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TS 3.7.15 - Spent Fuel Assembly Storage
TS 4.3 - Fuel Storage

By letter dated April 9, 1999, Duke Energy Corporation (DEC) submitted proposed amendments to TS 3.7.15 - Spent Fuel Assembly Storage and TS 4.3 - Fuel Storage. During a telephone conference call on September 21, 1999 and subsequent conference calls between DEC personnel and the NRC, the NRC staff requested additional information related to the subject TS amendment for McGuire Units 1 and 2. This letter provides the requested information.

Enclosure 1 of this letter documents the questions posed by the NRC Staff and DEC's responses to those questions. As indicated in DEC's responses, some of the information contained in the TS submittal requires revision. Enclosure 2 provides these revised TS submittal pages. The corresponding pages in the submittal currently being reviewed by the NRC Staff should be replaced with these revised pages. Enclosure 3 of this letter contains clarifying information related to the TS submittal and the responses provided in this letter.

There are no regulatory commitments contained in this letter.

Any questions related to this matter should be directed to Julius Bryant, McGuire Regulatory Compliance, at (704) 875-4162.

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ENCLOSURE 1

QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

Response to NRC Questions Related To Proposed Amendment to
McGuire Nuclear Station Technical Specifications 3.7.15 and 4.3

QUESTION 1:

Did the new fuel storage vault calculations assume 4.75 w/o in the maximum keff case? What moderator density corresponds to this case? What is the maximum keff for a fully flooded vault at 4.75 w/o? Does the fully flooded case meet the 0.95 keff requirements?

Response:

The following provides additional information regarding the new fuel vault criticality analysis.

The new fuel vault calculations were performed assuming an enrichment of 4.75 w/o U-235. An uncertainty was included in the calculation to account for tolerances in the as built enrichment of + 0.05 w/o.

The new fuel storage vault maximum keffs for fully flooded and optimum moderation conditions are as follows:

| Condition | Moderator Density | Maximum keff |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Fully Flooded | 1.0 | 0.9433 |
| Optimum Moderation | 0.09 | 0.9759 |

From the results above, the new fuel storage vault meets the appropriate limits on keff for both conditions; namely keff < 0.95 for fully flooded conditions and keff < 0.98 for optimum moderation.

QUESTION 2:

Attachment 6 of the Technical Specification (TS) submittal, page 20 and the revised BASES B3.7.15 in the TS submittal state that 1170 ppm is required to mitigate postulated criticality accidents and maintain keff < 0.95. However, Attachment 6, Table 11 indicates the maximum boron required without accidents is 440 ppm and the maximum boron required for accident conditions is 760 ppm. Adding the 440 ppm (without accidents)

to 760 ppm (with accidents) yields 1200 ppm. Explain the difference between the 1170 ppm total boron required and the 1200 ppm from adding the requirements with and without accidents.

Response:

The boron requirements, with and without accidents, are determined for each of the four regions individually. The boron required without accidents is the sum of the boron required for $k_{eff} < 0.95$ and the boron required for reactivity equivalencing as specified in the boron credit methodology. The total boron required with accidents is the boron required without accidents plus the additional boron required from the single accident with the greatest boron requirement. This is because only a single accident need be considered at one time. Finally, the total boron requirement for the entire pool is the maximum total boron requirement of the four regions.

There is an error in Attachment 6, Table 11 of the TS submittal. The boron required for the burnup uncertainty for Region 2A should be 120 ppm, not 90. This yields a total of 440 ppm total boron required without accidents and 1170 ppm total boron required with accidents for this region. A corrected Table 11 of Attachment 6 is attached to this letter.

Thus, the total boron credit required with accidents is 1170 ppm. This comes from the Region 2A boron requirements of 440 ppm without accidents plus 730 ppm boron required for the postulated misload accident. While the boron required for the misload accident in Region 2B is greater (760 vs. 730), the boron requirement without accidents is only 380 ppm for a total of only 1140 ppm. An initial condition to a postulated accident would require at least 440 ppm to maintain $k_{eff} < 0.95$ under normal conditions. If a postulated misload accident were to occur, Region 2B would still only require 1140 ppm to maintain $k_{eff} < 0.95$ since it only requires 380 ppm to maintain $k_{eff} < 0.95$ under non-accident conditions. That is, the additional boron required for the accident is added on top of the boron required to maintain that region < 0.95 , not the initial condition boron.

