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Kashiwazaki-Kariwa Nuclear Power Station Unit 7  
Restart Preparations Status Report (Summary)

Nuclear Reform Monitoring Committee

1. Foreword

Over the five days from Monday, May 13~Friday, May 17, 2024, a review team that included a member from the Nuclear Reform Monitoring Committee (hereinafter referred to as, “NRMC”) conducted a review of the restart readiness of the Kashiwazaki-Kariwa Nuclear Power Station (hereinafter referred to as, “KK”) Unit 7.

2. Review summary

During this review, field checks were conducted and station personnel were interviewed in order to check the status of restart readiness for KK Unit 7. The review focused on KK restart safety and activities pertaining to rules/standards, such as the status of operational readiness, emergency response, performance improvement/risk management, safety culture, training, and a myriad of other activities being engaged in preparation for restart. The review team was led by NRMC Member Charles Casto and was comprised of a total of four members including nuclear power experts from overseas.

3. Review results

The review did not identify any nuclear safety concerns or safety issues and found that safety culture is healthy. The review team arrived at the conclusion that Tokyo Electric Power Company Holdings, Inc. (TEPCO) is making sound and adequate preparations for the restart of KK Unit 7.

The field checks found the plant facility (including equipment and materials) maintenance and work site housekeeping to be exemplary. Interviews with station personnel and upper management were open and candid, and the review team found that station personnel have great attitudes and high morale. Site personnel had positive attitudes about the tasks they need to accomplish and engage in those tasks accordingly.

There are few uncompleted tasks that need to be completed prior to restart and all

work required for restart has been planned.

4. A message for leadership

No issues were found that would have a negative impact on the restart of KK Unit

7. Leadership continues to provide guidance that focuses on compliance with rules/standards, and KK is making progress. Going forward, it is important that work be stopped, and peer checks and three-way communication<sup>\*1</sup> proactively leveraged if expectations are not being met in order to further utilize the appropriate human performance (human error prevention) tools available for every kind of task.

End of summary

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<sup>1</sup> Method of communicating that entails mutual checks of task implementation details in order to confirm mutual understanding.