

## **Declaration of Nuclear Emergency**

Friday, March 11 at 7:03pm, 2011

At 16:36 on March 11, 2011, an event falling under the provisions of Article 15, paragraph (1), item (ii) of the Act on Special Measures Concerning Nuclear Emergency Preparedness occurred at Tokyo Electric Power Company's (TEPCO's) Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power station. Having affirmed the need to implement emergency measures to prevent any possible expansion of nuclear hazards, on the basis of the provisions of this article, nuclear emergency is hereby declared.

Note: At present, no impacts from radioactive materials upon the area outside of the facilities have been confirmed. Consequently, at the current time, residents of the area targeted under this declaration and other persons in the area do not need to take any special actions immediately. Persons affected are asked not to begin evacuation hurriedly but rather to be on standby in their homes or current locations and access the latest information via emergency public broadcasting services on wireless radio, TV, the radio, and so on. Once again, radioactivity is not in fact leaking out of any nuclear facilities. The public is asked to remain calm and stay well-informed.