QUESTION 3:

The discussion on page 8 of Attachment 6 to the TS submittal indicates no reactivity penalty for Boraflex gaps. What are the maximum gaps in the models and how does this compare to the measurements?

Response:

The models do not contain any gaps in the Boraflex. An analysis was performed to determine the maximum size gaps before an increase in reactivity would occur. The analysis determined small gaps in the Boraflex panels do not increase the reactivity. The results of this analysis, compared to the results of the gap measurements indicate that the gaps found do not result in an increase in reactivity, and therefore, no reactivity penalty is necessary.

It should be pointed out that a reactivity penalty is included for the end pull back of the Boraflex panels caused by shrinkage in the width and axial directions. These uncertainties are listed in Tables 4 and 5 of Attachment 6 of the TS submittal.

QUESTION 4:

Provide clarification of Table 2 in Attachment 7 of the TS submittal specifically addressing the time steps and the stages of dilution.

Response:

A revised version Table 2, Attachment 7 is provided which has been relabeled to clarify the lower section of the table. This section is intended to provide the boron concentration at different times regardless of dilution stage, and not strictly for Stage 3. In addition, Table A of this letter gives a detailed tabulation of pool boron concentration over time for the limiting 700 gpm case. Table A of this letter also identifies the stages of dilutions and the equations used to calculate the boron concentration.

QUESTION 5:

Provide an analysis of the limiting case dilution accidents with the transfer canal isolated from the main pool region.

Response:

The following sensitivity analysis is provided to show the effect on boron dilution accidents of isolating the Fuel Transfer Canal from the main spent fuel pool area. The purpose of isolating and draining the transfer canal is to drain the canal to gain access to the fuel handling equipment used to transport fuel assemblies between the Spent Fuel Pool and the Refueling Canal. For additional information, refer to Section 5.4 of Attachment 7 of the TS submittal. Isolation of the transfer canal removes approximately 9,712.2 cubic feet of water (or 72,652 gallons) from the initial volume of borated water in the pool. For this special case, a new set of parameters is derived that exclude the water volume in the transfer canal.

Three stages of boron dilution flow are examined. The first stage involves filling up the pool to the top of the Transfer Canal wall at elevation 773' + 6". The second stage involves filling the pool from the top of the Transfer Canal wall up to the top of the pool operational deck at elevation 778' + 10". Because the Transfer Canal wall is lower than the top of the pool wall, the pool will initially overflow into the empty Transfer Canal until it is full (Stage 2a) and then proceed to raise level up to the top of the pool wall (Stage 2b). The third stage involves the flow of unborated water into the pool with an equal amount of the diluted mixture flowing out of the pool into the lower areas of the Spent Fuel Pool Building.

The initial pool volume is 249,798 gallons. The volume of water required to fill the pool up to the top of the Transfer Canal wall is denoted as V_c and is calculated for each compartment and added together.

Calculation of Volume V_c (Stage 1)

| Compartment: | Calculation (H x L x W) | Volume (cu. ft.) |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Cask Pit | (2.104) x (9.0) x (21.5) | 407.12 |
| Main Pool - Long Side | (2.104) x (67.0) x (12.75) | 1797.34 |
| Main Pool - Short Side | (2.104) x (26.667) x (8.75) | 490.94 |
| Total Volume = | | 2695.4 |

$$\text{Volume (gallons)} = \boxed{20,163}$$

The volume of water required to fill the Transfer Canal up to the top of the Transfer Canal wall is denoted as V_{Ta} and calculated below.

Calculation of Volume V_{Ta} (Stage 2a)

| Compartment: | Calculation (H x L x W) | Volume (cu. ft.) |
|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| Transfer Canal | (42) x (51.25) x (4.75) | 10224.38 |
| Volume (gallons) = | | 76,483 |

The volume of water required to fill the pool from the top of the Transfer Canal wall up to the top of the pool is denoted as V_{Tb} and is calculated for each compartment and added together.

