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Electricity Supply & Demand Report for the 1st half of FY2009

1. Electricity supply and demand (See Table 1)

Electricity sales for the 1st half of FY2009 totaled 37.489 billion kWh, which was 92.3% (growth rate -7.7%) compared with the same period of the previous year. Sales by customer segment are outlines below.

The growth rate of electricity sales in the 1st half of FY2009 over the previous year fell below -7.3% recorded in the 2nd half of FY2008, resulting in the largest-ever drop in a six month period.

—Non-specified Scale Demand (Excluding deregulated segment)

Power demand in the lighting sector was 100.4% compared to the same period of the previous year. This was primarily because of an increase in all-electric housing, in spite of lower demand for air-conditioning, due to lower temperature in summer compared to the previous year.

Power demand in the commercial sector was 96.0% compared to the same period of the previous year due to lower demand for air-conditioning.

Non-specified scale demand in total was 99.8% of the same period of the previous year.

—Specified Scale Demand (Deregulated segment)

Electric power sold for commercial use was 98.0% of the same period of the previous year due to lower demand for air-conditioning.

Overall power demand in the specified-scale sectors totaled 88.8% of the same period of the previous year.

In the industrial and other electric sectors, power demand mostly came from large-scale industrial customers, as described in the reference below:

[Reference]

-Large-scale industrial demand

Because of reduction of output by changes in the economic situation, large-scale industrial power sales totaled 83.0% (growth rate -17.0%) of the same period of the previous year.

The growth rate of electricity sales in large-scale industrial demand in the 1st half of FY2009 over the previous year fell below -15.3% recorded in the 2nd half of FY2008, resulting in the largest-ever drop in a six month period.

2. Electricity supply (See Table 2)

Total electricity generated and purchased in the 1st half of FY2009 was 40.698 billion kWh, which was 91.9% of the same period of previous year or 95.2% of the planned value.

(Power generated by our own hydro power plants)

Due to low precipitation around the plant areas, there was a drought during this period with a low water flow rate of 83.5%. Hydropower generation totaled 4.032 billion kWh, a decrease of 359 million kWh from the same period of the previous year.

(Power generated by our own thermal power plants)

Due to a decrease of demand, thermal power generated at our own plants totaled 22.630 billion kWh, a decrease of 1.049 billion kWh from the same period of the previous year.

(Power generated by our own nuclear power plants)

Due to different operational conditions of the Nuclear Power Plants compared to the same period of the previous year, total power generation dropped to 8.157 billion kWh, a decrease of 1.196 billion kWh from the same period of the previous year.

(Power purchased)

Due to a decrease in purchase of electricity generated by thermal power, total power purchased from others dropped to 10.908 billion kWh, a decrease of 897 million kWh from the same period of the previous year.

(Table 1)
Power demand during the 1st half of FY2009

(Units: million kWh; %)

| | | Actual kWh, | Actual kWh, | Year-to-year | Planned kWh, | Actual over |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| Segments | | Current year | Previous year | percentage | Current year | planned |
| | | (A) | (B) | (A/B) | (C) | (A/C) |
| Non-specified Scale Demand | Electric lighting | 11,109 | 11,062 | 100.4 | 11,247 | 98.8 |
| | Electric power | 1,920 | 1,999 | 96.0 | 1,973 | 97.3 |
| | Subtotal | 13,029 | 13,061 | 99.8 | 13,220 | 98.6 |
| Specified Scale Demand | Commercial use | 8,164 | 8,335 | 98.0 | - | - |
| | Industrial and others | 16,296 | 19,216 | 84.8 | - | - |
| | Subtotal | 24,460 | 27,551 | 88.8 | 25,784 | 94.9 |
| Total power sold | | 37,489 | 40,612 | 92.3 | 39,004 | 96.1 |

(Reference)

Sold to large-scale industrial customers

(Units: million kWh; %)

| | Actual kWh, | Actual kWh, | Year-to-year | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--|
| | Current year | Previous year | percentage | |
| | (A) | (B) | (A/B) | |
| Large-scale industrial customers | 12,306 | 14,821 | 83.0 | |

Year-to-year percentage by sectors (%), Large-scale industrial customers

| Foodstuffs | 99.9 | Pulp and paper | 71.1 | Chemicals | 82.7 |
|--------------------------|------|----------------|------|--------------------|------|
| Ceramics, stone and clay | 78.0 | Iron and steel | 74.1 | Non-ferrous metals | 78.9 |
| Machinery | 81.2 | | | | |

(Table 2)
Overview of power supply during the 1st half of FY2009

(Units: million kWh; %)

| Segments | | | Actual kWh, Current year (A) | Actual kWh, Previous year (B) | Difference (A-B) | Year-to-year percentage (A/B) |
|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|
| Power by our own plants | Hydroelectric | Natural inflow | 3,708 | 4,094 | -386 | 90.5 |
| | | Reservoir/pumped-storage | 324 | 297 | 27 | 109.3 |
| | | Subtotal | 4,032 | 4,391 | -359 | 91.8 |
| | Thermal | | 22,630 | 23,679 | -1,049 | 95.6 |
| | Nuclear | | 8,157 | 9,353 | -1,196 | 87.2 |
| | Subtotal | | 34,819 | 37,423 | -2,604 | 93.0 |
| Power purchased from others | | 10,908 | 11,805 | -897 | 92.4 | |
| Interchange power | | | -4,999 | - 4,862 | -137 | 102.8 |
| Pumping-up power | | | -30 | - 82 | 52 | 37.1 |
| Total | | | 40,698 | 44,284 | -3,586 | 91.9 |
| | | | | (42,761) | | (95.2) |
| Water flow rate | | 83.5 | 93.6 | -10.1 | - | |

(): Planned kWh, current year