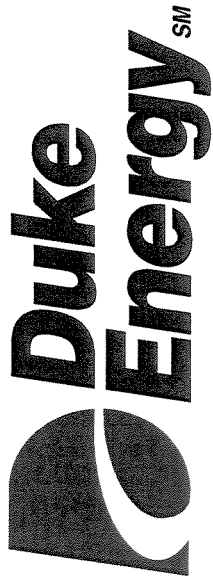


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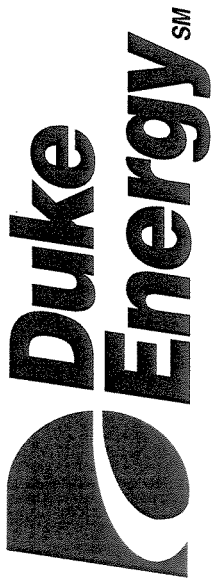
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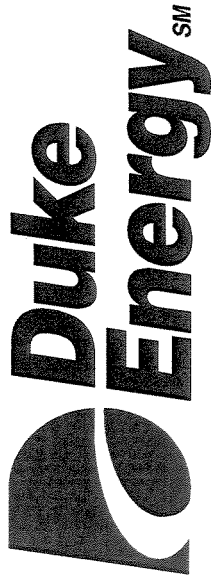
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- Bruce Hamilton, Oconee Site Vice President
- Mike Glover, Oconee Engineering Manager
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- Dayna Herrick, Duke PRA Manager
- Lee Kanipe, Duke PRA Engineer
- Graham Davenport, Oconee RCG Manager



# Agenda

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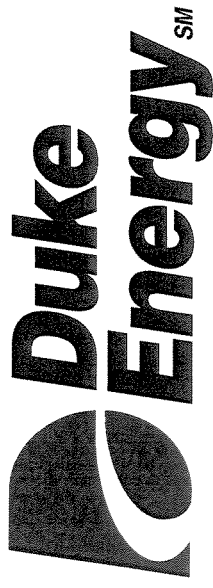
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## Opening Remarks

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- This specific Design Basis issue is part of the overall Oconee tornado mitigation project currently underway.
- While corrective actions have not been timely, Oconee remains safe today due to very low probability of tornado strike and subsequent damage.
- Duke quantitative analysis supports this conclusion, and demonstrates overall delta core damage frequency ( $\Delta$ CDF) to be less than 1E-6, even with higher estimated missile inventories.
- Planned corrective actions are being promptly formulated and will be discussed later in this presentation.



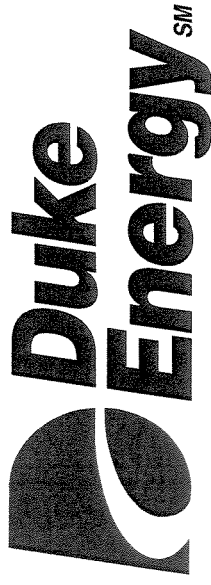
# Summary of NRC Significance Determination Process Issue

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- The Oconee Nuclear Site (ONS) Unit 3 control room north wall is currently non-conforming with the tornado design basis as described in the UFSAR.
- NRC performed a qualitative risk evaluation using previously available information
- NRC concluded the absence of a hardened Unit 3 control room north wall could be of more than minor safety significance:
  - Risk previously determined to be high "E-7"
  - Wall construction not as robust as originally assumed
  - Missile inventory greater than assumed
  - Uncertainty with operator response to SSF during Tornado event

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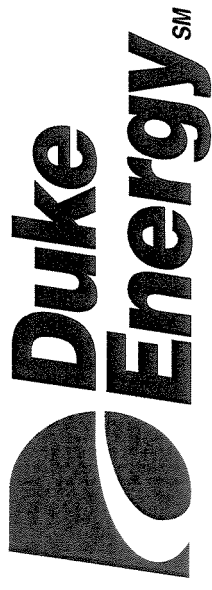
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# Background: North Wall TORMIS History

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- 2003 – TORMIS calculation (Rev. 0) developed for a License Amendment Request (LAR) submittal.
  - Wall damage frequency estimated 4.4E-07 /year
  - Standard Review Plan (SRP) criterion is <1E-06/year.
- 2004 – Oconee’s Plant Operations Review Committee (PORC) reviews the LAR.
  - Questioned the impact of site changes on missile inventory.
  - Engineering questions TORMIS damage model.
- 2005 – TORMIS calculation (Rev. 1) approved.
  - TORMIS issues resolved - missile damage freq. <5E-07/year.
  - Plant engineering concern of ΔP failure of wall’s steel plate. Conservative ΔP failure estimate results in a CDF of 6E-07.

