Fracture Found on Steel Members (Diagonal Bracings) in the Intermediate Section of the Exhaust Stack for Units 1 and 2 at Fukushima Daiichi NPS

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[Overview]

We have been conducting an on-site inspection for seismic safety evaluation on the exhaust stack* for Units 1 and 2 at Fukushima Daiichi NPS. Today (on September 18, 2013), in the inspection, we found fracture on steel members (diagonal bracings) of the exhaust stack.

Although the main body and the principle members are estimated to be safe, we found fracture, fracture-like traces, and rust at 8 out of 440 points of the questioned exhaust stacks. We continue to monitor and analyze the situation.

• The exhaust stack in question has been out of use.

[Schedule in future]

As high radiation dose is detected in the stack area, investigations will be performed after the details of investigations are examined.

*Exhaust stack: An exhaust stack refers to a facility to centrally exhaust gas evacuated from the inside of a building and condenser for the purpose of keeping vacuum state.



