

Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station



Modification of High Pressure Injection Pumps

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Agenda

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- Modification Design..... Bob Schrauder
- Analysis and Qualification TestingBob Coward, MPR
- Conclusion.....Gary Leidich

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Opening Remarks



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Desired Outcome

- NRC and the public gain confidence that pump modifications and associated testing and analysis ensure the HPI pumps will perform their required safety functions under all design conditions

Overview

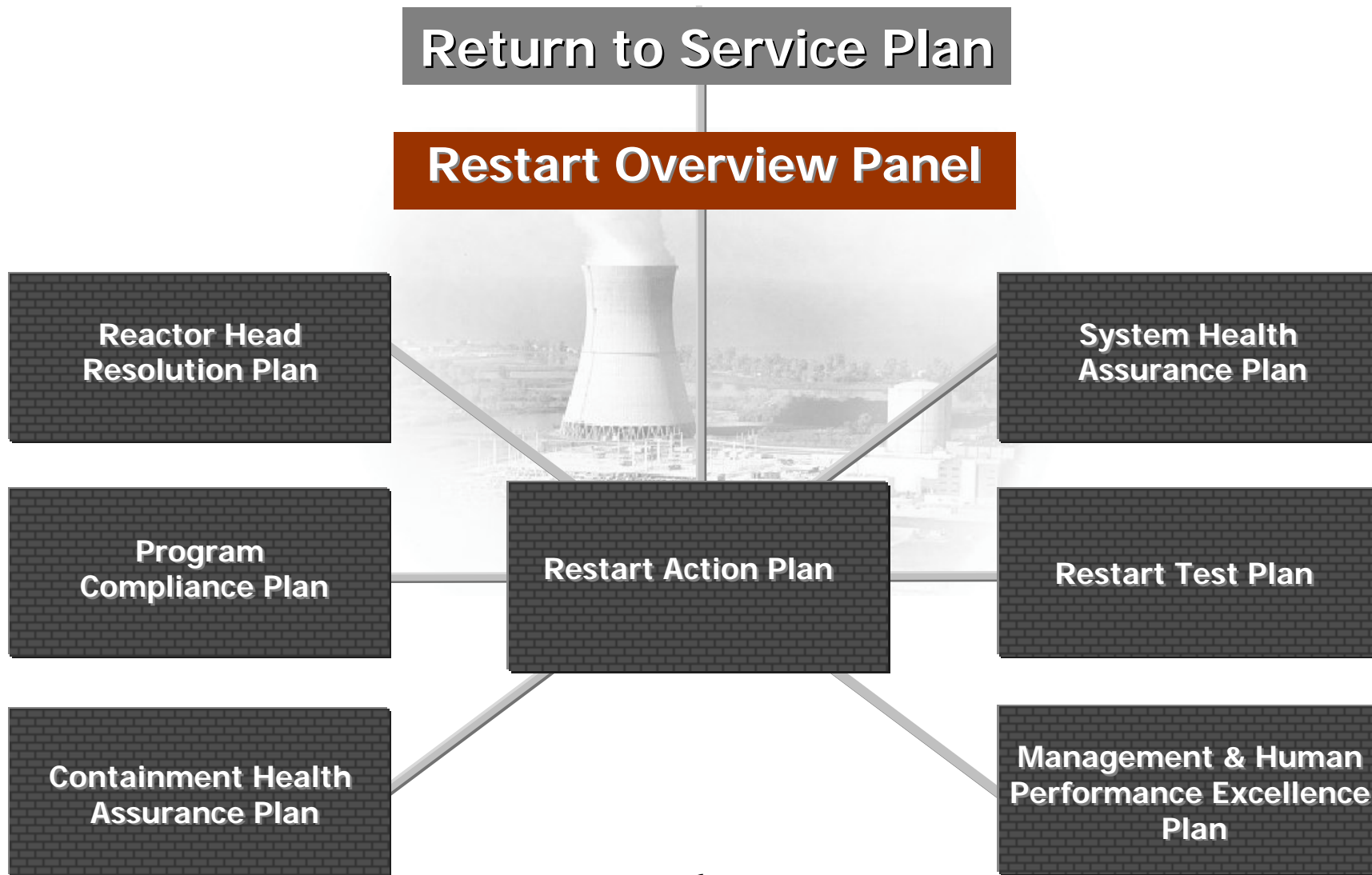
•Background

- Implemented Building Block approach in 2002 that included assuring the health of plant systems
- System Health Assurance identified the High Pressure Injection Pumps as an original design issue since fine particles from the Containment Emergency Sump could potentially damage the pumps during the loss-of-coolant accident (LOCA) recirculation mode

•Today

