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ABSTRACT

This report was written in response to a candidate generic issue 186, *Potential Risk and Consequences of Heavy Load Drops in Nuclear Power Plants*, to determine the likelihood and significance of very heavy load drops (i.e., loads of approximately 30 tons or greater). This report describes the results of a detailed review of crane operating experience at U.S. nuclear power plants from 1968 through 1999. Crane operating experience information came from several sources including; actual crane operating experience from U.S. nuclear power plants, licensee event reports (10 CFR 50.72 and 10 CFR 50.73), NRC inspection reports, licensee correspondence, and crane vendor reports. This report lists the causes and results of documented crane issues, and estimates the probabilities of selected load drop events. In addition, major crane operating experience reports issued by the New Mexico Environmental Evaluation Group, the Department of Energy, the Department of the Navy, the California Division of Occupational Safety and Health, and Appendix A to NUREG-1738 titled *Structural Integrity of Spent Fuel Pool Structures Subject to Heavy Loads Drops*, have been reviewed to provide additional insights.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This NUREG forms the technical basis for any recommendations or corrective actions regarding the Technical Assessment of Candidate Generic Issue 186, "Potential Risk and Consequences of Heavy Load Drops in Nuclear Power Plants"

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ABBREVIATIONS

ACI	American Concrete Institute
AE	architect engineer
AIT	Augmented Inspection Team
ASP	accident sequence precursor
BWR	boiling water reactor
CCDP	conditional core damage probability
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CRDM	control rod drive mechanism
DOE	U.S. Department of Energy
EDG	emergency diesel generator
EEG	Environmental Evaluation Group
EQE	EQE International
FSAR	final safety analysis report
GI	generic issue
GL	generic letter
HT	height
HVAC	heating, ventilation, and air conditioning
IC	Interaction Coefficient
IMIS	integrated management information system
IN	information notice
ISFSI	independent spent fuel storage installation
NEI	Nuclear Energy Institute
NOG	nuclear overhead and gantry
NRC	U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
NRR	Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRC)
NSSS	nuclear steam supply system
NUDOCS	nuclear documents system
OBE	operating basis earthquake
OMDS	Office of Management Data Services
PWR	pressurized water reactor
RC	reinforced concrete
RCP	reactor coolant pump
RES	Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (NRC)
RHR	residual heat removal

ABBREVIATIONS (Continued)

RPV	reactor pressure vessel
RWCU	reactor water clean up
SFP	spent fuel pool
SSE	safe shutdown equipment
SWEC	Stone and Webster Engineering Company
UBC	Uniform Building Code
UFSAR	Updated Final Safety Analysis Report
USI	unresolved safety issue
WIPP	Waste Isolation Pilot Plant
WT	weight

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

In nuclear plant operation, maintenance and refueling activities, heavy loads may be handled in several plant areas. If these loads were to drop they could impact on stored spent fuel, fuel in the core, or on equipment that may be required to achieve safe shutdown or permit continued decay heat removal. In some instances, load drops at specific times and locations, could potentially lead to offsite doses that exceed 10 CFR Part 100 limits.

In April 1999, a candidate generic issue (GI) was proposed (Ref. 1) by the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). NRR requested the Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES) within the NRC to evaluate the issue. NRR was concerned that although licensees may be operating within the regulatory guidelines in Generic Letter (GL) 85-11, *Completion of Phase II of Control of Heavy Loads at Nuclear Power Plants NUREG-0612*, they may not be taking action above and beyond existing regulations to maintain the level of protection necessary to avoid undue risk to public health and safety.

In May 1999, RES informed NRR (Ref. 2) that the candidate GI was accepted, and was given the title GI-186, *Potential Risk and Consequences of Heavy Load Drops in Nuclear Power Plants*. Ref. 2 indicated that GI-186 would be prioritized in accordance with RES Office Letter No. 7, *Procedure for Identification, Prioritization, Resolution, and Tracking of Generic Issues*. With the advent of NRC Management Directive 6.4, *Generic Issue Program*, in July 1999, it was decided to process this new issue in accordance with MD 6.4 instead of Office Letter No. 7.

1.2 Definitions

Auxiliary hoist. Supplemental hoisting unit usually of lower load rating and higher speed than the main hoist.

Bridge. That part of a crane consisting of one or more girder, trucks, end ties, footwalks, and drive mechanism, which carries the trolley or trolleys.

Crane. A machine for lifting and lowering a load and moving it horizontally, with the hoisting mechanism and integral part of the machine.

Critical load. Any load that, if dropped, could be the direct or indirect cause of release of radioactivity.

Drum. The cylindrical member around which the ropes are wound for lifting or lowering the load.

Gantry crane. A crane similar to an overhead crane except that the bridge for carrying the trolley or trolleys is rigidly supported on two or more legs running on fixed rails or other runway.

Handling system. All load bearing components used to lift the load, including the crane or hoist, the lifting device, and interfacing load lift points.

Heavy load. Any load, carried in a given area after a plant becomes operational that weighs more than the combined weight of a single spent fuel assembly and its associated handling tool for the specific plant in question.

Hoist. A machinery unit that is use for lifting or lowering a freely suspended (unguided) load.

Lifting devices. Devices that are not reeved onto the hoist ropes, such as hook-on buckets, magnets, grabs and other supplemental devices used for ease of handling certain types of loads. The weight of these devices is to be considered part of the rated load.

Load. The total superimposed weight on the load block or hook.

Load block. The assembly of hook or shackle, swivel, bearing, sheaves, pins, and frame suspended by the hoisting rope or load chain.

Load drop. A situation where the load may descend uncontrollably, but impacts other equipment and does damage.

Load slip. A situation where the load may descend uncontrollably, but come to a stop without impacting or damaging other equipment.

Load hang-up. The act in which the load block and/or load is stopped by a fixed object during hoisting, thereby possibly overloading the hoisting system.

Main hoist. The primary hoist mechanism provided for lifting and lowering the rated load.

Overhead crane. A crane with a single- or multiple-girder movable bridge carrying a moveable or fixed hoisting mechanism and traveling on an overhead fixed runway structure.

Overload. Any load greater than the rated load.

Pendant station. Controls suspended from the crane for operating the unit from the floor.

Polar crane. An overhead or gantry crane that travels on a circular runway.

Reeving. A system in which a rope travels around drums, or sheaves.

Rope. Refers to wire rope unless otherwise specified.

Safe load travel path. A path defined for transport of a heavy load that will minimize adverse effects, if the load is dropped, in terms of releases of radioactive material and damage to safety systems. This path should be administratively controlled by procedure and/or clearly outlined by markings on the floor where the load is to be handled. It may also be enforced by mechanical stops and/or electrical interlocks.

Safe shutdown equipment. Safety related equipment and associated subsystems that would be required to bring the plant to cold shutdown conditions or provide continued decay heat removal following the dropping of heavy load. Safety functions that should be preserved are: to maintain

reactor coolant pressure boundary; capability to reach and maintain subcriticality; removal of decay heat; and to maintain integrity of components whose failure could result in excessive offsite releases.

Sheave. A grooved wheel or pulley used with a rope to change direction and point of application of a pulling force.

Single-failure-proof crane. When reliance for the safe handling of critical loads is placed on the crane system itself, the system should be designed so that a single failure will not result in the loss of the capability of the system to safely retain the load. These features are limited to the hoisting system and to braking systems for trolley and bridge. Other load-bearing items such as girders should be conservatively designed but need not be considered single failure proof. (See NUREG-0554, *Single-Failure-Proof Cranes for Nuclear Power Plants*.)

Special lifting devices. A lifting device that is designed specifically for handling a certain load or loads, such as the lifting rigs for the reactor vessel head or vessel internals, or the lifting device for a spent fuel cask.

Spent fuel. Fuel that has been critical in the core and is considered no longer sufficiently active to be of use in powering the reactor and therefore is soon to be, or already has been, removed from the reactor.

Trolley. The unit that travels on the bridge rails and supports the load block.

Truck. A unit consisting of a frame, wheels, bearings, and axles that supports the bridge girders, the end ties of an overhead crane, or the sill of a gantry crane.

Two-blocking. The act of continued hoisting to the extent that the upper head block and the load block are brought into contact, and, unless additional measures are taken to prevent further movement of the load block, excessive loads will be created in the rope reeving system, with the potential for rope failure and dropping of the load.

Very heavy load. Any load weighing approximately 30 tons or more.

1.3 Precursors to Initiation of Generic Issue 186

Several related events took place that led up to the initiation of GI-186. Significant related documents are discussed in chronological order.

