China's Nuclear Emergency Preparedness and Response during the COVID-19 Epidemic



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We deeply respect the work carried out by the Agency during the COVID-19 pandemic.



On the premise of regular epidemic prevention and control, China has orderly resumed work, production and school. The economic development and the production and life order have been steadily recovered and turned for the better.





The radiation sterilization technique





The electron beam is tried to treat medical

wastewater and wastes in hospitals







Adhering to the overall national security

Advocating a rational, coordinated and progressive concept of nuclear safety

The EPR Orientational Principles

Constant Vigilance, Versatile Compatibility, Unified Direction, Active Co-ordination, Public Safeguard, Environmental Protection



CAEA fully draws lessons from the practical experience of epidemic response, and makes an in-depth analysis for the challenge faced by nuclear emergency preparedness and response, in the storage and guarantee of nuclear emergency supplies, the innovation and application of relevant techniques, the release of information and public communication, and the improvement of international cooperation mechanism. We will formulate measures, scientifically adjust and optimize the layout, enhance efficiency, continuously strengthen and improve nuclear emergency preparedness and response, and promote the modernization of the national nuclear emergency management system and its capability.



7 aspects of work of China's Nuclear EPR

1. Give full play to the role of nuclear EPR coordination mechanism

2.Improve the EPR law and regulation system & plan system

3.Continuously promote and build the nuclear EPR capability

4.Strengthen the training & exercise

5. Earnestly carry out public communication and psychological self-regulation

6.Expand international exchange and cooperation

7.Strengthen the duty preparation



1. Give full play to the role of nuclear emergency coordination mechanism

We give full play to the overall and coordinated role of the National Nuclear EPR Coordination Committee, earnestly fulfill the duties of CAEA as the leading department for national nuclear EPR management, and consolidate the responsibilities of nuclear EPR organizations at all levels. We guide nuclear EPR organizations at all levels to move forward, strengthen supervision and inspection, eliminate hidden risks, strengthen EPR, improve response capacity, and ensure the smooth and effective operation of the nuclear EPR system.



2.Improve the EPR law and regulation system & plan system



Nuclear Safety Law

Nuclear Power Plant Nuclear Accident EPR Management Regulations

National Nuclear EPR Plan



3.Continuously promote and build the nuclear EPR capability



We strengthen to build the basic capacity and professional strength of nuclear EPR, promote the application of information and intelligence in this field, and improve the reserve system and allocation mechanism for nuclear EPR supplies.

We optimize the national nuclear EPR rescue forces and expert evaluation, and promote the construction of national nuclear EPR rescue team.









4.Strengthen the training & exercise

We hold training courses on nuclear EPR management.

We participate in the ConvEx series of nuclear EPR convention exercises held by the IAEA-IEC.





5. Earnestly carry out public communication and psychological self-regulation



"Nuclear+X" Creative Competition

核设施运营单位员工 抗疫心理调节手册 国家核事故应急办公室 编写单位: **Psychological Self**regulation Manual for

Combating the Epidemic





6.Expand international exchange and cooperation

10th EPR Competent Authorities Meeting







7.Strengthen the duty preparation

We strengthen the duty preparation for the epidemic and flood season, and strictly prevent the superposition of the epidemic and safety accidents of nuclear facilities.

The effective operation of the national nuclear EPR duty network and the nuclear EPR command systems at all levels is ensured.

And the risks that may be caused by all kinds of emergencies can be quickly, accurately and effectively resolved.



The impact of nuclear accident is without country boundary, and nuclear EPR management is by no means a small matter. China is willing to support all activities of the IAEA continuously, share our experiences on nuclear EPR management with other member states, and join hands with other countries to meet the challenge under the epidemic situation.







Thank you!