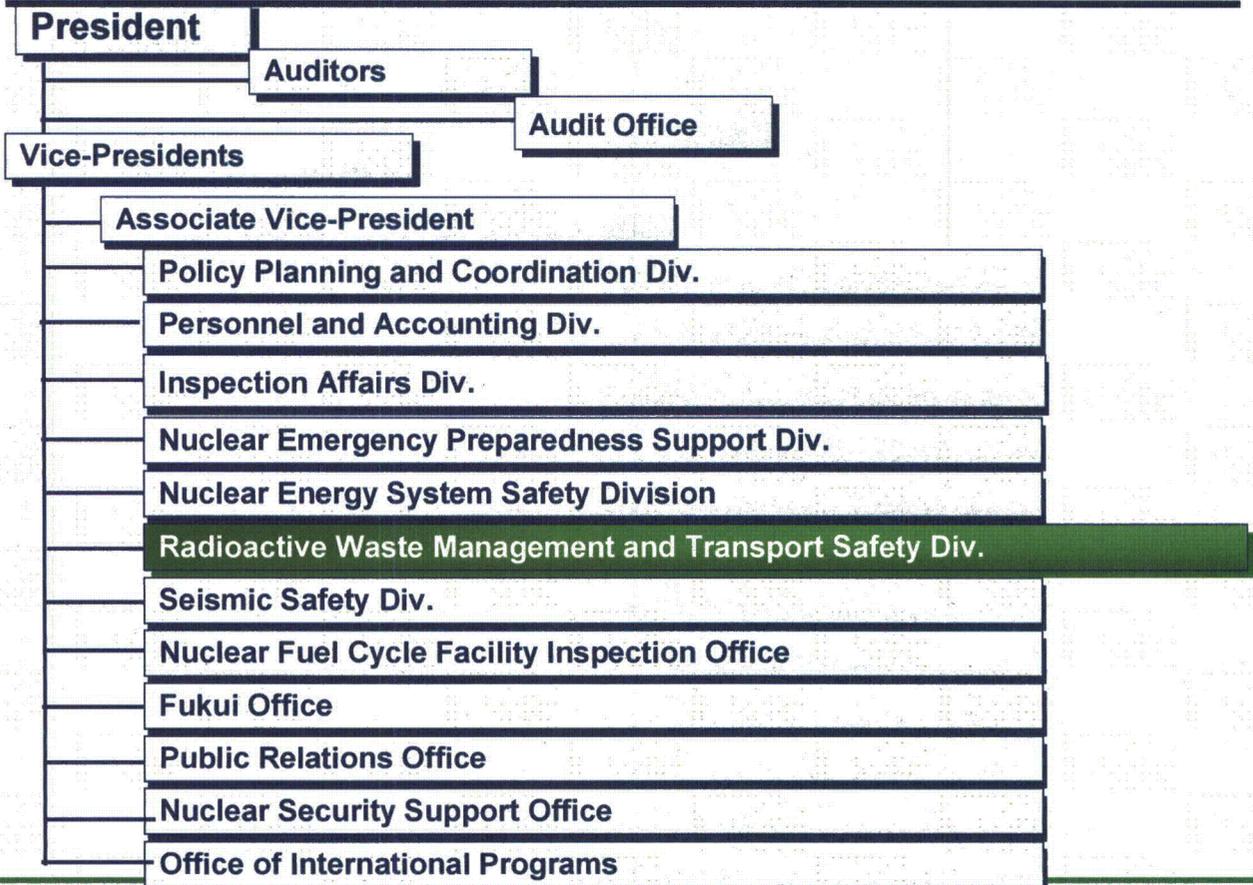


Research Activities on Radioactive Management at JNES (Intermediate depth disposal)

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Planning Gr. (5)

Coordination and planning of division activities

Waste Form and Decommissioning Safety Evaluation Gr. (9)

Decommissioning, clearance and waste package confirmation

Radioactive Waste and Disposal Safety Evaluation Gr. (14)

Safety of HLW, LLW and VLLW disposal facilities

Storage and Transport Safety Evaluation Gr. (10)

Spent fuel interim storage, waste storage and transport

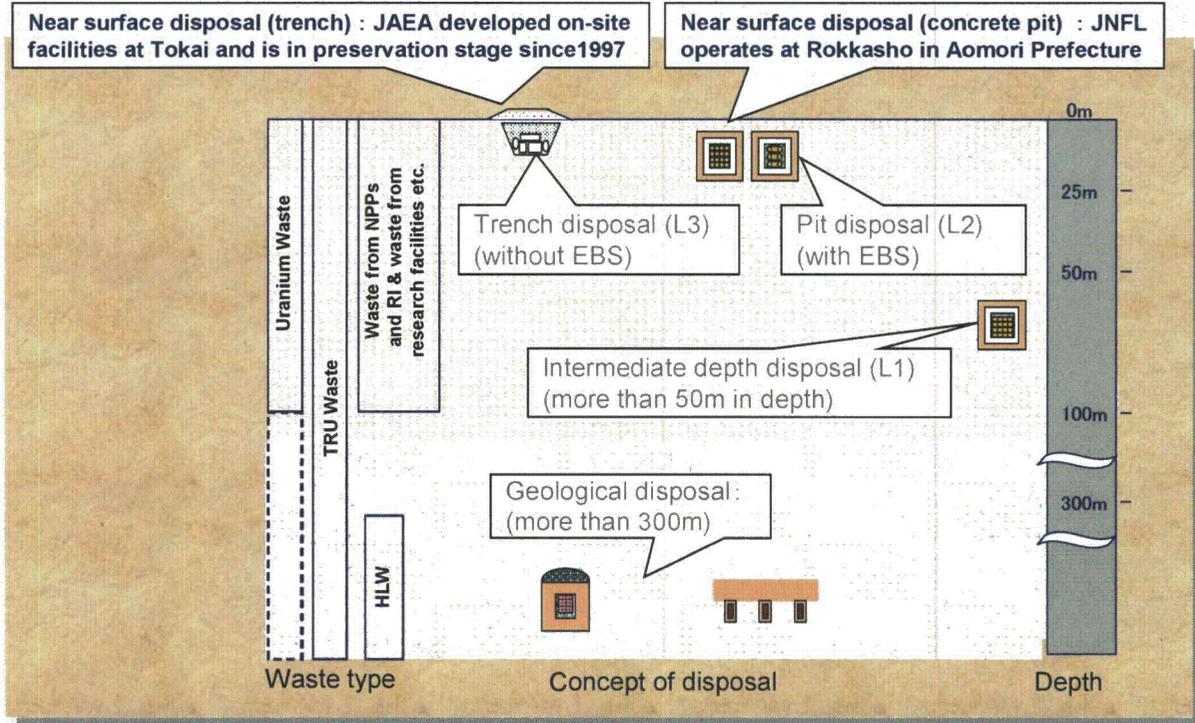
Fuel Cycle Facility Safety Evaluation Group (10)

Fuel fabrication facility and reprocessing facility

Principle of Regulatory Research on Radioactive Waste Management

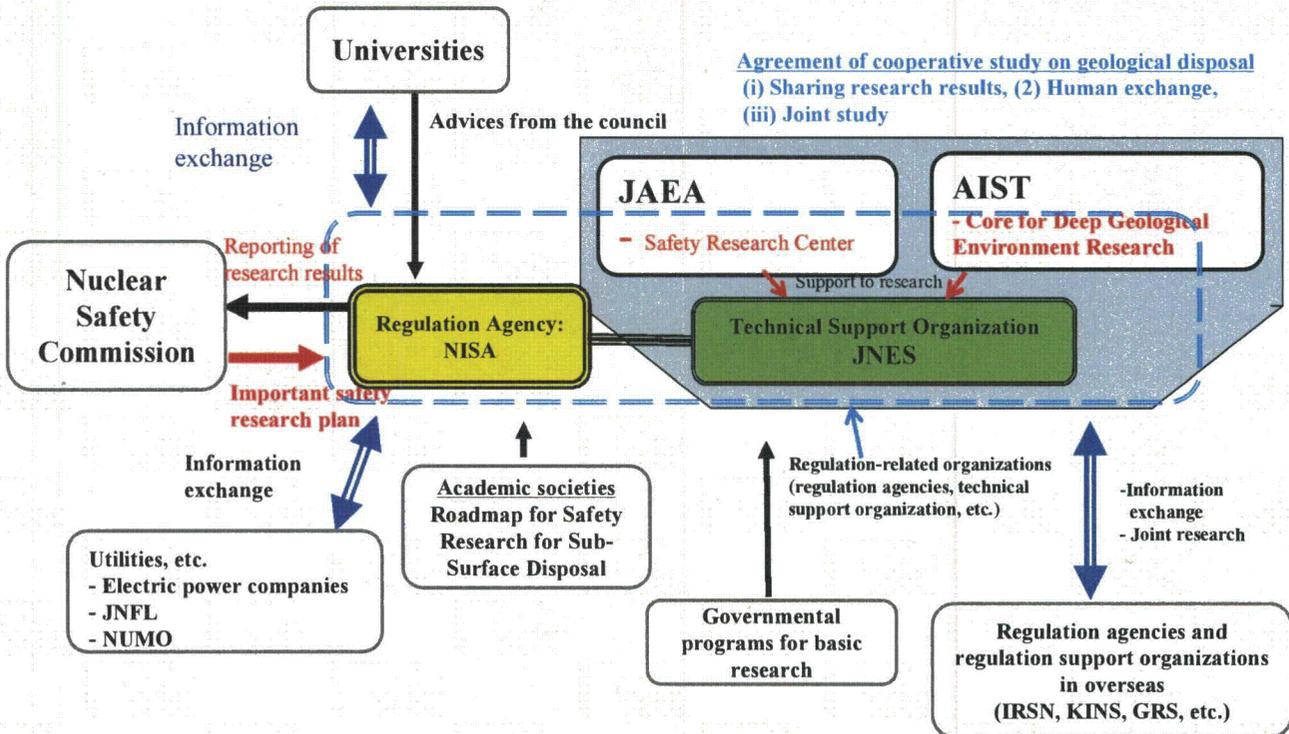
- NISA issued a report of “Regulatory Support Research Plan on Radioactive Waste Management 2010-2014” , September 2009.
- The report identified regulatory needs and supporting research needs.
- Radioactive Waste Management and Transport Safety Division is conducting the regulatory support research in the area of radioactive waste management according to their needs.
- The research is conducted in cooperation with Nuclear Safety Research Center of Japan Atomic Energy Association (JAEA) and Core for Deep Geological Environment Research of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology.

Waste disposal concepts in Japan

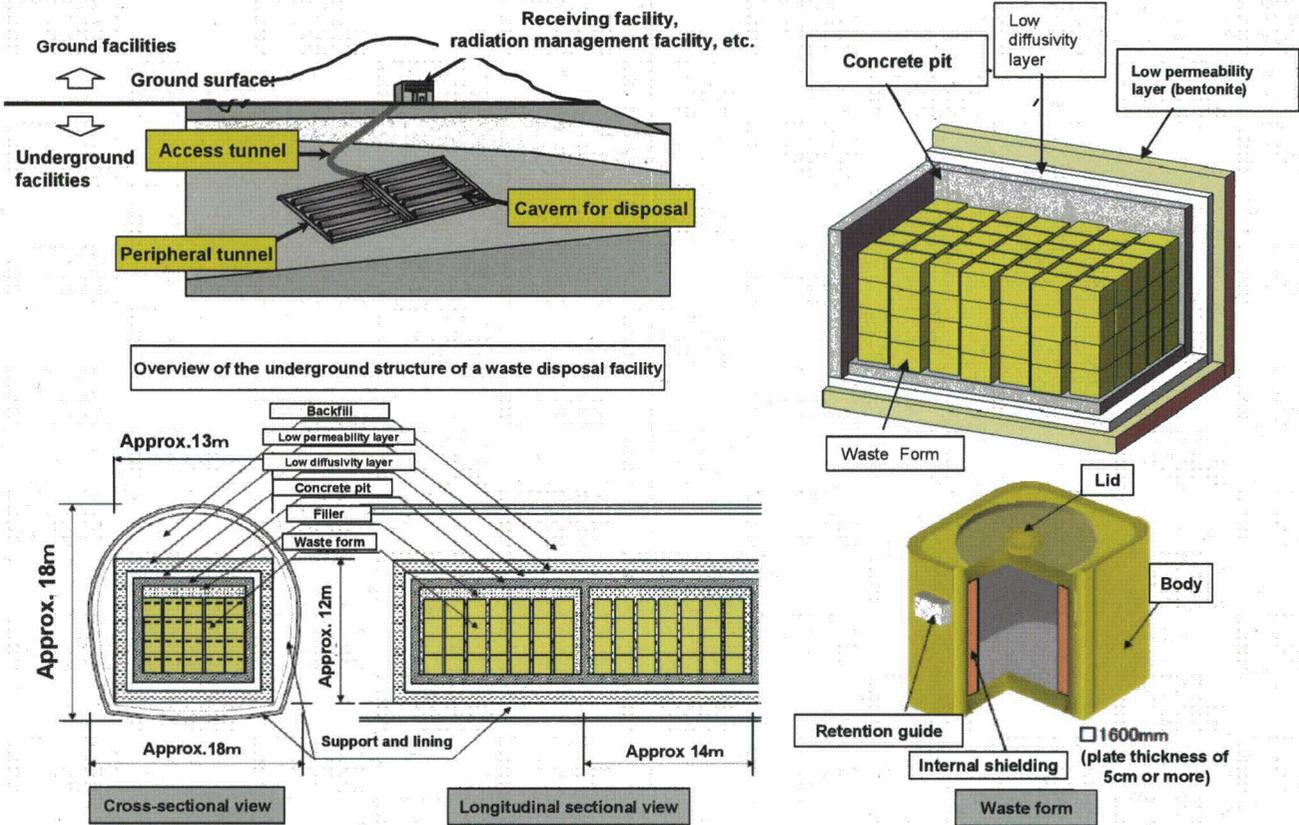


This presentation material focus on intermediate depth disposal

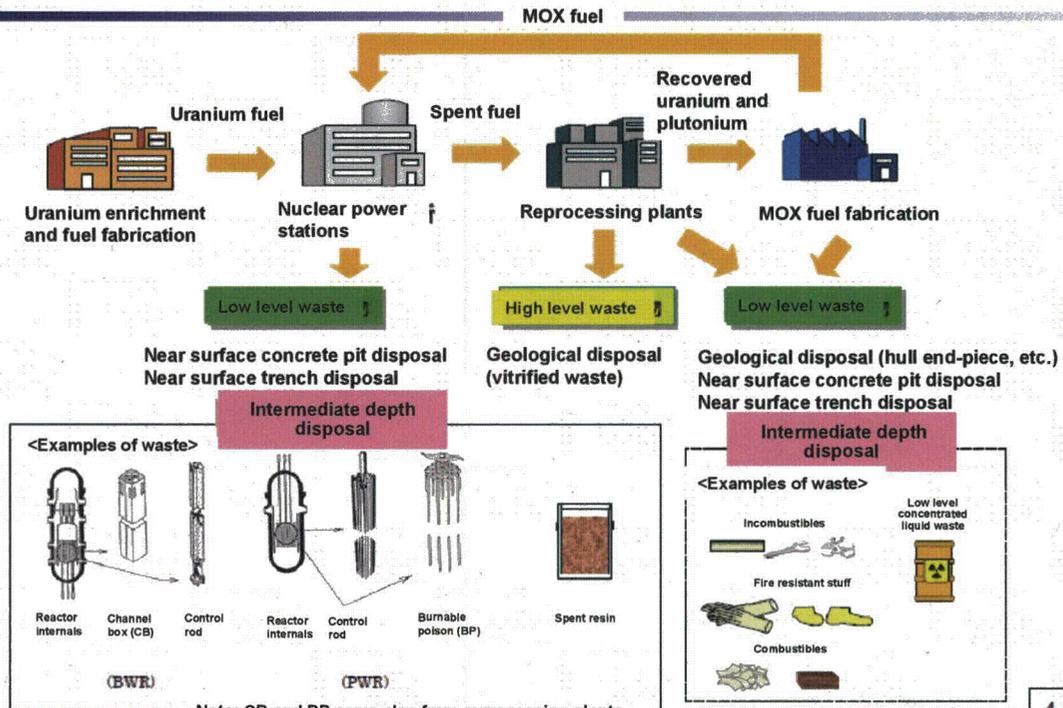
Organizational Framework for research of Intermediate Depth Disposal and Geological Disposal



