

Summary of 4th Chief Nuclear Officer Conference

1. Date : Nov. 6, 2015 (Fri) 9:30AM ~ 11:30AM
2. Place: Otemachi Headquarters, Central Research Institute of Electric Power Industry (CRIEPI)
3. Participants:
 - Chair : Apostolakis (NRRC)
 - Members: Sakai (Hokkaido EPCO), Watanabe (Tohoku EPCO), Anegawa (Tokyo EPCO), Sakaguchi (Chubu EPCO), Nishino (Hokuriku EPCO), Toyomatsu (Kansai EPCO), Furubayashi (Chugoku EPCO), Yamada (Shikoku EPCO, substitute for Kakinoki), Nakamura (Kyushu EPCO), Ichimura (JAPC), Yamamoto (JNFL), Urashima (J-Power), Yokoyama, Omoto (NRRC)
 - Observer: Ono (Federation of Electric Power Companies), Kurata (JANSI)
 - Organizers: Yokoo, Shimeno (NRRC)

4. Proceedings:

(1) R&D Plan for FY2016

NRRC presented its budget and research plan for R&D in FY2016.

(Remarks of the industry members)

- A number of research items require about three years to produce results. I would like to know in detail if it is really appropriate to expect each research result in such a time frame.

(Response by NRRC)

- We will answer the question at another opportunity.

(2) Activity Status of NRRC

NRRC reported its activities such as the Technical Advisory Committee and NRRC symposium.

(3) Discussion with Dr. Apostolakis

NRRC presented the outcomes and challenges identified through one year operations from its establishment.

(Remarks of the Head)

- I think it is important for NRRC and utilities to have a common goal and understanding on how research results would be applied to actual utility

practice.

- As we see the significant progress in the improvement of Ikata Unit 3 PRA, we have had substantial achievements through our one year operations with great support by the industry. We also understand that utilities are still putting a top priority on the plant restart activities. In consideration of this situation, I would like to propose to establish and share industry's mid/long-term goals.
- I have been talking to NRRC researchers to be more aware of how research results will be used in actual sites.

(Remarks of the industry member)

- We agree that mid/long-term goals should be shared among NRRC and utilities. After setting clear goals, we will start to discuss how to allocate the resources of the industry to fulfill the goals.