Securing the Supply of Gasoline and Light Oil in the Tohoku Region (Disaster Area) and the Kanto Region:
Emergency Measures to Ensure Supply Lines and Establish an Expanded Distribution Network

(As of 20:00 p.m. March 30)

In order to secure an adequate supply of oil throughout Japan by reducing stocks of oil products held by oil companies, and by promoting smooth coordination between companies and local communities, METI has reduced private sector stockpiling requirements by an additional 22 days, from the initial 3 days. As a result, private sector stockpiling obligations have now been reduced by a total of 25 days.

### Extraordinary dispatch of additional tanker trucks (300 vehicles)

252 additional vehicles have already arrived in the Tohoku region, and approx. 290 vehicles in total are expected to be secured.

### Mass transfer of gasoline, etc. from western Japan to the Tohoku region

- Supply capacity of 38,000 kl/day is already secured
- Current supply to the Tohoku region: 22,000 kl/day
- Operating ratios of refineries: ensure operation at full capacity
- Suspension of exports: approx. 700,000 kl for the time being
- Emergency imports: expectation of securing 500,000 kl or more in March and April

### Support for areas around the Fukushima Nuclear Power Plants

Regarding requests on March 19, 22, and 26 from the Fukushima prefectural government to provide approx. 980 kl of gasoline, etc., to area residents: the full amount was supplied by March 28.

### Securing railway transportation routes

- After March 21, transport approx. 1,300 kl/day of gasoline, etc. from Negishi to Morioka.
- After March 21, transport approx. 6,000 kl/day of gasoline, etc. to Utsunomiya. One part is to be transported to the Tohoku region via Utsunomiya.
- After March 25, ship approx. 600 kl of gasoline, etc. from Negishi to Koriyama.

### Response to requests from affected areas

Responded to some 1,160 of 1,280 requests from hospitals, etc.; approx. 11,900 kl of gasoline and light oil etc., were delivered as of March 29.

### Supply to the Kanto Region

- From March 21, shipments to the Kanto region recovered to the normal average yearly level.

### Designation of key service stations and concentrated supply

- Supply has been concentrated to a total of 1,338 service stations between March 19 and 29, out of 207 emergency key stations in 6 Tohoku prefectures.
- As of March 29, 2,488 of 3070 (81%) of service stations located in the Tohoku regions were in operation.

### Extraordinary dispatch of additional tanker trucks (300 vehicles)

- Approx. 20,000 table top stoves and 110,000 cassette gas cylinders have been donated to the affected areas.

### Early restoration of oil storage facilities (Shiogama/Hachinohe) on Pacific Coast

- (Shiogama Oil Storage Facility) As of March 30, 18 tankers (approx. 46,000kl) have docked at the pier.
- (Hachinohe Oil Storage Facility) On March 29, approx. 2,550 kl of gasoline, etc. was shipped. On March 30, the first tanker docked at the pier.
- (JX Sendai Oil Storage Facility) As of March 29, approx. 1,000 drums of kerosene and light oil have been shipped.

### Intensive supply measures to areas where shortages are serious

- On March 27, approx. 4,000 drums of kerosene and light oil were delivered to Self-Defense Forces for quake survivors.
- Regarding donated kerosene (2000 drums) from The Petroleum Association of Japan, destinations are coordinated with Iwate and Fukusima pref. and is to be shipped early April.

### Formation of temporary fueling sites

- Gas cylinders and large cookers for 4,000 people were delivered free of charge to hospitals and evacuation areas for cooking.
- Approx. 20,000 table-top stoves and 110,000 cassette gas cylinders have been donated to the affected areas.

### Establishment of Temporary fueling sites

- On March 30, 523 vehicles in Kamaishi City (Iwate), as well as in Minamisanriku Town, Onagawa Town, Higasimatsusima city (Miyagi), and Sinchi Town (Fukushima) were in operation.
- From April 1, fueling will start in Ozuchi Town (Iwate) and Ishinomaki City (Miyagi).