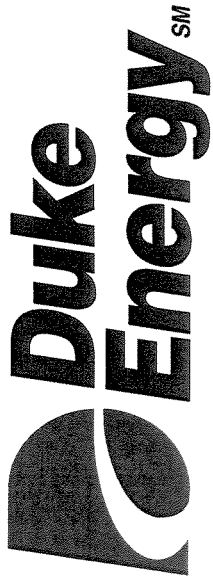


## Background: North Wall TORMIS History (January 2006)

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- Duke Initiates detailed Significance Determination Process (SDP) Risk Assessment
  - ▲ Address NRC analysis concerns
    - ✧ Determine sensitivity of CDF to missile inventory
    - ✧ Determine reliability of pre-staging the Oconee Standby Shutdown Facility (SSF) prior to potential tornado impact on site.
  - ▲ Estimate incremental CDF and large early release frequency (LERF)



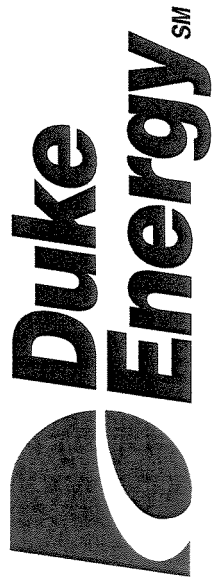


# NRC Risk Issue #1

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## Risk previously determined to be high E-7

- NRC: “*In Problem Investigation Process (PIP) O-04-2365, updated on April 26, 2005, the licensee calculated a mean core damage frequency of  $4E-7$  and noted that with double the number of potential missiles the mean damage frequency would be  $9E-7$ .*”
- Duke Clarification: Completed on Sept. 30, 2004, PIP corrective action (CA) #3 states a “mean damage frequency of  $4.4E-07$  /yr.”
- ★ This is a reference to missile damage frequency not to core damage frequency.

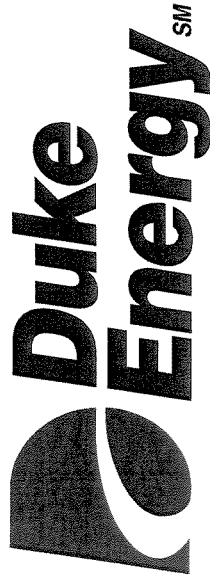


## NRC Risk Issue #2

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### Block walls mischaracterized in TORMIS model

- Duke Clarification:
  - "Block wall issue" and other issues in the structural analyses were addressed in the updated evaluation in PIP O-01-2827 (June 2005).
  - CDF was conservatively estimated at  $6E-07$  /year



