to organs and tissues, and the equivalent dose limit to the lens of the eye is 50 mSv/year and 100 mSv/5 years (the emergency exposure dose limit is 300 mSv).
- The equivalent dose to the lens of the eye is measured at a depth of 1 centimeter for neutron ray, 3 millimeters for X-ray, gamma ray and beta ray from the skin surface. However, as for X-ray, gamma ray and beta ray, it is measured at a depth of 1 centimeter or 70 micrometer when deemed appropriate with consideration for radiation type and energy type.

Table 9. Equivalent Dose to the Lens of the Eye: Cumulative Exposure Dose for Five Years

	April 2021 - January 2022			April 2	021 - Februa	ry 2022		Difference		
Dose Ranges (mSv)	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	TEPCO Employees	Contractors	Total	
Above 100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
75-100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
50-75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
20-50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
10-20	3	537	540	5	673	678	2	136	138	
5-10	51	864	915	59	959	1018	8	95	103	
1-5	181	2137	2318	188	2239	2427	7	102	109	
1 or less	1105	4750	5855	1094	4703	5797	-11	-47	-58	
Total	1340	8288	9628	1346	8574	9920	6	286	292	
Maximum (mSv)	10.51	17.15	17.15	11.43	17.24	17.24	-	-	-	
Average (mSv)	0.70	2.34	2.11	0.77	2.60	2.36	-	-	-	

- The values of the exposure dose and the number of the workers in the table above are subject to change, because there are cases that APD data are replaced with monthly dose data measured by integral dosimeters. Or the dose data of workers who wore only an integral dosimeter (ex., workers who entered only the Seismic Isolation Building) need to be updated in the table after the publication of the data.
- Equivalent dose is a measure of the radiation dose to organs and tissues, and the equivalent dose limit to the lens of the eye is 50 mSv/year and 100 mSv/5 years (the emergency exposure dose limit is 300 mSv).
- The equivalent dose to the lens of the eye is measured at a depth of 1 centimeter for neutron ray, 3 millimeters for X-ray, gamma ray and beta ray from the skin surface. However, as for X-ray, gamma ray and beta ray, it is measured at a depth of 1 centimeter or 70 micrometer when deemed appropriate with consideration for radiation type and energy type.