- Present how these findings were resolved and provide assurance the HPI Pumps are capable of performing their design function

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Modification Design



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High Pressure Injection Pumps



- **Manufacturer**
 - Babcock and Wilcox Canada
- **Type**
 - Horizontal, eleven stage centrifugal pumps
 - 600 HP electric motors
 - Hydrostatic bearing
- **Design Pressure/Temperature**
 - 2000 psig/ 300⁰F
- **Design/Manufacture Code**
 - ASME Pump & Valve Code, Class II, November 1968
- **Surveillance Test/Inservice Testing**
 - ASME Operation and Maintenance Code (1995 Edition with 1996 Addenda)
- **This design is unique to Davis-Besse in domestic nuclear industry**

HPI Pump Operational Environment

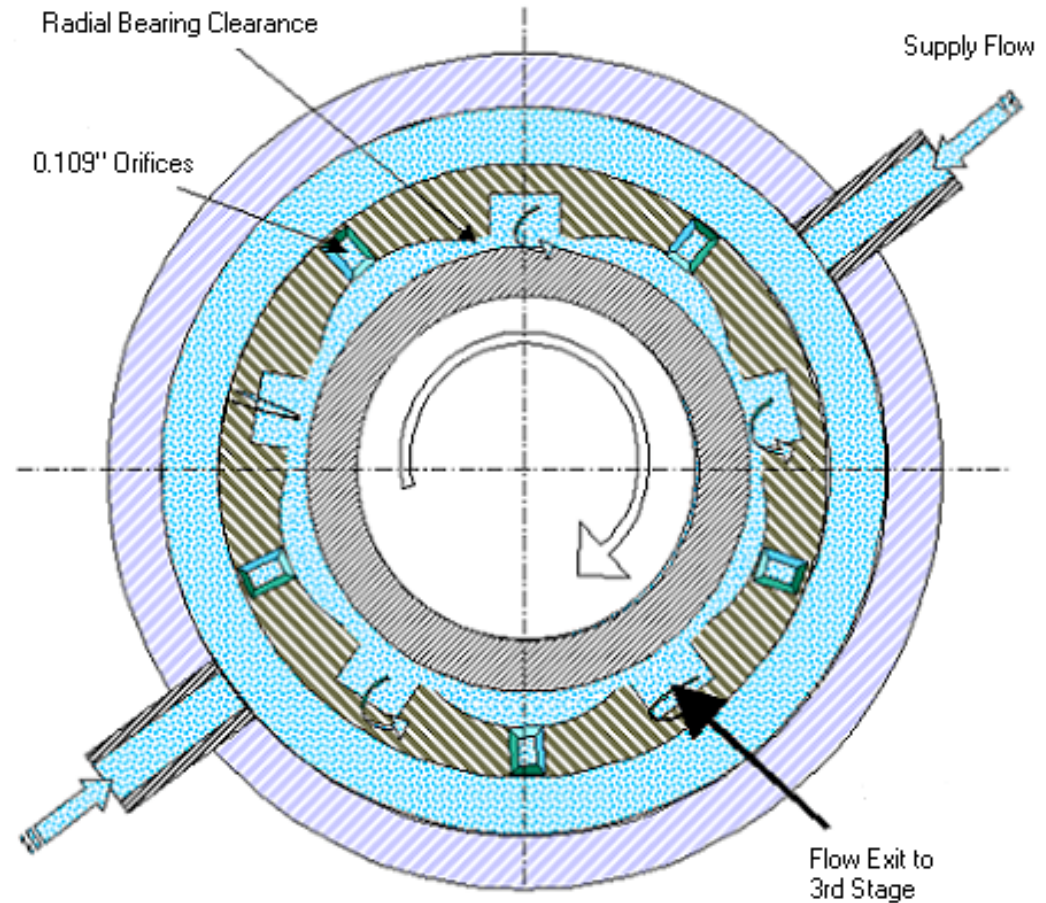
- Borated Water Storage Tank Operation
 - Surveillance Testing
 - Initial Post-LOCA mode
- Sump Recirculation Operation
 - In post-LOCA recirculation mode operation, HPI pump suction is from Containment Emergency Sump through LPI pumps
 - Sump may contain debris from LOCA blowdown and containment spray actuation
 - HPI Pumps must be capable of operating with debris in the pump flow