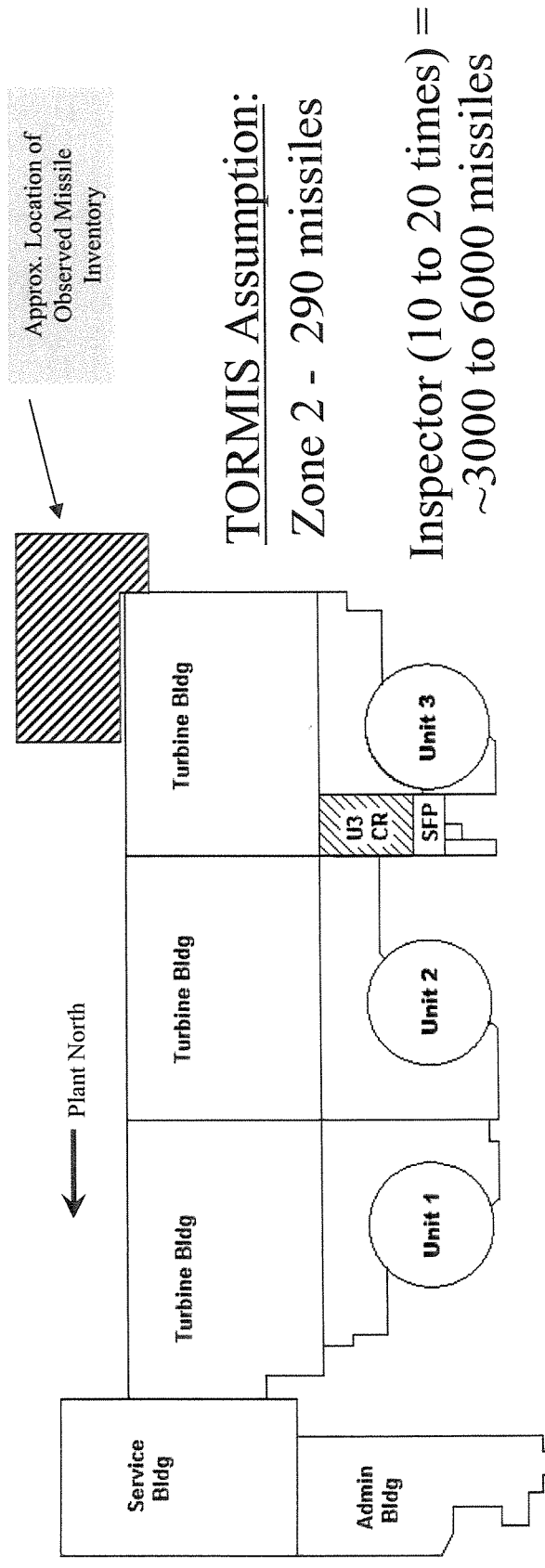
## NRC Risk Issue #3

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### Site Missile Inventory Higher Than Analyzed

- NRC: Inspectors estimated actual missile count to be 10 to 20 times higher than assumed in the TORMIS model, and would increase the likelihood of missiles striking the wall.
- Duke Clarification:
  - ▶ Materials observed in November 2003 were located at southeast corner of Turbine Building (away from the Unit 3 control room north wall)
  - ▶ Materials observed were used to support outage activities and not present continuously through the year

# NRC Risk Issue #3 (cont.)



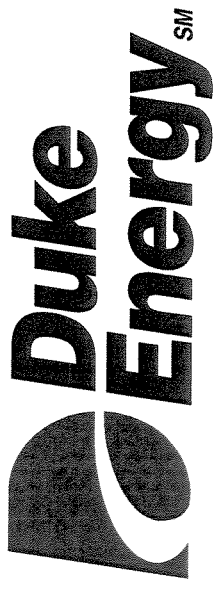
TORMIS Assumption:

Zone 2 - 290 missiles

Inspector (10 to 20 times) =  
~3000 to 6000 missiles

TORMIS Assumption for Site (All Zones): 33,434 missiles

★ Missile inventory for the entire site did not increase by 10 – 20 times.