- Unresolved Safety Issue (USI) A-36, *Control of Heavy Loads near Spent Fuel* (1970s)

This issue focused mainly on potential consequences of a heavy load drop on fuel assemblies in either the spent fuel pool area or in the reactor, that may result in; (1) a release of radioactivity because of a cladding breach, or (2) a critical mass of fuel in the core or in the spent fuel pool. USI A-36 was resolved with the issuance of NUREG-0612, *Control of Heavy Loads at Nuclear Power Plants*, and revisions to Section 9.1.5 of the Standard Review Plan, *Overhead Heavy Load Handling Systems*.

- NUREG-0554, *Single-Failure-Proof Cranes for Nuclear Power Plants* (May 1979)

NUREG-0554 was developed to provide design, installation, testing and quality assurance requirements for single-failure-proof cranes. The NRC has licensed reactors on the basis that the safe handling of critical loads can be accomplished by adding safety features to the handling equipment, by adding special features to the structures and areas over which the critical load is carried, or by a combination of the two. When reliance for the safe handling of critical loads is placed on the crane system itself, the system should be designed so that a single failure will not result in the loss of the capability of the system to safely retain the load. This document (Ref. 3) identifies features of the design, fabrication, installation, inspection, testing, and operations of single-failure-proof overhead crane handling systems (limited to the hoisting system and to braking systems for trolley and bridge).

- NUREG-0612, *Control of Heavy Loads at Nuclear Power Plants* (July 1980)

This report (Ref. 4) provides the results of the review of the handling of heavy loads and includes the task group's recommendations on actions that should be taken to assure safe handling of heavy loads. This report completed Task A-36 described earlier. Subsequent documentation divided the NUREG action items into what became known as Phase I (Section 5.1.1) and Phase II (Sections 5.1.2 through 5.1.6). Phase I addresses safe load paths, procedures, crane operator training, special lifting devices, lifting devices that are not specially designed, and crane inspection and maintenance, while Phase II addresses alternative design requirements for cranes located in the spent fuel pool area for Pressurized water reactors (PWRs), the containment building for PWRs, the reactor building for boiling water reactors (BWRs), and in other plant areas for either a PWR or BWR.

- Generic Letter 80-113 (originally unnumbered), *Control of Heavy Loads*, (December 1980)

Generic Letter (GL) 80-113 requested that licensees review their controls for handling of heavy loads to determine the extent to which the guidelines of NUREG-0612 are present at their facilities, and to identify the changes and modifications that would be required in order to fully satisfy these guidelines.

- Generic Letter 81-07, *Control of Heavy Loads* (February 3, 1981)

GL-81-07 clarifies parts of GL-80-113 and requests that additional information be provided for analyses. Licensees were requested to provide additional items such as initial conditions/assumptions of postulated load drops, methods used in the analysis, an analysis that demonstrates that ceilings are not penetrated, and an analysis to demonstrate that post-accident dose will be well within 10 CFR Part 100 limits.

- Generic Letter 85-11, *Completion of Phase II of Control of Heavy Loads at Nuclear Power Plants*, NUREG-0612, (June 28, 1985)

This GL indicated that (1) all licensees had completed the requirement to perform a review and submit a Phase I and a Phase II report, (2) based on the improvements in heavy loads handling obtained from implementation of NUREG-0612 (Phase I), further action was not required to reduce the risks associated with the handling of heavy loads, (3) a cost-benefit analysis of PWR polar crane conversion to single-failure-proof was not cost beneficial, and (4) a detailed Phase II review of heavy loads was not necessary and that Phase II was considered completed.

- Bulletin 96-02, *Movement of Heavy Loads Over Spent Fuel in the Reactor Core, or Over Safety-Related Equipment* (April 1996)

This bulletin was initiated because of load drop analysis performed by the Oyster Creek nuclear power plant. The bulletin: (1) alerted licensees to the importance of complying with existing regulatory guidelines on the control and handling of heavy loads, (2) reminded licensees of their responsibilities for providing adequate protection of public health and safety when handling heavy loads during plant operation, and (3) alerted licensees to the potentially high consequences that may result from a cask drop, and the importance of taking measures to mitigate such consequences in addition to measures to preclude the load drops.

This bulletin required licensees to:

- report within 30 days of the date of the bulletin, indicating the review of their plans and capabilities to handle heavy loads while the reactor is at power (in all modes other than cold shutdown, refueling, and defueled) in accordance with existing regulations, and
 - provide a statement of the capability of performing the actions necessary for safe shutdown in the presence of radiological source term that may result from a breach of the dry storage cask, damage to the fuel, and damage to safety-related equipment as a result of a load drop inside the facility.
- Generic safety issue proposed by NRR, *Potential Risk and Consequences of Heavy Load Drops in Nuclear Power Plants* (April 1999)

NRR had previously studied the issue as part of the *Dry Cask Storage Action Plan*, and later as the *Heavy Load Control (HLC) and Crane Issues Task Action Plan* prior to requesting assistance from RES.

2 CRANE OPERATING EXPERIENCE AT U.S. NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS

The entire Nuclear Documents System (NUDOCS) database was searched for documents relating to cranes for the period 1968 through 1999. Additional documents were also obtained from industry, through licensee event reports, and other public documents available on the Internet. Given the time period, crane events recorded included those occurring during

construction and operation, and in some instances, during decommissioning. Each crane related document was reviewed and critical information was entered into a database for further analysis. These issues are listed in Appendix A, *Crane Events at U.S. Nuclear Power Plants 1968 through 1999*.

2.1 Crane Event Database Categories and Subcategories

To analyze crane issues, several general categories were established, most with several subcategories. Once this information was input, sorts were performed to look for trends and patterns.

Table 1: Crane event database categories and subcategories

General Event Category	Event Subcategories
Plant and event date	Docket, plant name, event year, event month, type, operating/post NUREG-0612
Crane type	Reactor building, polar, auxiliary, refueling/manipulator, spent fuel pool, tower, mobile, other
Crane component deficiency	Structure, control, brakes, rails, fasteners, unknown, none
Reported administrative cause for event	Not following procedures, poor procedures, test performance, load path inadequacy, ventilation inadequacy, maintenance, engineering, operations, unknown, none
Safety Implication of event	Death, injury, radiation release, load slip, load drop (below the hook), crane component drop (above the hook), equipment damage, loss or partial loss of power, none
Load description for slip or drop events	Load/event description, height of drop or slip

2.2 Analysis of Documented Crane Issues

A review of crane documents in NUDOCS for the period 1968 through 1999 resulted in approximately 300 different issues. Depending on the severity of each issue, each issue may be discussed in several documents. Most are administrative (not following a procedure, load path issues, noncompliance with technical specifications, inadequate crane operational testing prior to use, etc.) and few relate to problems encountered when lifting loads of approximately 30 tons or more. The following figures not only include a wide span of operating experience, but also include a wide variety of crane types, some of which are not used at operating nuclear facilities today. Figures 1 through 11 present nuclear crane operating experience as a whole regardless of the weight of the load being lifted, or whether the lift was done during construction, during an outage, or during plant operation. Section 3.0 discusses a subset of information contained in this section in that it contains an analysis of crane operating experience at nuclear power plants that have an operating license, and only for those loads that are classified in this report as “very heavy” (greater than approximately 30 tons).

2.2.1 Reported Crane Issues

Figure 1, *Documented crane issues at U.S. nuclear power plants (1968-1999)*, shows the total number of reported crane issues in two year increments. Crane issues were reported by individual licensees, through NRC documents and inspection reports, by vendors, and the public. The crane issues shown occurred during both construction and operation. Issues involving small hoists, light loads, or rigging issues are generally not included. Figure 1 also shows the total number of nuclear power plants that were licensed to operate during each of the two-year time periods.

As shown by the figure, there has been an increase in the number of issues over the last decade when compared to the first two decades. For example, the average number of issues per licensed plant per calendar year [i.e., (number of issues)/(average number of operating plants) divided by the number of calendar years in the sample] was (1) 0.10 for the period 1968 through 1979, (2) 0.10 for the period 1980 through 1989, and (3) 0.15 for the period 1990 through 1999. Although there was an increase in the number of reported crane issues in the last decade, the severity of crane issues as measured by the number of drops, slips, deaths or injuries was not proportional to the increase in the number of operating nuclear power plants (see figures 8 and 10).

