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### Deterioration and its Countermeasures on Electrical Equipment in Japan

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#### **Electrical Safety Services Foundations nationwide**

There are ten Electrical Safety Services Foundations in Japan with over 7,000 engineers at over 350 offices. Name: Chubu Electrical Safety Services Foundation Founded: Dec. 1, 1965 Head office: Nagoya, Aichi prefecture Offices: 48 Employees: 2,174 (as of Apr. 2017)



#### **Business at the Chubu Electrical Safety Services Foundation**

# We support safety in electricity use with our technical, organizational, and mobility capabilities.





#### **Regulations in Japan**

Туре	Voltage range	Security inspection system	Checkups and freque	Iency Nationwide user (as of Mar. 31, 2010				
Low- voltage	600 VAC or lower 750 VDC or lower	No special requirements (Exceptions apply)	Inspected by registe investigating agenci (Once every four yea *Exceptions apply	ered ies ars. ')	—			
High- voltage	Greater than 600 VAC and 7000 VAC or lower Greater than 750 VAC and 7000 VAC or lower	Must assign a chief electricity engineer (May be contracted to external contractor *1)	Checkups by the ch electricity enginee (Basically once a mo	nief er nth)	845,368			
Special high- voltage	Greater than the above voltages	Must assign a chief electricity engineer	Same as above		9,268			
Numt Co Servi	Der of safety inspection Intracts at Electrical Safety Ices Foundations nationwi	Contracts (as of Mar. Contracts at the C Safety Services	31, 2017) Chubu Electrical Foundation	1: The m neets spe ither an i entity suc Services I	anagement technician, who ecific criteria and may be ndividual or a corporate h as an Electrical Safety Foundation, may fulfill the			
	Roughly 390,000	<b>70,000</b> st tt a	security inspection responsibil the licensed electrical enginee assignment is mandatory					
The ten high-vo Founda Service	Electrical Safety Services Fou Itage facility checkup contracts tion holds the second largest r s Foundations.	roughly half of all ety Services *2 Electrical Safety in in	<ul> <li>*2: From the data on "National tota installed non-utility electric installations" published by the Min of Economy. Trade and Industry</li> </ul>					

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#### **Our operations (Factory inspections)**

We contract business from customers who possess "non-utility electric installations" as defined in the Electric Utility Industry Law, and carry out safety inspections and management of electrical facilities.

- Review of electrical facility designs, checkups during construction, and inspections after completion
- Monthly, annual, and special checkups
- Response to electrical accidents and failures (24-7)
- Electrical safety training, and consultation services on streamlining electricity use
- Support for application submissions to competent government agencies, and onsite inspections
- Full-time monitoring of electrical facilities with a multi-functional central monitoring system









### **Topics of this presentation**

- Configuration of typical non-utility electric installations
- > What do we mean by deterioration of high-voltage equipment?
- Examples of accidents caused by deterioration (Data from the Chubu Electrical Safety Services Foundation)
- Statistics of accidents with non-utility electric installations (Data from the Chubu Electrical Safety Services Foundation from 2015 to 2017)
- > Our efforts for encouraging facility renewals (1)
- > Transition of deterioration incidents and facility renewals
- > Our efforts for encouraging facility renewals (2)

## **fisuel** <u>Configuration of typical non-utility electric installations</u>



### **fisue**<sup>What</sup> do we mean by deterioration of high-voltage equipment?

Deterioration of high-voltage equipment refers to:



Although faulty construction at the time the facility is newly installed is one risk factor in the context of facility accidents, other than that, proper checkups and maintenance can go a long way in terms of reducing the risks of accidents and failures.

That being said, if high-voltage equipment or other equipment is used beyond their service life, the chances of insulation degradation or mechanical failure on the equipment itself will increase, so the use of high-voltage equipment for long periods of time will tend to increase the occurrence of power outages and other incidents.



#### **Examples of accidents caused by degradation**





#### Examples of accidents caused by degradation



#### **fisuel** Statistics of accidents with non-utility electric installations



A total of 4,965\* accidents or failures with high-voltage facilities used in non-utility electric installations occurred between Apr. 2015 and Jan. 2018.

While the causes of these accidents or failures have been determined for roughly 70% of the cases, we can also see that there was a large percentage of incidents, roughly 30%, where the causes could not be identified, such as due to the destruction of the potential causes of the accident.

\* This number represents the number of incidents that occurred at customer sites where the Chubu Electrical Safety Services Foundation had been conducting checkups.

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#### Statistics of accidents with non-utility electric installations



## An important measure for preventing accidents or failures from degradation is to encourage facility renewals.



Cause of accident	Specific example	Preventive measure	Overall percentage
Improper maintenance	Deterioration	Update facility	14%
Natural phenomena	Lightning strike, wind/rain, flooding	Install lighting arrester.	13%
Object contact	Contact by tree or other object	Cut trees	13%

### **Gisuel** Our efforts for encouraging facility renewals (1)



The Chubu Electrical Safety Services Foundation recommends the renewal of highvoltage equipment to customers based on the recommended renewal dates shown in the table at right.

The recommended renewal dates are not based on the functional or performance values guaranteed by the manufacturers of these components, but represent replacement timeframes that are considered to be advantageous from an economic and general standpoint for replacing components that make up the equipment—which have been used under normal conditions and undergone regular maintenance and checkups, but have degraded with age—with new ones.

E	quipment name	Recommended renewal dates
[1]	High-voltage switch (Installed on on- site pole)	15-20 years
[2]	High-voltage cable	20-25 years
[3]	High-voltage circuit breaker	20-25 years
[4]	High-voltage switch	20-25 years
[5]	Transformer	25-30 years
[6]	Other high- voltage equipment	25-30 years

#### [References]

[1] "Safety inspection management rules for non-utility electric installations" Apr. 2007, Japan Electric Association

[2] "Study of recommended renewal dates for generic high-voltage equipment" Sept. 1989, Japan Electrical Manufacturers' Association

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### **fisuel** History of age-related degradation incidents and facility renewals

### Only 10% of the degraded equipment are being renewed because updating high-voltage equipment entails large costs.

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### **fisuel** <u>Our efforts for encouraging facility renewals (2)</u>

Time-line chart for electrical Facility category Manufacture date Time-line chart																		
Counted from Jan. 2018 O: Recommended renewal date •: Date renew													ewed					
変電所名	設備分類	用途区分	製造年月	製造者	型式	改修 依頼済	2017年 以前	2018年	2019年	2020年	2021年	2022年	2023年	2024年	2025年	2026年	2027年	2028年
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	構内第一柱開閉器	常用	2002年1月	*****	*****	無	0	0	0	0	0	0	•					
	構内第一柱用GR	構内第1柱用	2002年1月	*****	*****	無	0	0	0	0	0	0	•					
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We provide a 10-year timeline chart to our customers that includes the recommended renewal dates for each independent facility as part of our efforts to support our customers in implementing facility renewals in a planned manner.

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主変電所	負荷開閉装置	変圧器用	2016年12月	*****	*****	無							
主変電所	負荷開閉装置	コンデンサ用	2017年4月	*****	*****	無							

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As part of our PR activities, we have created a series of brochures to encourage facility renewals. (Examples of brochures)



#### We provide a variety of brochures to create awareness on the need to renew these facilities in a planned manner.



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