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Regarding Shutdown of Hamaoka Nuclear Power Station (Response)

This is my response to “Regarding the Suspension of Operation at Hamaoka Nuclear Power Station” submitted by Chubu Electric Power Co., dated May 9, 2011.

1. In reference to “Confirmation Items Relating to Request to Suspend Operations at Hamaoka Nuclear Power Station”, the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) will give its fullest support to Chubu Electric Power Co.’s undertakings, after verifying the said points and taking any actions necessary.
2. With regard to the emergency safety measures planned by Chubu Electric Power Co., METI will verify that short-term measures as well as mid- to long-term measures including the construction of a tide embankment are being appropriately carried out and planned, and request their full implementation.
3. Based on the knowledge gained from future investigations into the accident at Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station, Tokyo Electric Power Co., Inc., in case of a need to assume a tsunami exceeding the level established for the Hamaoka Nuclear Power Station in the emergency safety measures (T.P. +15m), watertightness and other aspects of the nuclear reactor buildings will be evaluated and verified, in addition to measures related to the tide embankment.