

# **Risk Informed Decommissioning Emergency Planning**

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## **Evaluation of Spent Fuel Pool Seismic Failure Frequency**

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### **Overview**

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- Review of LLNL/EPRI Seismic Hazard Studies
  - Summarize NUREG/CR-4982 (BNL)
  - Summarize NUREG/CR-5176 (LLNL)
  - Summarize seismic section of NRC Draft Report (6/99)
  - Compare Results from alternative methods
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## Chronology of LLNL/EPRI Seismic Hazard Analyses

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- NUREG/CR-1582 (1981)
  - NUREG/CR-3756 (1984)
  - EPRI PROGRAM INITIATED (1984)
  - UCID-20421 (1985)
  - NUREG/CR-5250 (1989)
  - EPRI NP-6395-D (1989)
  - NUREG-1488 (1993)
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## SECY-91-102 IPEEE for Severe Accident Vulnerabilities

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NRC response to question concerning use of both the LLNL and EPRI seismic hazard curves in the IPEEE.

*'Based on the available information to date, the staff is unable to dispute the merit of either curve and considers both of them to be valid.'*



## **NUREG/CR-4982 (BNL) - Severe Accidents in Spent Fuel Pools ... July 1987**

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- Seismic Hazard
    - Millstone (BWR) - UCID-20421 (1985)
    - Ginna (PWR) - Synthesized
  - Fragility
    - Millstone
      - Oyster Creek Reactor Building  
Used as Surrogate
      - Median Fragility = 0.75g
    - Ginna
      - Zion Auxiliary Building Shear  
Walls Used as Surrogate
      - Median Fragility = 1.1g
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## **NUREG/CR-5176 (LLNL) - Seismic Failure and Cask Drop Analyses of the Spent Fuel Pools ... January 1989**

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- Seismic Hazard
    - Preliminary Results Came From LLNL
    - Hazard Assumed to be Lognormally  
Distributed
    - Truncation of the Hazard Distribution (99%)
    - Family of 11 Hazard Curves
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## NUREG/CR-5176 (LLNL) - Seismic Failure and Cask Drop Analyses of the Spent Fuel Pools ... January 1989 (continued)

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- Based on Explicit Evaluation of Spent Fuel  
Pool Fragility

Vermont Yankee - Median Fragility =  
1.4g  
(BWR)

Robinson - Median Fragility = 2.0g  
(PWR)

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- Note - This methodology used in the draft EPRI SFP evaluation



## NRC Draft Report (6/99) - Seismic Events

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- Spent fuel structures at operating nuclear power plants are inherently rugged in terms of being able to withstand loads substantially beyond those for which they were designed.
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- SFP are considered robust for seismic events less than three times the SSE.
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- It is assumed that the HCLPF capacity is on the order of 0.45g.

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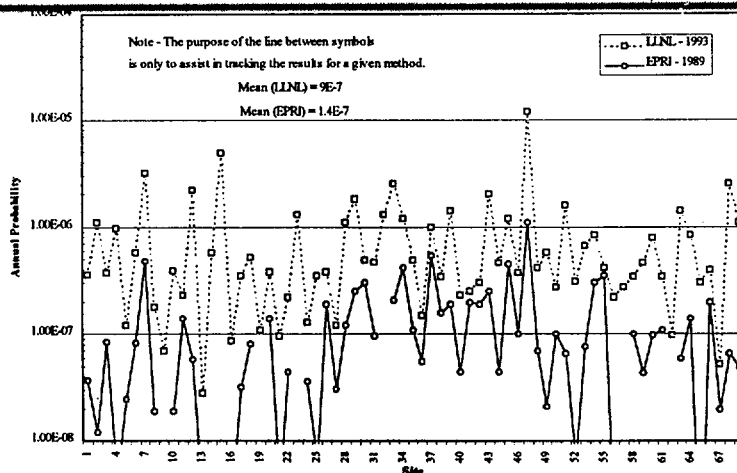


