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Japan to set frequency limit for serious nuclear accidents

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The Nuclear Regulation Authority said Wednesday it plans to set a frequency limit for accidents resulting in large releases of radioactive substances of below one every million years per reactor.

The NRA has been discussing nuclear safety goals, saying it is important to be aware of the risks that will remain once planned measures are implemented, instead of reviving the nuclear "safety myth" that prevailed before the 2011 Fukushima Daiichi complex disaster.

During a meeting of NRA commissioners on Wednesday, Chairman Shunichi Tanaka said he hopes to compile the nuclear safety goals around next week, including the accident incidence limit.

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