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**Release of Fairewinds' latest Film "Remove TEPCO Before Removing Fuel" Narrated by Arnie Gundersen.**

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Fairewinds' Film details the removal of the fuel rods at Fukushima Daiichi Reactor 4, calling into question TEPCO's competence.

TEPCO is in the process of removing the fuel rods from reactor 4 at the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear site. TEPCO's abysmal engineering track record has led Fairewinds' Chief Engineer Arnie Gundersen to call for the replacement of TEPCO management.

Fairewinds has fielded a number of questions regarding the removal of the fuel rods from the spent fuel pool in Unit 4 at Fukushima Daiichi. In this film Arnie debunks TEPCO's animated film point by point, and highlights the issues TEPCO will have removing these highly radioactive, brittle, and damaged nuclear fuel rods. For example, the majority of this nuclear waste consists of severely damaged nuclear fuel rods and are not the pristine new fuel rods shown in the TEPCO's video.

TEPCO needs to be removed as the organization overseeing the cleanup of the site prior to the removal of the fuel rods.

"There are some serious problems that Tokyo Electric is trying to sweep under the rug. I thought I would address them for you, so we are all more prepared for what the future might entail." says Gundersen.

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Fairewinds Energy Education is a non-profit based in Burlington Vermont that is dedicated to protecting public health and safety by examining nuclear power plant engineering risk and safety flaws.

