

Outline of facilities

Unit No.		Output (MW)	Fuel	COD	GT combustion temperature (°C)	Power generation type
Group 1	1-1	595	LNG	July 2012	1,300	Combined cycle
	1-2	595		January 2013	1,300	
Group 2	2-1	595		July 2013	1,300	
	2-2	595		May 2014	1,300	

Name: Joetsu Thermal Power Station Location: Joetsu City, Niigata Prefecture Site area: Approx. 460,000 m²



Central control room which allows operation by a small number of operators

The equipment control has been fully automated, enabling operation and control by using a mouse. The data of power generation and LNG receiving equipment can be checked in real time, achieving integrated monitoring and operation of the entire power station.



Heat recovery steam generator

The heat recovery steam generator generates steam by heat exchange of exhaust gas (approximately 600°C) from a gas turbine and sends the steam to a steam turbine. An exhaust gas denitration equipment is built into this steam generator.

LNG tanks

LNG transported by LNG ships from abroad is stored in three LNG tanks on the site and is used as fuel for power generation. At the Joetsu Thermal Power Station, the dikes are integrated with the tanks for effective utilization of the site.

 Height: 54.0 m, outer tank diameter: 83.2 m, inner tank diameter: 81.0 m, capacity: 180,000 m³



Gas turbine

Fuel is burnt in the compressed air, and the high-temperature combustion gas (at approximately 1,300°C) is used to drive a gas turbine. A generator that is directly connected to the gas turbine generates 194.15 MW of electricity.

Environmental Initiatives

Preventing air pollution

The power station is fueled with LNG and therefore does not discharge the sulfur oxides which are the cause of particulate matter and acid rain. The use of low-NOx burners and exhaust gas denitration equipment has also reduced the discharge of nitrogen oxides. The white smoke rising from the plant stacks on cool days is steam.

Keeping the oceans clean

The waste water generated at the power station undergoes pre-processing such as oil separation and neutralization. It is then purified by means of condensation, sedimentation, filtration and neutralization, and the water quality is checked before it is discharged.

Protecting the global environment

Since power stations make use of the earth's enriched resources, it is important to achieve high level of thermal efficiency when generating electricity due to preservation of the global environment. In addition, greater generating efficiency means that less carbon dioxide, which causes global warming, is produced. We are committed to conserve the earth's finite resources and curb global warming by leveraging the technical capabilities we have accumulated over the years and by introducing highly efficient power generating equipment.



Flare stack

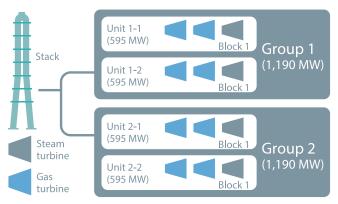
LNG is in a liquid state at about -160°C, but the heat influx from the surroundings increases the temperature inside the tank and causes the liquid to evaporate. LNG is a liquid at about -160°C and returned to its gaseous state when it is warmed by the outside temperature. In normal operation, the gas is used as a fuel for power generation. When the generated gas cannot be treated due to equipment maintenance etc., waste combustible gas is formed. The main component of the gas is methane, which has a significant environmental impact when released into the atmosphere without being treated, so a flare stack is used to burn the gas and thus reducing its environmental impact.



Exhaust gas denitrizer

An exhaust gas denitrizer that uses the dry ammonia catalytic reduction method is installed to reduce nitrogen oxides in the exhaust gas. Ammonia gas is fed into the flue gas converting the nitrogen oxides into harmless nitrogen and water.





Group symbol



Unit 1-1 Camellia in spring



Unit 1-2 Fresh green in summer



Unit 2-2 Snow in winter