Calculation of Volume V_{Tb} (Stage 2b)

| Compartment: | Calculation (H x L x W) | Volume (cu. ft.) |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| Cask Pit | (5.333) x (9.0) x (21.5) | 1031.94 |
| Main Pool - Long Side | (5.333) x (67.0) x (21.5) | 7682.19 |
| Transfer Canal Extension | (5.333) x (15.0) x (4.75) | 379.98 |
| Total Volume = | | 9094.11 |
| Volume (gallons) = | | 68,029 |

Using these new parameters, the dilution calculations for the worse case bounding events (the 700 gpm RF line break and the RHT/RMWST misalignment event) are performed. The pool boron concentration at the end of stage 1 (C_1) is found using the following equation:

$$C_1 = \frac{C_o * V_o}{V_o + V_c}$$

where C_o = Initial Pool Boron Concentration (2475 ppm)
 V_o = Initial Pool Water Volume (249,798 gallons)
 V_c = Volume of water to fill to top of Transfer Canal Wall (20,163 gallons)

This yields a value for C_1 of 2290 ppm.

After Stage 1, the pool begins to overflow the Transfer Canal Wall and refill the Transfer Canal (Stage 2a). The boron concentration in the main pool area when the Transfer Canal has been filled to the top of the canal wall is calculated using the following formula:

$$C_{2a} = C_1 e^{(-V_{Ta}/V_{M1})}$$

where,

C_1 = Pool Boron Concentration at the end of Stage 1
(2290 ppm)

V_{Ta} = Water Volume to fill Transfer Canal (76,483 gallons)

V_{M1} = Pool Mixing Volume During Stage 2a ($V_o + V_c =$
269,961 gallons)

This results in a boron concentration in the main pool area of 1725 ppm.

Proceeding into Stage 2b, it is conservatively assumed that the borated water that is spilled into the Transfer Canal will not mix with rest of pool water volume since the isolation gate is installed. The pool boron concentration at the end of stage 2b (C_{2b}) is found using the following formula:

$$C_{2b} = \frac{C_{2a} * (V_o + V_c)}{V_o + V_c + V_{Tb}}$$

where C_{2a} = Pool Boron Concentration at end of Stage 2a (1725 ppm)

V_o = Initial Pool Water Volume (249,798 gallons)

V_c = Volume of water to fill to top of Transfer Canal
Wall (20,163 gallons)

V_{Tb} = Volume to fill from Canal Wall to Top of Pool
(68,029 gallons)

This yields a value for C_{2b} of 1378 ppm. The total volume of water required to reach this concentration is 164,675 gallons. At a flow rate of 700 gpm, it would require 3.92 hours to reach the end of Stage 2b to enter Stage 3 (pool overflow).

After the pool reaches stage 3 where the pool is overflowing, the boron concentration is found using the following equation:

$$C = C_{2b} e^{(-Q/V_{M2})(60)(t-t_T)}$$

where C_{2b} = equals the pool concentration at the end of Stage
2b (1378 ppm)

Q = Flow rate into Pool (gpm)

V_{M2} = Total Mixing Volume for Stage 3 (337,991 gallons)

t_T = Length of time to fill to top of pool (hours)

t = Length of time after initiation of dilution flow (hours)

60 = Conversion factor for converting hours to minutes

Using the equation above, the pool boron concentration was estimated for the worse case bounding pipe break event (700 gpm RF line break). Table B of this letter provides a tabulation of boron concentration as a function time after the break initiation.

For the worse case system misalignment (RHT/RMWST misalignment event), the equation above is modified slightly to utilize a fixed dilution volume.

$$C = C_{2b} \cdot e^{-\left(\frac{V - V_C - V_{Ta} - V_{Tb}}{V_{M2}}\right)}$$

where V = Volume of water in the RHT and RMWST tanks
(336,000 gallons)

Note: The term $(V - V_C - V_{Ta} - V_{Tb})$ yields the volume of water that overflows the SFP.

