Emergency Dose Control for workers at the Fukushima Daiichi NPS Accident

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In six workers who exceed 250mSv, most of their doses were caused by internal exposure.

 Administrative guidance by the regulator
♦ Not to exceed the 100mSv per 5years including dose by emergency work at the work of engaging after the emergency.





1-3. Regarding the future

In Japan, revising the dose restriction of emergency worker in domestic law & regulation is currently under discussion.



These are proposal under premise of performing an effort to reduce actual exposure dose enough in the emergency too.

2-1. Change in situation from radiological aspect



Exposure situation		Planned	Emergency	?
Radiation level		Low	High	High
Source control	As whole facility	Controlled (well known)	No	Controlled
	As each sources	Controlled (well known)	No	Uncertainty of information of source conditions Controlling by grasping the condition by each tasks
Protective criteria		Dose limit (normal)	Reference level	?

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2-2. Features of the work in post-accident stage

On-site works after NPS accident

- Radiation levels of work places are still high
- There is uncertainties of information of each source conditions

Procedure or worker's protective measures are planned and controlled by grasping the source condition (radiological environment etc.) every time of tasks

- Task of decommissioning lasts to a long term
- There is a demand of decommissioning faster in the case of accident NPS.

It is clearly different from before accident Before accident:

(Sources are sealed and well controlled / Dose of worker is controlled very low)

2-3. Dose restriction of on-site worker in post-accident stage

• Exposure situation ?



Emergency or Existing

(Reference level)

or Planned (Dose limit)

•Dose restriction ?

Isn't it reasonable introducing a new dose restriction concept ?

For example Establishing more flexible dose restriction criteria that have the same safety (risk) levels of dose limitation of normal occupational exposure.

200mSv per 10 years & in 50mSv any single year

Abut 1 Sv in a full working life (Base of Dose limit)

Special circumstances

II-7. When, in special circumstances, a temporary change in the dose limitation requirements is approved pursuant to Appendix I: (a) the dose averaging period mentioned in para. II- 5(a) may exceptionally be up to 10 consecutive years as specified by the Regulatory Authority, and the effective dose for any worker shall not exceed 20 mSv per year averaged over this period and shall not exceed 50 mSv in any single year,

