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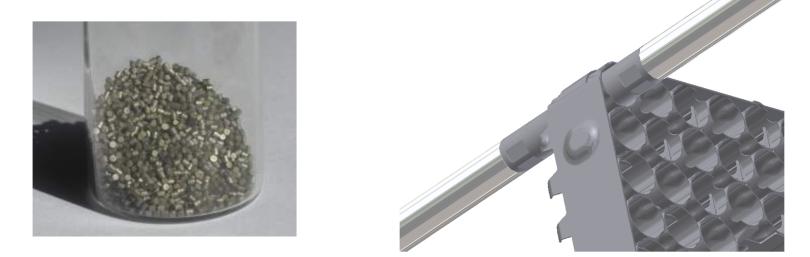
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## GE14i Isotope Test Assemblies Brad Bloomquist

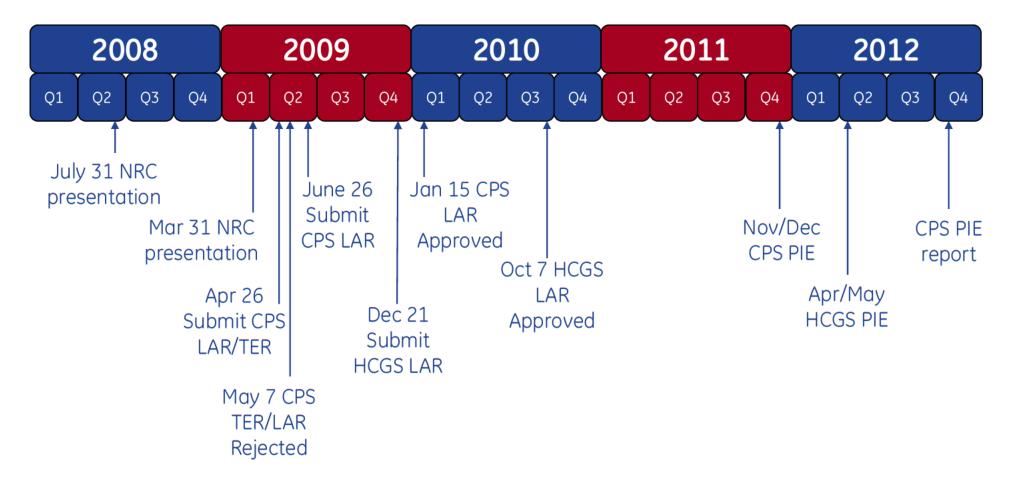


# **Clinton and Hope Creek Paths**

- Close involvement with utility teams
- 50.59 exercise with utility
- Early technical presentation to the NRC
- Agree on licensing basis for LUAs
- LUA Technical Evaluation submitted
- License Amendment Request submitted
- LUA Technical Evaluation rejected
- GE14i licensed as a new fuel type
- Safety Analysis Report on GE14i
- License Amendment Request
- NRC Audit and review of supporting analyses
- Full NRC review and approval process



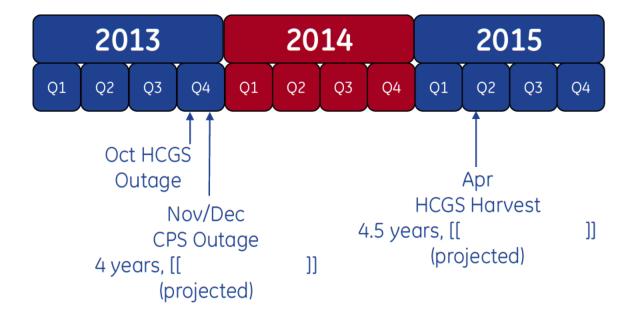
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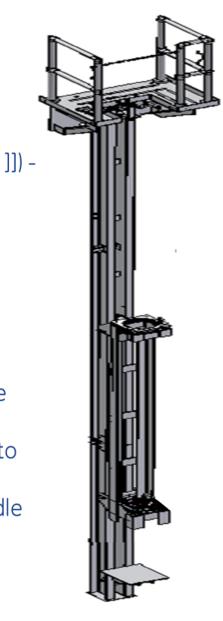


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# CPS Inspection and Post Irradiation Exam

Following first cycle of irradiation at CPS (22 mo, [[ one GE14i bundle removed from core

- Visual exam of external components to confirm mechanical adequacy
- COINS to examine rod profilometry and oxide layer to confirm mechanical adequacy and corrosion characteristics
- Gamma scan cobalt rods to confirm activation calculations
- Gamma scan local fuel rods to confirm power suppression magnitude and population of rods surrounding cobalt rods are appropriate
- Single rod harvest and off site shipment for destructive exam to confirm mechanical adequacy
- Single rod replaced with fresh cobalt segmented rod and bundle reinserted in same outage for continued operation





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# HCGS Inspection and Post Irradiation Exam

Following first cycle of irradiation at HCGS (18 mo, [[ ]]) – one GE14i bundle removed from core

- Visual exam of external components to confirm mechanical adequacy
- Single rod harvest and off site shipment for destructive exam to confirm mechanical adequacy
- Single rod replaced with fresh cobalt segmented rod and bundle reinserted in same outage for continued operation

