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We would appreciate your feedback on the attached “the outline of the draft Ministerial Ordinance for abolishment of exemption in the Ordinance on Prevention of Ionizing Radiation Hazards in response to the situation resulting from Tohoku – Pacific Ocean Earthquake in 2011” pursuant to Item 1, Para.1, Act. 9 based on the Act established by the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare of Japan.

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**“The outline of the draft Ministerial Ordinance for abolishment of exemption in the Ordinance on Prevention of Ionizing Radiation Hazards in response to the situation resulting from the Tohoku – Pacific Ocean Earthquake in 2011”**

Section 1. Abolishment of the Ministerial Ordinance on the exemption of the Ordinance on Prevention of Ionizing Radiation Hazards in response to the situation resulting from the Tohoku -Pacific Ocean Earthquake in 2011.

The Ordinance on Exemption on Prevention of Ionizing Radiation Hazards for management of issues in response to the Tohoku District -Pacific Ocean Earthquake in 2011, hereinafter referred to as the “Ordinance on Exemption,” shall be abolished.

Section 2. Transitional measures

When the Ordinance for the Partial Revision of the Exemption of the Ordinance come into effect (November 1 2011), the provisions in the Ordinance on Exemption will be effective until 30 April 2012 in those cases where radiation workers have been already engaged in emergency work (pursuant to Para. 1, Art. 7 of the Ordinance on Prevention of Ionizing Radiation Hazards) at the emergency response measures implementation area (pursuant to Para. 8, Art. 17 of the Act on Special Measures Concerning Nuclear Emergency Preparedness) and have received effective doses in excess of 100 mSv during the emergency operations by the date when this Ordinance comes into effect, and who possess highly specialized knowledge and experience and cannot be easily replaced by successors, and who are to engage in the work below 1) and 2) with potential radiation dose rates in excess of 0.1 mSv/h in the areas of the reactor facilities, steam turbine facilities and their accessory devices and in the surrounding areas belonging to TEPCO Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant.

- 1) Maintain the functions for cooling reactor facilities and spend fuel storage pools.
- 2) Maintain the functions for suppressing and preventing the potential release of large amounts of radioactive materials caused by failures or damages to nuclear reactor facilities.

Section 3. Others

1. This Ordinance will come into effect on the date of promulgation.
2. Other necessary matters shall be prepared.

(\*) The date of promulgation and implementation shall be the date of completion of the Step 2 procedures in achieving a cold shutdown condition of the reactor which is indicated in the

“Roadmap toward Restoration from the Accident at the Tokyo Electric Power Company Fukushima Daiichi Power Plant in the Immediate Future (revised version)” (the Nuclear Emergency Response Headquarters, Government – TEPCO Integrated Response Office).