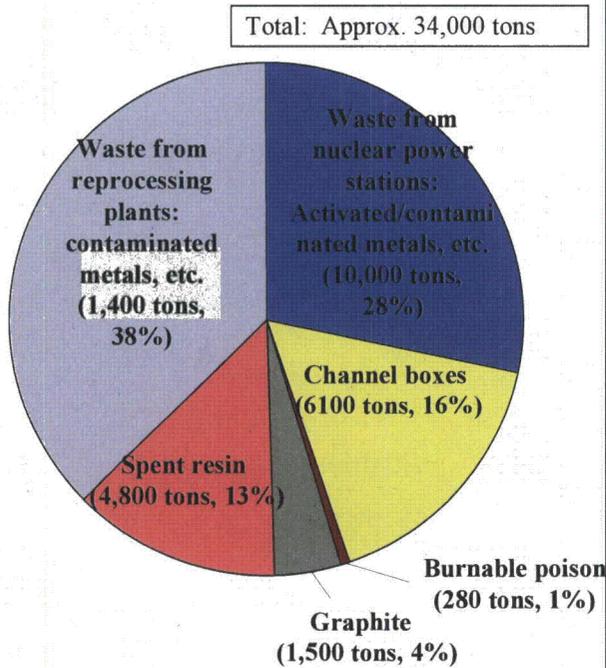
Planned Concept of Intermediate Disposal Facility to be Assessed



Radioactive Wastes Planned for Disposal



Quantities and Characteristics of Radioactive Waste for Intermediate Depth Disposal



Compiled from: Federation of Electric Power Companies "Quantities and Radioactivity Concentration Levels of Waste for Intermediate Depth Disposal (C2 11-1)

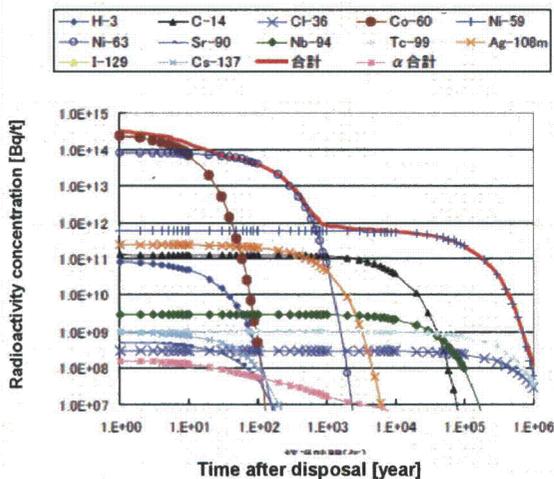
Characteristics of the waste	Typical examples
Large quantity of activated metals	- Channel boxes (BWR) - Control rods (PWR control rods and hafnium control rods) - Reactor internals (BWR/PWR) - Graphite (GCR)
Inclusion of significant quantities of nuclides with a long half life	Typical examples of nuclide with a long half life: C-14: 5.73E+03 years Cl-36: 3.01E+05 years Ni-59: 7.6E+04 years Nb-94: 2.03E+04 years
Generation of large quantities of gas	- Generation of gas from the corrosion of metals - Generation of gas from the radiolysis of water - Generation of gas from the decomposition of organic matter
Inclusion of substances that may have impacts on engineered barriers	Nitrates and sulfates
Inclusion of important nuclides that are difficult to measure	Most nuclides except Co-60

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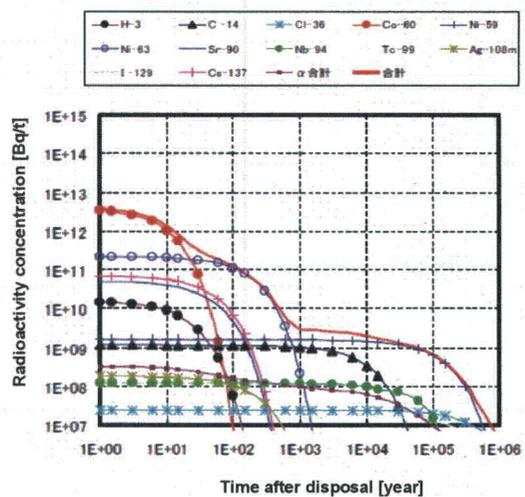
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Radioactivity Concentration Decay Curve of Waste in Intermediate Depth Disposal Facility

Operational waste from power stations (activated metal)



Waste from JNFL



Waste for Intermediate depth disposal contains significant quantities of nuclides with a long half life. The verification of the safety of sub-surface disposal facilities, therefore, requires the safety assessment over a long period.

It is important that the safety assessment should address the impacts from geological uplift, erosion and sea level change if such phenomena are likely to take place around the site in a long term.

Current status of discussion in Nuclear Safety Commission

➤ NSC released a report “Guides for the Safety Assessment of Intermediate Disposal after the Termination of the Institutional Control Period” April 2010.

➤ Safety assessment scenario are classified into the following four categories based on risk informed consideration,

- a. Likely scenarios $10 \mu\text{Sv}/\text{yr}$ *(inventor)*
- b. Less-likely scenarios $300 \mu\text{Sv}/\text{yr}$ *probability*
- c. Rare natural event scenarios $10\text{mSv}/\text{yr} \sim 100\text{mSv}/\text{yr}$
- d. Inadvertent human intrusion scenarios

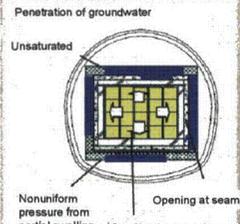
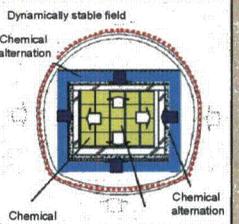
$1\text{mSv}/\text{yr} \sim 10\text{mSv}/\text{yr}$ (Residents)

$10\text{mSv} \sim 100\text{mSv}$ (Intruders)

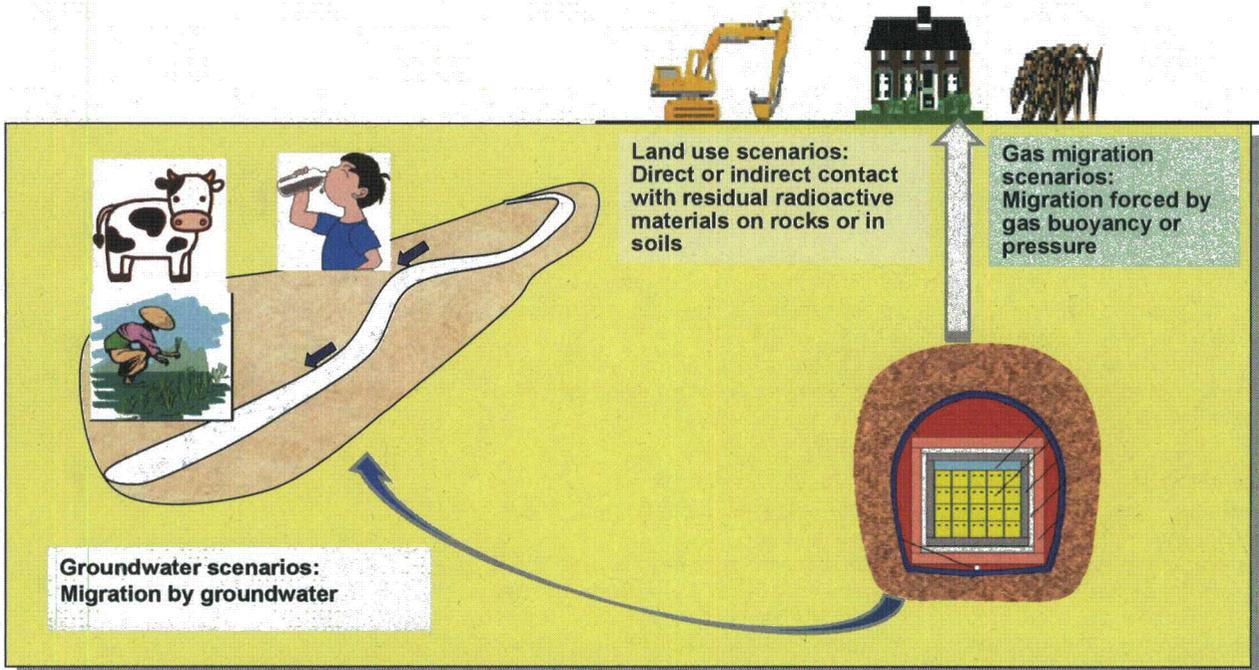
*150mSv
-15 mrem*

-defined individual intruders (e.g. workers):

Guides for the Setup of Conditions of Disposal Facilities for Different Time Periods

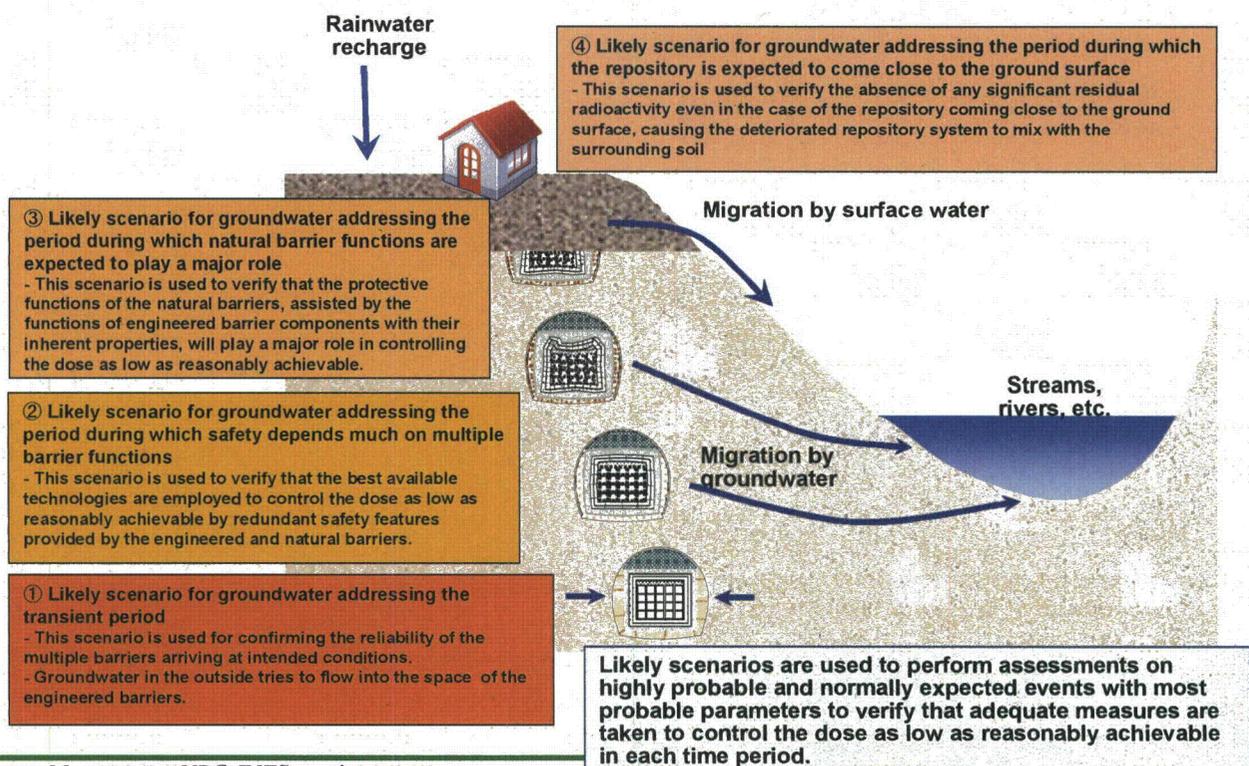
Time Period	Protective functions / characteristics of engineered barriers and the environmental conditions	Post-closure phases			
		Transient period	Period during which safety depends much on multiple barrier functions	Period during which natural barrier functions are expected to play a major role	Period during which the repository is expected to come close to the ground surface
Policies concerning the setup of conditions	Protective functions of engineered barriers: - Retardation of nuclide migration - Physical resistance against inadvertent human intrusion Properties of engineered barriers: - Low permeability - Low diffusivity - Sorption coefficient - Low leaching rate - Other properties (mechanical properties, etc.) Setup of the environmental conditions: - Temperature (heat) - Hydraulic conditions - Dynamic conditions - Chemical conditions	Time up to the stable conditions or the settling of changes in the states of the repository and the peripheral geological environment - Ensure that engineered barriers are expected to withstand damage and degradation sufficiently well even when subjected to nonuniform progress of transient. Penetration of groundwater Unsaturated  Nonuniform pressure from partial swelling Swelling by corrosion	In this period, evolutions in the repository conditions are expected to be slow, because of the long-term stability of the geological environment Extrapolation based on scientific and technological bases and findings Dynamically stable field Chemical alternation  Chemical alternation Swelling by corrosion	In this period, the impacts of internal and external factors, which are difficult to exclude or reduce their effects from the setup of repository conditions, become manifest  Define conditions based on the evaluation of physical properties specific to barrier materials and functions inherent to natural barriers, assuming a conservative approach to uncertainties.	In this period, the repository is expected to come close to the ground surface as a result of phenomena such as uplift, erosion and sea level change  - Define conditions that accord with the setup of conditions for the near-surface geological environment.