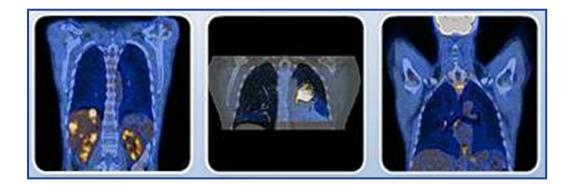


# **Project Benefits**

- Fostering positive perception of commercial nuclear power
- Illustrating power generating reactors have other uses
  - Supporting medical and industrial communities
- Ensuring supply of <sup>60</sup>Co
  - Prevent disruptions in global isotope supply
- Nuclear Energy Institute Top Industry Practice for Vision and Leadership



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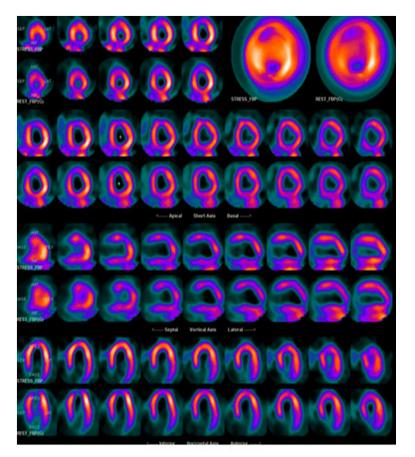
# Moly-99 Project

#### John Berger



### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) What is molybdenum-99?

- Used in approximately 85% of all nuclear medicine procedures ...brain, heart, thyroid, lungs, liver, kidneys, skeleton, blood and tumors.
- Rapid uptake by target organ...is bound to another drug that transports it to the organ of interest
- Decay results in relatively low energy gamma...easily detected providing accurate imaging
- Short half-life results ...allows for quick scans and lower patient dose, also lends BWRs to being ideal for activation



Myocardial perfusion SPECT – stress/rest Myocardial perfusion SPECT- stress/rest scan in a patient with dilated cardiomyopathy.



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# **Current isotope production**

- Aging & obsolete production facilities...54 year old Canadian reactor and HFR for Mo-99 experienced extended shutdowns.
- Isotopes from nuclear fuel...Mo-99 is obtained mostly from HEU targets
- Shortage resulting in high visibility in Washington...DOE awards grants to solve shortage crisis with reliable, domestic supply of <sup>99</sup>Mo w/o HEU use and NRC working group devoted to project





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# Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) GEH's <sup>99</sup>Mo production system concept

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| Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public)<br>Moly-99 Project – Analyses  |  |  |
|---|--|--|
| Heat Generation Analysiscalculated heat<br>generation of moly targets in instrument tube<br>due to gamma and neutron interactions as<br>well as decay | Activation Analysiscalculated activation in<br>BWR instrument tube<br>[[   |  |
| ]]  | ]]   |  |
| Target and TIP Tube Thermal<br>Analysiscalculated temperature profiles of<br>targets and dry tube's interaction                                       | <ul> <li>Future/Current Analyseswork scheduled to be performed in the near future</li> <li>Determination on LPRM effect</li> <li>Stress analysis on TIP tube</li> <li>Impact on core power during insertion and removal</li> <li>Local reactivity and pin power effects</li> </ul> |  |
| ()<br>HITACHI   | 5<br>Moly-99<br>June 20-21, 2011   |  |

# Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Design considerations for operations

- Containment Isolation...System modifies spare containment penetrations that require isolation systems. [[
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- Dose to Personnel...Dose one meter from outside of desired cask is [[
- Schedule and Personnel...Unloading and loading of system required once a week. [[
- Process Upsets...Molybdenum-99's short half ensures dose is manageable for hands on work after only a few weeks of decay
- Fuel Cycle...Molybdenum project will have a imperceptible impact on the fuel cycle
- TIP Operations...Molybdenum activation system and TIP system will be independent, but may have to be scheduled appropriately. Do not run the TIP system when Molybdenum Activation System is expected to undergo a 'load/unload' event and vice versa. Schedule TIP runs during the middle of a molybdenum irradiation cycle.



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#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Benefits of <sup>99</sup>Mo project

- Saves lives...Consistently supply important medical isotope for the USA
- National Security...Allows White House to achieve their goal of producing molybdenum-99 without the use of HEU
- Environmentally Favorable...System can generate the U.S.A.'s medical isotope supply without creating HLW
- Asset Utilization...Provides important medical isotope without the need for new reactors, while leveraging proven and licensed equipment



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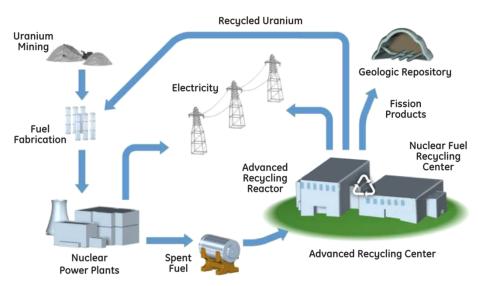


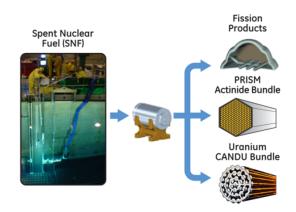
# **PRISM & Advanced Recycling**

Eric P. Loewen Ph.D.

