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We know that for 51 % of the plants the seismic risk is greater than 1×10^{-6} . We know that seismic risk is high for about 15 sites. The latest twist from TH consideration needs to be examined carefully. Spent fuel buildings that might collapse are supposed to be screened to preclude impact on stored fuel at 0.5g HCLPF value. Why are we assuming that seismic failure is going to reduce natural air flow? Some body needs to explain these assumptions going into the TH calculations. Please help!!

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What we will need the information for us to see if we can characterize the seismic risk for all the plants, not just the top 50% that are over 1×10^{-6} per year. How we end up dealing with thermal hydraulic issues may hinge on whether the seismic risk is clustered around 1×10^{-6} as I suspect, or if we have lots of plants down near the 1×10^{-7} per year range. Right now, the risk from non-seismic events (at an absolute value) is acceptable. The seismic risk is sufficiently high for some (most?) sites that it cannot be dismissed, especially with potentially less than 10 hours of time to evacuate.

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