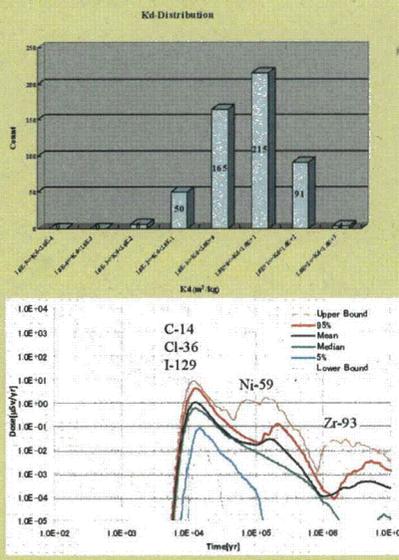
Radioactive Material Migration Pathways to the Biosphere and Their Assessment by Different Scenarios



All pathways of radioactive nuclides to the biosphere must be addressed (considering migration by liquid, gaseous and solid media).

Evolution of the Likely Scenario for Groundwater through Different Time Periods

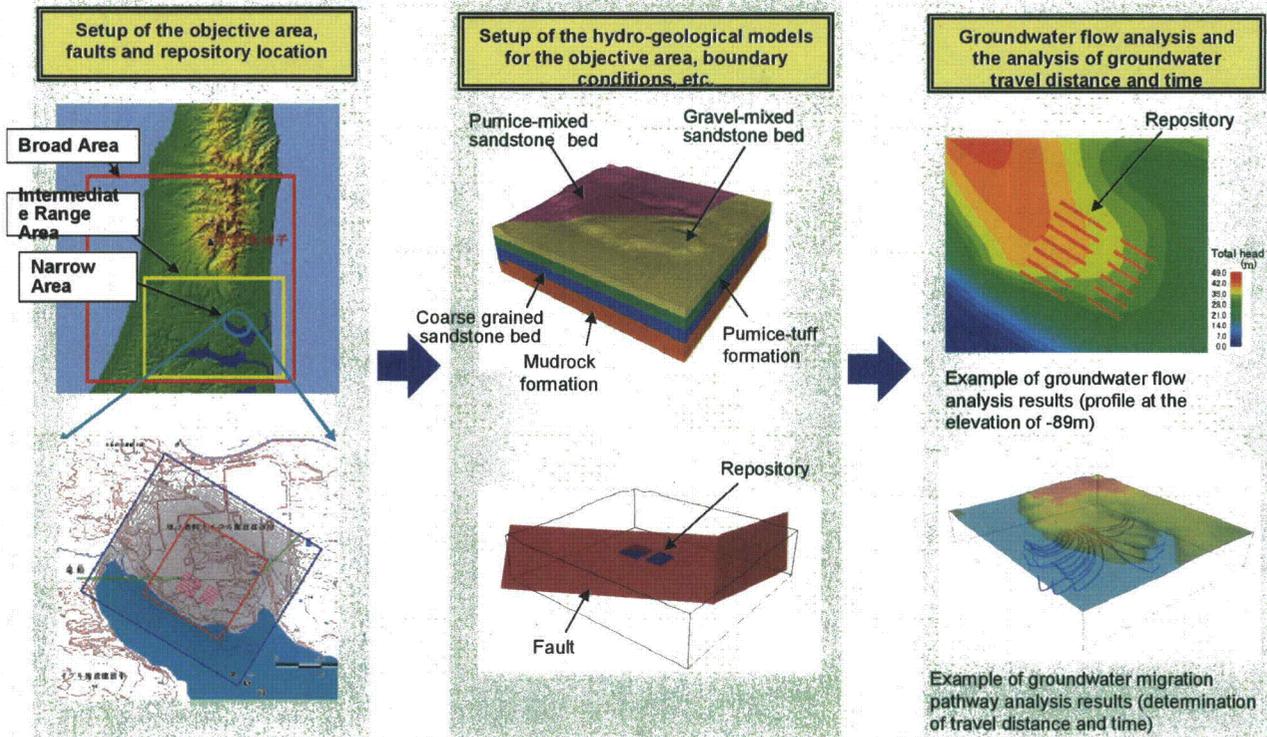


<p>Analysis of factors that cause variations from the likely scenarios - Preparation of plural less-likely scenarios for each likely scenario</p>	<p>Example of statistical data on the distribution coefficient</p>  <p>Aoki et al., "Study on uncertainty of safety assessment parameters for intermediate depth disposal (III) Example dose calculation" Autumn, 2009, AESJ</p>
<p>Completeness in the identification of variation factors - The setup of conditions is preceded by the identification of variation factors by FEP analyses, etc.</p>	
<p>Probability and scientific reasonability of variation factors - If sufficient quantities of statistical data are available, use them to select values in the 97.5% one-sided confidence interval. - If sufficient quantities of statistical data are not available for addressing uncertainties in long-term safety assessment, make the best use of available scientific and technological findings to set up conditions with sufficient allowances based on a conservative approach. - If several parameters largely affect the assessment results, it is useful to evaluate the uncertainties with such parameters by a probabilistic method to verify reasonability in the setup of conditions</p>	
<p>Assessment of the repository system robustness - A partial loss of safety functions is assumed to verify that the repository system does not depend excessively on any single safety feature. - However, it is not necessary to assume the absence of contributions from the components that have sufficiently demonstrated their reliability or from inherent properties of materials, etc., provides that such contributions are expected to persist through environmental changes, etc. Rather, scenarios should be designed to address uncertainties in long-term safety assessment.</p>	

Key Safety Studies for Intermediate Disposal and Near Surface Disposal

Fiscal year	~H21	H22	H23	H24	H25	H26~
Near surface disposal	Confirmation procedures concerning waste package					
	Business licensing application and safety examination	(Disposal with engineered barrier: JNFL (during operation)) Examination of the burial disposal facility		Confirmation of waste package		Specific procedures for the disposal of waste from research institutions, etc., and uranium bearing waste, etc., are to be discussed in reference to the disposal plans to be prepared in the future by the utilities, etc.
	Establishment of analytical Methodology for safety examination	Disposal without engineered barrier (waste from reactor facilities, etc.)				
Sub-surface disposal	(Disposal with engineered barrier) Confirmation procedures have been established for the disposal of homogeneous/uniform solidified waste packages and filled-in solidified waste package	Preparation of facility examination procedures	Preparation of waste package confirmation procedures (JNES)			Specific procedures are to be discussed in reference to the disposal plans to be prepared in the future by the utilities, etc., and the specifications of new waste package
	NSC Preparation of safety review guidelines	Preparation of judgment criteria for the safety review (as required)	Examination of the burial disposal facility	Periodical safety reviews		
	Business licensing application and safety review		Confirmation of waste package			
Sub-surface disposal	Listing of issues to be addressed by the safety examination					
	Establishment of analytical methodology for safety review					
	Preparation of facility examination procedures	Preparation of monitoring procedures	Preparation of waste package Confirmation procedures (JNES)			Specific procedures are to be discussed in reference to the disposal plans to be prepared in the future by the utilities, etc.

Assessment using General Purpose Multidimensional Flow Analysis Code



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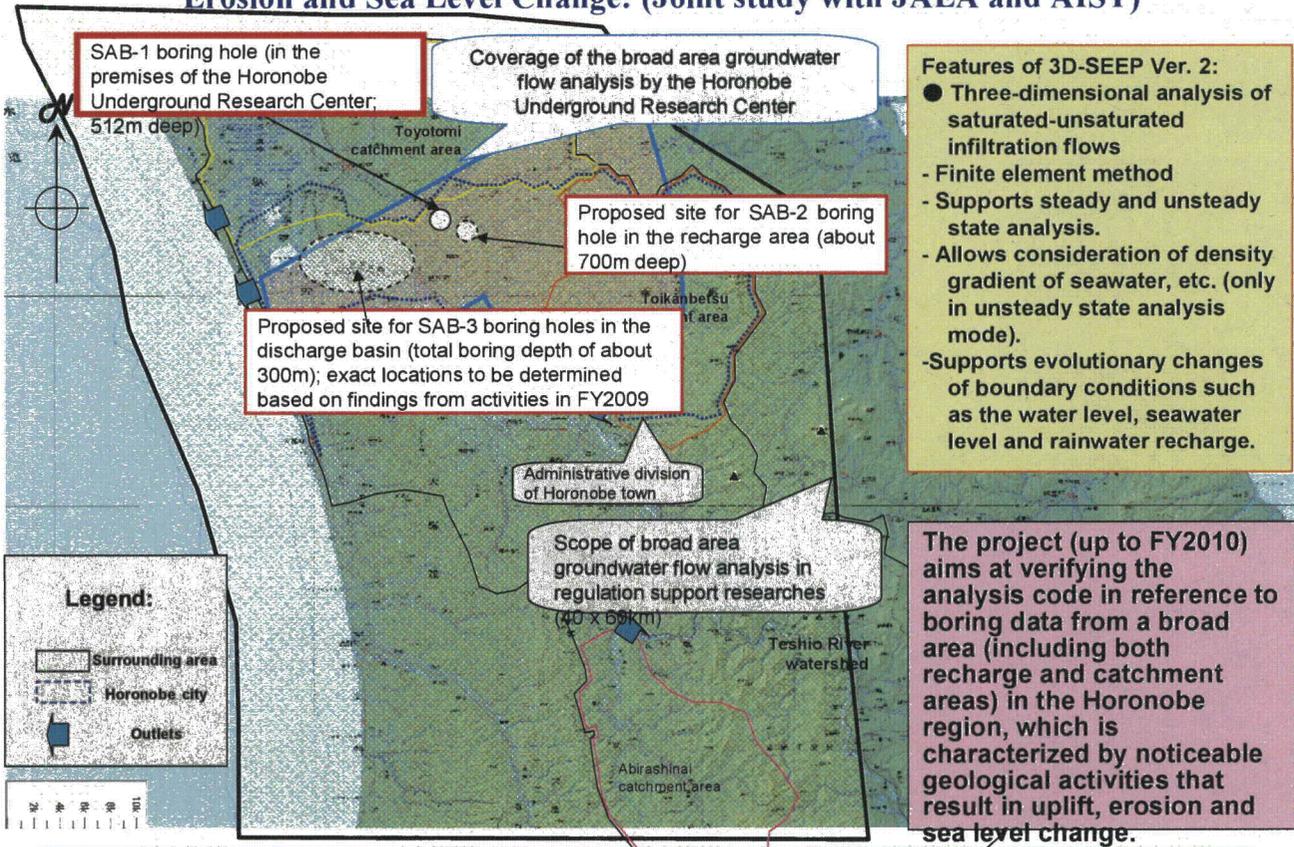
Safety R&D on Groundwater Flow Assessment

Assessment Objective	Analysis Code	Current Safety R&D
Broad area multi-dimensional groundwater flow assessment	General purpose multidimensional flow analysis codes: TOUGH2, Dtransu, MODFLOW	-JNES has been working toward the establishment of procedures for cross-check analysis. -JNES is preparing the Analysis Support System and Quality Assurance Support System to improve the reliability of cross-check analysis.
Near field multidimensional groundwater flow assessment	Same as the above	
Groundwater flow assessment coupled with uplift, erosion and sea level change	Groundwater flow analysis code that accounts for upheaval, erosion and sea level change: 3D-SEEP	-JAEA Safety Research Center is consigned by NISA to develop the code mainly for the safety assessment of geological disposal. - At present, an experiment for verification of the code is jointly conducted by JAEA, AIST and INES at the JAEA's Horonobe Underground Research Center.

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Verification of Groundwater Flow Analysis Code (3D-SEEP) That Accounts for Uplift, Erosion and Sea Level Change: (Joint study with JAEA and AIST)



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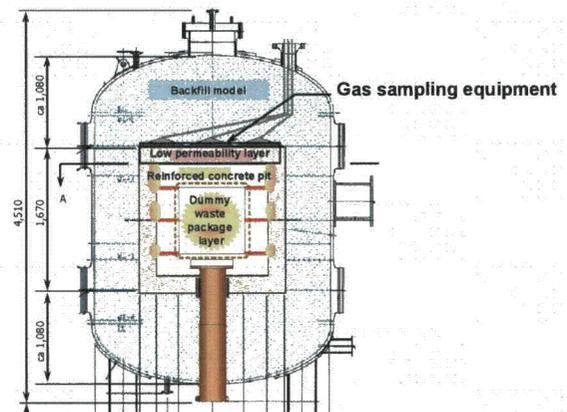
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Assessment of Engineered Barrier Performance in the Transient Period Experiments for the Verification of Safety Margins for Engineered Barriers

- Engineering-scale (about 1/5) model (more than 100years → about 2years)
- Understanding of resaturation and gas migration behaviors in the low permeability layer



Test set overview (before coating)



Concept of the three-dimensional test set (1/5 scale model)

The following should be verified by this experiment for the verification of safety margins for engineered barriers using an engineering-scale model:

1. Stable preservation of the low permeability property
→ Using the engineering-scale model, it should be verified that the whole layer swells uniformly and the intended low permeability property is achieved without much dependence on local-scale properties.
2. Formation of gas breakthrough pathways by the growing gas pressure
→ The stress from gas pressure may concentrate at corners of the low permeability layer, producing breakthrough pathways even at a relatively low gas pressure. It should be verified that such will not spoil the integrity of engineered barriers.
3. Restoration of low permeability after the release of gas
→ It should be verified that breakthrough pathways are closed again and the low permeability property is restored due to the self-sealing property of bentonite.