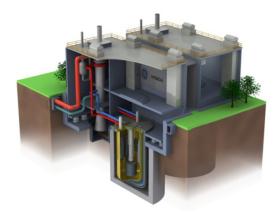


#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Advanced Recycling Center - Closes the Nuclear Fuel Cycle





#### **NFRC - Electrochemical**



#### Advanced Recycle Reactor - PRISM

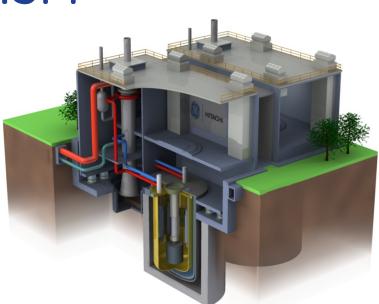


# Reactor Technology

#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Recycling Reactor: PRISM

- ✓ Advanced Conceptual Design
  - Already paid for by USG
  - Available today
- ✓ NRC "...no obvious impediments to licensing..."
  - Prudent starting point





1995-2002

S-PRISM

• GE Funded

economics

burning scenarios

Improved

• Actinide

1981-1984 GE Program

- GE funded
- Innovative design approaches



Competitive

LMR concepts

- DOE funded \$30M DOE funded \$5M
  - Continuing trade studies

1988

**PRDA** 



- DOE funded \$42M
- Preliminary design
- Regulatory review
- Economics
- Utility advisory board
- Commercialization
- Tech development (\$107M additional)

2007-2009



- Demo reactor
- Actinide burning
- Commercial
- Best practices
- Advanced power conversion cycle



#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Reactors: sodium and water cooled



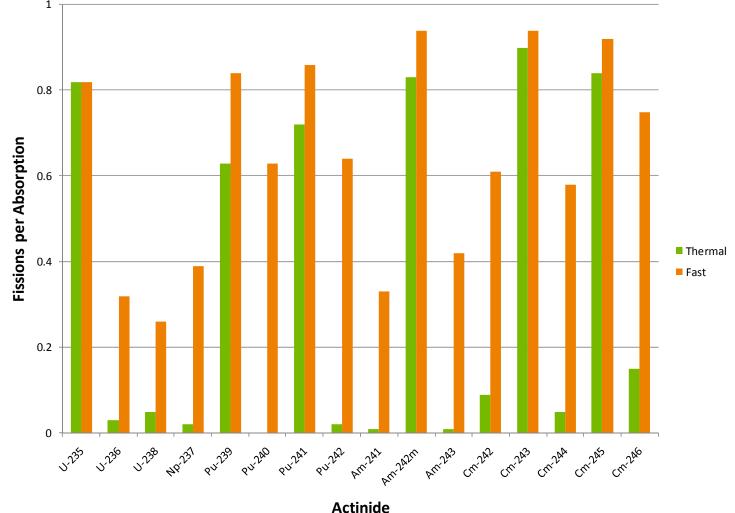
Should not be an "either/or"

Two reactor system affords better resource utilization: uranium reuse and waste-to-watts



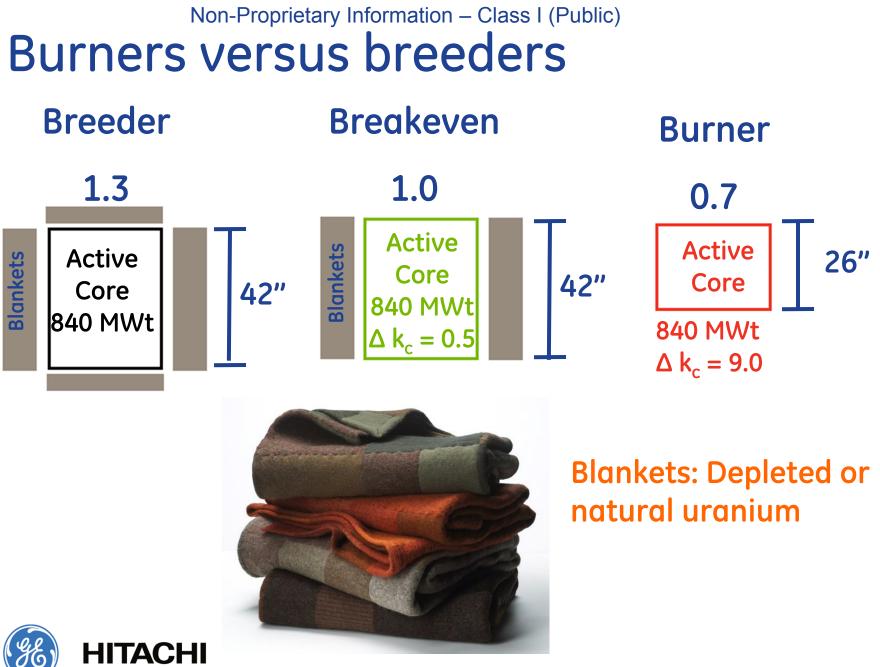


#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Why a fast spectrum? (a catalyst to shorter decay)



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Transuranics fission in fast spectrum (higher energy neutrons)

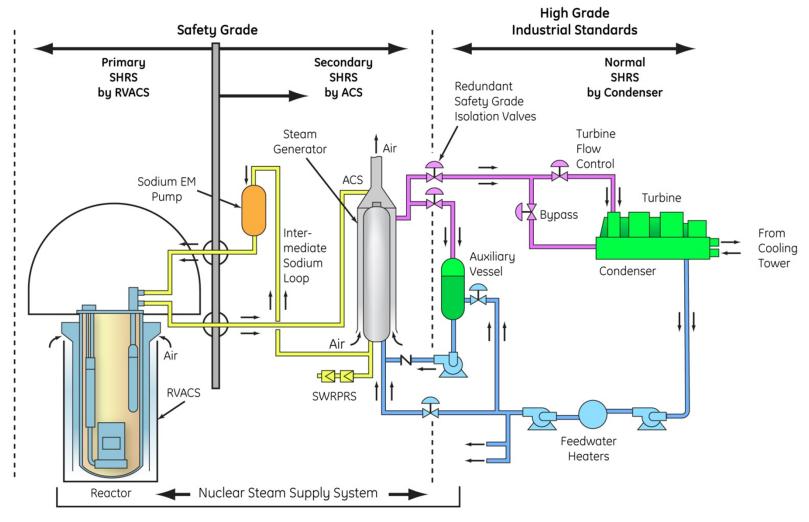


# Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) No loss of coolant with a "pool" [[