Thus,

$$C = (1378) \cdot e^{-\left(\frac{336000 - 164675}{337991}\right)} = 1378 \cdot e^{-0.507} = 830 \text{ ppm}$$

The results of these sensitivity calculations show that the isolation of Fuel Transfer Canal would result in a lower boron concentration than the other infrequent configuration, isolation of the Cask Loading Pit. However, this difference is not significant relative to the minimum boron credit of 440 ppm used in the non-accident criticality analysis. As discussed in the submittal, isolation of the Fuel Transfer Canal was not considered to be a part of a credible boron dilution accident scenario because of the very low frequency of the configuration, the enormous volume of water required to significantly dilute the pool, and the effective means of early detection and termination of an event. At the most limiting dilution flow rate (700 gpm), it would require 13.11 hours (550,530 gallons total) to dilute a pool down to the 440 ppm limit. This provides ample time for operators to detect and terminate potential boron dilution events. Thus, it is concluded that the Fuel Transfer Canal Isolation configuration does not

significantly impact the conclusions of the boron dilution analysis.

QUESTION 6:

Provide additional discussion supporting the conclusions presented in Attachment 7 of the TS submittal. Specifically address the RF line break event that involves water pumped directly from Lake Norman.

Response:

The analysis in Attachment 7 of the TS submittal concluded that an unplanned or inadvertent event which would result in the dilution of the spent fuel pool boron concentration from 2475 ppm to less than 937 ppm is not a credible event. The analysis results showed that the dilution process requires many hours to significantly reduce pool boron concentration even under the most limiting conditions and provides sufficient time for operator actions to terminate the accident.

This conclusion is supported by the following:

- A substantial amount of water is required to significantly dilute the spent fuel pool. In the worse case configuration with the cask loading pit isolated, 336,000 gallons are required to dilute the pool from 2475 ppm to 937 ppm. At the maximum postulated flowrate of 700 gpm, it takes 8 hours to pump a volume of 336,000 gallons. No single tank or combination of two tanks in the plant contains this volume of water and would, therefore, require multiple errors to align the three largest storage tanks to the Spent Fuel Pool. Conservative assumptions were also made that the three largest tanks were all full, which is considered a very infrequent condition.
- Since such a large volume of water is required, a spent fuel pool dilution event would be readily detected by level alarms, flooding in the auxiliary building, or by normal operator rounds through the spent fuel pool area. In the case of the RF line break accident, control room alarms would provide indication that one or more RF pumps had started. In addition, flow alarms on the RF headers would also indicate to operators that the flow was going into the Auxiliary Building. These indications would initiate an immediate investigation

into the location of the pipe break and the cause of the RF pump start.

- Sensitivity analysis indicates that even if substantially higher flow rates of unborated water into the SFP are assumed, there is still sufficient time available to detect and respond to such an event (See Table 2 of the TS submittal for the 1000 gpm and 1500 gpm cases).
- The analysis conservatively assumes that the initial Spent Fuel Pool water volume is 322,450 gallons which does not account for a significant volume of water contained within the fuel pin area. The volume of water contained in the KF system piping is also not included, but would be mixed with the pool volume in all scenarios except for the Loss of Off-Site Power scenarios.

QUESTION 7:

Attachment 7 of the TS submittal, Section 5.2 (1st paragraph) refers to additional information contained in "Attachment 2". This information does not appear to be included in the submittal. Please provide this additional information.

Response:

As stated on the cover sheet for Attachment 7 of the TS submittal, the info in Attachment 7 is a summary of applicable portions of the McGuire Nuclear Station Spent Fuel Pool Soluble Boron Credit Boron Dilution Analysis. The Attachment 2 referred to in the TS submittal is contained in the body of that detailed Boron Dilution Analysis. However, Attachment 2 of the detailed Boron Dilution Analysis does not provide applicable information useful for evaluating the TS submittal. The text "Attachment 2" was included in the Attachment 7 summary of the detailed Boron Dilution Analysis only because it was contained within text of that analysis that was applicable to the TS submittal. Based upon the above, a copy of Attachment 2 of the detailed Boron Dilution Analysis was not included as part of the TS submittal. Note that an electronic information copy of Attachment 2 was sent to the NRC staff reviewing the subject TS submittal.

QUESTION 8:

Larry Kopp (NRC) requested that, as part of this letter, McGuire Provide a general summary of administrative controls used to ascertain that fuel assemblies have achieved the appropriate burnup for storage in the burn-up dependent storage racks.

Response:

McGuire utilizes administrative controls to determine, based upon available data for the fuel assemblies, the correct geometric fuel assembly storage configurations that ensure compliance with the requirements of plant Technical Specifications related to spent fuel storage.

