The NRA received a report from the Japan Atomic Power Company (JAPC) on rescheduling the process of an additional inspection plan on geological features and conditions relating to the assessment of the interlock of active faults in the surrounding area of Tsuruga Nuclear Power Station conducted by the Japan Atomic Power Company.

1. Outline:
In light of the lessons learned from the 2011 Tohoku District Off-the Pacific Ocean Earthquake, the defunct NISA took advice from experts on the interlock condition of active faults near nuclear power stations at Expert Hearings. On September 7, 2012, NISA directed the licensee to conduct their review considering the interlock condition of the faults in Wakasa region, namely, the faults between Mera-Kareizaki-Oki Fault, Kaburagi Fault, the southern part of Yanagase Fault, and Kajiya Fault (Expert Hearing’s document “Earthquake and Tsunami 23-9” dated September 7, 2012. Available only in Japanese).

Responding to the above-mentioned direction, the JAPC proceeded with the inspection which previously scheduled to report the results by November 2012, however, the JAPC changed its schedule due to the progression of the inspection, and reported the NRA in November 2012 that it would report the inspection results by the end of January 2013 (Already announced on November 16, 2012).

Today, the NRA has received a report from the JAPC on their rescheduling the process of the inspection plan (Appendix 1).

2. Future development:
The NRA will strictly verify the results of the assessment relating to the interlock of active faults in the surrounding area of Tsuruga NPS scheduled to be submitted by the JAPC.
Appendix:
Appendix 1: Tsuruga Nuclear Power Station: Regarding rescheduling the process of an additional inspection plan on geological features and conditions relating to the assessment of the interlock of active faults in the surrounding area of Tsuruga Nuclear Power Station conducted. (Available only in Japanese)

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