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Electricity Supply & Demand Report for December 2009

1. Electricity demand (See Table 1)

Electric power sold in December totaled 6.795 billion kWh, which was 100.7% compared to the same period of the previous year. Sales by customer segment were as follows:

- Non-Specified Scale Demand (Excluding deregulated segment)

Power demand in the lighting sector was 99.4% compared to the same period of the previous year.

This was primarily because of the fact that higher temperature mainly in the last ten days of November, resulting in a lower demand for heating, in spite of the time span for meter reading was longer than the previous year.

Non-specified scale demand in total was 99.2% of the same period of the previous year.

- Specified Scale Demand (Deregulated segment)

Due to the economic slump and energy-saving, electric power sold for commercial use was 98.6% of the same period of the previous year.

Overall power demand in the specified-scale sectors totaled 101.7% of the same period of the previous year.

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

[Reference]

Large-scale industrial demand

Large-scale industrial demand in total was 105.2% year-on-year, which exceeded the result of the previous year for the first time in fourteen months since October in 2008. This was because of a rebound from significant decrease in December of 2008 compared to the result of the previous year in addition to a recovery movement of production by some customers.

2. Electricity supply (See Table 2)

Electricity generated and purchased in December totaled 8.052 billion kWh, 103.2% compared to the same period of the previous year, or 99.1% compared to the plan for the month.

(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 86.0%. Hydropower generation totaled 603 million kWh, a decrease of 55 million kWh from the same period of the previous year.

(Power generated by our own thermal power plants)

Due to an increase of nuclear power generated, thermal power generated at our own plants totaled 3.886 billion kWh, a decrease of 47 million kWh from the same period of the previous year.

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Due to different operational conditions of the Nuclear Power Plants compared to the same period of the previous year, total power generation rose to 2.279 billion kWh, an increase of 840 million kWh from the same period of the previous year.

(Power purchased)

Due to different operational conditions of others, total power purchased from others dropped to 2.003 billion kWh, a decrease of 265 million kWh from the same period of the previous year.

(Table 1)
Power demand during December 2009

(Units: million kWh; %)

		Actual kWh,	Actual kWh,	Year-to-year	Planned kWh,	Actual over
Segments		Current month	Previous year	percentage	Current month	planned
		(A)	(B)	(A/B)	(C)	(A/C)
Non-Specified Scale Demand	Lighting	2,252	2,265	99.4	2,275	99.0
	Power	306	315	97.5	314	97.6
	Subtotal	2,558	2,580	99.2	2,589	98.8
Specified Scale Demand	Commercial	1,372	1,391	98.6	-	-
	Industrial and others	2,865	2,776	103.2	-	-
	Subtotal	4,237	4,167	101.7	4,349	97.4
Total power sold		6,795	6,747	100.7	6,938	97.9

(Reference)

Sold to large-scale industrial customers

(Units: million kWh; %)

	Actual kWh,	Actual kWh,	Year-to-year	
	Current month	Previous year	percentage	
	(A)	(B)	(A/B)	
Large-scale industrial customers	2,184	2,077	105.2	

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

Foodstuffs	100.5	Pulp and paper	90.0	Chemicals	110.3
Ceramics, stone and clay	93.8	Steel	119.0	Non-ferrous metals	112.6
Machinery	105.4				

(Table 2)
Overview of power supply during December 2009

(Units: million kWh; %)

Segments			Actual kWh, Current month (A)	Actual kWh, Previous year (B)	Difference (A-B)	Year-to-year percentage (A/B)
Power by our own plants	Hydroelectric	Natural inflow	579	636	-57	91.1
		Reservoir/pumped-storage	24	22	2	107.2
		Subtotal	603	658	-55	91.7
wn p	Thermal		3,886	3,933	-47	98.8
lants	Nuclear		2,279	1,439	840	158.3
	Subtotal		6,768	6,030	738	112.2
Power purchased from others		2,003	2,268	-265	88.4	
Interchange power			-719	-492	-227	146.3
Pumping-up power		0	-6	6	0.0	
Total			8,052	7,800	252	103.2
				(8,123)		(99.1)
Water flow rate		86.0	96.2	-10.2	-	

(): Planned kWh, current month