Each fuel assembly received at the site is accompanied by documentation verifying the initial U-235 enrichment. This information is entered into a Special Nuclear Material (SNM) tracking database. Prior to discharge of fuel assemblies into the Spent Fuel Pools, their final burnups are determined and entered into the same database. Thus, at the time of discharge, the SNM database contains initial enrichment, total burnup, and discharge date for each fuel assembly being discharged. Based upon this data, plant fuel transfer procedures are then used to specify storage configurations for the fuel assemblies that comply with the Technical Specification requirements.

Independent verifications are made prior to transfer of the fuel assemblies to the Spent Fuel Pools to ensure the correct assembly is chosen and to verify the assembly is being moved to a location representing an acceptable storage configuration.

QUESTION 9:

Regarding Table 3, Attachment 7 of the TS submittal, provide information in the table related to the time to reach minimum boron credit concentrations in the pools for the case of an RF line break while the Cask Loading Pit is isolated.

Response:

A revised Table 3, Attachment 7 showing the requested information is provided in this letter. In addition, a revised Page 22 of 35, Attachment 7, is included showing that, for the 700 gpm RF line break and the alternate configuration described, it would take 14.4 hours to lower Spent Fuel Pool boron

concentrations below the non-accident conditions minimum boron credit of 440 ppm.

ENCLOSURE 2

REVISED SUBMITTAL PAGES

Table 11
Summary of Boron Credit Requirements

| | Unrestricted | | | | Restricted w/ Filler | | | |
|---|--------------|------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 1A | 1B | 2A | 2B | 1A | 1B | 2A | 2B |
| k-eff \leq 0.95 | | | | | | | | |
| Boron required for k-eff \leq 0.95 | 310 | 160 | 230 | 160 | 330 | 160 | 240 | 160 |
| Reactivity Equivalencing | | | | | | | | |
| Boron required for bu unc | 20 | 50 | 120 | 120 | 100 | 60 | 120 | 100 |
| Boron required for measured burnup | 20 | 40 | 90 | 100 | 10 | 20 | 40 | 60 |
| Boron required for IFBA man unc | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Boron required for IFBA calc unc | 70 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Accident conditions | | | | | | | | |
| Boron required for misload | 300 | 370 | 730 | 760 | 300 | 370 | 730 | 760 |
| Boron required for abnormal heat load | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| Boron required for emergency makeup | 10 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 20 | 0 |
| Boron required for single assy in water | 170 | 170 | 170 | 170 | 170 | 170 | 170 | 170 |
| Total Boron Credit Required w/o Accidents | 440 | 250 | 440 | 380 | 440 | 240 | 400 | 320 |
| Total Boron Credit Required with Accidents | 740 | 620 | 1170 | 1140 | 740 | 610 | 1130 | 1080 |

**Table 2 - Spent Fuel Pool Deboration Accident Analysis
SFP Boron Concentration (ppm)**

Initial Pool Boron Conc. = C_o 2475 ppm
 Initial Pool Level = L_o 771.396 feet
 Initial Spent Fuel Pool Volume = V_o 322,450 gallons
 Volume to fill SFP to Top of Transfer Canal = V_c 23,995 gallons
 Volume to fill SFP from Canal Wall to Overflow = V_T 68,029 gallons

