Instruction on restoration works until the completion of the area revision for new evacuation-directed areas

After the completion of Step 2 and the determination by Nuclear Emergency Response Headquarters on 26 December 2011, the official procedure for temporarily entering restricted areas for the purposes of public benefit was partially simplified. You are therefore requested to restore base facilities for living and industry according to the following. You are also requested to refer to Annex 2 for area management in the designation of new evacuation-directed areas.

It is noted that provisions associated with "works for handling designated contaminated soil and wastes" or "works under a designated dose rate" specified in the Ordinance on Prevention of Ionizing Radiation Hazards at Works to Decontaminate Soil and Wastes Contaminated by Radioactive Materials Resulting from the Great East Japan Earthquake and Related Works (Ordinance of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare No. 152 of 2011) revised on 1 July 2012 are applied to preventive measures against radiation hazards etc. in restoration works in these areas. (See attached information.)

1. Candidate areas for areas in which evacuation orders are ready to be lifted (areas expected to be designated as areas in which evacuation orders are ready to be lifted)

- (1) Radiation dose is measured in the areas where the target facilities are located and it is ensured that the average ambient dose rate is 3.8 μSv/h (equivalent to annual integrated dose 20 mSv) or lower.
- (2) Basically, works in the candidate areas shall be surveys necessary for disaster restoration works or for life and industrial infrastructure restoration, and such disaster restoration works that have started.
- (3) For works in the candidate areas, temporary entering of the area for purposes of public benefit (Annex 4) is made. In this case, exposure dose control by personal dosimeter, wearing of protective equipment, or screening when entering or leaving the restricted areas is not always required.

2. Candidate areas for areas in which the residents are not permitted to live, etc. (areas expected to be designated as areas in which the residents are not permitted to live or as areas where it is expected that the residents will have difficulties in returning for a long time)

- (1) For works in the candidate areas, minimum assessment of damaged areas and degree of damage (number of years and cost of restoration, etc.) shall be made when necessary.
- (2) However, the facilities (restoration of Joban Expressway, etc.) whose early restoration is strongly requested by local municipalities for wide recovery of local economic society including the

municipalities, such as electricity, water supply, communication facilities, and other facilities necessary for disaster prevention as well as main streets, waste disposal facilities, and sewage plants, shall be restored under sufficient protection measures.

(3) For works in the candidate areas, exposure dose control by personal dosimeter, wearing of protective equipment, or screening when entering or leaving the restricted areas shall be securely conducted by temporarily entering the areas for purposes of public benefit.