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Consequences of “the Niigataken Chuetsu-oki Earthquake in 2007” at Kashiwazaki-Kariwa Nuclear Power Station, Tokyo Electric Power Company (the 15th report)

On August 6, 2007, Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency (NISA) received information from Tokyo Electric Power Company on the situation of Kashiwazaki-Kariwa Nuclear Power Station as shown below.

(Excerpts from the report submitted by Tokyo Electric Power Company)

Tokyo Electric Power Company submitted the report on the plant status of Kashiwazaki-Kariwa NPP as shown on the attachment*.

On August 6, 2007, it was found that about 24 liter of hydraulic oil was leaking from the stud bolt tensioner on the operating floor at the 4 floor of the Unit 6 reactor building.

In addition, the status of workers at the occurrence of the earthquake was checked. It was found that the water from the spent fuel pool had been poured over several number of workers who had been working at the reactor building operating floor. The workers went out of the controlled area after they had checked their body is not contaminated by radioactive materials.

(Actions of NISA)

1. The NISA Nuclear Power Safety Inspectors confirm the plant status reported by Tokyo Electric Power Company, including details of the facts and causes of the incidents.
2. At present, no significant reading of fluctuation is identified by either the radiation monitoring systems of the main stacks nor the monitoring posts.

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