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Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency

An explosion caused by hydrogen at Unit 3 of Fukushima Dai-ichi NPS
(the 3rd release)

1. Plant status

After the hydrogen explosion at 11:01, pressure fluctuation in the containment vessel was observed. Afterward the pressure is becoming stable. It is considered that the vessel maintains its function of confinement.

Fuel cooling status is under confirmation.

2. Evacuation of local residents

The number of the residents within 20km radius from Fukushima Dai-ichi Nuclear Power Station, NPS, waiting for evacuation or evacuating is 483 in total at 14:20 March 14. (Under confirmation)

After the explosion at Unit 3, the residents were requested to shelter inside, but afterward the evacuation to outside of the 20 km area was resumed.

3. Status of the injured

According to the report from TEPCO, the number of the persons injured in the explosion is eleven (11) as of 16:00.

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