HPI Pump Original Design Issues

- System Health Assurance identified design issues
 - Hydrostatic bearing plugging
 - Bearing orifices are smaller than emergency sump strainer and could become plugged
 - Bearing pocket clearances are smaller than sump strainer
 - Close clearance wear
 - Preliminary rotordynamics analyses suggested increases in clearances due to wear by debris could lead to operation at critical speeds
 - Increased clearances will degrade pump hydraulic performance
 - Supply path to cyclone separator (seal water) could be smaller than sump strainer and may become plugged

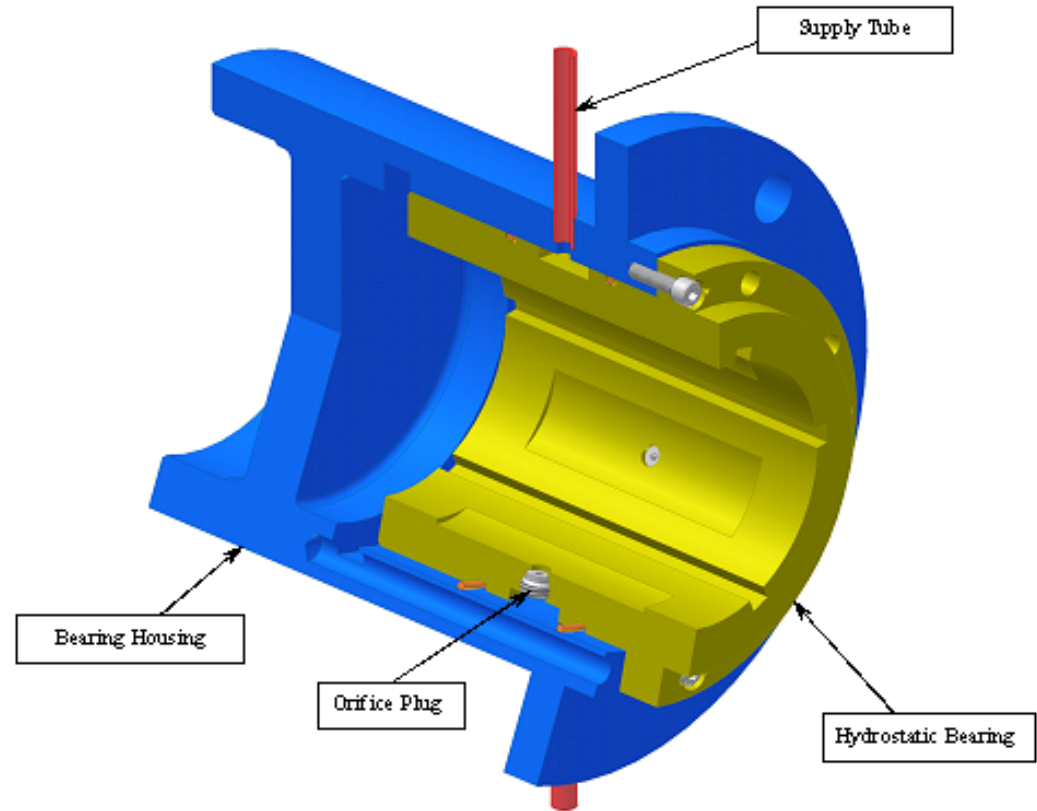
Original Hydrostatic Bearing

- Orifices in supply to hydrostatic bearing pockets are 0.109 inch diameter
- New containment emergency sump strainer has 0.188 inch diameter openings