#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) PRISM power extraction cycle





## Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Licensing the first recycling reactor

**3 Paths** Working Together

#### Engineering Design

- Status: 30%
- Design: Hybrid
  - ✓ PRISM based design
  - ✓ S-PRISM adv. features
    - > Seismic isolation
    - > Containment
    - HCSG Relief System





#### Path 1

#### Licensing

- Update Licensing Strategy
- Start Pre-Application Meetings
- > Submit a PSER or DCD

#### Path 2

Simulation



- > Build Analytical Simulator
- Start Design Optimization
- Select Component Scale Model Testing

#### Path 3

#### **Component Testing**

- Fabricate Select Components
  - Reactor Vessel (USA Built!)
  - Fuel Handling Equipment
  - 🚸 EM Pump
- Test Components



#### Recycling Reactor Deployment

- Integrate simulation into design process
- Optimize, validate, and iterate prior to construction

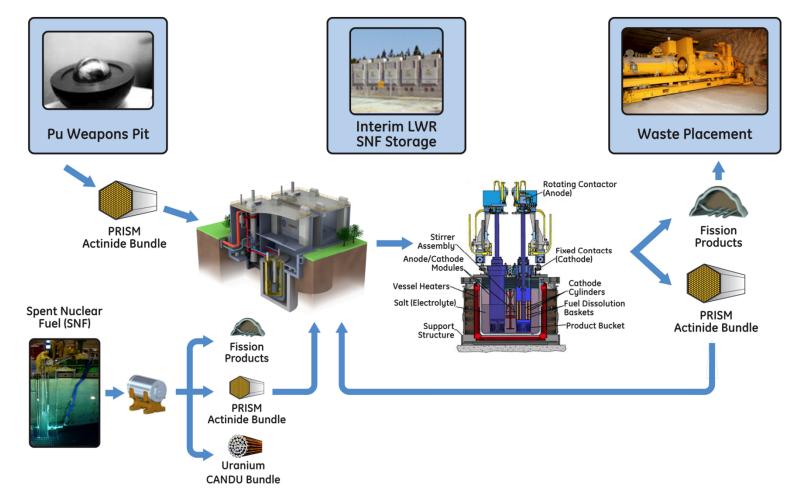
#### Benefits:

- Reduced time to deploy prototype
- Take advantage of existing LWR processes
- Optimize design through iteration



# Separations Technology

#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Solving used nuclear fuel issues with today's technology





Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public)

# Electrochemical conceptual flowsheet – Integral Fast Reactor (IFR) program



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## Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Electrometallurgical development



#### ✓ NAS Committee Findings

- No technical barriers for electrometallurgical processing of EBR-II fuel
- DOE should seriously consider continued development as an alternative to aqueous treatment of uranium oxide spent nuclear fuel
- ✓ Prudent GNEP starting point
  - Domestic solution available today



- AEC Funded
- Innovative design approaches
- 1984 IFR Program
- DOE funded
- Prove metal fuel
- ~1990 Japan
- Japanese Support
- Contributed \$40M
- Committed \$60M
- Contributed \$6M for successful operation LWR oxide reduction



- Program Terminated
- EBR-II shut down
- EBR-II 30 years of
- 1995-1999 EBR-II Fuel
- EBR-II Fuel Treatment
- Requires treatment
   ≻Enrichment
   ≻Na bond
  - > Pyrophoric
  - ► RCRA
- DOE ROD
- NAS review



- EIS completed
- Processing EBR-II fuel currently
- 3T processed
- Best practices



#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Robust wastes for disposal

#### <u>Metallic</u> 99Tc is in the metal waste form

#### <u>Ceramic</u>

Cs and Sr are in the ceramic waste form





#### Performance data already produced for YMP



#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) **Electrochemical vs. Aqueous technologies**

|                          | <b>Electrochemical</b>   | <u>Aqueous</u>   |
|--------------------------|--|--|
| Purpose                  | Use chemical and<br>electrochemical processes to<br>separate components of UNF | Use chemical processes to separate components of UNF                                 |
| Process Media            | Molten Salts (solid at room<br>temperature)                                    | Acids, bases and other liquid<br>aqueous reagents                                    |
| TRU Recovery Method      | TRU elements are recovered together in common step                             | TRU elements recovered<br>separately and retroactively<br>mixed                      |
| Process Neutron Spectrum | Fast spectrum – no moderator   | Thermal spectrum – aqueous<br>moderators   |
| Process Control          | Most process steps are e-<br>chem controlled, can be<br>stopped immediately    | No "stop" button, process will<br>continue until completion                          |
| Waste Stream             | No liquid organic waste,<br>stable FP waste forms for<br>disposal              | Continuous discharge of<br>aqueous organic waste, stable<br>waste forms for disposal |
| Fuel Type                | Metal fuel, easier to fabricate<br>in a remote environment and<br>less steps   | Oxide fuel, more difficult and costly to fabricate remotely                          |



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# Licensing objective

# Risk-based technology neutral regulation consistent with current regulations



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## 26 ARCs solve the UNF issue