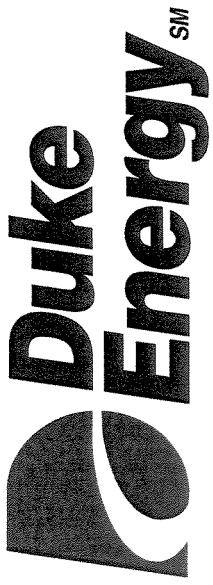


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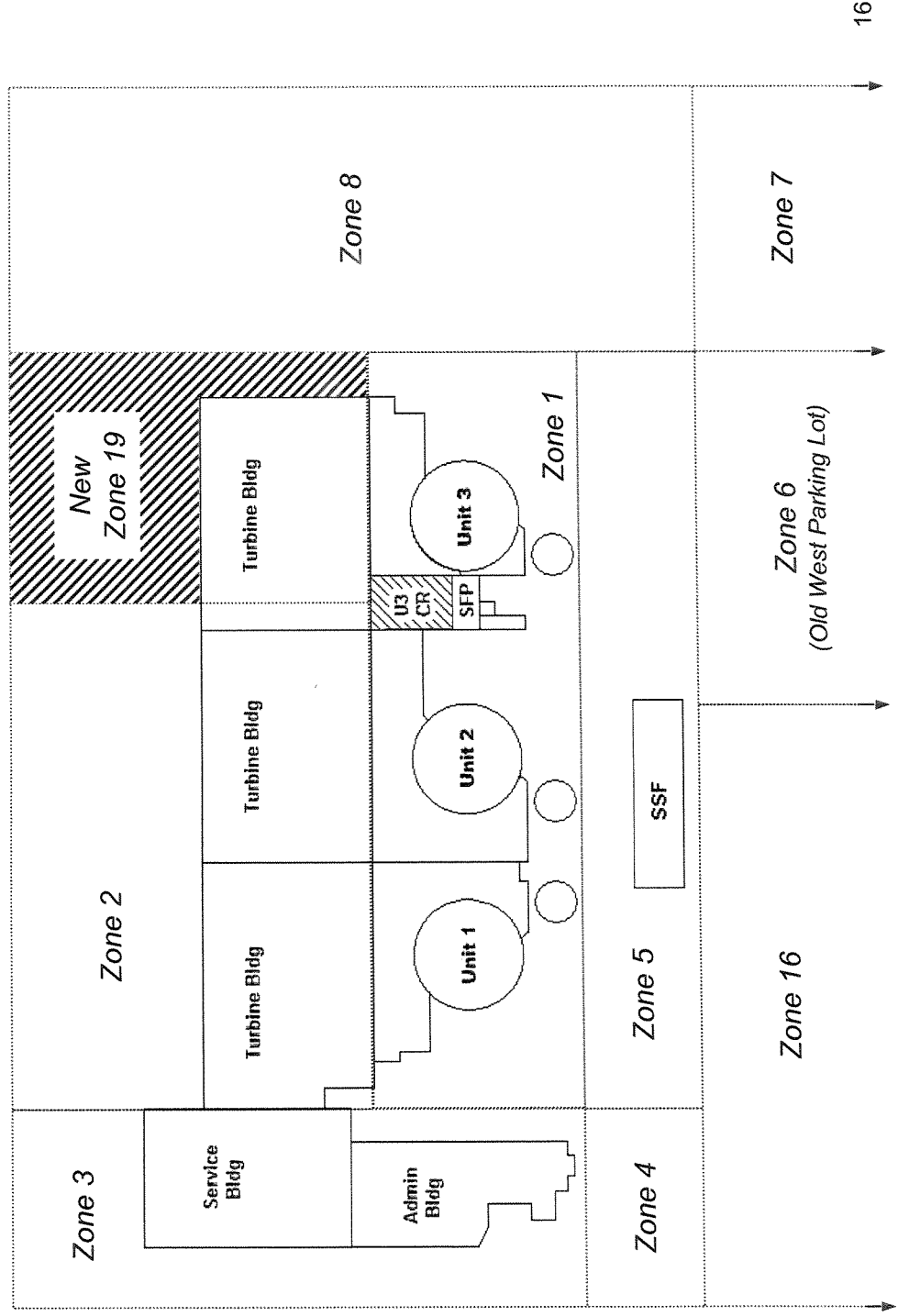
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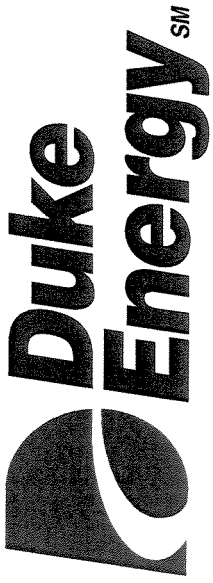
### Determine sensitivity of missile inventory assumptions

- TORMIS sensitivity case
- Increased inventory observed by inspectors was modeled in new "Zone 19".
- Sensitivity case intended to represent "bounding" case analysis.
- ❖ Approximately 50 times base in same area (versus inspector's estimate of 10–20 times)
- ❖ Other potential storage/staging areas were increased by similar amount (Zones 6 & 8).