- Orifices may plug with debris that passed through sump strainer, degrading bearing performance



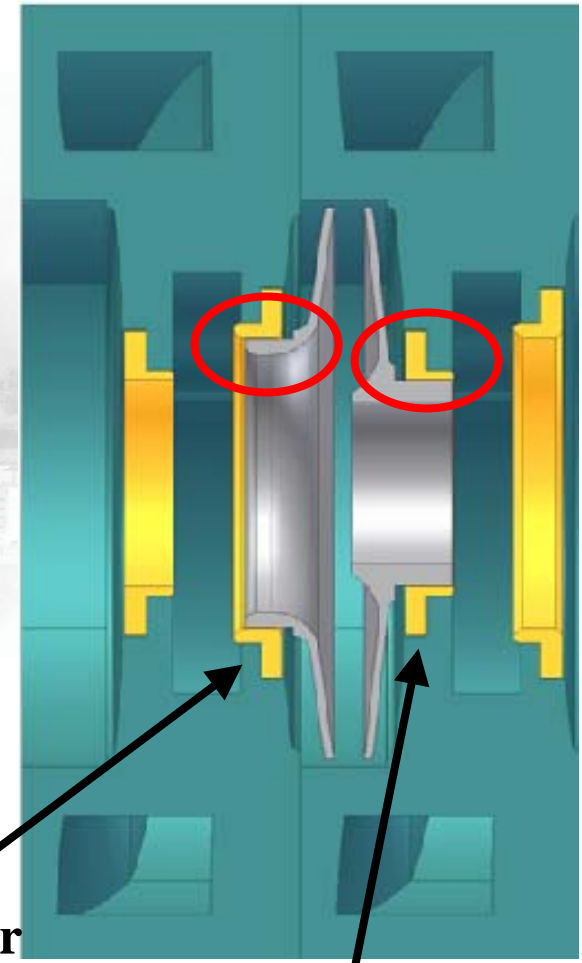
Original Hydrostatic Bearing

- Bearing includes tight clearances (0.006 inch to 0.007 inch) at edges of pockets
- Debris in supply water may be larger than clearance and accumulate in the bearing pocket
- Degradation of bearing performance may impact pump operation



Close Clearances Wear

- Pump design includes tight clearances
 - Central volute bushing (0.006 inch to 0.007 inch)
 - Hydrostatic bearing (0.006 inch to 0.008 inch)
 - Wear rings (0.009 inch to 0.010 inch)
- Debris in water may increase rate of wear of the fine clearances
 - Increased clearances could result in operation at critical speeds
 - Increased clearances could decrease hydraulic performance capability