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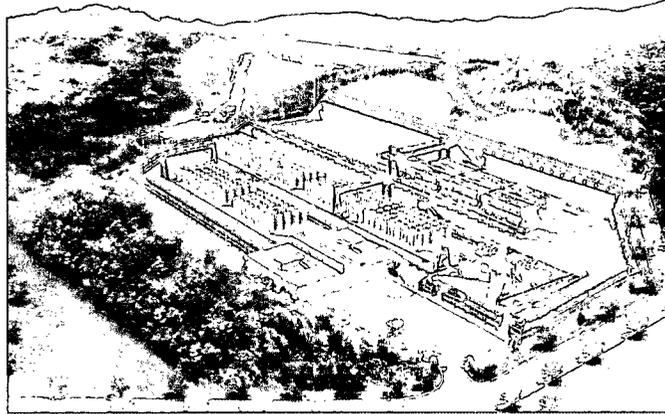
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Annex

Regulatory Research Needs for Geological Deposal

1. Developing “safety indicators” to judge the adequacy of site investigation results presented by the implementer
2. Compiling basic requirements of safety design and safety assessment needed to make a technical evaluation of the license application, as well as developing safety indicators for objective evaluation
3. Developing an independent safety assessment methodology

Regulatory Framework and Issues for Safe Management of Spent Fuel in the Republic of Korea



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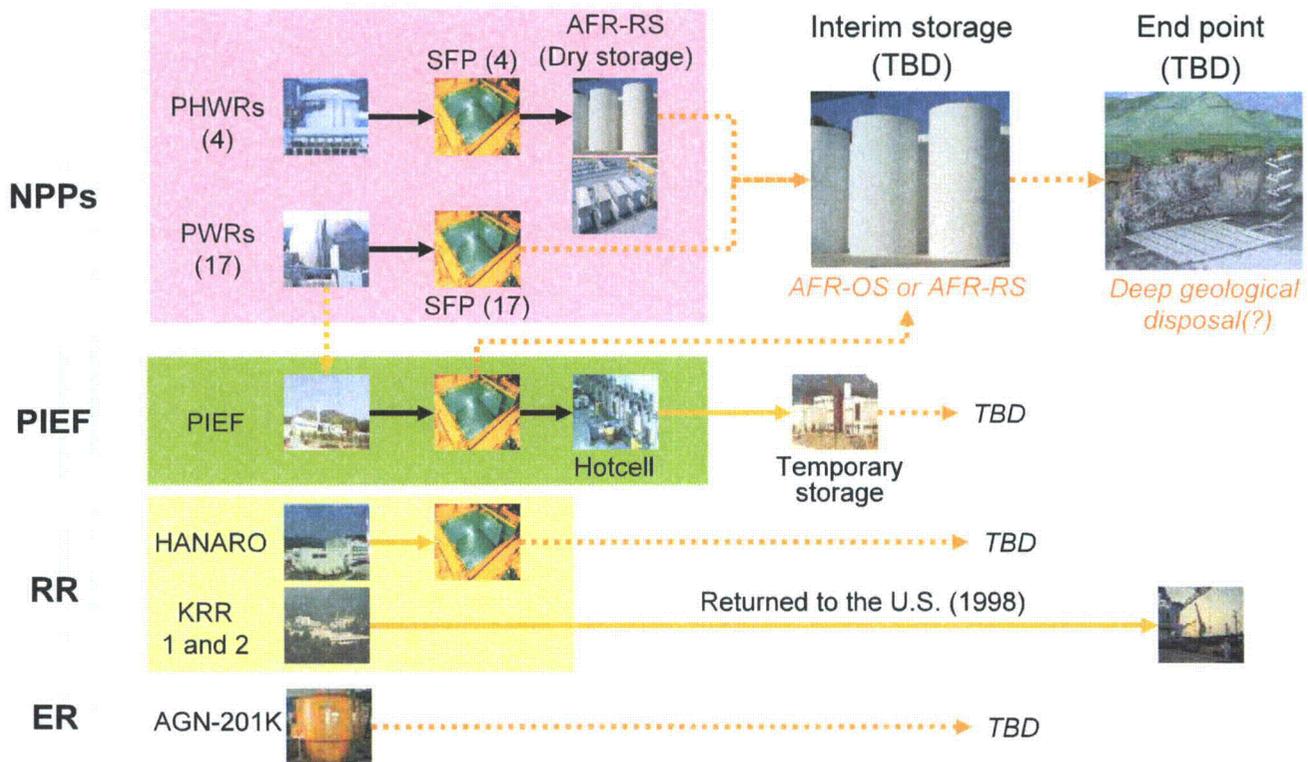
- I. **Background information**
 - II. **National policy on SF management**
 - III. **Regulations on temporary storage**
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Background information

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Framework of spent fuel management

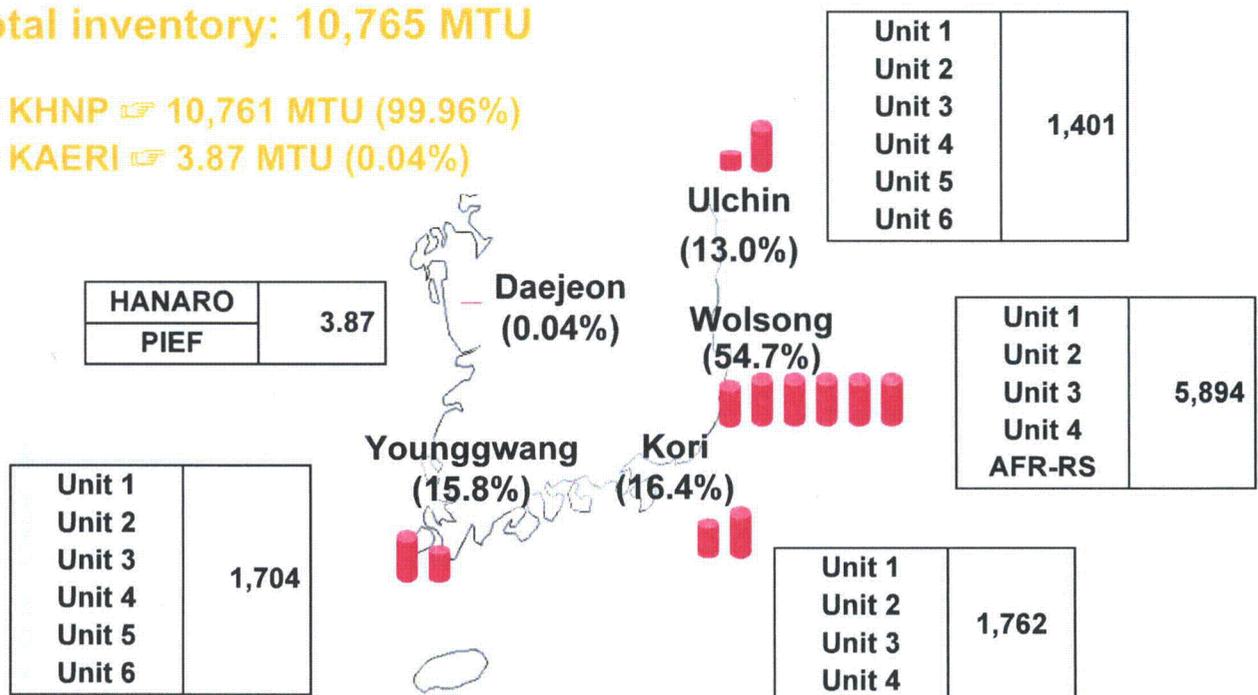


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Inventory of spent fuel

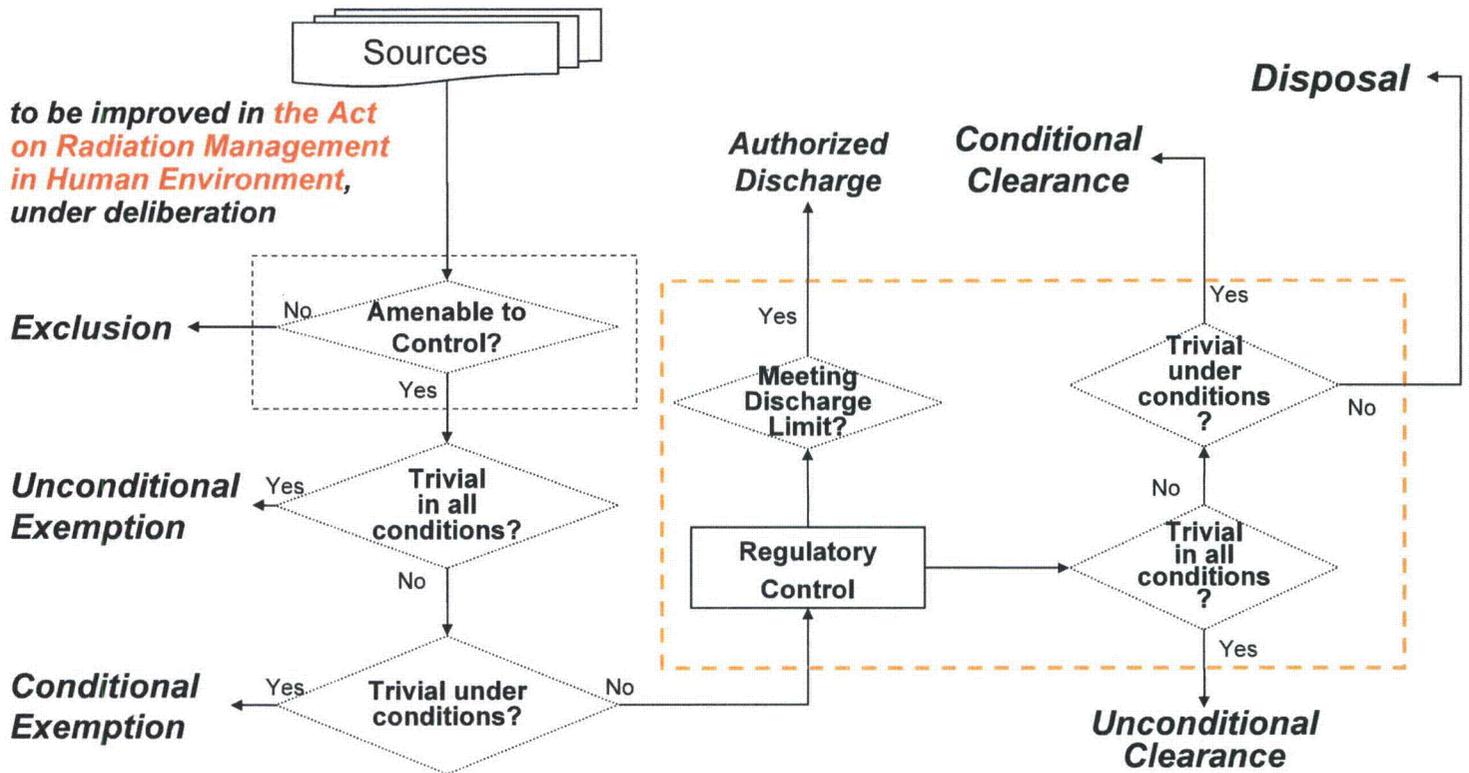
Total inventory: 10,765 MTU

- KHNP ☞ 10,761 MTU (99.96%)
- KAERI ☞ 3.87 MTU (0.04%)



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Regulatory control scheme on RM



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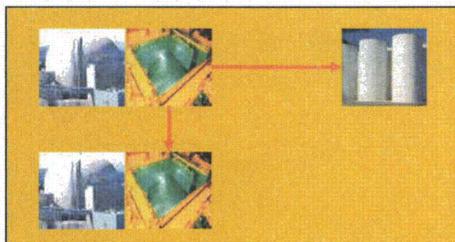
Regulatory scheme on each step of SFM

License of NPP (AEA §21)
– Spent fuel handling/storage facilities

License of Disposal Facility (AEA §76)
– Spent fuel interim storage

NPP

Interim storage



Transportation

Transport notification (AEA §86)
Cask design certification (AEA §90-2)
Cask inspection (AEA §90-3)



Processing facility

Disposal facility

Designation of Fuel Cycle Business (AEA §43)
– Spent fuel processing business

License of Disposal Facility (AEA §76)
– HLW deep geological disposal

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Basic radiological dose criteria

Dose limits

Item	Radiation Worker	Frequent Access Personnel and Transport Worker	Public
Effective Dose	100 mSv for 5 consecutive years; and not exceeding 50 mSv/y	12 mSv/y	1 mSv/y
Equivalent Dose • lens of the eye • skin, feet, and hands	150 mSv/y 500 mSv/y	15 mSv/y 50 mSv/y	15 mSv/y 50 mSv/y

Dose constraints for nuclear facilities in operation

Facility	Liquid Effluent	Effective Dose (0.03 mSv/y) Equivalent Dose (0.1 mSv/y)
	Gaseous Effluent	Gamma/Beta Air Dose (0.1, 0.2 mGy/y) Effective Dose, External (0.05 mSv/y) Skin Equivalent Dose, External (0.15 mSv/y) Equivalent Dose from Particulates (0.15 mSv/y)
Site		Effective Dose (0.25 mSv/y) Thyroid Equivalent Dose (0.75 mSv/y)
Effluent Control Limit (ECL) for Discharge		

Shielding design standards

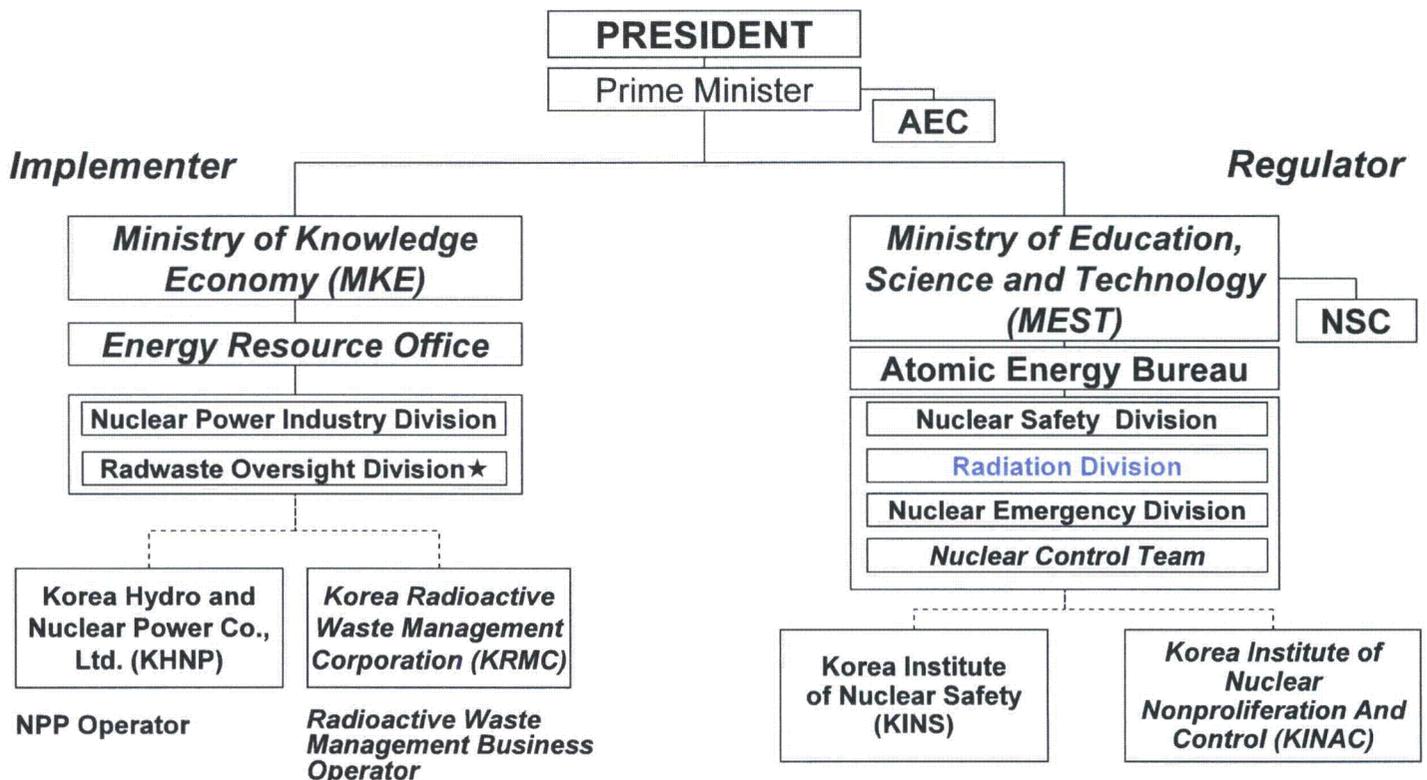
Inside facilities continually accessed by persons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> neither exceed the annual occupational dose limit; nor exceed 1mSv per week
Areas boundary of facilities occupied by people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> neither exceed the annual public dose limit; nor exceed 0.1 mSv per week