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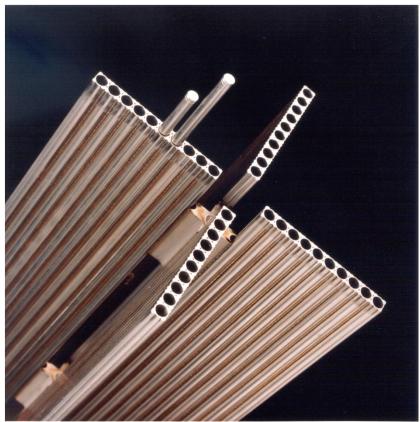
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# **Control Rods**

#### Scott Nelson

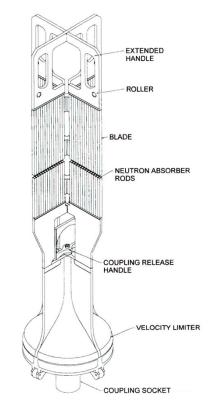




#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Marathon Control Rod Description

- B<sub>4</sub>C powder capsule within a 'square' absorber tube.
- Provides a gap between capsule and absorber tube to accommodate irradiated B<sub>4</sub>C swelling and helium release.
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## Timeline – Failure Analysis

- May 2010 Issued Marathon Surveillance Report 0000-0071-8269-R2
- 8/24/10 Cracks observed in 4 of 4 Marathon control rods inspected at "Plant O".
- 8/24/10 Initiated Part 21 evaluation, initiated GEH corrective action process and formed a 'war room' action team.
- 9/3/10 Issued RICSIL 091.
- 10/20/10 Issued Safety Communication SC 10-14 as the 60 day Part 21 interim notification.
- 11/17/10 Held teleconference with BWR Owner's Group
- 11/18/10 Held teleconference with NRC
- 12/1/10 Issued Safety Communication SC 10-19 providing additional interim recommendations and guidance.
- 2/15/11 Issued Safety Communication SC 11-01 (MFN 11-023) concluding Part 21 is reportable, with recommended reduced lifetimes for D and S lattice Marathon control rods.
- June 2011 Issued Updated Marathon Surveillance Report 0000-0071-8269-R3, and updated GE BWR Control Rod Lifetime Document (NEDE-30931P).



# Inspection Summary

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# Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Current Inspection Results [[





## Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) **Failure Investigation Summary**



#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) **Failure Investigation Summary** [[

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Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) **Causal Factors** 1. [[

2.

## **Contributing Factor**

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#### **Affected Population**

- •Affects D and S lattice, original design Marathon control rods only.
- Does not affect:
  - Clattice
  - Marathon Ultra
  - ABWR/ESBWR

| Parameter     | Marathon D/S | Marathon C | New Designs<br>(Marathon Ultra MD,<br>Marathon Ultra HD,<br>ABWR, ESBWR) | New Designs<br>(ESBWR) |
|---------------|--------------|------------|--|------------------------|
| Absorber Tube | +            | +          |  | +                      |



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#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) 'New' Square Absorber Tube

#### •Introduced beginning in 2006.



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#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Corrective Action – Marathon Lifetime Reduction

• Reduced lifetime, based on fleet-wide inspection results.

| Case                         | Local B-10<br>Depletion<br>Limit | Basis for Local<br>Depletion Limit | D Lattice ¼<br>Segment Limit | S Lattice ¼<br>Segment Limit |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 'Old' Tube<br>Lifetime Limit | [[                               |                                    |                              |                              |
| 'New' Tube<br>Lifetime Limit |                                  |                                    |                              |                              |
| Original<br>Lifetime         |                                  |                                    |                              | ]]                           |



# Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Preventive Action –> Marathon Ultra

- •Licensed in 1991 via NEDE-31758P-A
- ]] •Over 2000 Delivered Worldwide

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•Licensed by NEDE-33284P-A: June 2009

- •2 LUAs installed in a US BWR (Fall 2009)
- •4 LUAs installed in a European BWR (Summer 2009)

•Additional CRBs delivered beginning in 2010

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•LTR Submitted to US-NRC: NEDE-33284P Supplement 1: 2/2/2010

#### **Preventive Action – Transition to Marathon Ultra**

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| Parameter     | Marathon D/S | Marathon C | New Designs<br>(Marathon Ultra MD,<br>Marathon Ultra HD,<br>ABWR, ESBWR) | New Designs<br>(ESBWR) |  |
|---------------|--------------|------------|--|------------------------|--|
| Absorber Tube | ÷            | +          |  | +                      |  |

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## **Planned Inspections**

| Plant                             | Square<br>Tube<br>Type* | Control Rod<br>Type                   | Planned<br>Inspection<br>Date | Number of<br>CRBs to be<br>Inspected | Approx.<br>Fluence<br>(snvts) | <sup>1</sup> ⁄₄-Segment<br>B-10<br>Depletion<br>(%) | Peak Local<br>Depletion<br>(%) |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Plant N<br>(International<br>BWR) | D/S                     | Marathon<br>Ultra MD<br>(Marathon-5S) | Summer<br>2011                | [[                                   |                               |   |                                |
| Plant M<br>(US BWR/4)             | D/S                     | Marathon<br>Ultra MD<br>(Marathon-5S) | Fall 2011                     |                                      |                               |   |                                |
| Plant M<br>(US BWR/4)             | D/S                     | Marathon                              | Fall 2011                     |                                      |                               |   |                                |
| Plant A<br>(US BWR/4)             | D/S                     | Marathon                              | Summer<br>2011                |                                      |                               |   | ]]                             |



GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy

## GEH/GNF 50.46 (b) Changes



Kurshad Muftuoglu 06/20/11



## Outline

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- Overview of Fleet Margin
- Recent Margin Evaluation Results
- Transition Plans



## Margin Overview

#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Margin Overview

- BWRs are operated within MAPLHGR limits.
- MAPLHGR limit ensures that all (current) 50.46 criteria are met any time in fuel bundle's life.
- Basically, there are 3 different types of MAPLHGR curves:
  - Curve for non LOCA-limited plants
  - Curve for LOCA-limited only at low exposures
  - Curve for LOCA-limited plants at most of fuel life.



