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Regarding procedures for applying to this subsidy program			
	1	As the subsidy amount is large, we want you to consider "payments by rough estimate" (about the payment for each year in particular). Is it necessary to mention in our proposal about our desire for getting payment by rough estimate?	As for payments by rough estimate, we intend to discuss the matter with operating entities to be subsidized individually, in consultation with other agencies concerned, after the proposal has been selected.
	2	In the case where the method of payments by rough estimate is accepted, may we understand that the payments will be made only after proper evidences required for the settlement have been submitted?	Not only for the payments by rough estimate but also for any monetary settlements, subsidies will be paid only when all documents required for the settlement are submitted and the relevant documents are verified.
	3	As for personnel expenses, it is described in the Application Guidelines that "expenses subject to a subsidy are those related to the relevant subsidized projects". Then, will expenses required for the administration and implementation of the project (e.g. communication/handling with other R&D) be also accepted?	Such expenses will also be covered by the subsidy as long as the expenses are those required for the subsidized project.
	4	Will the schedule (date and time) for the presentation before the Examination Committee be clarified immediately after participation in the presentation is applied for on the 26th? Is it also possible that the presentation will be requested to be made on the date of deadline for application submission (the 27th)?	We plan to notify the schedule, etc. for the presentation within the 26th. We are also considering the possibility of presentations to be made on the date of deadline (the 27th) for application submission.
Regarding the projects (General)			
	5	Will the up-to-date information about Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station be made available to applicants?	The information which the PMO can provide is public information only. It is however possible to exchange information, in coordination with the agencies concerned, after the start of the project.
	6	What is the reason for the period of this request for proposals being shorter than that of other requests for proposals?	We made the period for the request for proposals of this time shorter than the previous requests so that the project implementation period can be made longer as much as possible.
	7	Do you have an intention of creating documents (including the Application Guidelines) also in English?	No. We have no such plan. However, it is possible for applicants to submit proposals in English.

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Regarding the project (Development of Technologies for Repairing Leaks from PCV and Water Stoppage of PCV)			
	8	As for technologies for stopping water leakage from piping bellows, it is required to verify the feasibility before the designing, unlike the cases of technologies for stopping water leakage from vent pipes. What is the reason therefor?	As for the technologies for stopping water leakage from piping bellows, we think it necessary to evaluate the water-leakage stoppage performance.
	9	May we understand that what is required is to implement the designing work so as to apply water-leakage stopping technologies used in other facilities to Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station?	Each proposer should make its own judgment and describe as it sees appropriate.
	10	In "Item 2 (3)" of the Application Guidelines, it is described that for the evaluation of the retrieval of fuel debris, information needs to be provided and/or compiled. What kind of situation is assumed here?	Besides this request for proposals, there is another requests for proposals for the development of technologies to take out fuel debris and reactor core internal structure", and therefore, it is expected that this project is proceeded with in cooperation/coordination with other operating entities who are involved in the above-said technological development.
Regarding the project (Full-scale Test for Repairing Leaks from PCV and Water Stoppage of PCV)			
	11	Is there any connection between the request for proposals for "Development of Technologies for Repairing Leaks from PCV and Water Stoppage of PCV" and this request for proposals? Does this mean that the newly developed technology needs to undergo a full scale test?	Yes. The technology that is to undergo a full scale test is the one developed under the "Development of Technologies for Repairing Leaks from PCV and Water Stoppage of PCV."
	12	After the equipment and facilities for the full scale test are installed and the project is completed (on or after April 1, 2016), in what manner will the equipment and facilities be maintained and managed?	Even after the completion of the project, it is stipulated in the Rules on the Grand Policy for Subsidy that the project operating entity is required to maintain the equipment and facilities used for the full scale test with due care of a prudent manager, and that it is not allowed to dispose of them as the operating entity wishes. Although some sort of measures will be taken depending on the situation thereafter, nothing has been determined yet at this moment.
	13	For the preparation of materials required for a full scale test, will the data from Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station be made available? Or, is it assumed that the operating entity is to simulate the situation based on publicly available information?	We cannot provide applicants with CAD data and the like. Thus, please prepare a proposal within the range of information available to the operating entity.

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	14	As for "Item 2. Contents of Project (3)", does the "mock-up of equipment/facilities" required in the mock-up facilities mean the mock-up facilities of JAEA? If that is the case, will necessary information be provided?	JAEA's mock-up facilities are the ones indicated there. There is no information available that the PMO can provide at this moment.