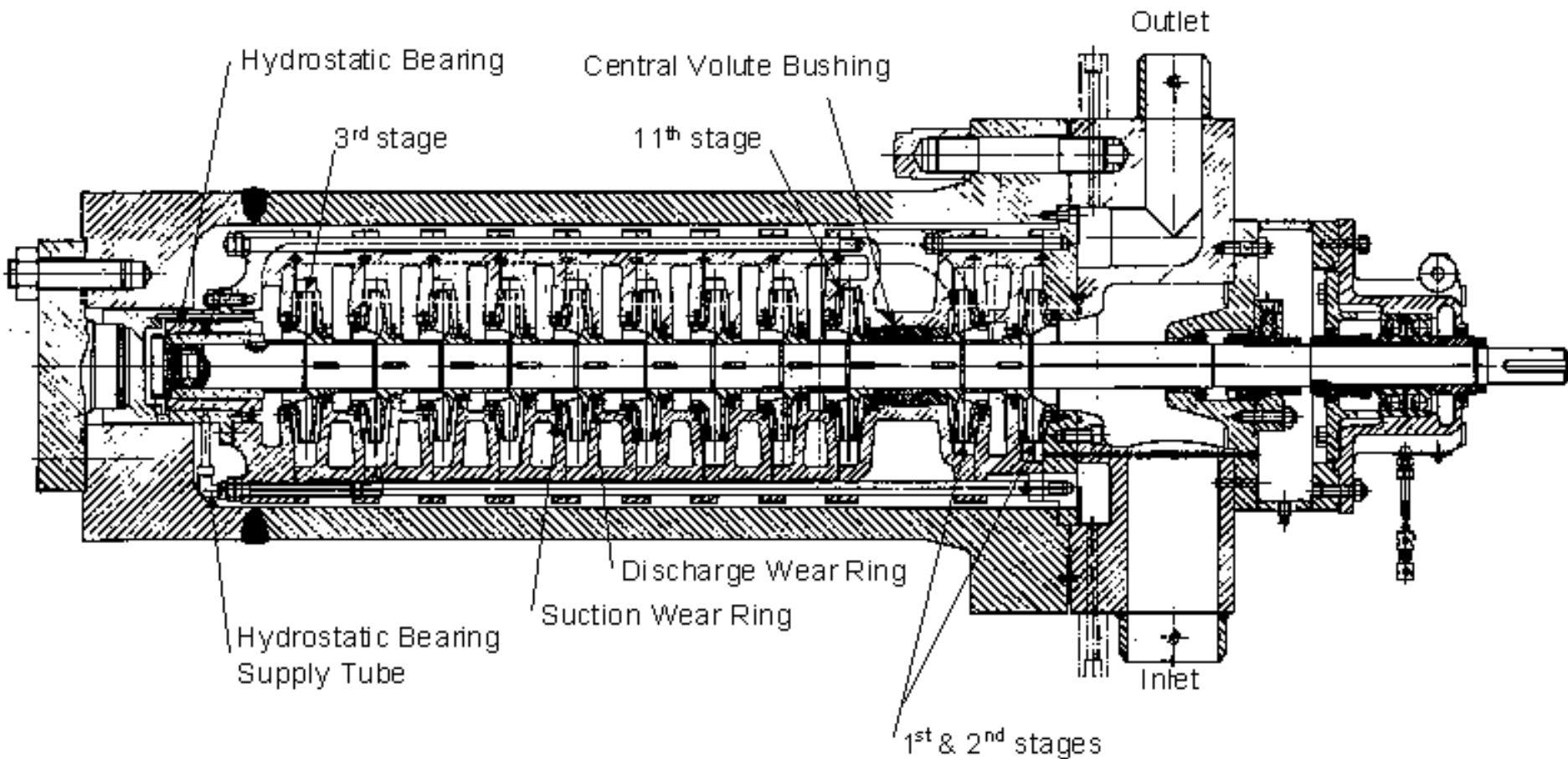


Suction Wear

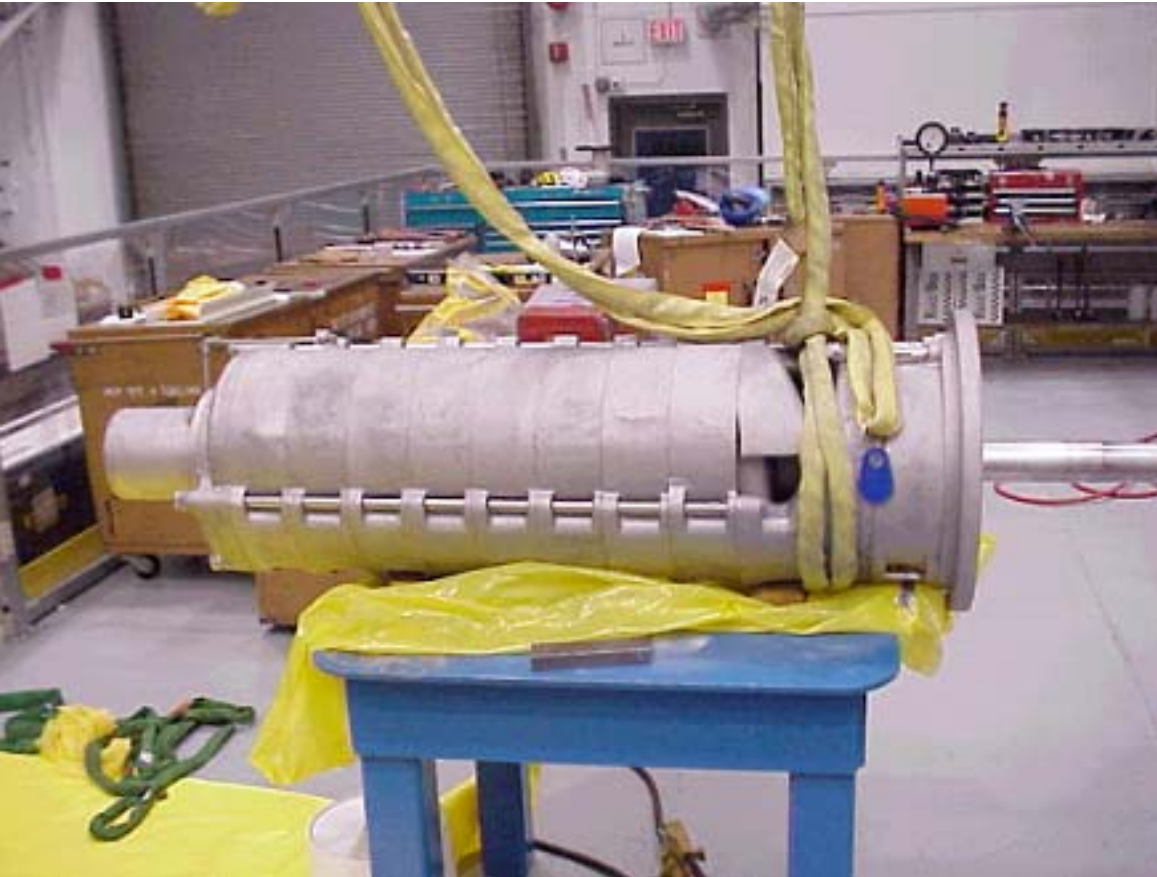
Ring

Discharge Wear Ring

HPI Pump Configuration



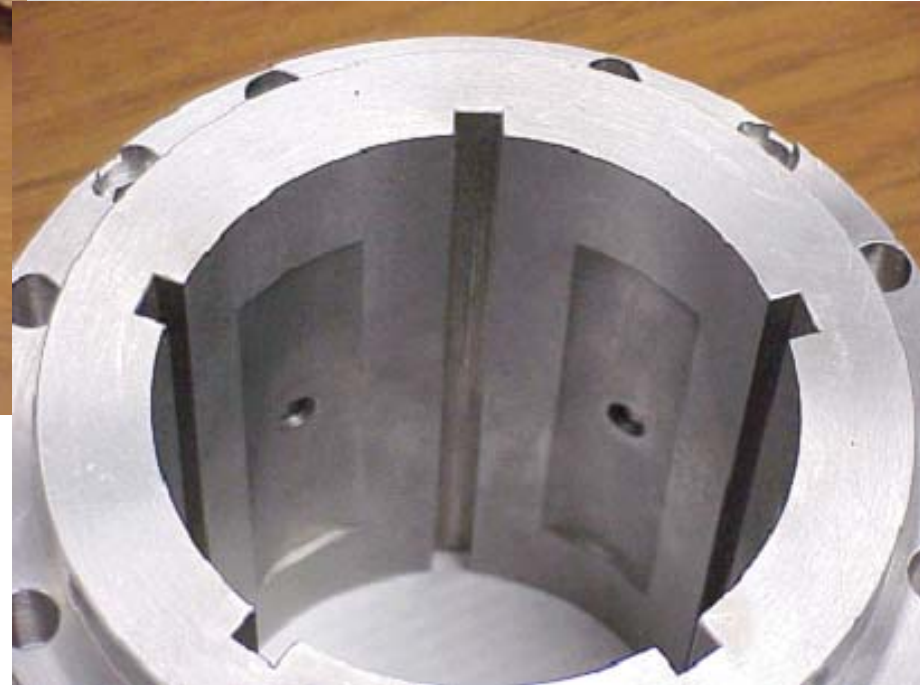
HPI Pump Internal Assembly



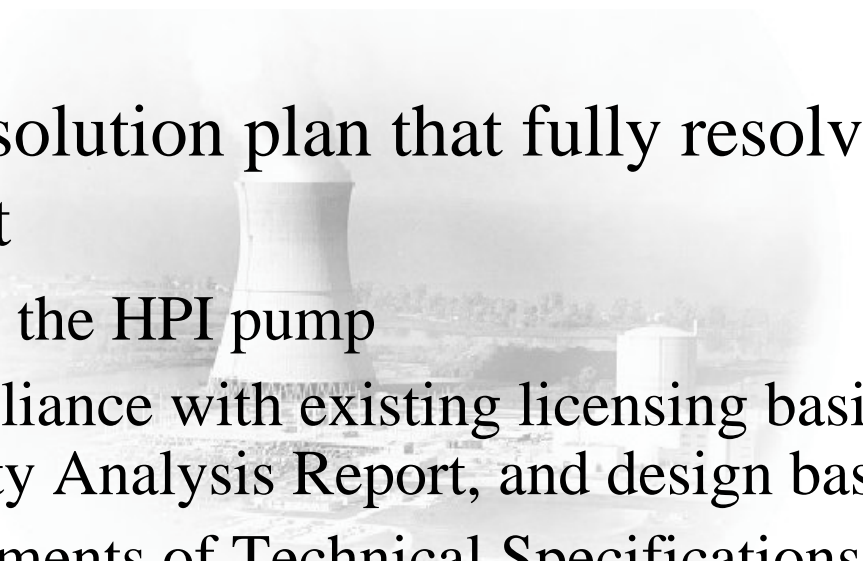
HPI Pump Volute



Original Hydrostatic Bearing



Resolution Objective

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- A faded background image of a nuclear power plant, showing a large cooling tower in the center and other industrial structures to the right.
- Implement a resolution plan that fully resolves HPI pump debris issue that
 - Modifies only the HPI pump
 - Assures compliance with existing licensing basis, procedures, Updated Safety Analysis Report, and design basis documents
 - Meets requirements of Technical Specifications

Initial Modification Approach

• Modifications

- Install self-flushing strainer on volute to prevent plugging of hydrostatic bearing supply line orifice
- Move supply line take-off to suction side of volute



Initial Modification Approach

- Key Assumptions to be verified
 - Strainer would be self-flushing and remain clear of debris
 - Debris larger than bearing clearance would be crushed by bearing and pass through clearance
 - Wear of close clearances would be minimal and uniform
 - Pump operation at critical speeds would not cause vibration or other operational challenges