## Margin Overview

- For non LOCA-limited <sup>[[</sup> plants (BWR/4-6): a constant, high kW/ft up to a knee point, then limited by T/M
- Highest transient oxidation at the knee point: 1 to 2 % ECR.
- At highest exposures: zero transient ECR.



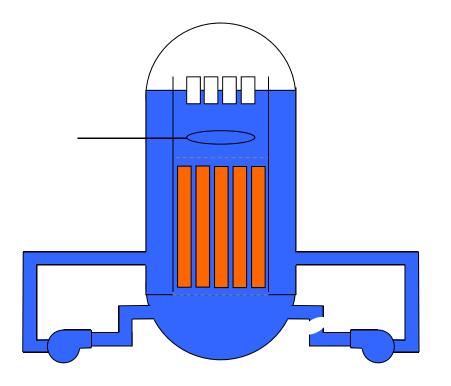
#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Margin Overview

- For BWR/3, and some /4s: [[ a setdown is driven by PCT before the knee point.
- Oxidation varies 3 to 8% ECR.
- At higher exposures, insignificant oxidation due to low LHGR.



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#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) BWR/2 – LOCA Response



The BWR/2s have five external recirculation loops with a recirculation pump in each loop.

There are no jet pumps in the downcomer.

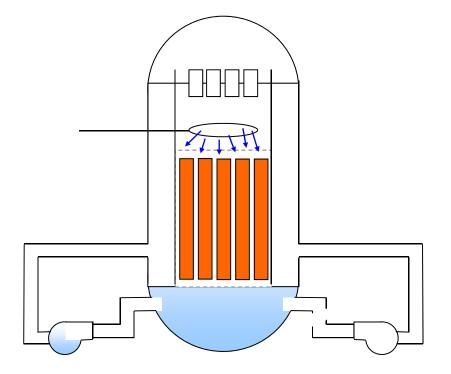
A large break in one of the loops will result in almost immediate stagnation of the core flow, followed by flow reversal as the pumps in the unbroken loops coast down.

The power/flow mismatch results in a boiling transition in the high power portion of the core.

The ECC systems available in the BWR/2 consist of two low pressure core sprays.



#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) BWR/2 – LOCA Response (cont.)



The emergency condensers and ADS systems are of little significance in a large bottom break scenario.

The core continues to heat up from the decay heat under the mitigating influence of spray cooling and steam cooling.

The amount of core spray water reaching the high power bundles is a key parameter.

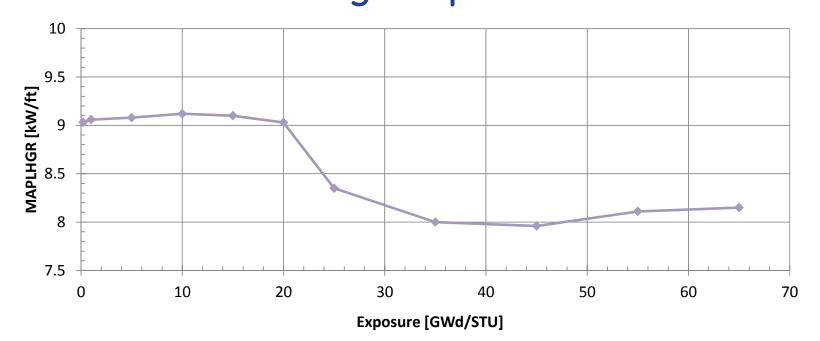
The fuel channels rewet because of the spray water descending into the fuel channel and forming a film on the channel wall.



## Margin Overview

In case of LOCA, the external pump plants are cooled using CS. They are LOCA-limited plants:

PCT-limited at low exposures ECR-limited at high exposures





## **Recent Margin Evaluation Results**

#### Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Margin Evaluation Results

- GEH supported BWROG for the Margin Assessment work.
- Results indicate that using the nominal FRAPCON3.3 hydrogen model, all U.S. BWRs have positive margin to the proposed criteria.
- All units show positive margin without any adjustments or credits other than use of Cathcart-Pawel correlation as demanded by the 'GL Elements' memo.



## **Transition Plans**

# Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Transition Plans

- Current BWR Analyses for GNF-fueled jet-pump plants can be demonstrated to meet the revised and new criteria. Key elements are:
  - Acceptable Hydrogen model
  - Plant-specific evaluations
- Demonstrate that of 33 (~1/3 of U.S. reactors) jetpump BWRs into compliance as soon as practically possible.



# Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public) Transition Plans

- Depending on the final rule and acceptable hydrogen model, BWR/2s will need additional treatment for compliance demonstration.
- In any condition, a new set of MAPLHGR limits can be calculated using SAFER/CORCL methodology for these units by setting the oxidation limit to allowable ECR at given exposures.
- TRACG LOCA provides additional technical rigor and valuable margin for BWR/2 units.
- Timely approval of TRACG LOCA will be essential to support BWR/2 units' transition.