| | | Flow Rate Into SFP (gpm) | | | | | | | | |
|--|----------------------|--------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | 50 | 100 | 200 | 300 | 500 | 700 | 1000 | 1500 | |
| Fill To Top of Canal Wall (Stage 1) | T_c (hrs) | 8.0 | 4.0 | 2.0 | 1.3 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 0.3 | |
| | Concentration | 2304 | 2304 | 2304 | 2304 | 2304 | 2304 | 2304 | 2304 | |
| Fill To Pool Overflow Level (Stage 2) | t_T (hrs) | 30.7 | 15.3 | 7.7 | 5.1 | 3.1 | 2.2 | 1.5 | 1.0 | |
| | Concentration | 1925 | 1925 | 1925 | 1925 | 1925 | 1925 | 1925 | 1925 | |
| High Level Alarm (Elev. 772'+7") | Detection Time (hrs) | 4.51 | 2.26 | 1.13 | 0.75 | 0.45 | 0.32 | 0.23 | 0.15 | |
| | | Flowrate --> | 50 | 100 | 200 | 300 | 500 | 700 | 1000 | 1500 |
| Pool Concentration (ppm) Versus Time and Flowrate | Time (hours) | 1 | 2452 | 2430 | 2386 | 2344 | 2264 | 2190 | 2087 | 1935 |
| | | 2 | 2430 | 2386 | 2304 | 2226 | 2087 | 1963 | 1800 | 1557 |
| | | 4 | 2386 | 2304 | 2154 | 2023 | 1800 | 1603 | 1347 | 1009 |
| | | 6 | 2344 | 2226 | 2023 | 1853 | 1557 | 1309 | 1009 | 653 |
| | | 8 | 2304 | 2154 | 1907 | 1699 | 1347 | 1069 | 755 | 423 |
| | | 10 | 2264 | 2087 | 1800 | 1557 | 1166 | 873 | 565 | 274 |
| | | 11 | 2245 | 2054 | 1748 | 1491 | 1084 | 789 | 489 | 221 |
| | | 12 | 2226 | 2023 | 1699 | 1428 | 1009 | 713 | 423 | 178 |
| | | 16 | 2154 | 1907 | 1513 | 1200 | 755 | 475 | 237 | 74 |
| | | 24 | 2023 | 1699 | 1200 | 848 | 423 | 211 | 74 | 13 |
| | | 36 | 1853 | 1428 | 848 | 503 | 178 | 63 | 13 | 1 |
| | | 48 | 1699 | 1200 | 599 | 299 | 74 | 19 | 2 | 0 |
| | | 56 | 1603 | 1069 | 475 | 211 | 42 | 8 | 1 | 0 |
| | | 64 | 1513 | 952 | 377 | 149 | 23 | 4 | 0 | 0 |
| 72 | 1428 | 848 | 299 | 105 | 13 | 2 | 0 | 0 | | |

Table 3 - RF Line Break With Cask Loading Pit Isolated

| Time (hrs) | Base Case Concentration (ppm) | Alternate Configuration Case Conc. | Difference |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|---|-------------------|
| 1 | 2190 | 2148 | -42 |
| 2 | 1963 | 1897 | -66 |
| 4 | 1603 | 1500 | -103 |
| 6 | 1309 | 1186 | -123 |
| 8 | 1069 | 937 | -132 |
| 10 | 873 | 741 | -132 |
| 11 | 789 | 659 | -130 |
| 12 | 713 | 586 | -127 |
| 14.44 | 557 | 440 | -117 |
| 16 | 475 | 366 | -109 |
| 24 | 211 | 143 | -68 |
| 36 | 63 | 35 | -28 |
| 48 | 19 | 9 | -10 |
| 56 | 8 | 3 | 5 |
| 64 | 4 | 1 | -3 |
| 72 | 2 | 1 | -1 |

ensure very prompt detection prior to a significant amount of unborated water being added to the SFP. In fact, the pool would actually spill over into the fuel transfer canal and stop any work taking place there. Piping breaks in the pool area would also be obvious to crews working there. Also, the borated water drained from the transfer canal would be stored in the Recycle Holdup Tanks, effectively eliminating one of the more significant dilution sources. Because of the very low frequency of this configuration, the enormous volume of water required to significantly dilute the pool, and the effective means of early detection of an event, this configuration is not considered to be a part of a credible boron dilution accident scenario and is not considered further in this analysis.

The purpose of isolating and draining the cask loading pit is to prepare for the loading of fuel into a cask or for the actual movement of a cask into or out of the pit. While this activity has been very rare in recent past experience, some cask loading activities are planned for the future. Isolation of the cask loading pit removes approximately 46,423 gallons from the total volume of borated water available in the pool. For this special case, a new set of parameters is derived that exclude water volume in the cask loading area.