# TORMIS Missile Zones



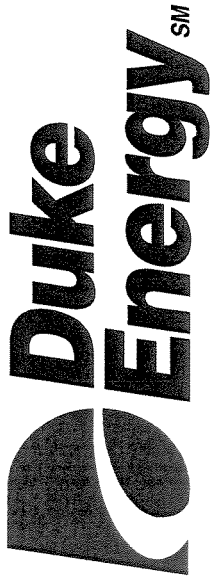


# TORMIS Sensitivity Analysis

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## ■ Missile Inventory Comparison

Location	Base Case	Bounding Case	Change
Zone 6	1038	15,600	15 X
Zone 8	333	16,650	50 X
Zone 19	-	14,500	50 X Zone 2
All Zones	33,434	78,813	2.36 X



# TORMIS Sensitivity Results

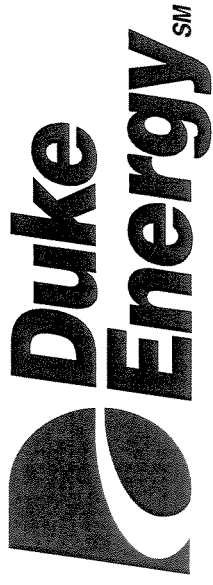
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## Unit 3 Control Room North Wall - TORMIS Comparison

- Base Case - Normal Site Inventory
  - Missile Impact Frequency = 9.2E-06
  - Missile Damage Frequency = 4.7E-07
  
- Bounding Case - Increased Inventory
  - Missile Impact Frequency = 1.3E-05
  - Missile Damage Frequency = 8.0E-07

★ These values are not core damage frequency.

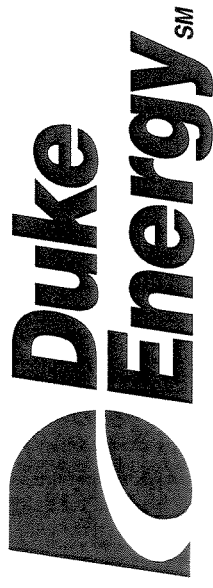




## TORMIS Sensitivity Results (cont.)

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- Increased missile inventory in the evaluated storage areas are small contributors to the control room north wall missile strike frequency due to geometry.
- Overall missile damage frequencies are relatively insensitive to increases in missile inventory in these particular zones.

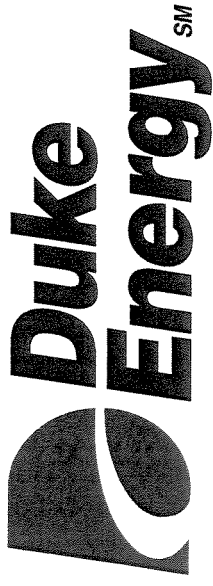


## NRC Risk Issue #4

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### Pre-staging operators at the SSF prior to tornado

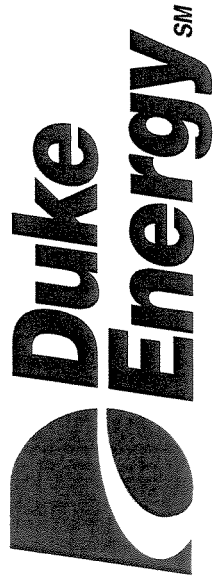
- NRC: Failure to pre-stage operators in the SSF during a tornado warning could adversely impact SSF human reliability.
  - “High uncertainties are associated with even well defined human actions.”
  - “Without more data this human reliability analysis term is a source of high uncertainty.”



## Duke Response

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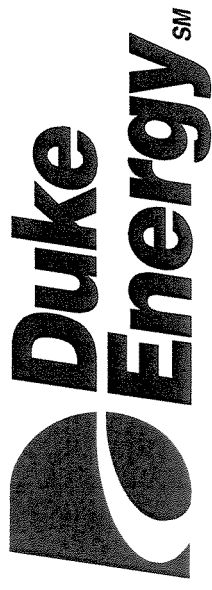
- Duke developed an event tree analysis to evaluate affects of tornado warning time.
- The ONS natural disaster procedure (AP/6) dispatches operators to the SSF upon receipt of tornado warning notification.
  - ❖ Average response time 3.6 minutes.
  - ❖ Travel time to SSF is 4 minutes.
- Based on National Weather Service (NWS) data, average tornado warning time is 13 minutes.