## 2011 Technology Update

## Shutdown Margin

(Tech Spec Update for SDM - Most Reactive Temperature)

Gary Galloway

June 2011



## GNF2 Core & Fuel Design SDM Impact

- SDM has historically been most reactive at 68°F
- Evolutionary fuel products (larger water rods, more PLRs) have produced designs with more tendency towards positive moderator temperature coefficients.
- GNF2 is our first BWR/2-6 fuel product to have SDM characteristics where the most reactive temperature can be > 68°F for late-in-cycle exposures
- BWROG effort underway to modify the Standard Tech Specs from 68°F to most reactive temperature



# Typical GNF2 SDM Behavior

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3 Tech Spec SDM Wording June 20-21, 2011

### **SDM Design & Licensing Calculations**

- Since the introduction of GNF2 our technical design procedures (TDPs) have recognized this phenomenon.
- The SDM TDP requires that calculations for GNF2 be performed over a temperature span that ensures the minimum SDM has been determined.
- Information provided to the utilities for the BOC SDM demonstration include any impact of temperature dependency on SDM and its associated "R" value.



#### GDC 26 & Tech Spec Interpretations

• General Design Criteria 26 states:

"{the reactivity control system} shall be capable of holding the reactor core subcritical under cold conditions."

- Many Tech Specs have interpreted this cold condition to be 68°F - the lowest temperature that the reactor might normally encounter.
- Implicit in this specification is that the lowest temperature will always be the most reactive for SDM.



## Standard BWR Tech Spec Wording

- Current wording in both BWR/4 and BWR/6 Standard Tech Specs (Section 1) state the definition of SDM to be: "SDM shall be the amount of reactivity by which the reactor is subcritical or would be subcritical assuming that:
  - a. The reactor is xenon free
  - **b**. The moderator temperature is 68°F, and

c. All control rods are fully inserted except for the single control rod of highest reactivity worth, which is assumed to be fully withdrawn. ..."



## Revised BWR Tech Spec Wording

- The Licensing Committee of the BWROG/RACMC is drafting a revision to the Standard Tech Spec wording
- Revised wording will address the issue that the most reactive SDM temperature can be > 68°F
- Targeted to present revised Tech Spec wording to NRC in late June of 2011.
- Utilities to submit corresponding plant Tech Spec changes after NRC approval of the Standard Tech Spec wording changes.



## Conclusions

- New fuel products (i.e., GNF2) have the potential for the most reactive SDM temperature to be greater than 68°F for late-in-cycle exposures.
- Our SDM calculations take this into account for all core design and reload licensing applications by requiring multi-temperature calculations for GNF2 fuel.
- Tech Specs which specify a discrete value for the most reactive SDM temperature (68°F) should be updated to specify a more generic "most reactive temperature".



## 2011 50.46 Error Notice Summary – Domestic Plants

David S Knepper Technical Leader – Fuels & NPP LOCA & Containment Analysis



- CORCL IPOW=0 programmed incorrectly
- The IPOW=0 option adjusts power for PLRs
- Evaluated CORCL hot bundle power too low
- Erroneously high MAPLHGR limits
- GE11 bundles in BWR/2 only
- Preemptively addressed during GNF2 NFI
- IPWOW=1 was always correct & now used



Non-Proprietary Information – Class I (Public)

- Incorrect CORCL VOIDC input
- VOIDC is a droplet distribution multiplier
- VOIDC array dimensioned for 8x8 fuel
- CORCL default values completed array
- Radiative heat xfer may be artificially high
- MAPLHGR limits may be erroneously high
- BWR/2 only GE11 & GNF2 bundles



- CORCL code version change now 7E3
- Implements PRIME, new IPOW option, and minor enhancements
- 50.46 change notice required
- Previously planned for PRIME introduction
- Affects the BWR/2 plants



- Bundle database error for 10x10 designs
- Energy deposited in fuel was too low
- Erroneously high MAPLHGR limits
- Affects all GE14 & GNF2 for all customers (except NMP1 GNF2)
- BWR/2-E impact assessment is complete
- Database corrected for all future analyses



- Discovered during 2011-02 investigation
- SAFER input maximized energy in fuel
- Input not consistent with LTR
- Hot bundle power inadvertently reduced
- Can produce erroneous MAPLHGR limits
- Affects all GE14 & GNF2 for all customers
- Input now in conformance with LTR



# Effects - General

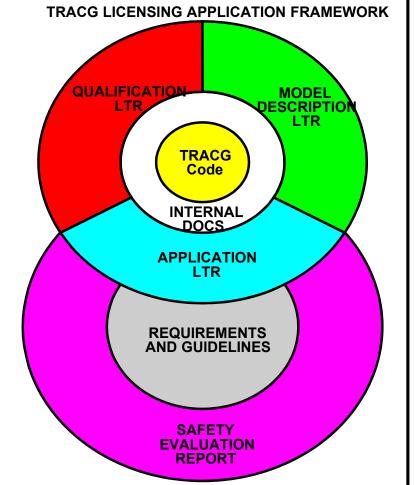
- Difficult to isolate single effects
- The effects can be a function of exposure
- The errors affect BWR/2 PCT and MLO
- 50.46 reporting focuses upon PCT
- Latent errors dating to 1986 and 1993
- Engineers applied TRACG LOCA experience
- Root cause analysis is ongoing