## NRC Draft Report (6/99) - Seismic Events

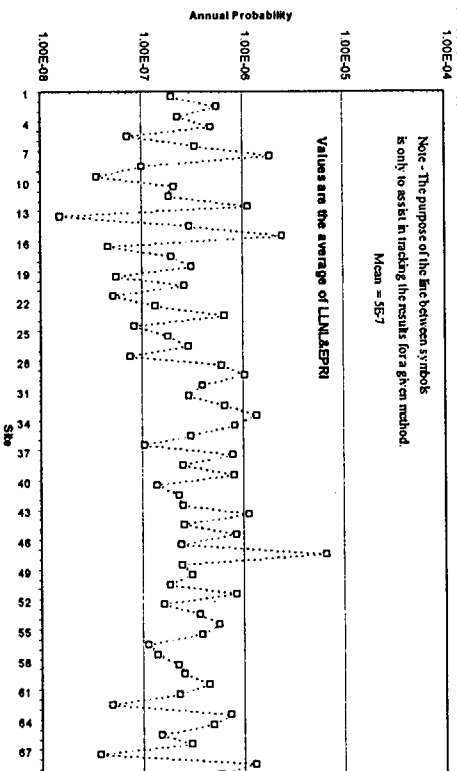
- Using mean LLNL (1993) seismic hazard curves, it was determined that the mean annual frequency of exceeding 0.45g is on the order of  $2.0 \times 10^{-5}$ .
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- Using the definition of HCLPF, the working group applied a mathematical shortcut to get the frequency of a seismic event that will challenge the SFP integrity:
  - $2.0 \times 10^{-5}$  per year  $\times$  0.05 =  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  per year.
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## SFP Failure Probability Results - NUREG/CR-5176 Methodology

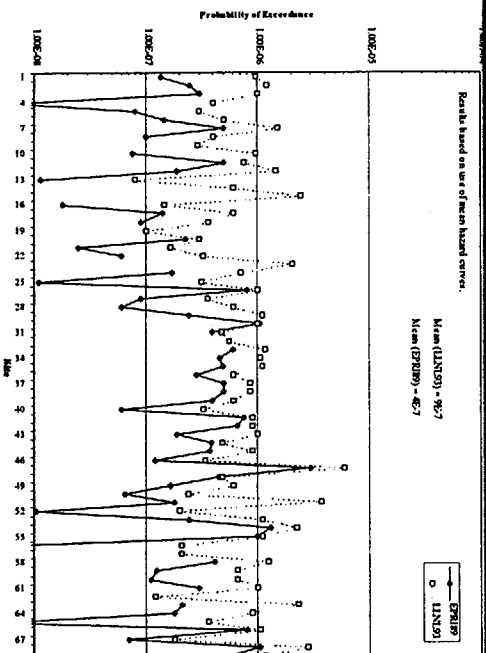


# Average SFP Failure Probability Results - NUREG/CR-5176 Methodology



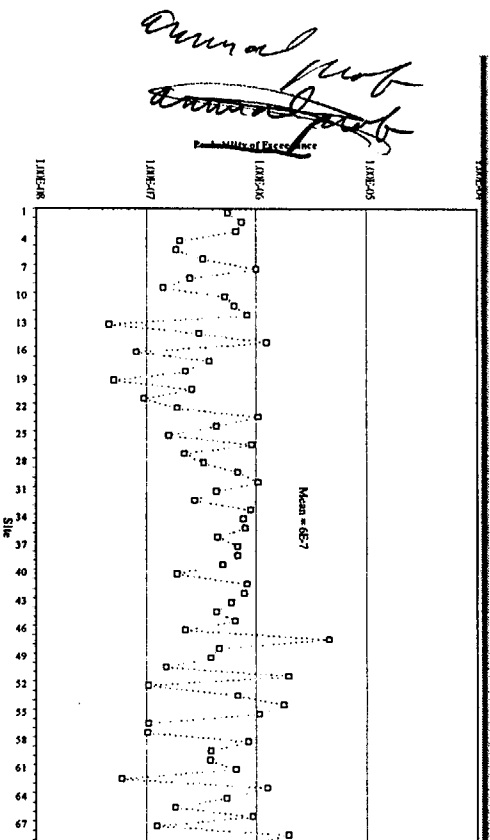
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# NRC HCLPF Approach - Draft Report