Using these new parameters, the previous dilution calculations for the worst case bounding events (the 700 gpm RF line break and the RHT/RMWST misalignment event) were performed again. For the 700 gpm RF line break, the results for this alternate configuration are provided in Table 3 which shows that it would take 14.4 hours for this dilution event to lower pool boron concentrations below the non-accident conditions minimum boron credit of 440 ppm (Attachment 6). For the RHT/RMWST misalignment event, the final pool boron concentration is 937

ENCLOSURE 3

CLARIFYING INFORMATION

(DO NOT REPRESENT REVISED SUBMITTAL PAGES)

Table A - Pool Boron Concentration As A Function of Time
(Flowrate = 700 gpm)

| Dilution Stages | Time (hrs) | Total Gallons Added | Concentration (ppm) | Dilution Sequence of Events | Equation |
|-------------------|------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|--|
| Stage 1 ends → | 0 | 0 | 2475 | Dilution Begins (700 gpm) | $C = \frac{C_o * V_o}{V_o + (Q * 60 * t)}$ |
| | 0.322 | 13,524 | 2375 | High Level Alarm (Elev. 772'+7") | |
| | 0.571 | 23,982 | 2304 | Level Reaches Top of Canal Wall (Elev. 773.5') | |
| Stage 2 ends → | 1 | 42,000 | 2190 | | $C = \frac{C_o * V_o}{V_o + V_c + (Q * 60 * (t - t_c))}$ |
| | 2 | 84,000 | 1963 | | |
| | 2.19 | 92,024 | 1925 | ← Level Reaches Overflow (Elev. 778.833') | |
| Stage 3 | 4 | 168,000 | 1603 | | $C = C_2 e^{-(Q*60)/V_M(t-t_T)}$ where, C ₂ = Concentration at end of Stage 2 = 1925 ppm V _M = Total Mixing Volume = V _o +V _c +V _T = 414,474 gallons t _T = time required to reach SFP overflow = 2.19 hours Q = Dilution Flowrate = 700 gpm. |
| | 6 | 252,000 | 1309 | | |
| | 8 | 336,000 | 1069 | | |
| | 10 | 420,000 | 873 | | |
| | 11 | 462,000 | 789 | | |
| | 12 | 504,000 | 713 | | |
| | 16 | 672,000 | 475 | | |
| | 16.76 | 703,749 | 440 | ← Boron Limit Reached | |
| | 24 | 1,008,000 | 211 | | |
| | 36 | 1,512,000 | 63 | | |
| | 48 | 2,016,000 | 19 | | |
| | 56 | 2,352,000 | 8 | | |
| 64 | 2,688,000 | 4 | | | |
| 72 | 3,024,000 | 2 | | | |

*Note: The equation shown for Stage 3 is slightly different than given in the original submittal. The factor of "60" is now shown which makes the units of time consistent.

Table B - Pool Boron Concentration As A Function of Time With Transfer Canal Isolated
 (Flowrate = 700 gpm)

| Dilution Stages | Time (hrs) | Total Gallons Added | Concentration (ppm) | Dilution Sequence of Events |
|-----------------|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|--|
| Stage 1 | 0 | 0 | 2475 | Dilution Begins (700 gpm) |
| | 0.271 | 11,379 | 2367 | High Level Alarm (Elev. 772'+7") |
| | ends → 0.48 | 20,163 | 2290 | Level Reaches Top of Canal Wall (Elev. 773.5') |
| Stage 2a | 1 | 42,000 | 2112 | Main Pool Spilling Over Into Transfer Canal |
| | 2 | 84,000 | 1808 | |
| | ends → 2.3 | 96,646 | 1725 | ← Transfer Canal Full (Elev. 773.5') |
| Stage 2b | 3 | 126,000 | 1556 | |
| | ends → 3.92 | 164,675 | 1378 | ← Level Reaches Overflow (Elev. 778.833') |
| Stage 3 | 4 | 168,000 | 1365 | |
| | 6 | 252,000 | 1064 | |
| | 8 | 336,000 | 830 | |
| | 10 | 420,000 | 647 | |
| | 11 | 462,000 | 572 | |
| | 12 | 504,000 | 505 | |
| | 13.11 | 550,530 | 440 | ← Boron Limit Reached |
| | 16 | 672,000 | 307 | |
| | 24 | 1,008,000 | 114 | |
| | 36 | 1,512,000 | 26 | |
| | 48 | 2,016,000 | 6 | |
| | 56 | 2,352,000 | 2 | |
| 64 | 2,688,000 | 1 | | |
| 72 | 3,024,000 | 0.3 | | |

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