Press Release

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Nuclear Regulation Authority

Regarding the partial change of the additional examination plan of the fracture zone in the site of Shika Nuclear Power Station, Hokuriku Electric Power Co., Inc.

The Nuclear Regulation Authority received a report, today, from Hokuriku Electric Power Co., Inc. on the partial revision of the additional examination plan for the fracture zone in the site of Shika Nuclear Power Station.

1. Summary

As part of additional examination of seismic capacity (seismic back check), the Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency heard opinions from experts in the “Expert Hearings on Earthquake and Tsunami” regarding the validity of the evaluation of the fracture zones in the sites of all nuclear power plants in Japan.

At an Experts Hearing, a specialist pointed out that the S-1 fracture zone in Shika Nuclear Power Station might be an active faulting. Responding to this suggestion, NISA directed Hokuriku Electric Power Co., Inc. to conduct an additional examination on July 18, 2012, and received their plan on July 25, 2012 (Already announced on July 18 and 25).

In the plan, an interim report was scheduled to be submitted by the end of October, however, the NRA received a report that the submission would be delayed till early December.

2. Future development

The NRA will strictly verify the report on additional examination (interim report, etc.) which will be submitted in early December from Hokuriku Electric Power Co., Inc.
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