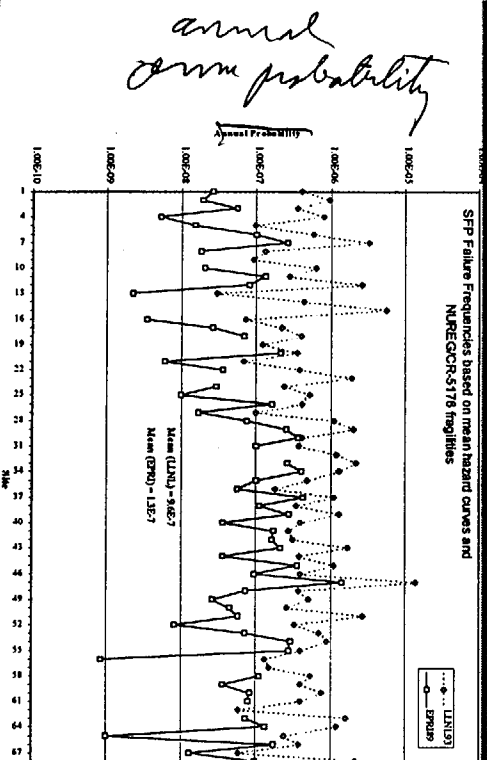
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# NRC HCLPF Approach - Draft Report Average of LLNL & EPRI



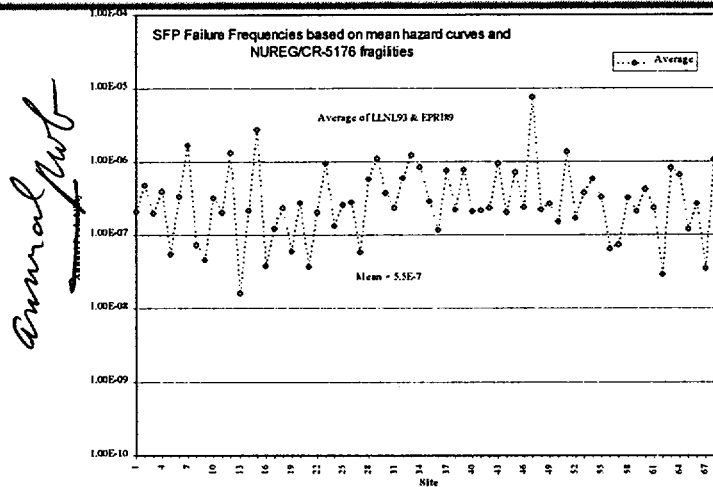
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## SFP Failure Frequencies Based on Mean Hazard Curves & NUREG/CR-5176 Fragilities



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## Average SFP Failure Frequencies Based on Mean Hazard Curves & NUREG/CR-5176 Fragilities



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## Conclusions

- Based on the NUREG/CR-5176 methodology and alternative seismic hazard inputs the mean SFP failure probability estimates for EUS NPPs are:
  - LLNL89 - 6.5E-6
  - LLNL93 - 9.0E-7
  - EPRI - 1.4E-7
  - Average (LLNL93&EPRI) = 5.0E-7

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## Conclusions

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- Based on the NUREG/CR-5176 fragilities and alternative mean seismic hazard inputs the mean SFP failure probability estimates for EUS NPPs are:

• LLNL89	-	1.1E-5
• LLNL93	-	9.6E-7
• EPRI	-	1.3E-7
• Average (LLNL&EPRI)	-	5.5E-7

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## Conclusions

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- Based on the draft NRC HCLPF approach and alternative mean seismic hazard inputs the mean SFP failure probability estimates for EUS NPPs are:

• LLNL89	-	1.2E-5
• LLNL93	-	9.0E-7
• EPRI	-	3.5E-7
• Average (LLNL&EPRI)	-	6.3E-7

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## Conclusions

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- Based on three alternative methods to estimate SFP failure frequency, it is concluded that the SFP failure frequency for the population of EUS NPPs is  $< 10^{-6}$ .
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