TOHOKU ELECTRIC POWER CO., INC.

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Akita Thermal Power Station Unit 5 Commence Full Operation

Tohoku Electric Power, today began full operation of Akita Thermal Power Station Unit 5 (located in

Akita City, Akita Prefecture with an output of 333MW) which had been in test operation since June 9,

2012.

We are making efforts to restore our thermal power stations located in the pacific coastal region which

has been shut down due to extensive damaged by The Great East Japan Earthquake. And we are

introducing some generators which can be installed in a short time.

Akita Thermal Power Station Unit 5 which commenced full operation today is constructed in Akita

Thermal Power Station premises as one of the actions being taken to secure power supply in this

summer. It is the fourth operation which started to construct after the earthquake following to

Higashi-Niigata Minato Unit 3, Niigata Unit 6 and Higashi Niigata Unit 5.

The building construction work was implemented at midwinter, so we were often hit by snowstorms

and needed to work in accumulated snow. Making the best use of inventiveness on-site, we were able

to complete the construction without accident or disaster. Moreover, in order to commence commercial

operation as soon as possible to secure power supply, we made effort to speed up the process by

working morning, noon and night. In addition to this effort, the understanding and cooperation of the

national government and local governments and residents enabled us to start commercial operation

today.

We are going to make every effort to stabilize units in operation and secure power supply.

(Overview of Akita Thermal Power Station Unit 5)

Location: 217-6, Iijima Hurumichi Shimokawabata, Akita City, Akita Prefecture

Output: 333 MW

Fuel: Gas Oil