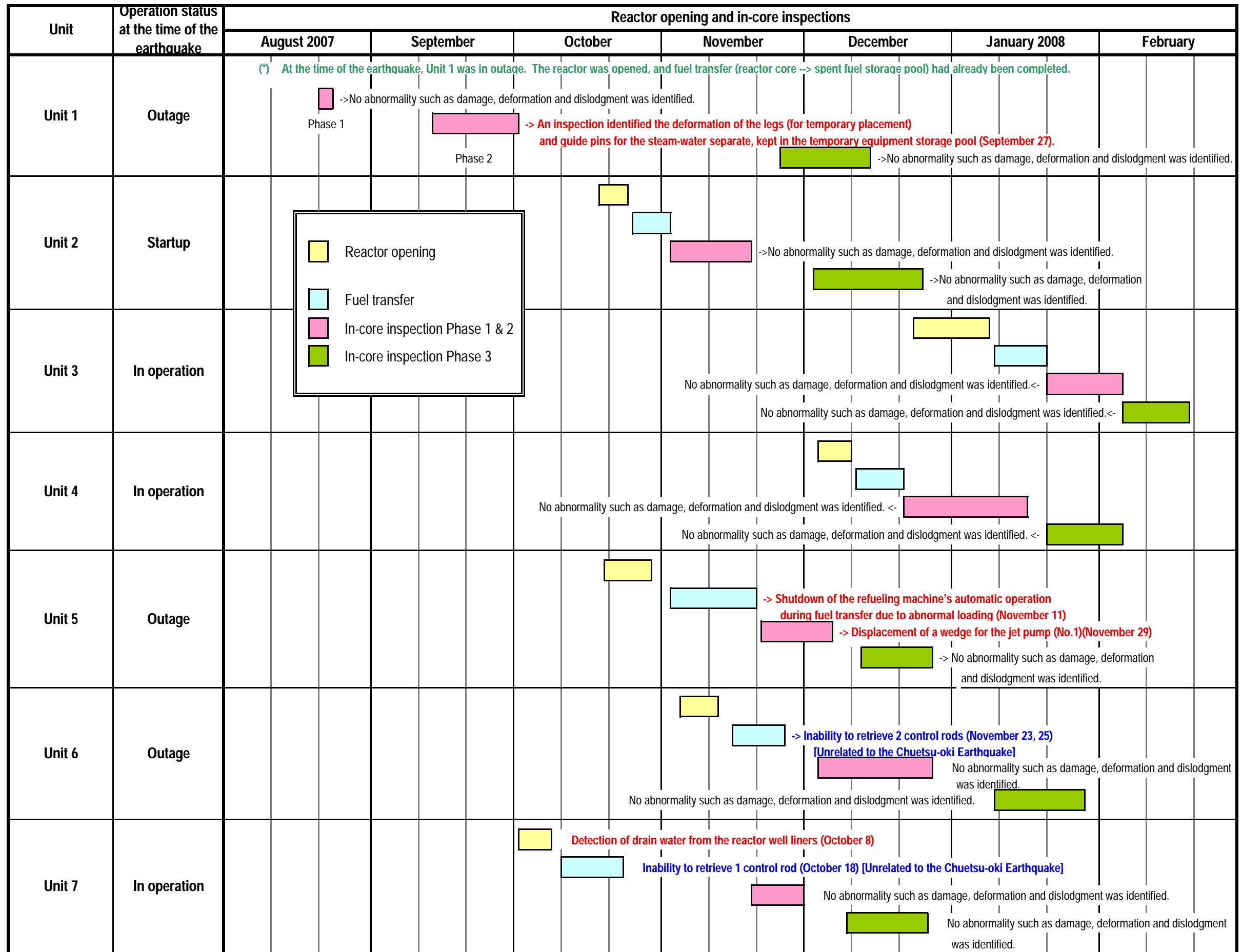


Outcome and status of reactor opening and in-core inspections at the Kashiwazaki Kariwa Nuclear Power Station



【Phase 1】 (Inspection of the upper reactor) : In order to check inside of the reactor core, first conduct visual inspection of the overall reactor core by an underwater camera from above, followed by inspection of an area covering from the reactor pressure vessel flange to the upper grid plate.

【Phase 2】 (Inspection of the mid-reactor (reactor core)) : Conduct visual inspection of the area covering from the upper grid plate to the core support plate and the outer circumference of the core shroud (annulus) usnig and underwater camera. Also inspect the dryer and separator that are taken out of the core.

【Phase 3】 (Inspection of the bottom reactor) : Inspect the area covering from the core support plate to the bottom of the reactor after moving control rods and fuel supports that interfere with the inspection.