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### **Effects of the Great Tohoku Earthquake #6**

EM Japan continued efforts on multiple fronts to bring stable supply to the stricken areas, which coincide with priority directions laid out by Minister Kaieda in his notice to Petroleum Association of Japan yesterday (17 March)

- A damage assessment team reached Shiogama Terminal in Sendai and plans to resume operations with available inventories over the weekend (19-20 March). The terminal will be used to accelerate resupply of the Sendai area.
- As part of a new government initiative, 37 of our retail sites are now designated as emergency supply SS in the Kanto area and 29 in the Tohoku.
- EM Japan will make additional tank trucks available to help address a shortage of transport and enable stable supply of fuel in the Tohoku area.
- Since resumption of rail service on March 16, about 100 tank cars/day of gasoline, kerosene and diesel from TonenGeneral Sekiyu's Kawasaki refinery have been delivered to terminals in Utsunomiya, Takasaki, Matsumoto and Ueda.
- In order to assure emergency supplies of fuel to priority operations of the government, TonenGeneral Sekiyu's Wakayama refinery and Kyokuto Petroleum Inc.'s Chiba refinery are prepared for shipping hundreds of 200-liter drums of kerosene and diesel by truck over the next several days to be delivered to the stricken areas.
- As roads are cleared, tank trucks are increasingly reaching SDF bases to deliver product within the Tohoku itself.
- Kawasaki refinery has now fully recovered gasoline production to about pre-quake levels.
- At the Wakayama and Sakai refineries in the Kansai region, highest priority is being placed on production for domestic use in order to generate availability.
- In addition, supplies of products in the Kansai refineries are being transferred to the Kanto region.
- In the Kanto area, shipping volumes have been restored to pre-quake levels but demand volumes continue exceptionally high in certain areas.

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