Clearance standards

Dose Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0.01 mSv/y and 1 person-Sv/y
Clearance Levels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100 Bq/g for specified short-lived RNs (Type A waste) Case-specific Calculations (Type B waste)

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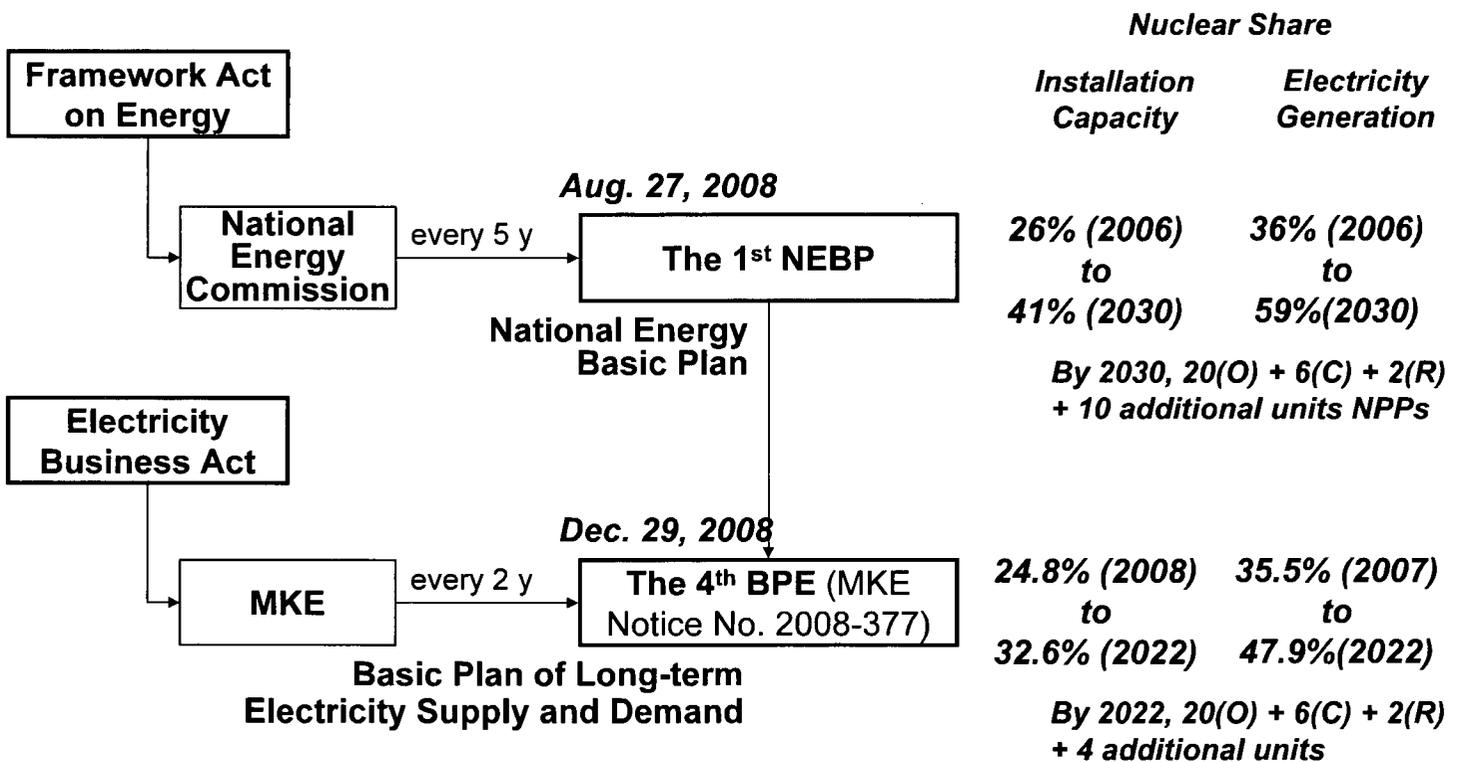
Related major organizations



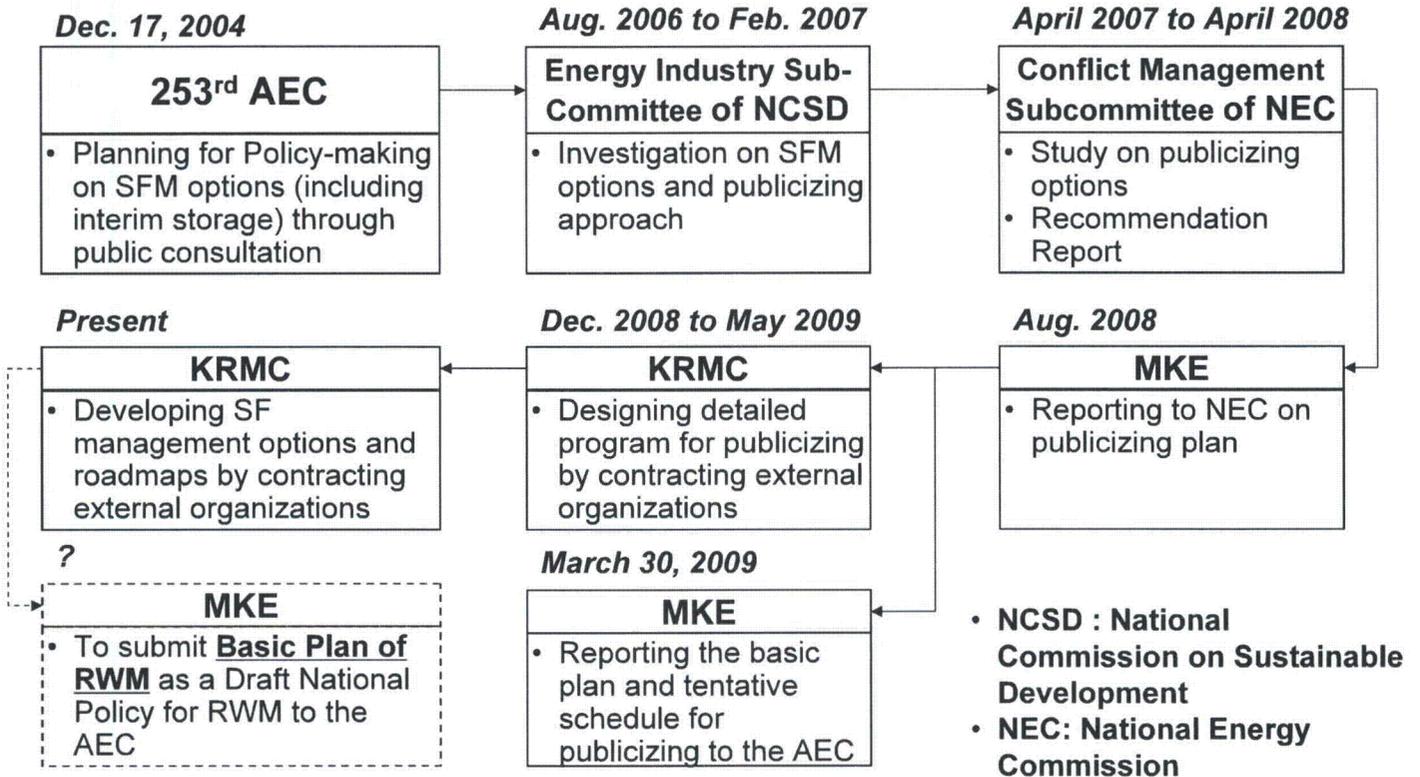
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National policy on SF management