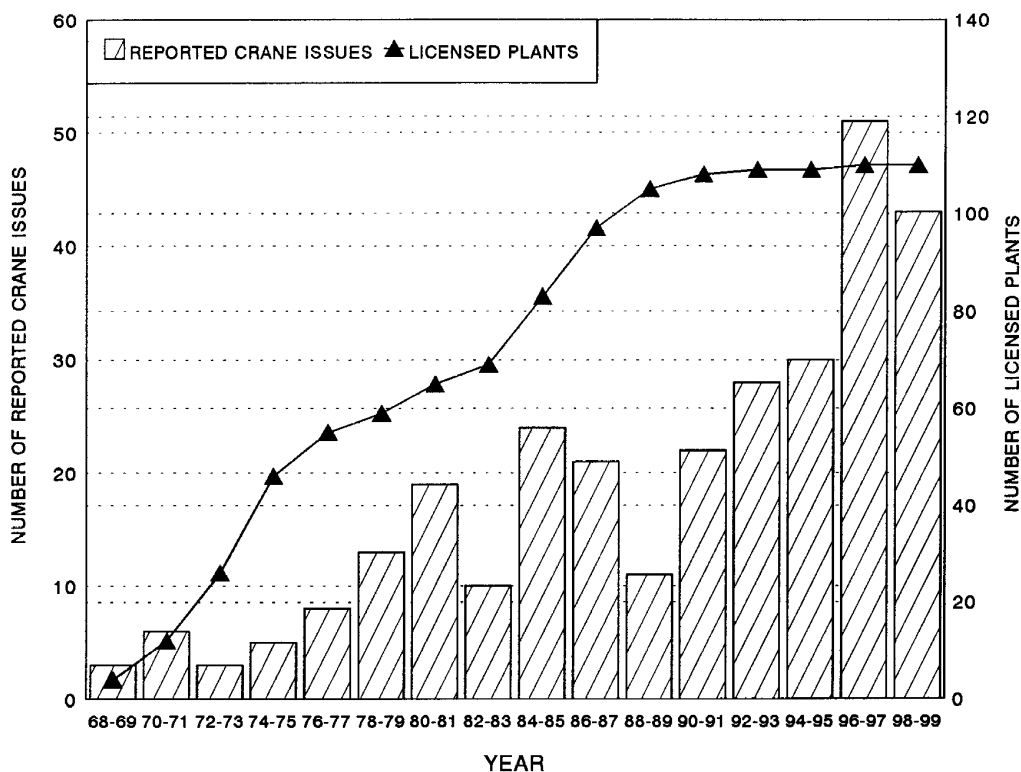


Figure 1: Documented crane issues at U.S. nuclear power plants (1968-1999)

2.2.2 Crane Reports Due to Not Following Procedures

Figure 2, *Crane issues caused by not following procedures (1968-1999)*, shows the percentage of crane issue reports that were caused by not following specific crane operating procedures. As shown in the figure, the percentage of crane issue reports caused by not following specific crane operating procedures has been cyclic, with an overall average of approximately 36 percent. Section 2.2.5 also discusses other forms of “not following procedures” such as not maintaining proper system alignment, room ventilation issues, load path requirements, poor procedures, etc.

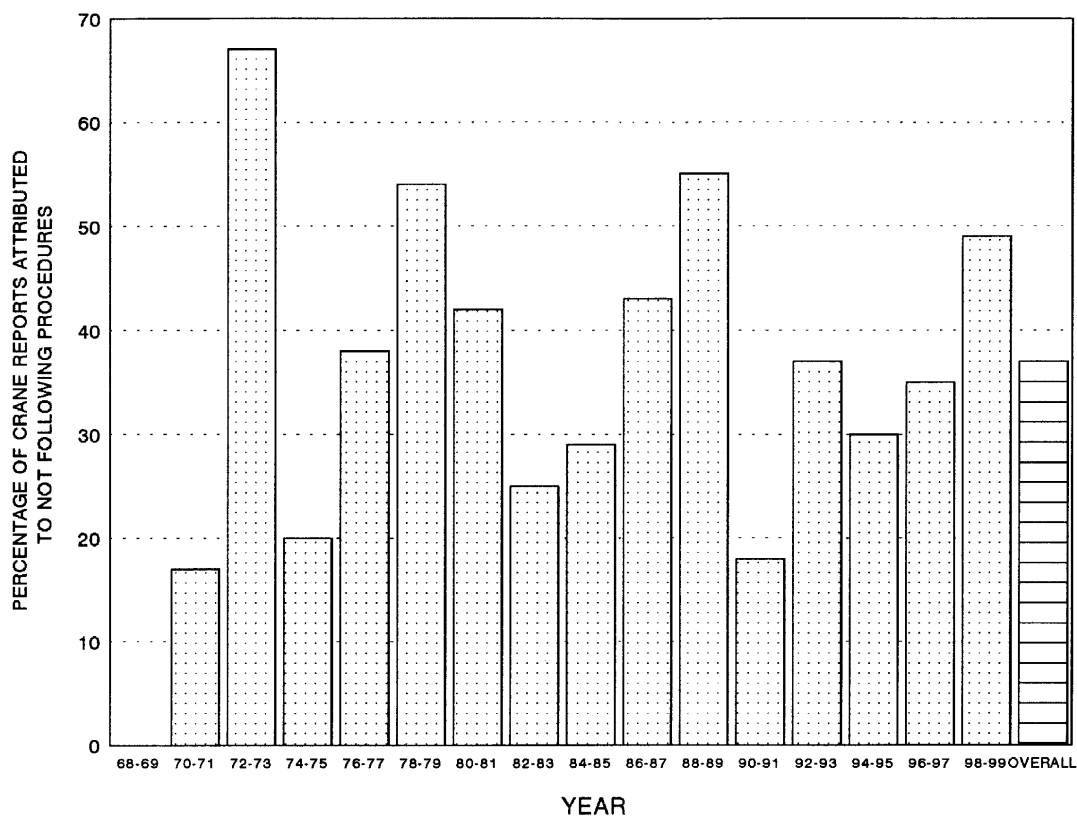


Figure 2: Crane issues caused by not following procedures (1968-1999)

2.2.3 Crane Issue Distribution by Crane Type

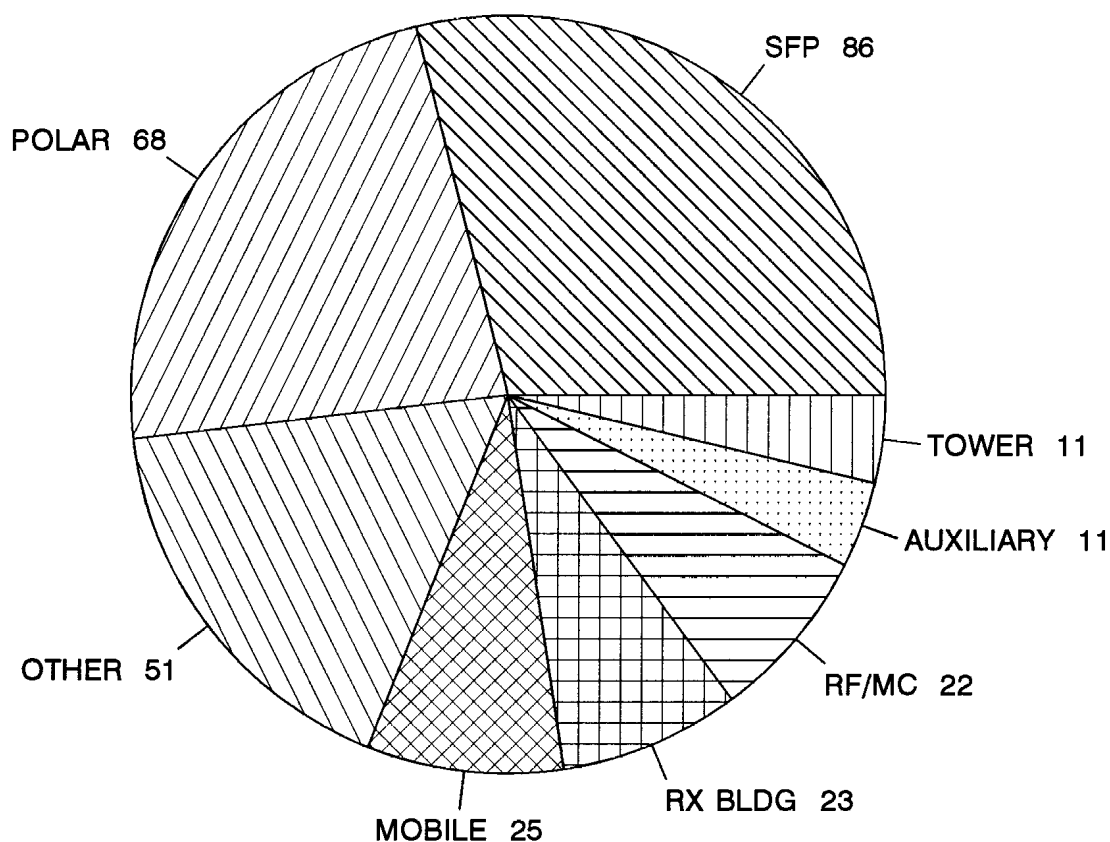
For the 297 reported crane issues during the period 1968 through 1999, Figure 3, *Crane issue distribution by crane type (1968-1999)*, shows the distribution by crane type. The number of crane issues for each crane type was not broken down by reactor type, operational phase, or weight of load at the time of the event. Crane types include polar, spent fuel pool (SFP), tower, auxiliary, refueling/manipulator (RF/MC), reactor (RX) building, mobile, and other. The category “other” refers to cranes which do not specifically fit into one of the previous categories, and could include turbine building cranes, special cask handling cranes, unspecified cranes, or miscellaneous cranes used inside or outside of areas containing safety-related components. The figure does not represent failure rates of different types of cranes, only the total number of documented crane issues. For example, in general, there would be many more lifts performed using the spent fuel pool or refueling cranes than mobile cranes, so a greater number of issues would be expected for spent fuel pool cranes. In addition, there are approximately twice as many PWRs (generally have polar cranes) than BWRs (generally having reactor building cranes, which are parallel track overhead bridge cranes), consequently, a greater number of issues would be expected for polar cranes than for reactor building cranes.

