Incident During Periodic Inspection of the No.2 Unit at the Matsuura Thermal Power Plant (Fourth Report)
- Provisional Restoration (output: 425 MW) -

Electric Power Development Co., Ltd. (“J-POWER”) had previously announced (on March 28, 2014) that during a periodic inspection at the Matsuura No.2 Unit (output: 1,000MW) an accident occurred in which a low-pressure turbine rotor fell and was damaged.

After that, J-POWER had investigated the cause of the accident and undertaken the measures in efforts to resume operation at an early date such as inspection of the damaged low-pressure turbine rotor, fabrication of a new low-pressure turbine rotor and investigation of provisional restoration (as announced on April 17, 2014). As a result of the investigation, J-POWER had expected to resume full-load operation with newly fabricated low-pressure turbine rotor in the end of June 2015. J-POWER had also decided to recommence operation with a provisional restoration at partial loading (approximate output: 400MW) in mid-August this year to secure power supply in the interim (as announced on May 29, 2014).

With efforts to shorten the recovery process, operations were resumed with partial loading (output: 425MW) at 17:00 on August 6, 2014.

J-POWER expects to resume full-load operation (output: 1,000MW) in the end of June 2015 as per the notification of May 29.

In order to ensure that another such accident does not occur, J-POWER is proceeding with a thorough investigation of the causes and a promotion of efforts to prevent recurrence in addition to making efforts towards prompt and complete restoration of the Matsuura No. 2 Unit.