## Human Reliability Analysis

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- ★ Minimal impact on overall SSF reliability
  - Assumptions:
    - National Weather Service Warning received:
      - > 90% of the time
    - Operator Response: 94% Success Rate
    - SSF operators pre-staged: 84% of the time
    - Human error probability:  $\sim 4E-03$  increase



## Risk Quantification

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- Accident Sequence
  - Initiating Event (Tornado Missile Penetrates CR)
  - Core Cooling Failure (SSF Failure)
  
- Included:
  - Revised SSF Human Reliability
  - Baseline and Bounding Case Missile Inventory

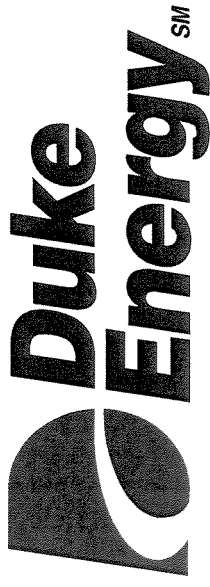


# Incremental Risk Results

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- Base Case
  - Normal Missile Inventory (33,434 missiles)
    - ❖  $\Delta$ CDF = 1.8E-07 /yr
    - ❖  $\Delta$ LERF = 1.8E-09 /yr
- Bounding Missile Inventory Case
  - Increased Missile Inventory (78,813 missiles)
    - ❖  $\Delta$ CDF = 3.0E-07 /yr
    - ❖  $\Delta$ LERF = 3.0E-09 /yr

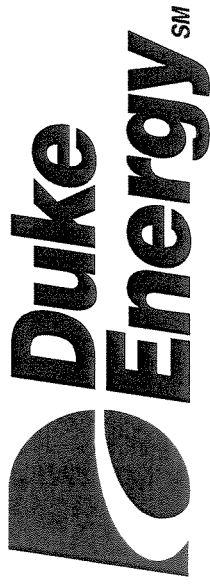
★ Bounding case demonstrates that the risk impact is very low.



## Conservative Assumptions

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- The bounding case missile inventories assumed for Zones 6, 8, and 19 are very conservative.
- The area immediately next to the north wall is used for offices and storage (non-vital).
- No credit is taken for the block walls as a missile barrier.
- If a steel plate is penetrated, or if a block wall is impacted by a missile, all Control Room functions for EFW, HPI, and Station ASW are assumed to fail.
- Steel Plates for 3 center panels are assumed to fail in F-3 winds (158 mph). Ultimate capacity is even higher.

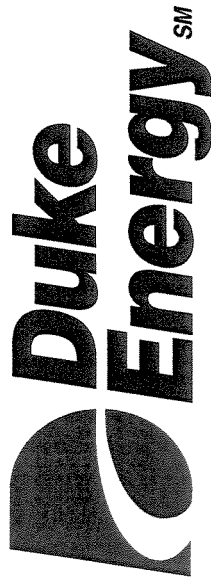


## Risk Analysis Conclusions

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- Risk impact is very low (Green).
  - ACDF <3.0E-07 /yr
  - ALERF <3.0E-09 /yr
- Duke risk assessments were conservative.
- TORMIS modeling issues had minimal risk impact and were addressed in March 2005.
- Increased missile inventory has minimal impact on final risk results.
- Impact of tornado warning time on SSF human reliability is minimal.





## Closing Remarks

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- Duke plans to modify the Unit 3 North Control Room Wall
  - ✧ Deterministic rather than probabilistic solution.
  - ✧ After modification Duke will be in full compliance with its LB.
  - ✧ Proposed modification described in January 31, 2006 letter to the Staff.
    - ✧ Fortify wall for tornado wind,  $\Delta P$ , and missiles.
    - ✧ Complete modification by December 31, 2007.