Figure 3: Crane issue distribution by crane type

2.2.4 Crane Issues Due to Hardware Deficiencies

While reviewing the documented crane issues, several hardware issue categories evolved including; “Unknown,” “Brakes,” “Fasteners,” “Rail,” “Components,” “Control Systems,” “Structure,” and “None.” The crane issue was assigned one of the following categories:

- Unknown. A crane malfunction had clearly occurred, but that the document did not list the component that caused the event.
- Brakes. Includes malfunctions, design errors.
- Fasteners. Includes loose bolting, failed fasteners, design errors.



- Rail. Includes rail failures, out of alignment issues, design errors.

- Components. Miscellaneous crane component deficiencies or malfunctions involving components other than brakes, fasteners, rails, control systems, or structures.
- Control Systems. Miscellaneous control system deficiencies involving malfunctions, or design errors.
- None. No crane hardware issues or deficiencies exist.

As shown in Figure 4, *Crane issues due to hardware deficiencies (1968-1999)*, of the 297 crane issues, 118 involved actual equipment or hardware problems. The remainder (179), did not involve hardware deficiencies and were categorized as “None.”

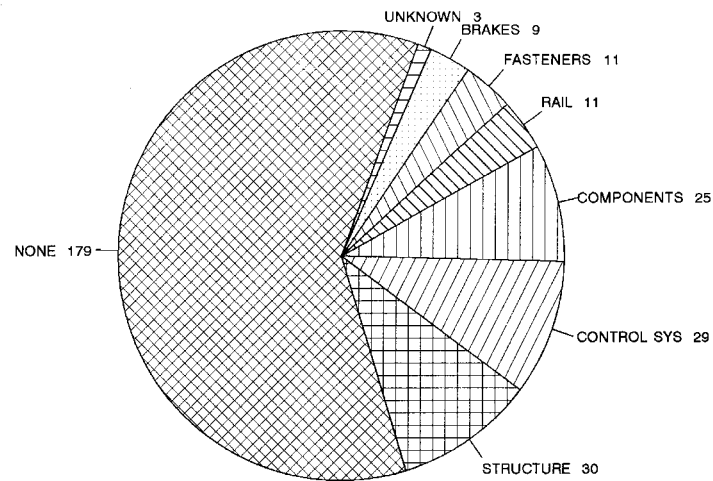
2.2.5 Crane Issues Caused by Programmatic Issues

Upon review of the 297 crane issues, a cause of the issue was either listed in the crane issue report or was determined by the available facts presented in the document. The crane issue was assigned one of the following categories:

- Operations. Operations department failed to provide the proper conditions for load movements.
- None. Unable to conclude that any programmatic deficiency existed.
- Poor Procedure. Procedure was followed, but was insufficient.
- Engineering/Design. Incorrect design, modification, or test parameters specified by engineering.
- Maintenance. Generally related to poor maintenance repair activities.
- Load Path. Crane failed to travel the correct safe load path.
- Didn't Test. Failure to perform crane surveillance or operating procedures.
- Ventilation. Failed to establish proper room ventilation prior to fuel movement.
- Unknown. Insufficient information to conclude the type of programmatic issue.

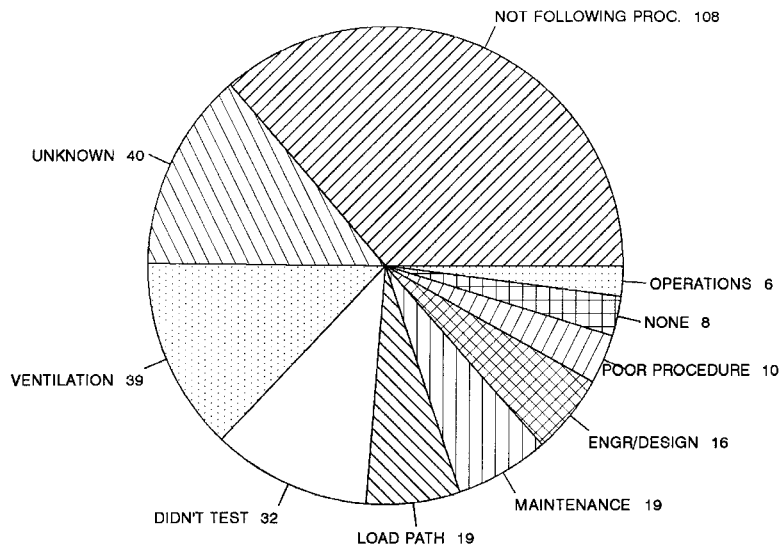
Figure 5, *Crane Program Implementation issues (1968-1999)*, shows the distribution of causes for the documented crane issues.

Figure 4: Crane hardware



issues due to deficiencies

Figure 5: Implementation (1968-1999)



Crane Program on issues

2.2.6 Safety Crane

Implication of Issues

Several outcome categories were established for each crane issue or event:

- Load Slip. See Section 1.2.
- Crane Component Drop. Any crane components located “above the hook” that may have separated from the crane and fallen.
- Loss or Partial Loss (P-Loss) of Power. Refers to a condition where one or more incoming electrical lines lose power.
- Death. May be one or more deaths per single event.
- Load Drop. See Section 1.2
- Injury. May be one or more injuries per single event.
- Equipment Issue. Some equipment not per design, is defective, has failed, or has been damaged.
- None. No impact on plant equipment, workers or the public.

Since a load drop could also result in damage to plant equipment, more than one category could be affected. Consequently, one crane event may result in more than one piece of equipment being damaged, or more than one death or injury. Of the 297 crane issues, the total number of “outcomes” total 324. Figure 6, *Number of crane issues by category (1968-1999)* indicates the number of crane issues or events for each category, and not the quantity of items affected for each category.

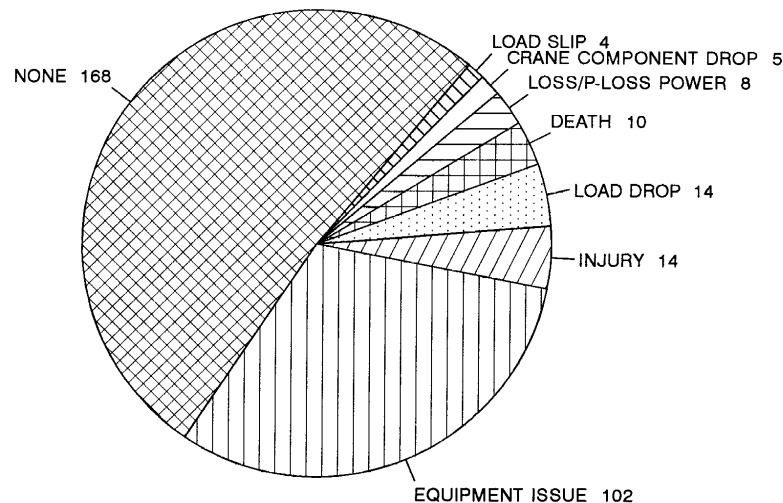


Figure 6:
crane issues by
(1968-1999)

Number of
category

2.2.7 Crane Type Involved in Load Slip or Drop

During the period 1968-1999, there were 14 reported events involving a crane load drop, and 4 involving a load slip. Figure 7, *Crane type involved in load slip or drop (1968-1999)*, shows the crane type involved in load slips and load drops. In addition, Table 2, *Reported crane issues involving a load drop or a load slip*, provides description of each event.

Load Drops:

As shown in Figure 7 and Table 2, there have been 14 reported load drop events for the period 1968 through 1999. Of these, four involved very heavy loads (greater than approximately 30 tons). Three of the four very heavy load drop events occurred during construction, while the fourth event occurred at an operating facility. The operating event was minor and resulted in the bending of two reactor head alignment pins when the crane operator inadvertently lowered the head too far (i.e., crane control functions were not lost).

Load Slips:

As shown in Figure 7 and Table 2, there have been four reported load slip events for the period 1968 through 1999. Three of these load slips involved very heavy loads at operating facilities. The Dresden event was not risk significant, since no equipment was impacted when the reactor vessel head slipped lower when attempting to raise the head. The Comanche Peak event could have caused significant damage had the reactor coolant pump motor continued in its descent, impacting the reactor coolant piping. The Arkansas event was similar to the Dresden event and was not risk significant.