Nuclear power development plan

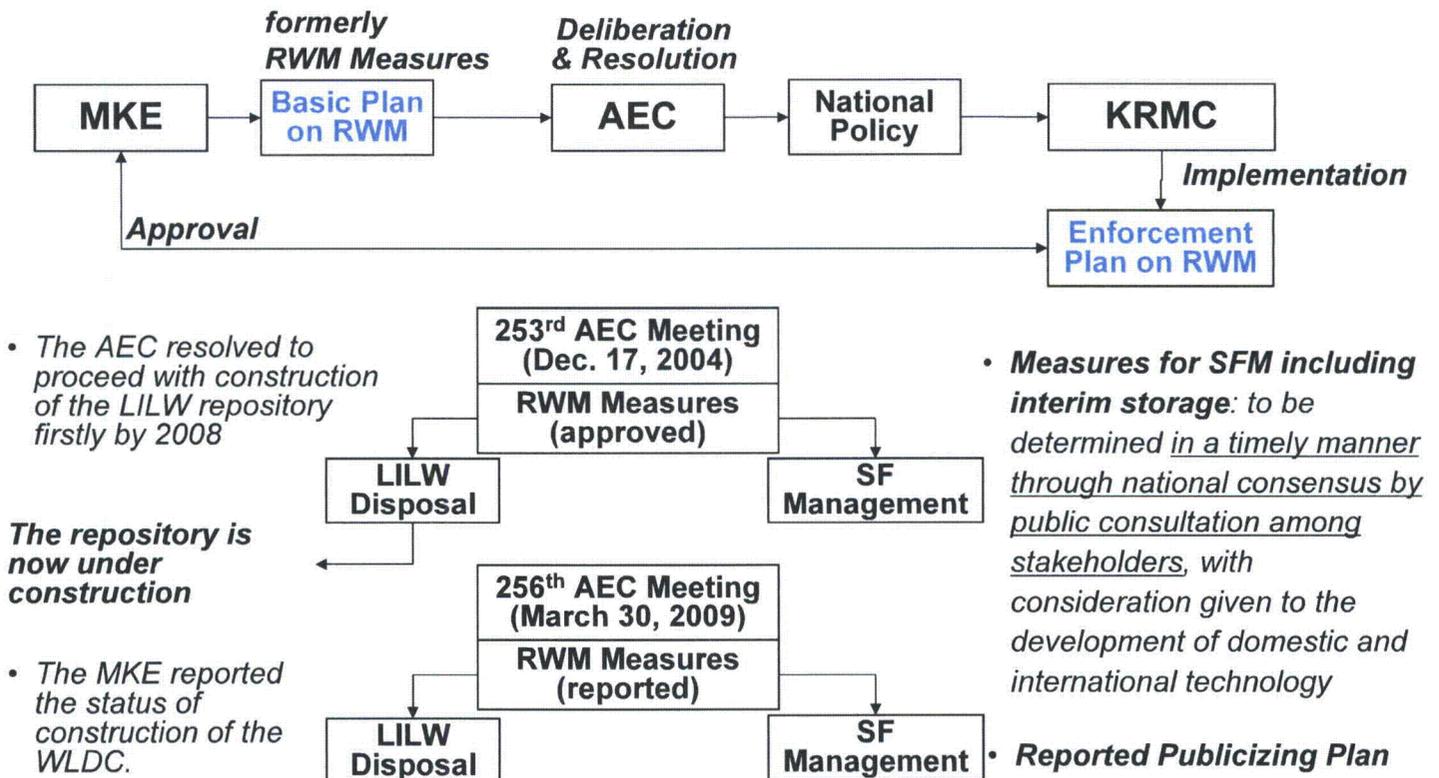


Policy making on SF management



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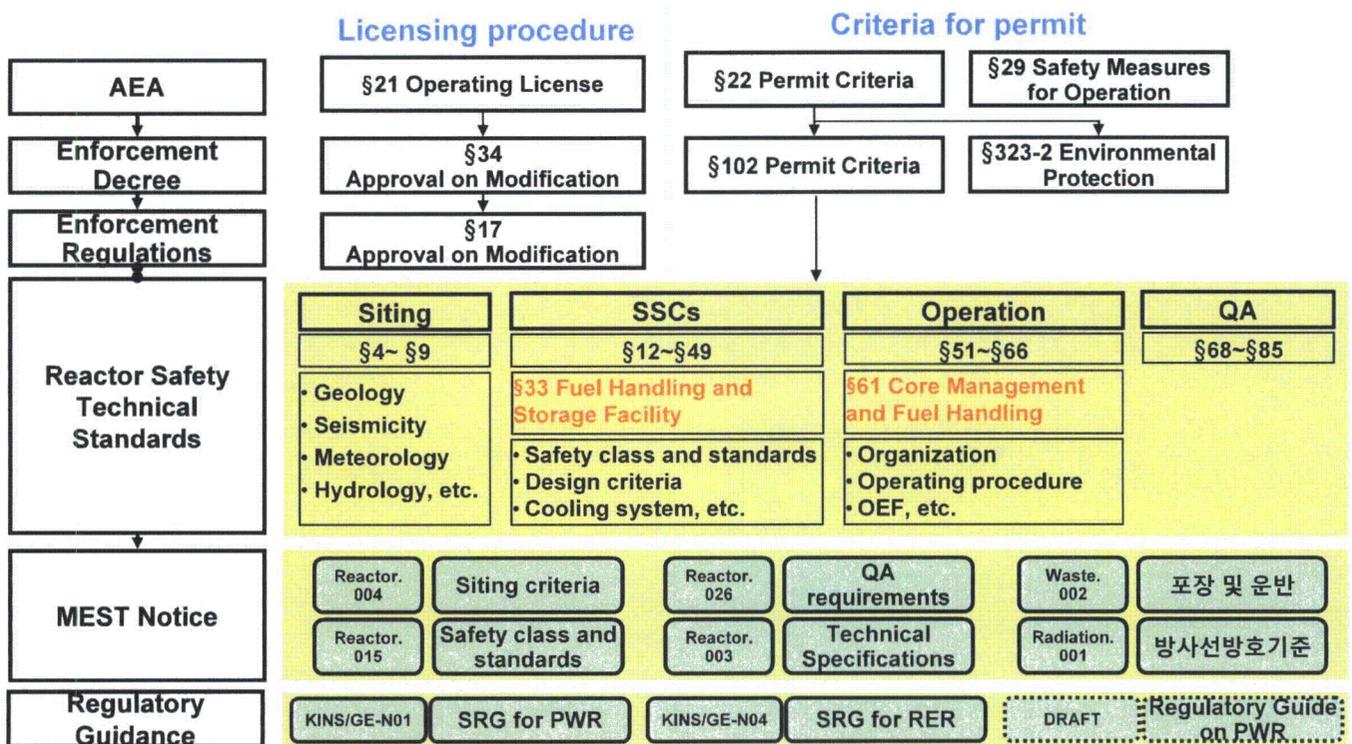
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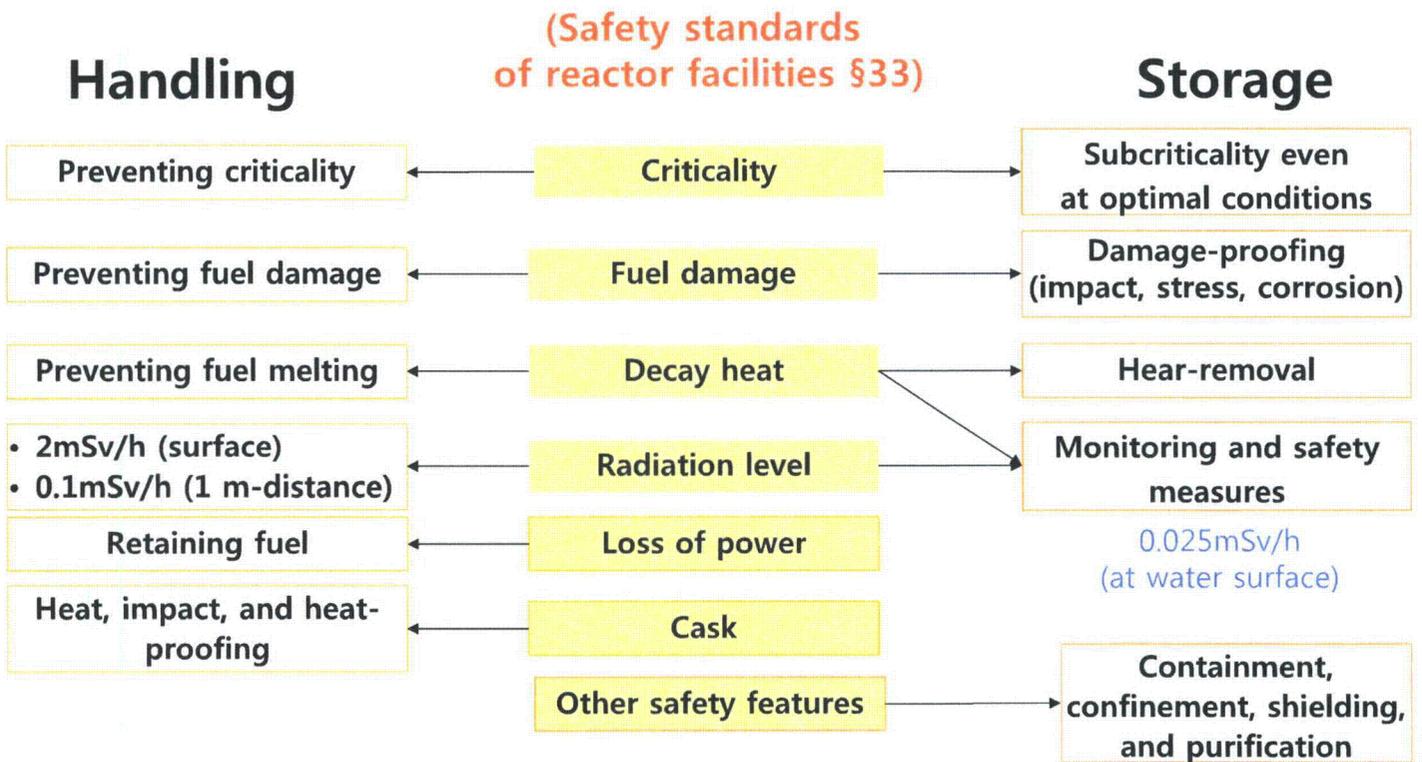
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Regulations on temporary storage

Licensing procedures and regulatory requirements on temporary storage

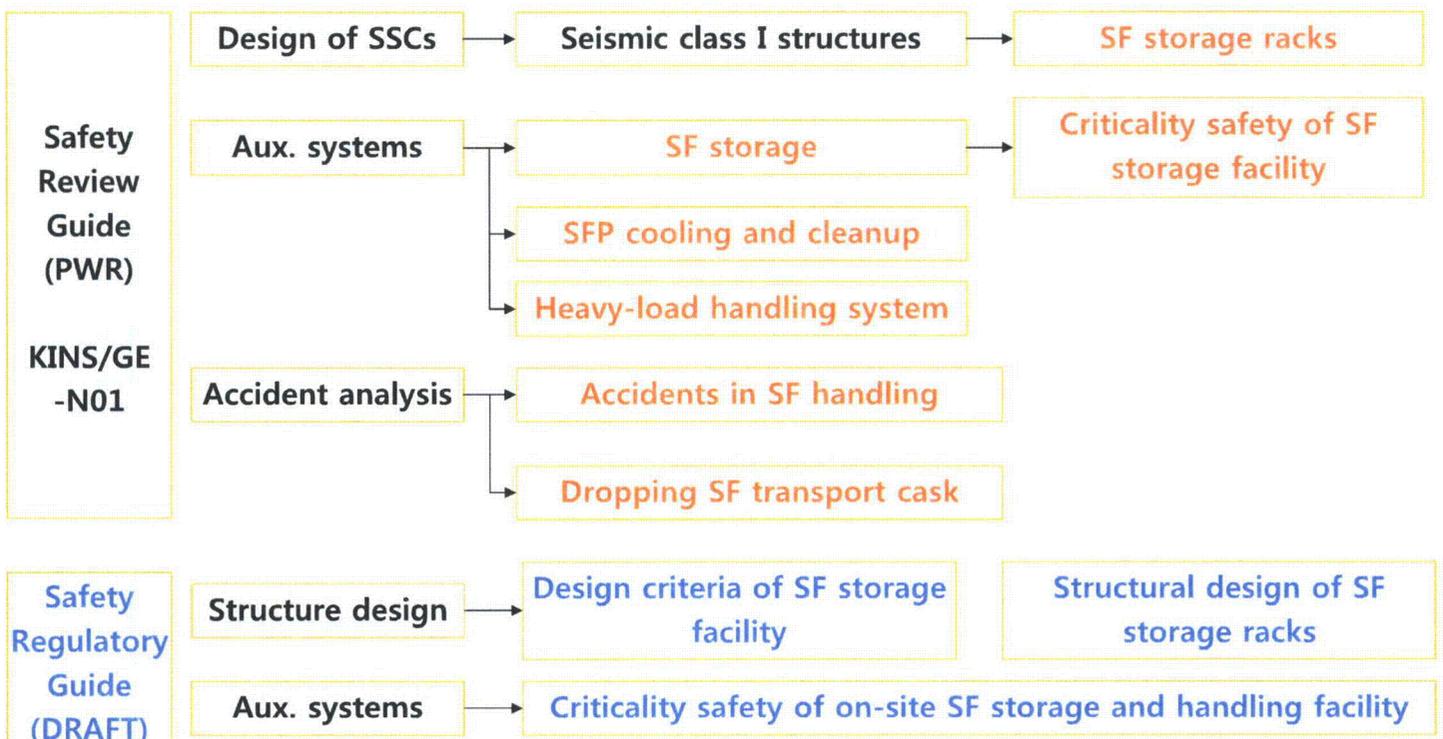


Standards on temporary storage of SF



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Regulatory guidance on temporary storage



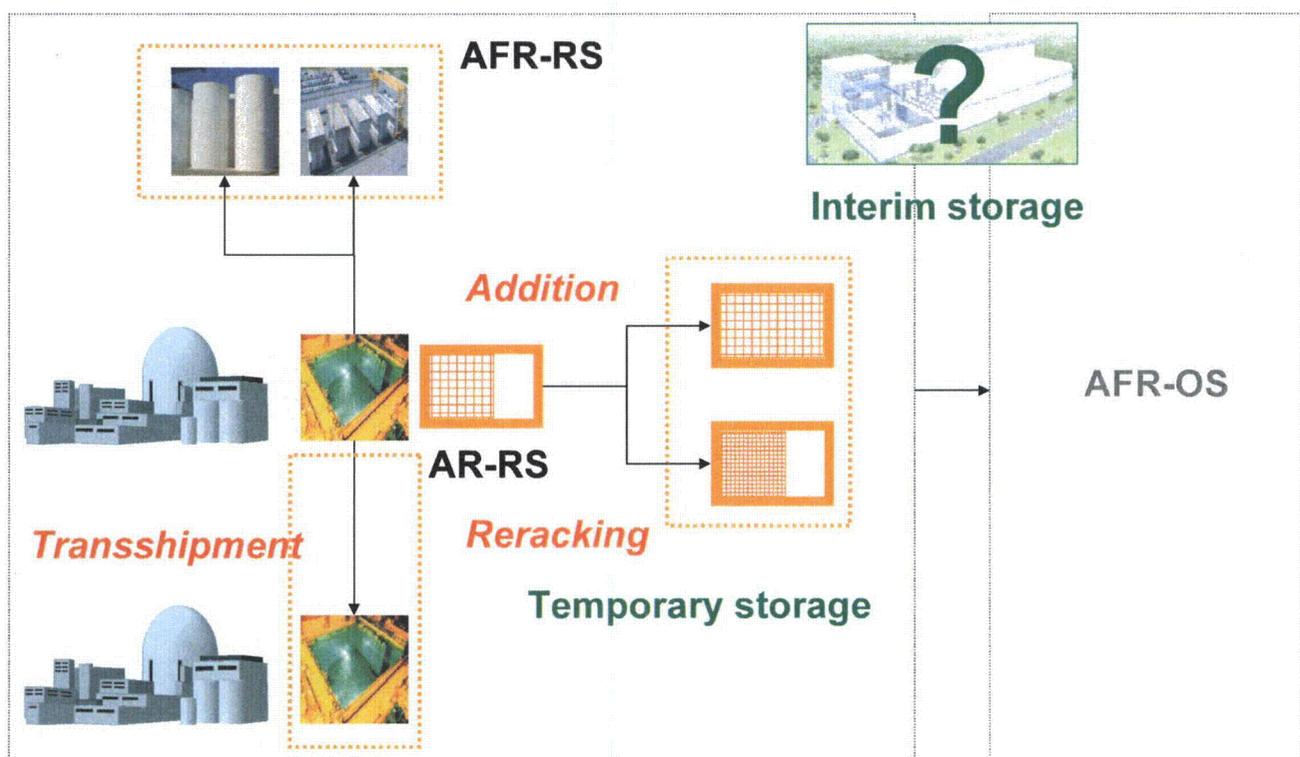
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Technical specifications

- Safety limits and LCOs
 - ▶ Water level above fuel rack (e.g. > 7 m)
 - ▶ Boron concentration in pool water (e.g. > 2,400 ppm)
 - ▶ Initial enrichment, burn-up, cooling time, etc.
 - ▶ Emergency ventilation system of the fuel building
- Radiological criteria
 - ▶ Criticality, cooling, water-level, dose rate, cleanup system
 - ▶ Handling system, equipment, personnel qualification, etc.

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Securing storage capacity for SF



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Securing storage capacity for SF

NPP Site	Measures	Remark
Kori	Units 1 and 2: Transshipment Units 3 and 4: Addition and Reracking	
Yonggwang	Unit 1: Addition and Reracking Unit 2: Addition Units 3 and 4: Reracking	Units 5 and 6: Reracking is planned in 2012
Ulchin	Units 1 and 2: Transshipment Units 1 to 4: Reracking	Units 5 and 6: Reracking is planned in 2013
Wolsong	AFR-RS Dry Storage: Silos and Vaults	PHWRs

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Dry storage for PHWR fuel - Silo

- Capacity
 - ▶ 300 units of silos
 - ▶ 9 fuel baskets per silo
 - ▶ 60 bundles per basket
- Dimension
 - ▶ 6.5 m (H), 3.1 m (D)
- Construction period:
 - ▶ 60 units (1992)
 - ▶ 80 units (1998)
 - ▶ 60 units (2002)
 - ▶ 100 units (2005)



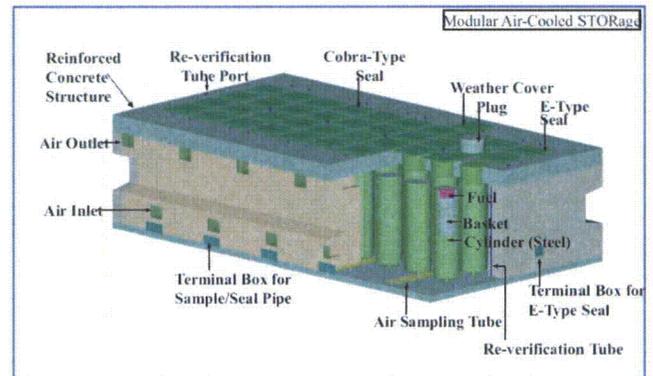
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Dry storage for PHWR fuel – MACSTOR/KN-400

■ Capacity

- ▶ 7 modules
- ▶ 40 cylinders per module
- ▶ 10 fuel baskets per cylinder
- ▶ 60 bundles per basket

■ Commissioning: 2010



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Transport cask for SF from PWR

■ Capacity: KSNP-type SF 18 assemblies

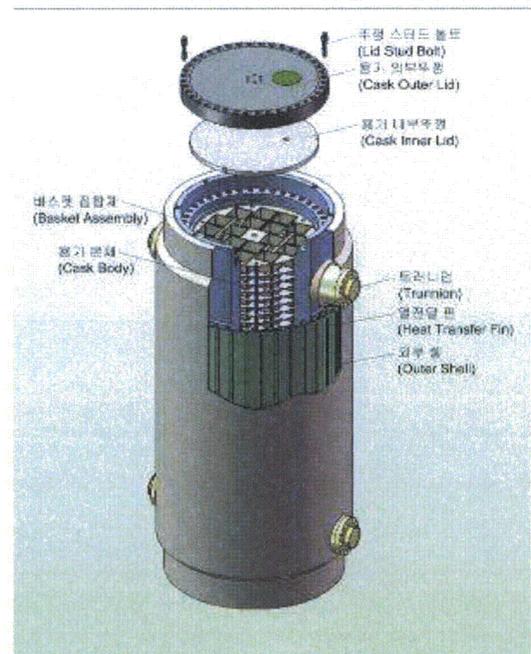
■ Dimension:

