

Press Release (This is provisional translation. Please refer to the original text written in Japanese.)

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Policy Planning and Communication Division,  
Inspection and Safety Division,  
Department of Food Safety

To Press and those who may concern,

Restriction of distribution of Bamboo shoot and Ostrich fern produced in parts of Fukushima Prefecture, in relation to the accident at Fukushima Nuclear Power Plant

- As of 4 April 2011, the concepts of establishing and cancelling items and areas to which the restriction of distribution and/or consumption of foods concerned applies have been announced as the countermeasure policy of the Nuclear Emergency Response Headquarters.
- Based on the policy and the results of inspections conducted until today and in the lights of the Nuclear Safety Commission's advice, the Nuclear Emergency Response Headquarters has issued to Instruction on the restriction of the distribution of Bamboo shoot and Ostrich fern produced in following areas for Fukushima prefecture.
  1. Bamboo shoot produced in Date-shi, Souma-shi, Iwaki-shi, Miharu-machi, Tenei-mura and Hirata-mura.
  2. Ostrich fern produced in Fukushima-shi and Kori-machi.

1. The instruction of the Nuclear Emergency Response Headquarters to Fukushima prefecture as of today is attached as attachment 1.
2. The concept of management at Fukushima prefecture after ordering the restriction of the distribution is attached as attachment 2.
3. The list of the Instructions on the restriction of distribution and/or consumption of food concerned in accordance with the Act on Special Measures Concerning Nuclear Emergency Preparedness is attached as reference.

Attachment 2: omitted

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(Attachment 1)

Instruction

9 May 2011

From Director-General of the Nuclear Emergency Response Headquarters  
To Governor of Fukushima Prefecture,

Recognizing the accident occurred at the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant operated by TEPCO Co. LTD, the following order shall take place, under the authority of the Director-General of the Nuclear Emergency Response Headquarters, following Article 20.3 of the Act on Special Measures Concerning Nuclear Emergency Preparedness (Act No. 156, 1999):

1. Requests shall apply to heads of relevant municipalities and food business operators concerned not to distribute Bamboo shoot produced in Date-shi, Souma-shi, Iwaki-shi, Miharu-machi, Tenei-mura and Hirata-mura.
2. Requests shall apply to heads of relevant municipalities and food business operators concerned not to distribute Ostrich fern produced in Fukushima-shi and Kori-machi.