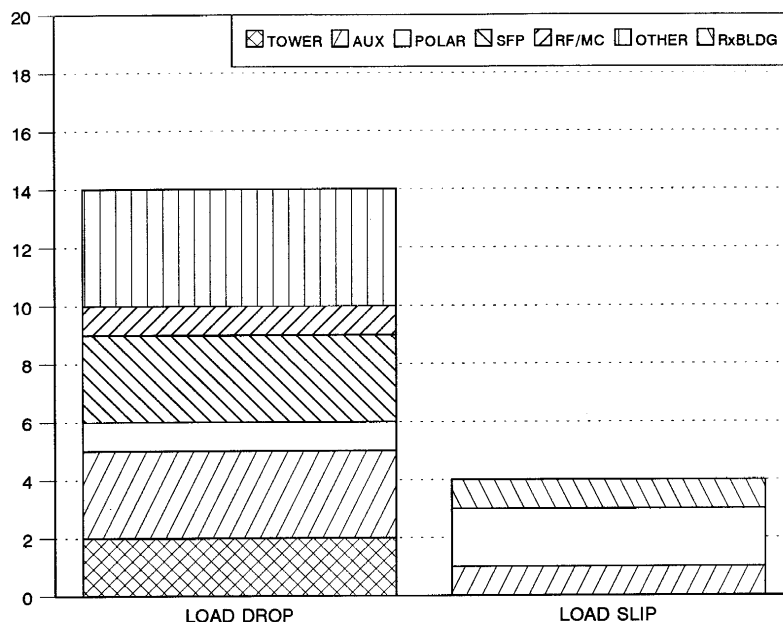


Figure 7:
involved in
drop (1968-1999)

**Crane type
load slip or**

Table 2: Reported crane issues involving a load drop or a load slip

Plant (Type)	Event Date	Event Type	Licensing Status During Event	Very Heavy Load	Crane	Event Description
Ginna (PWR)	July 1969	Load Drop	Under construction Pre-NUREG-0612	Yes	Other	An assembly was dropped (due to a crane brake failure) which included the core barrel, the thermal shield, lower core plate and attached internals weighing about 90 tons. The assembly was partially supported during its fall by the crane brake. The assembly tilted slightly as it fell approximately six feet to a temporary storage support which acted as an energy absorber. Evaluation of the event indicated that the crane motor overheated, the electromagnetic brake failed and a backup mechanical brake was removed as part of a modification by Westinghouse.
Palisades (PWR)	Sept. 1970	Load Drop	Operating License Pre-NUREG-0612	No	Auxiliary	A cable on a 25 ton auxiliary crane broke during a transfer of a control rod drive mechanism (CRDM) support tube from the reactor vessel head area to a disassembly area inside containment. The broken cable allowed the CRDM support tube, including the crane block and hook to fall approximately 22 feet to the reactor vessel head. The crane operator bypassed the upper limit electrical interlock and drove the crane sheave into the mechanical stop, breaking the crane cable. Visual damage appear to be limited to gouges on the flange surfaces of two CRDM housings, and bending of the dropped support tube.
Indian Point 3 (PWR)	Jan. 1971	Load Drop	Under Construction Pre-NUREG-0612	Yes	Tower	The reactor vessel underwent an unscheduled descent while it was being hoisted prior to its placement. It was not clear what caused the descent. Two failures occurred, (1) the crane cable, and (2) the pinion gear bracket to base plate welds on the hoist mechanism itself. The order of the failures was not known. The time of the descent was "certified" to be between 15 and 60 seconds. It was concluded that no damage to the pressure vessel occurred as a result of the incident.
Fermi 1 (Sodium cooled fast reactor)	Oct. 1972	Load Drop	Shutdown	No	Other	While transferring fuel from an auxiliary fuel storage facility to the Fuel and Repair Building, a crane operator inadvertently actuated the "raise" instead of the "lower" control, causing the 1/4" bolt in the shackle holding the subassembly to fail. As a result, the subassembly fell 27 feet into the transfer tank.

Table 2: Reported crane issues involving a load drop or load slip (continued)

Plant (Type)	Event Date	Event Type	Licensing Status During Event	Very Heavy Load	Crane	Event Description
Dresden 2,3 (BWR)	May 1976	Load Slip	Operating License Pre-NUREG-0612	Yes	Reactor Building	The reactor building crane was being used to reinstall the Unit 2 reactor vessel head, using an "inching" motor. At one point, upon termination of downward drive, the head dropped abruptly approximately 15 inches before the brake engaged. A second abrupt drop was observed before the head was seated on the reactor. Both drops occurred as the head was being guided down over the reactor vessel studs, with thread protectors installed on four studs being used as guides. No forcible contact with the flange or studs occurred, and no damage resulted to either the crane or reactor components. Troubleshooting of the brake discovered sporadic arcing of new contacts at the time of inching motor drive termination. The inching motor portion of the recent modification as tagged out of service.
River Bend (BWR)	Mar. 1983	Load Drop	Under Construction Pre NUREG-0612	Yes	Tower	A 400 ton form assembly for the containment shield building roof was being lifted to the top of the cylindrical containment shield building, after which concrete would have been poured to form the shield roof. The day before, the 1.5 inch thick steel containment building dome had been successfully lifted and placed on the containment building by the same crane. When the form was about 30 feet above its assembly area and was about to be moved to position for lifting and placement on the shield building, the crane mast buckled and the shield form fell to the ground and the crane collapsed. Except for the shield form, no permanent structures or equipment were damaged. Cause of the crane failure was not determined.
Turkey Point 4 (PWR)	April 1983	Load Drop	Operating License Post NUREG-0612	No	Spent Fuel Pool	An irradiated fuel assembly was being lifted out of a spent fuel storage rack using the spent fuel pool bridge crane. The two limit switches on the crane failed to stop the upward travel and the lift continued until the lifting tool jammed against the crane. The cable parted and the fuel assembly and lifting tool then fell back into the storage rack.
Three Mile Island 2 (PWR)	Dec. 1985	Load Drop	Shutdown	No	Other	While loading fuel assembly end fittings into a defueling canister, an end fitting became stuck in the canister. During attempts to reposition the stuck end fitting with the one ton jib crane, the defueling canister and support sleeve were dislodged from the canister positioning system, and dropped. The canister and sleeve fell approximately 1-1/2 feet onto the top of the debris bed in the reactor vessel. The dropped load weight was 2200 pounds, while the crane was rated at 2000 pounds.

Table 2: Reported crane issues involving a load drop or load slip (continued)

Plant (Type)	Event Date	Event Type	Licensing Status During Event	Very Heavy Load	Crane	Event Description
Quad Cities 1 (BWR)	Sept. 1989	Load Drop	Operating License Post NUREG-0612	No	Spent Fuel Pool	During the transfer of new fuel from the new fuel storage vault to the fuel pool, a fuel assembly was released from the refueling grapple and fell upon the spent fuel racks. The grapple control switch was left in the "release" position when it was decided to lift the fuel to reposition it. The fuel was released, falling to the rack. The dropped fuel assembly and the irradiated fuel it fell on were visually examined in place from the bridge and the floor for signs of fuel damage. No damage was observed. Although no apparent damage resulted the fuel, 12 of the 32 potentially impacted fuel assemblies were discharged instead of reloaded for use in the next fuel cycle. The dropped fuel bundle was to be returned to GE.
North Anna 1 (PWR)	Feb. 1990	Load Drop	Operating License Post NUREG-0612	No	Spent Fuel Pool	While the fuel building ventilation system was not aligned to discharge through the auxiliary building HEPA filter and charcoal absorber assembly, one fuel rod inadvertently slipped from the fuel rod handling tool due to a mechanical failure of the gripper mechanism, and dropped into its proper storage location in an uncontrolled manner. The height of the drop was not recorded, but no damage was recorded.
Fort Calhoun (PWR)	April 1990	Load Drop	Operating License Post NUREG-0612	Yes	Polar	During the replacement of the reactor vessel head, it was inadvertently lowered too far. It contacted the head alignment pins, bending the pins and causing superficial damage to the head flange. Prior to contacting the alignment pins, it was swinging back and forth approximately 6 inches. After contacting the pins, the head apparently dropped 6-12 inches and began pivoting on one alignment pin in a 6 foot arc. One pin was bent 12-14 degrees while the other was bent approximately 5 degrees.
Sequoyah 1 (PWR)	June 1993	Load Drop	Operating License Post NUREG-0612	No	Manipulator	During fuel loading activities using the manipulator crane, an assembly was released prematurely, tilted over and came to rest against the south core baffle plate leaning at an angle of approximately 18 degrees from vertical. A phase A isolation, auxiliary building insolation, and containment ventilation isolation were manually initiated in accordance with procedures. No damage was done.
Peach Bottom 2 (BWR)	Sept. 1993	Load Drop	Operating License Post NUREG-0612	No	Auxiliary	An empty irradiated component shipping liner was suspended from an auxiliary hook of the reactor building crane via an adapter about seven feet below the surface of the spent fuel pool. It dropped approximately 20 feet into the cask storage area. The adapter hook was equipped with a safety latch designed to prevent the load from slipping off the hook. The safety latch had been taped back prior to being attached to the liner sling to facilitate removal of the hook from the sling.