- ▶ 2,351 mm (D)
- ▶ 5,159 mm (H)

■ Weight: 126,814kg

■ Design/Manufacturing: KONES Corporation

■ Design certification: 2010



Transport cask, KN-18

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Transport cask for SF from PWR

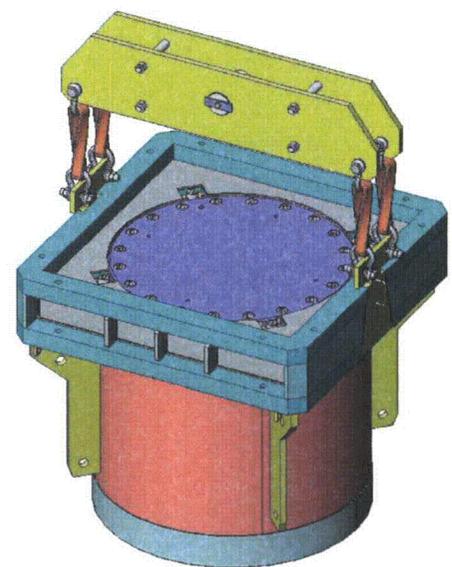


**Transport cask, KN-12
- certified in 2002**

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Transport cask for SF from PHWR

- Capacity: PHWR-type SF 120 bundles (2 baskets, 60 bundles per basket)
- Dimension:
 - ▶ 2,750 mm (D)
 - ▶ 2,516 mm (H)
- Weight: 126,814kg
- Design/Manufacturing: Holtec International
- Design certification: 2009



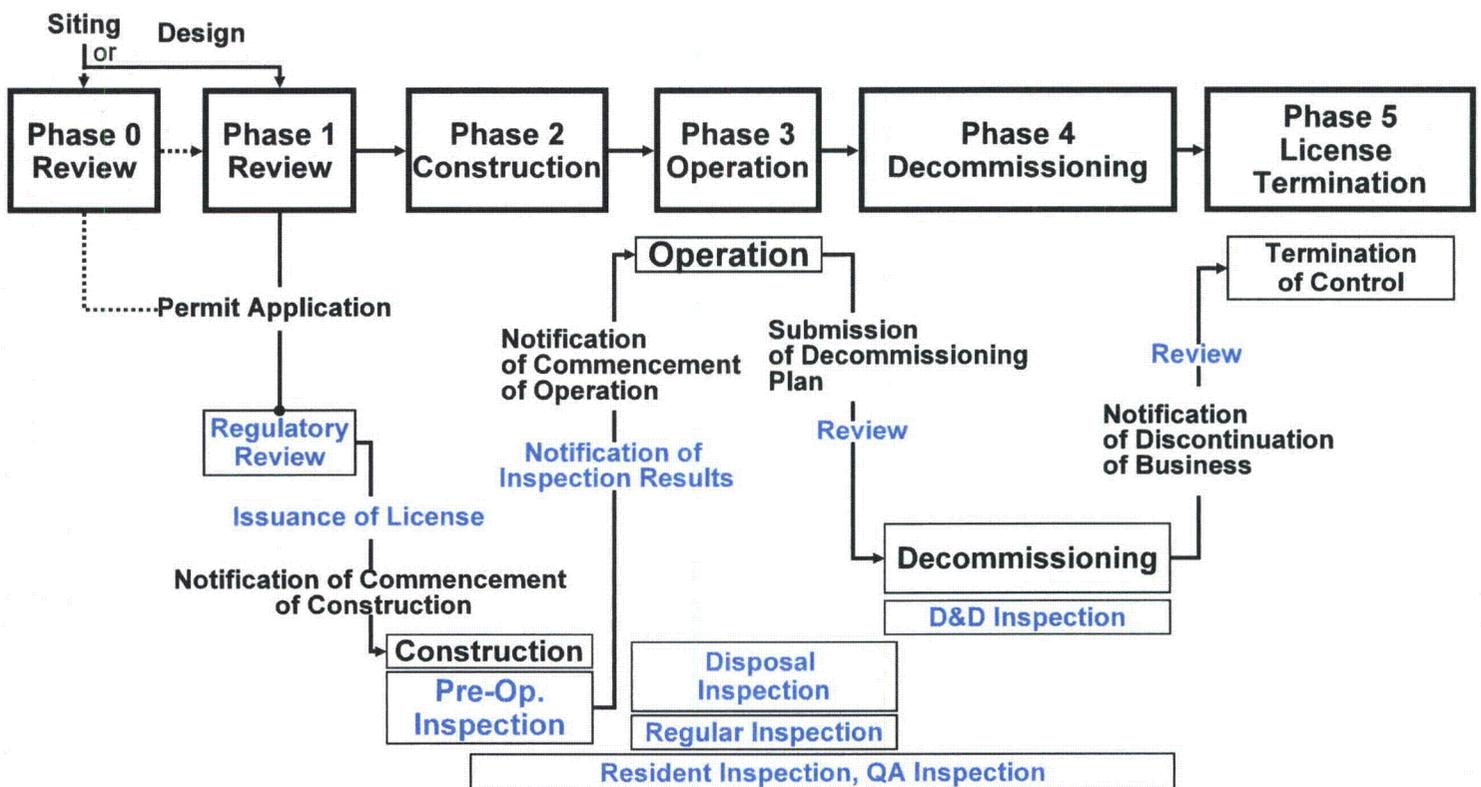
**Transport cask
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Regulations on interim storage

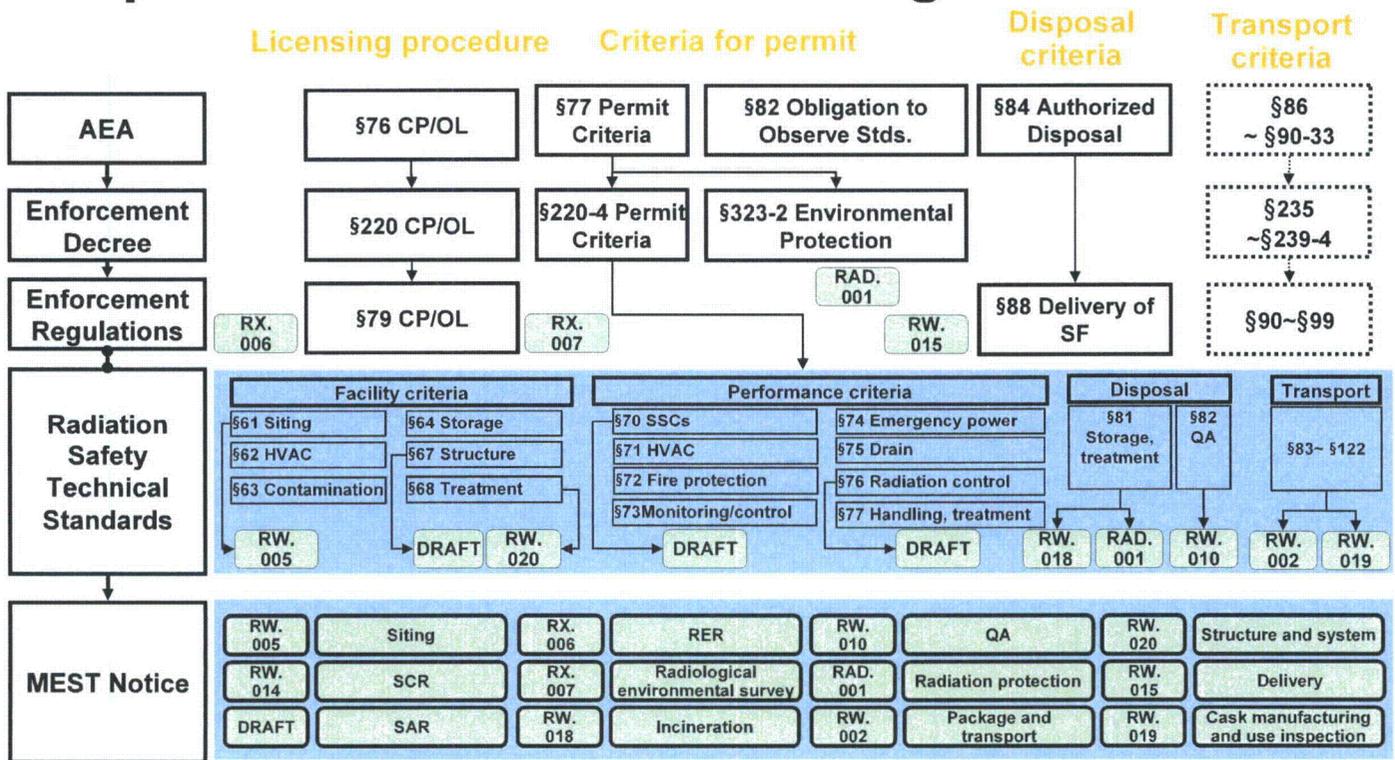
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Stepwise regulatory system - interim storage



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Licensing procedures and regulatory requirements on interim storage



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Documents for permit application - interim storage

AEA §76 - related

Enforcement Decree of the AEA §79 - related

- ① Radiological Environmental Report
- ② Safety Analysis Report
- ③ Safety Administration Rules
- ④ Design and Construction Methods
- ⑤ Quality Assurance Program

- ① Construction and Operation Plan
- ② Storage, Processing and Disposal Methods
- ③ Types and Volume of SF
- ④ Technical Capabilities regarding Construction and Operation
- ⑤ Equipment and Manpower

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Standards on interim storage of SF

- Siting Criteria
 - ▶ Meteorological conditions, Hydro-geological features, Earthquakes
 - ▶ Ecological characteristics
 - ▶ Availability of existing water resources, etc.
- Standards for Structure and Equipments
 - ▶ Shielding
 - ▶ Prevention of criticality and sufficient cooling capacity
 - ▶ Prevention of radiological hazards due to natural phenomena
 - Tsunami, Tornado, Typhoon, Flooding, Heavy Snow/Rainfall, Earthquake, etc.
 - ▶ Retaining safety functions in fire and/or explosion accidents
 - ▶ Prevention of undue radiation exposure due to accidental release of RM

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Standards on structures and facilities of interim storage of SF

Articles in the draft Notice	U.S. (10 CFR Part 72)	IAEA (Safety Series No. 116)
§ 4 (Basic requirements) § 23 (specs. and stds.)	Subpart A, F	§ 201-206, § 207-212
§ 4 (Basic requirements), § 5 (Base foundation)	§ 72.122(b)(2)(ii)	§ 217, § 322-332
§ 13 (Materials)	§ 72.120(d)	§ 230-237, § 342-245
§ 11 (Removal of heat)	§ 72.128(a)(4)	§ 225-229, § 338-341
§ 8 (Criticality)	§ 72.124(a)~(c)	§ 213-216, § 320-321
§ 10 (Confinement)	§ 72.122(h)	§ 223-224
§ 9 (Shielding)	§ 72.126(a)(6)	§ 221
§ 14 (Radiation protection)	§ 72.126(a)~(c)	§ 218-220; § 333-337
§ 15 (Fire protection)	§ 72.122(c)	§ 409-411

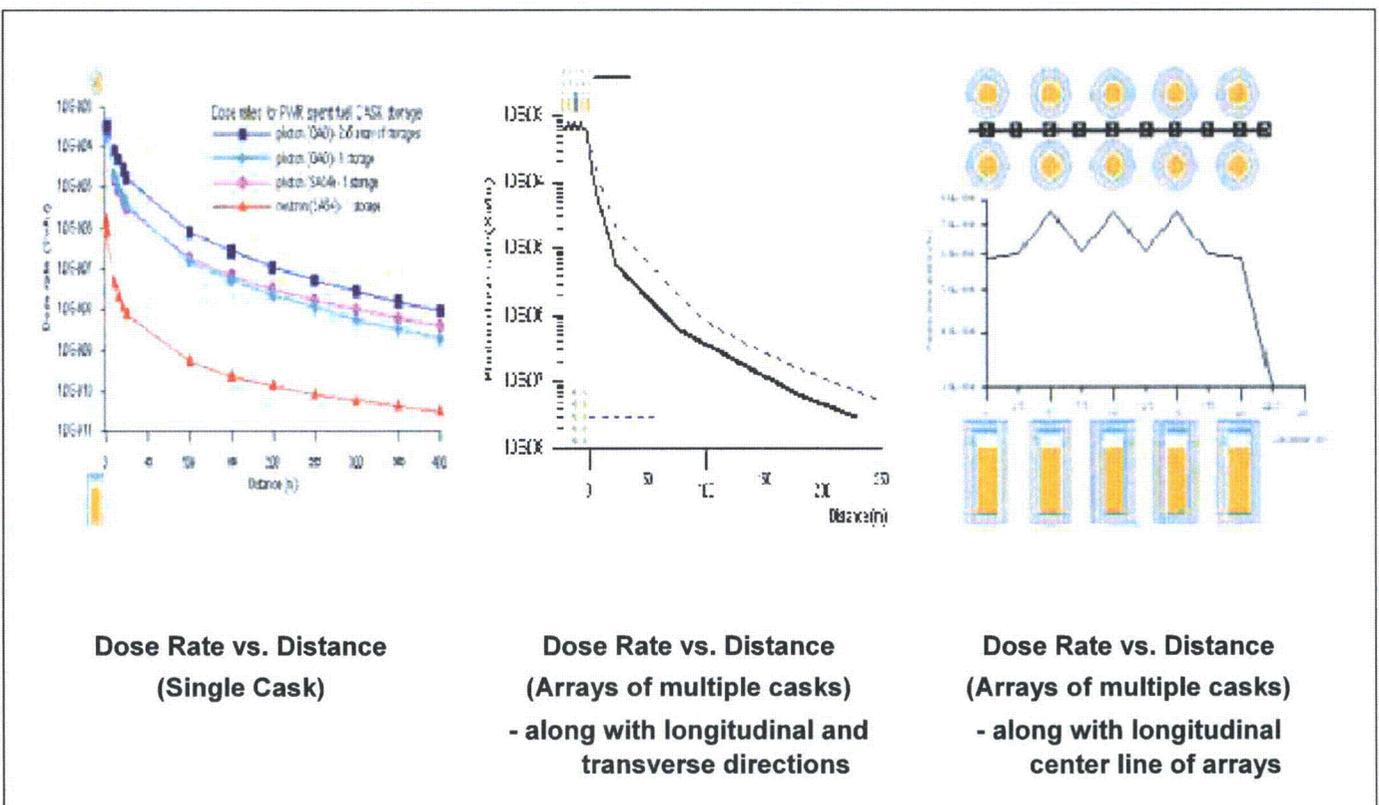
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Standards on structures and facilities of interim storage of SF