#### Technology Update for the US NRC June 2011

### TRACG ATWS Methods Status

Mike Cook





### **TRACG ATWS LTR Scope**

- Applicable to BWR/2-6 and EPU/M+ operation for ATWS long-term and ATWS with Instability (ATWSI)
- Follow SRP 15.8 guidance and acceptance criteria
- Follow previous ATWS CSAU based applications: ESBWR ATWS (NEDE-33083P-A S2) and BWR/2-6 ATWS Overpressure LTRs (NEDE-32906P-A S1)



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## TRACG ATWS CSAU Methodology

- Overall CSAU approach consistent with NUREG/CR-5249
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### TRACG ATWS CSAU Method Status

- ATWS long-term scenario specification (ELTR1 (NEDC-32424P-A) & M+ LTR) (Completed)
  - Main Steam Isolation Valve Closure (MSIVC)
  - Pressure Regulator Failure Open (PRFO)
  - Loss of Offsite Power (LOOP) if reduced RHR heat removal capacity
- ATWSI scenario specification (NEDO-32047-A & M+ LTR) (Completed)
  - Turbine Trip with Bypass (TTWBP)
  - Recirculation Pump Trip (RPT)



- Nuclear power plant selection set in scope (Complete)
- Phenomena Identification and Ranking Table (PIRT) (Complete)
- Frozen Code Version Selection (TRACG04) (Complete)
- TRACG04 Documentation (Complete)
  - Users Manual
  - Model Description LTR
  - Qualification LTR (Except boron transport qualification)



- Determination of TRACG Applicability
  - Build on previous applications (Complete)
    - AOO LTR (NEDE-32906P-A)
    - ATWS Overpressure LTR (Approved)
    - ESBWR ATWS LTR (Approved)
    - DSS-CD LTR (NEDE-33147P, Submitted)
    - LOCA LTR (NEDE-33005P, Submitted)
  - BWR/2-6 Boron Transport not addressed in previous TRACG applications
    - Benchmark boron transport model to Vallecitos and UCSB boron injection tests (80% Complete)
    - Update Qualification LTR (Not started)



- Establish TRACG Assessment Matrix (90% Complete)
  - Established in previous applications
  - Address boron transport with update to qualification LTR
- NPP Nodalization Definition
  - Nodalization sensitivity to support (20% Complete)
- Definition of TRACG experimental accuracy
  - Phenomena uncertainty established in previous applications
  - Address boron transport uncertainty (20% Complete)
- Determination of effect of scale
  - Scale established in previous applications
  - Address boron transport scale (80% Complete)



- Determination of effect of reactor input parameters and state
  - Performed ranking similar to PIRT (Complete)
  - High and medium ranked parameters addressed by bounding input, sensitivity evaluation or in Monte Carlo evaluation
- Performance of NPP sensitivity calculations
- Determination of combined bias and uncertainty
  - Follow ATWS Overpressure LTR method
- Determination of total uncertainty
  - Follow ATWS Overpressure LTR method



## ATWSI Analysis Approach

- Obtain approval for generic ATWSI analysis to eliminate plant specific ATWSI limitation (M+ SE Limitation and Condition 12.19)
- Create limiting plant(s) and define key phenomena, plant initial conditions and plant parameters to develop a bounding generic analysis
- Update analysis basis to TRACG04 and include GNF2
- Define a process to address fuel design changes, operating domain changes and plant changes



## TRACG ATWS Submittal Plan

- CSAU material and ATWS long-term demonstration analysis submittal in one LTR
  - Planned submittal in [[
- Separate Submittal for ATWSI generic evaluation
  - Planned submittal in [[



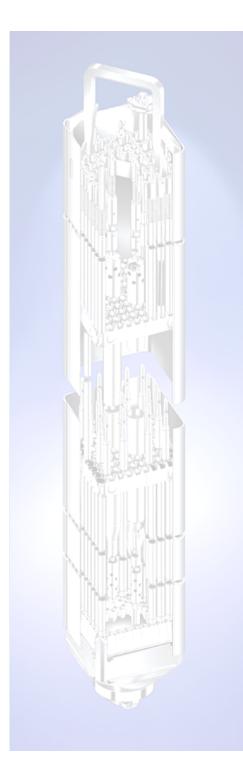
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### Planned Submittals

Jim Harrison June 21, 2011





#### **GESTAR II Submittals**

- NEDC-33270P Revision 4 (PRIME Downstream) 11-3Q
   GNF2 GESTAR II Compliance
- NEDC-32868P Revision 4 (PRIME & Downstream) 11-3Q
   GE14 GESTAR II Compliance
- NEDE-24011P Amendment 35 11-3Q Correct References, Clarifications, & Approved TRs



#### Methods LTR

NEDC-33173P Sup 1
 In-Review
 Void Fraction Error Based on 10x10 Pressure Drop Data

**ACRS** 

-A Version

- NEDC-33173P Sup 2 Power Distribution Uncertainties
- NEDC-33173P Sup 3
   GNF2 Supplement for Interim Methods
- NEDC-33173P Sup 4
   Final SE
   PRIME Implementation Plan



#### **Advanced Nuclear Methods**

- NEDC-33376P LANCR02 Lattice Physics Model Description
- NEDC-33377P LANCR02 Lattice Physics Qualification

**In-Review** 

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#### **Fuel Improvements and Methods**

- Ziron Cladding
- Additive Fuel

10-4QA In-Review

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### **Stability Solutions and Methods**

- NEDE-33147 Rev 3 11-1QA TRACG04 for DSS-CD Application
- NEDC-33075 Rev 7 11-2QA
   DSS-CD Revision using TRACG04
- TRACG04 Supplement for NEDO-32465 11-4Q



## **Other Methodology**

• TRACG LOCA Application Methodology 11-1QA

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