Table 2: Reported crane issues involving a load drop or load slip (continued)

Plant (Type)	Event Date	Event Type	Licensing Status During Event	Very Heavy Load	Crane	Event Description
Arkansas Nuclear 1 (PWR)	Sept. 1993	Load Slip	Operating License Post NUREG-0612	Yes	Polar	During the lift of a reactor vessel head, the polar crane's main hoist vertical motion was stopped and the head was trolleyed horizontally in the refueling canal. When the lift was resumed, the main hoist motor could not reestablish vertical motion. Subsequent attempts were made to reestablish vertical lift; but during each attempt, the head lowered slowly instead of rising.
Susquehanna (BWR)	April 1997	Load Drop	Operating License Post NUREG-0612	No	Auxiliary	While transporting a 4000 pound toolbox using an auxiliary hoist on the reactor building crane, a nylon sling separated. One end of the box dropped approximately eight feet striking the edge of a stored Unit 2 cavity shield plug. Routine testing of slings was found to be a weakness.
Palo Verde 1 (PWR)	Feb. 1998	Load Drop	Operating License Post NUREG-0612	No	Other	New fuel receipt inspection activities were being conducted in the Unit 1 fuel building. The shipping container had been unbolted and a lifting rig attached. The entire container was accidentally lifted approximately 2" above the platform instead of just the lid. When this condition was realized, the decision was made to lower the container, when the lid separated and the fuel was dropped to the floor. No damage was done to the new fuel.
Grand Gulf (BWR)	May 1998	Load Slip	Operating License Post NUREG-0612	No	Polar	A core shroud tool ring became dislodged from the strong back being used to lift the ring during a planned heavy lift to remove the ring from the reactor vessel. The ring became dislodged when operations personnel changed a system alignment so that a large volume of air rose from the reactor core. When the volume of air struck the ring and lifting rig, they shook violently, resulting in two adjacent suspension points becoming dislodged (There were four total suspension points.) The ring was bearing against the top of the drywell flange, the drywell manway covers, and the drywell head studs. Review and evaluation of the lifting rig and photographs provided no information as to why the rig failed.
Comanche Peak 1 (PWR)	Oct. 1999	Load Slip	Operating License Post NUREG-0612	Yes	Auxiliary	During the removal of reactor coolant pump motor 1-03, the electric hoist/chain fall failed. The 45 ton hoist was attached to the polar crane. When the hoist failed, the reactor coolant pump motor dropped approximately 15-20 feet in an unplanned descent before the hoist chain caught and prevented the motor from striking any plant structures or components. The hoist failed due to fatigue cracking of the spindle unit gear teeth. During testing prior to its use, the hoist malfunctioned. After several attempts at performing the test, the hoist began to function properly and the job proceeded. Improper assembly of the hoist following an overall was considered the root cause of failure.

2.2.8 Distribution of Load Slips and Drops (1968-1999)

Figure 8, *Distribution of load slips and drops* (1968-1999), shows both the number of documented load slips and load drops, and a plot showing the number of licensed power plants for the period 1968 through 1999. The crane events shown occurred during both construction and operation. Events involving small hoists, light loads, or rigging issues are generally not included. As shown by the figure, there has been a slight increase in the combined number of both load slips and load drops over the last decade when compared to the first two decades, however, this increase is substantially offset by the increase in the number of licensed nuclear power plants from 1968 to 1999.

For example, the average combined number of drop and slip events per licensed plant per calendar year [i.e., (number of events)/(average number of operating plants) divided by the number of calendar years in the sample] was (1) 0.014 for the period 1968 through 1979 (11 years), (2) 0.005 for the period 1980 through 1989 (10 years), and (3) 0.008 for the period 1990 through 1999 (10 years).

Potential reasons for the crane performance improvement shown in Figure 8 could include; (1) general implementation of lessons learned, (2) a heightened awareness of safety at operating plants as opposed to construction sites, (3) implementation of NUREG-0612 Section 5.1.1 guidelines for control of heavy loads which was issued in 1980, and (4) crane upgrades performed since initial plant licensing. Figure 8 shows a slight increase in the number of crane events is evident during the mid-1990s. Similarly, Figure 10, *Distribution of crane related deaths and injuries* (1968-1999) shows a comparable trend, with a concentration of nuclear crane related deaths and injuries between 1976 and 1981, with no deaths reported since 1985. In addition, Figure 1 in Appendix C, *Independent Oversight Special Study of Hoisting and Rigging Incidents Within the Department of Energy*, shows an increase in the frequency of hoisting and rigging events beginning in the second quarter of 1994, although improvements were realized in the latter part of 1995.

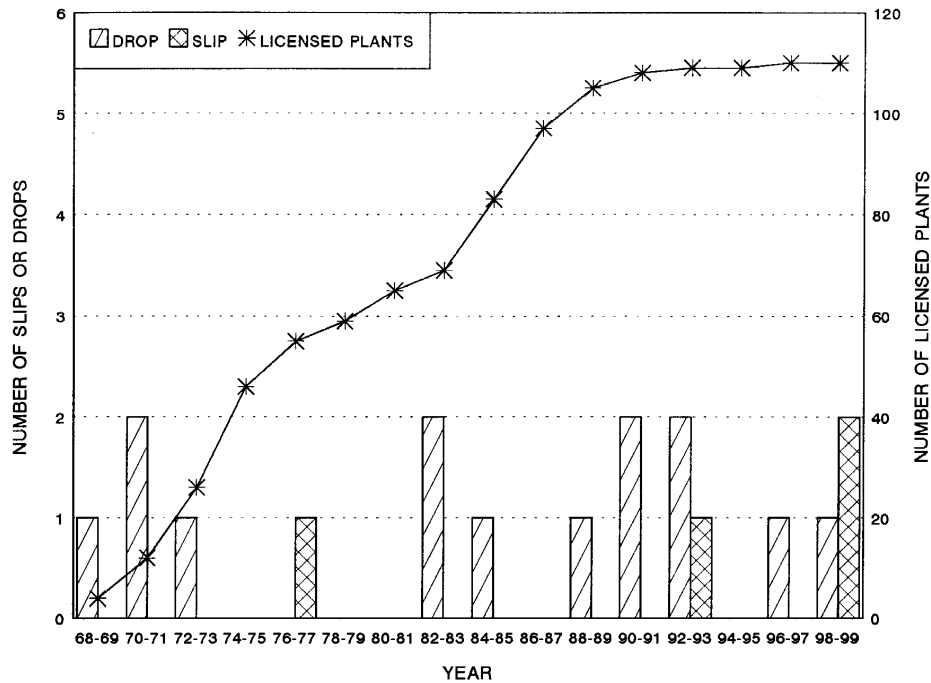


Figure 8: Distribution of load slips and drops (1968-1999)

2.2.9 Crane Events Resulting in Deaths or Injuries

Figure 9, *Crane types involved in deaths or injuries (1968-1999)*, shows the number of events that led to either a death, an injury, or both a death and an injury. In reviewing deaths and injuries caused by crane operation, each event was sorted by crane type. Crane types were put into eight different categories.

- Tower: Consists of a vertical tower and either a fixed or movable jib. Generally used during initial construction.
- Mobile: Movable crane having various arrangements of fixed or telescoping booms or jibs. Generally used during both construction and maintenance activities.
- Other: Any of several cranes not fitting into other categories (i.e., turbine building, fuel storage cask, fuel building, radwaste building, or other cranes not specifically identified by type).
- Polar: Large capacity overhead crane that operates on a circular runway, normally located inside of the containment building
- Refueling/Manipulator: Low capacity bridge crane used during defueling and refueling operations.
- Reactor Building: Large capacity overhead crane operating on a parallel runway.

- Spent Fuel Pool: Various types of bridge cranes. Used for moving spent fuel from one location to another.
- Auxiliary: Any of several lower capacity cranes or hoists.

As shown by Figure 9, most deaths and injuries occurred while using cranes that don't lift heavy loads near safety-related equipment (i.e., tower, mobile, or other categories). These types of cranes have typically not been as well controlled and maintained in the past as are polar, reactor building, or spent fuel pool cranes.