Articles in the draft Notice	U.S. (10 CFR Part 72)	IAEA (Safety Series No. 116)
§ 12 (Handling equipments)	§ 72.128(a)	§ 238-232 § 346-347
§ 22 (Test, monitoring, inspection, and maintenance)	§ 72.122(a),(f)	§ 601-603
§ 6 (Natural disasters) § 7 (Man-made accidents)	§ 72.122(b)	(SS No. 118)
§ 16 (Alarming equipment) § 17 (Lighting) § 19 (Maintenance of facilities)	§ 72.122(j),(k)	§ 401-418
§ 24 (Prevention of sharing systems)	§ 72.122(d),(k)(4)	
§ 20 (Emergency power)	§ 72.122(k)(3)	§ 402~403
§ 26 (Decommissioning)	§ 72.130	§ 701-703
§ 4 (Basic requirement)	§ 72.122(l), § 236(h),(m)	

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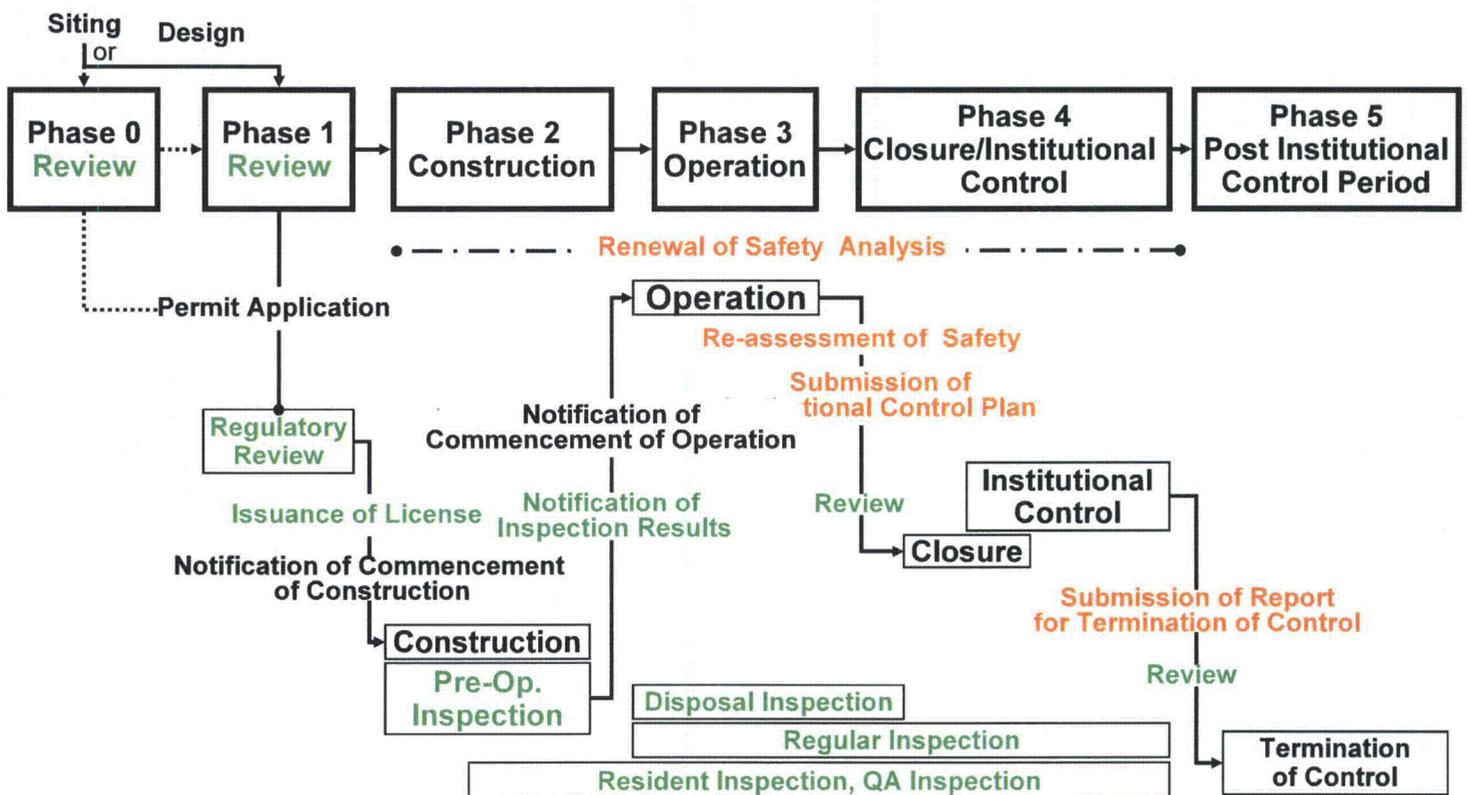
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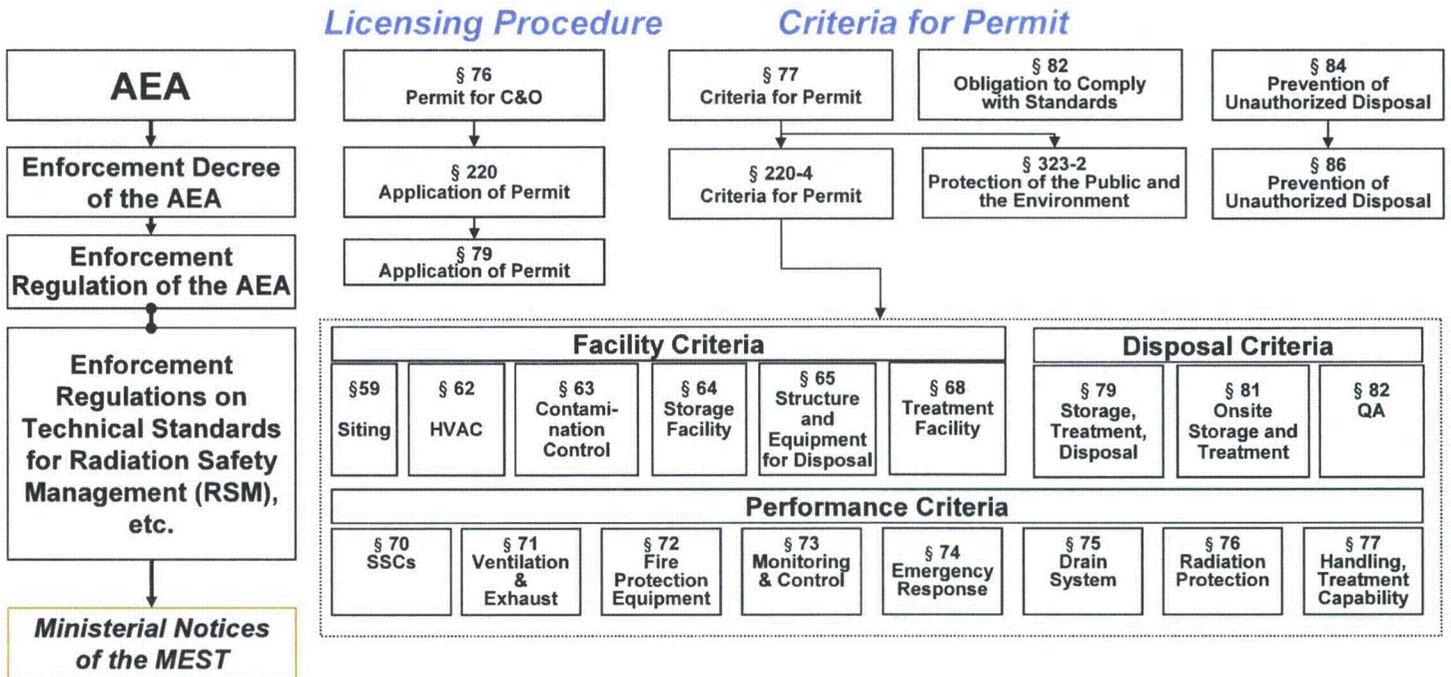
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Regulations on disposal

Stepwise regulatory system – disposal



Licensing procedures and regulatory requirements on disposal facility



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Standards on deep geological disposal - siting criteria

- Distant from
 - ▶ densely populated areas, surface/subsurface water, and deposits of flammable natural resources
- Located in an area/location not seriously affected by
 - ▶ sea water, weather change, etc.
- Geologically stable
- Founded on the rocks of low permeability, porosity, and diffusivity
- Founded on the underground media not seriously affected by decay heat

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Standards on deep geological disposal

- Structure and equipment criteria
 - ▶ Controlling decay heat and pressure generated from waste
 - ▶ Preventing potential criticality
- Storage, treatment and disposal criteria
 - ▶ Setting up preservation area and/or exclusion area
 - ▶ Attaching radiation sign on the waste package
 - ▶ Limiting radiation dose to worker, etc.

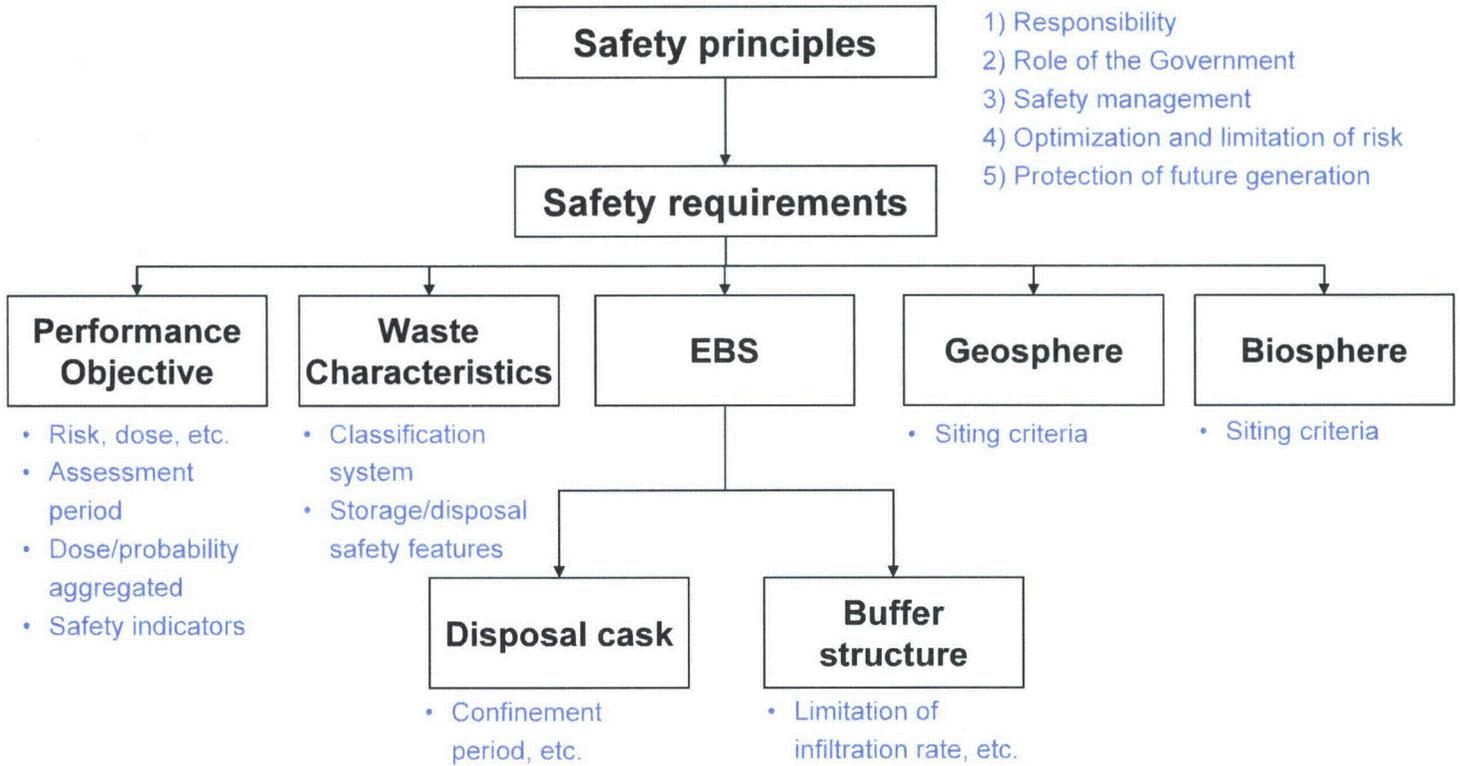
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Post-closure radiological criteria for disposal facility

- LILW disposal facility (MEST Notice RW.011)
 - ▶ Natural phenomena: 0.1 mSv/y
 - ▶ Unexpected disruptive events: $10^{-6}/y$
 - ▶ Human intrusion: 1 mSv/y
- HLW disposal facility (under development)
 - ▶ Total risk to the public: $10^{-6}/y$
 - ▶ Dose from a single scenario: 10 mSv/y
 - ▶ Development of safety case by using safety indicators

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Regulatory R&D framework on HLW disposal



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Concluding remarks

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Summary

- National policy on SFM
 - ▶ to be decided through publicizing process in a few years
- Temporary storage of SF
 - ▶ fully experienced
 - ▶ few more capacity expansions being expected
- Interim storage of SF
 - ▶ being anticipated in the near future
 - ▶ to be ready for licensing in 2 to 3 years
- Disposal of SF
 - ▶ continuing regulatory R&D on basic concepts

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Challenges, areas of interests, etc.

- Policy issues
 - ▶ Uncertainty in the end point of SF and time schedule thereof
- Interim storage safety issues
 - ▶ Graded approach to AFR-RS and AFR-OS
 - ▶ Regulations on AFR-RS after decommissioning of reactor(s)
 - ▶ Interfaces between storage and transport regulations
 - ▶ Consideration of transportation risk
 - ▶ Aircraft crash vs. storage buildings
 - ▶ Storage of damaged or high burn-up fuel
 - ▶ Pilot PRA of a dry cask storage system

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Challenges, areas of interests, etc.

- Disposal safety issues
 - ▶ Revision of present regulatory framework on disposal
 - ▶ Pre-licensing activities and their legal/practical aspects
 - ▶ Role of regulator in site selection process and approval
 - ▶ Interfaces among storage, transportation, and disposal of SF
 - ▶ Lessons-learned from YMP
 - ▶ Anything else...

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Thanks for your attention...



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