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Effects of the Great Tohoku Earthquake #7

EM Japan Group companies continued efforts on multiple fronts to bring stable supply to the stricken areas. Steady progress is being made such as opening of Shiogama Terminal, return to full operation of all EMJ refineries, re-deployment of fuel inventories from west to east Japan, and shipping of emergency fuels in drums. See more detailed information in the following.

- Trucks will begin shipping inventoried fuel from the Shiogama Terminal in Sendai tomorrow (March 20) for the first time since the great earthquake. The port is expected to open for resupply on March 21. The terminal will be shared with other companies in order to accelerate resupply of the critically-impacted Sendai area.
- Sequential start-up of major units continues at Kyokuto Petroleum Inc.'s Chiba refinery and full production is expected on March 21. With that, all refineries of the ExxonMobil Japan Group will be fully operational.
- Since March 13, EM Japan has shifted 27,000 kiloliters of fuel inventories from west Japan refineries to the Kanto Area. That includes 17,000 kiloliters of gasoline, enough to fill up more than 300,000 cars. Shipments of fuel from Kawasaki have averaged at around 150 percent above normal levels.
- About 100 tank cars per day of gasoline, kerosene and diesel from TonenGeneral Sekiyu's Kawasaki refinery continue to be delivered to terminals in Utsunomiya, Takasaki, Matsumoto and Ueda.
- TonenGeneral Sekiyu's Wakayama refinery and Kyokuto Petroleum Inc.'s Chiba refinery are filling and shipping hundreds of 200-liter drums of kerosene and diesel for emergency use in the stricken areas.

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