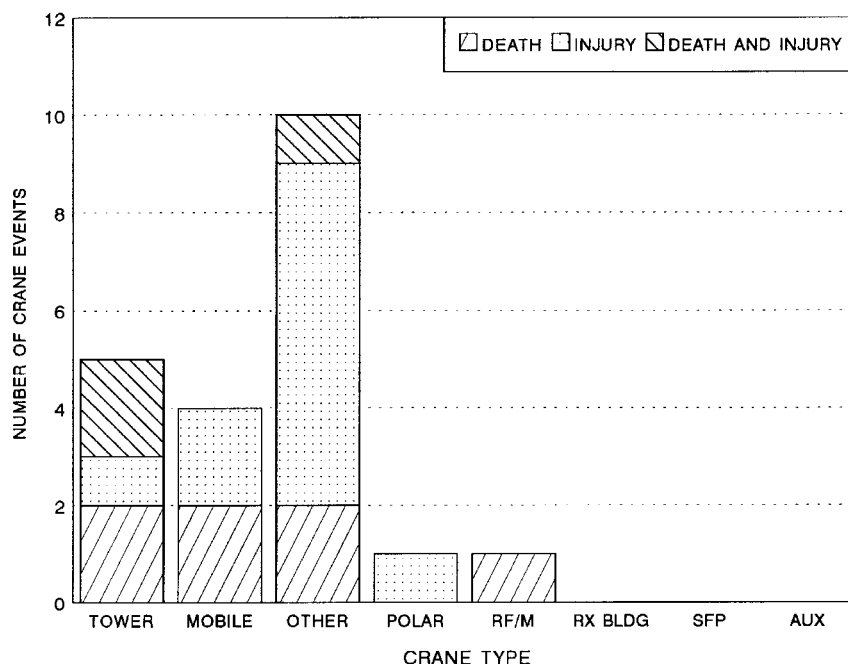


Figure 9: Crane types involved in deaths or injuries (1968-1999)

2.2.10 Description and Distribution of Crane Related Deaths and Injuries

Figure 10, *Distribution of crane related deaths and injuries (1968-1999)*, shows the number of crane related events resulting in a death, an injury, or both a death and an injury. In some instances, more than one death or injury occurred as a result of an event. During this time period, there have been seven reported crane events that have resulted in deaths, three that have involved both deaths and injuries, and 11 events that have resulted in injuries. The highest concentration of crane related deaths and injuries at nuclear power plants occurred between 1976 and 1981. The last death in a crane related accident at a U.S. nuclear power plant occurred in 1985. For comparative purposes, Figure 10 also shows the cumulative number of nuclear power plants that had an operating license during the period from 1968 through 1999.

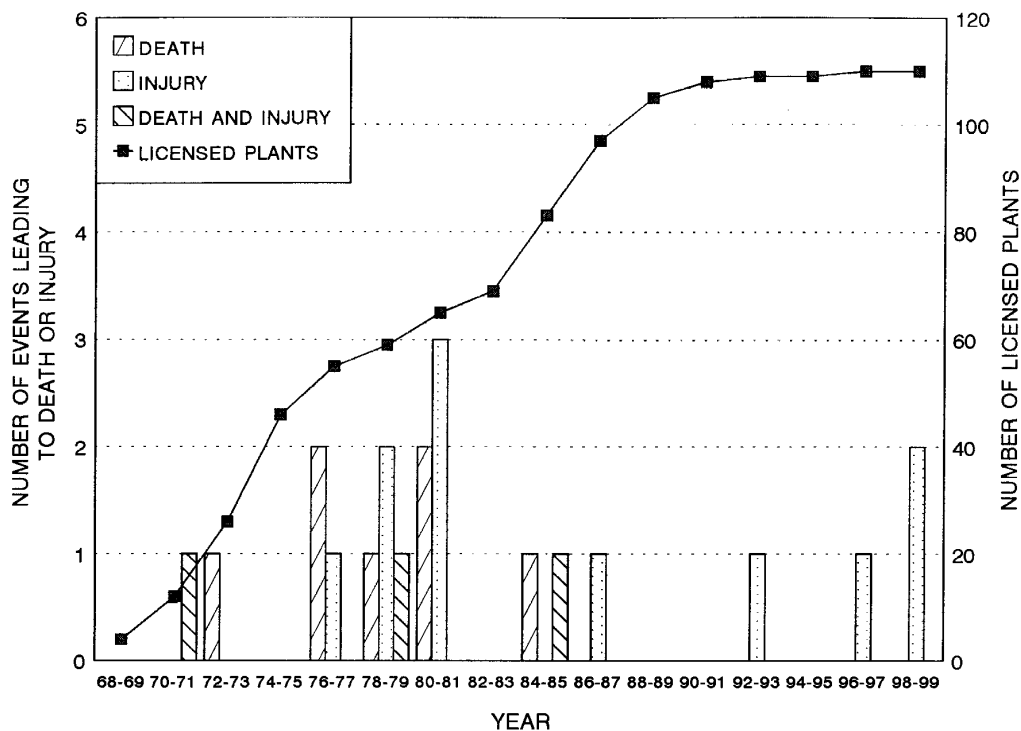


Figure 10: Distribution of crane related deaths and injuries (1968-1999)

Table 3, *Deaths associated with crane operation*, provides information for each death event that was associated with a crane. Of the 10 events, the event at Turkey Point 4 in March 1970 was the only one that involved a very heavy load. This event also occurred during construction, and prior to the issuance of NUREG-0612 which provided guidelines for control of heavy loads. A review of each event description indicates that most of the events resulting in deaths were caused by human error and not through crane design or material deficiencies.

Table 3: Deaths associated with crane operation

Plant (Type)	Event Date	Licensing Status During Event	Very Heavy Load	Crane or Rigging Failure	Event Description
Turkey Point 4 (PWR)	March 1970	During Construction Pre-NUREG-0612	Yes	Yes	The main generator stator for Unit 4, which was to be installed in Unit 3, dropped one to two feet when two vertical crane support cables snapped during a lifting operation. The support columns for the portable crane also collapsed. One section of the support columns struck and killed an engineer. Other falling sections injured two other personnel. Some turbine piping was damaged but no nuclear components were affected.
Haddam Neck (PWR)	December 1973	Operating License Pre-NUREG-0612	No	No	A worker died following a 10 feet fall while effecting repair to an overhead yard crane.
Peach Bottom 2,3 (BWR)	May 1976	Operating License Pre-NUREG-0612	No	No	A contractor employee fell 50 feet to his death while riding a crane hook in the radwaste building.
Comanche Peak 1,2 (PWR)	May 1976	During Construction Pre-NUREG-0612	No	No	Failure of a portable crane boom resulted in the deaths of two construction employees when the crane became unbalanced and the boom and a occupied personnel bucket fell to the turbine mat area.
Nine Mile Point 2 (BWR)	February 1978	During Construction Pre-NUREG-0612	No	Yes	Two workers were killed when a section of installed reinforcing bars collapsed when struck by a bundle of reinforcing bars being handled by a crane.
Perry 1,2 (BWR)	October 1979	During Construction Pre-NUREG-0612	No	No	A worker was killed when he touched a crane which was in contact with a high voltage overhead line.
Marble Hill 1,2 (PWR)	February 1980	During Construction Pre-NUREG-0612	No	No	A worker was killed when a mobile crane got stuck in the mud and tipped over while the operator was raising the load to try to free the crane.
Byron 2 (PWR)	August 1980	During Construction Post-NUREG-0612	No	No	A worker was killed when he was caught between a crane counterweight and the engine housing.
McGuire 2 (PWR)	February 1985	Operating License Post-NUREG-0612	No	No	An equipment operator was killed when he attempted to step onto a moving manipulator crane and fell back and lodged his head between the crane and an electrical lighting panel.
Brown's Ferry 2 (BWR)	March 1985	Operating License Post-NUREG-0612	No	Yes	A maintenance worker was killed and three others were injured when they were struck by a falling crane hook inside the unit 2 turbine building. The accident occurred when the overhead crane cable parted. The 25-ton capacity hook dropped through the roof of a temporary building where the maintenance workers were located.

2.2.11 Distribution of Crane Issues by Facility

Figure 11, *Distribution of crane issues by facility, on a per unit basis (1968-1999)*, shows the number of crane issues documented against each nuclear power plant facility, divided by the number of units (i.e., units that received an operating license, or were substantially completed) at that facility. Since there are many facilities that had units canceled, judgement was used in determining how many plants were “substantially” completed, but did not receive an operating license. Four nuclear facilities reported no crane events; Hope Creek, Kewaunee, Waterford, and Watts Bar.

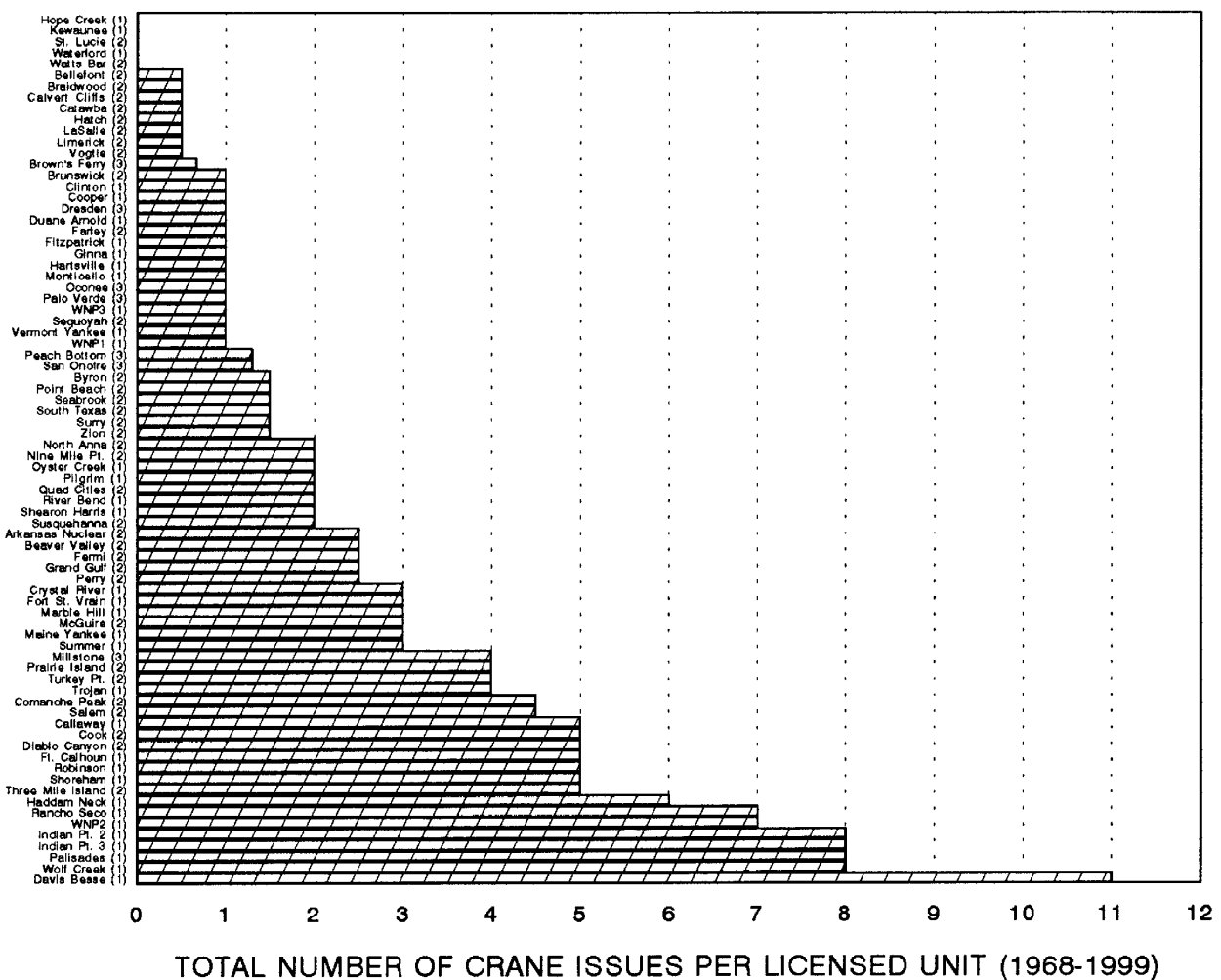


Figure 11: Distribution of crane issues by facility, on a per unit basis (1968-1999)

3 LICENSEE CRANE OPERATING EXPERIENCE AT OPERATING NUCLEAR POWER PLANT FACILITIES (POST NUREG-0612)

At an initial meeting in May 2000, the Reactor Generic Issue Review Panel decided that the generic issue scope should be limited to (1) loads of approximately 30 tons or greater (designated as “very heavy”), and (2) commercial operating nuclear power plants. A representative sample of crane operating experience was obtained from nine nuclear power plant facilities consisting of 19 individual power plants. This data was put into a database, and based on the sample, estimations of the number of very heavy loads lifts was made. Crane issues or events information obtained from searching NUDOCS files, licensee event reports, other licensee documents, and industry documents was used to form the basis for the industry operating experience.

3.1 Pilot Plants for Crane Program and Operating Experience Reviews

Since many hardware and programmatic changes took place with the advent of NUREG-0612 in 1980, it was determined that this crane study should include only crane operational experience since that time. From January 1980 through October 1999, U.S. nuclear power plants have operated for a combined time of approximately 1920 years. The combined operational period for the nine facilities that were visited was approximately 276 years, which is approximately a 14 percent sample. The crane operating experience sample included plants of varying designs and ages. Most were multi-unit facilities, allowing more lift data to be retrieved. Table 4, *Pilot plants for crane program and operational experience reviews*, lists the facilities visited.

Table 4: Pilot plants for crane program and operational experience reviews

Plant	Design Type	MWt	Commercial Operation Date	Onsite Visit Date
Brown's Ferry Units 1,2,3	BWR-Mark 1, GE 4, (AE) TVA	3293 3293 3293	1974 1975 1977	9/14-9/15/2000
Comanche Peak Units 1,2	PWR-Dry ambient, Westinghouse 4 Loop, (AE) Gibbs and Hill	3411 3411	1990 1993	11/27-11/29/2000
Diablo Canyon Units 1,2	PWR-Dry ambient, Westinghouse 4 Loop, (AE) PG&E	3411 3411	1985 1986	9/21-9/22/2000
Dresden Units 2,3	BWR-Mark 1, GE 3, (AE) S&L	2527 2527	1970 1971	7/11-7/13/2001
Grand Gulf	BWR-Mark 3, GE 6, (AE) Bechtel	3833	1985	12/11-12/13/2000
Limerick Units 1,2	BWR-Mark 2, GE4, (AE) Bechtel	3458 3458	1986 1990	12/4-12/5/2000
Oconee Units 1,2,3	PWR-Dry ambient, B&W, (AE) Bechtel	2568 2568 2568	1973 1974 1974	9/27-9/28/2000
Oyster Creek	BWR-Mark 1, GE 2, (AE) Brown and Root	1930	1969	8/21-8/22/2000
Palo Verde Units 1,2,3	PWR-Dry ambient, CE80, (AE) Bechtel	3800 3876 3876	1986 1986 1988	11/15-11/17/2000

3.2 Crane Operating Experience at Pilot Plants (Post NUREG-0612)

Table 5, *Total number of lifts with loads of approximately 30 tons or greater*, lists post NUREG-0612 (1980) crane lift data obtained from nine operating pilot facilities. The data was retrieved from the pilot plants were obtained through actual searches of crane lift records, and/or by reviewing the typical number of lifts performed during routine outages and special outages. Items lifted include both safety and nonsafety related components. The total number of very heavy load lifts for the nine pilot facilities was approximately 7600.

Table 5: Total number of lifts with loads of approximately 30 tons or greater

Facility	Number of very heavy load lifts
Brown's Ferry 1,2,3	980
Comanche Peak 1,2	230
Diablo Canyon 1,2	344
Dresden 2,3	554
Grand Gulf	118
Limerick 1,2	950
Oconee 1,2,3	1656
Oyster Creek	504
Palo Verde 1,2,3	2277

3.3 Estimated Crane Operating Experience at US Nuclear Power Plants (Post NUREG-0612)

To estimate the total number of lifts greater than approximately 30 tons (designated as “very heavy” for this report) for all US nuclear power plants, it was necessary to normalize Table 5 lift data, taking into consideration how many refueling cycles had occurred, and the design type of the plant. The number of lifts per refueling cycle for each design type was then used to estimate the number of lifts occurring at the similar remaining power plants. The total number of estimated very heavy load lifts for all US nuclear power plants that operated from 1980 through October 1999 was approximately 47400.

3.4 Very Heavy Load Slips and Drops at Operating Facilities (Post NUREG-0612)

Of the estimated 47400 lifts, there were two “load slips” and one “load drop” that involved very heavy loads. A load slip is defined as a situation where the load may descend uncontrollably, but come to a stop without impacting or damaging other equipment. A load drop is defined as a situation where the load may descend uncontrollably, but impacts other equipment and does damage. Table 6, *Very Heavy Load slips and drops occurring at operating nuclear facilities (Post NUREG-0612)* provides information on one load drop event and two load slip events. Of the two very heavy load slip events (Arkansas Nuclear One-1, and Comanche Peak 1), both were caused by crane deficiencies. The reactor head load drop event at Fort Calhoun was not caused by crane deficiencies, but by operator error. The “load” did not totally drop, but did impact the reactor head alignment pins while lowering the reactor head, and was conservatively classified in this report as a dropped load. The “dropped load” did not result in a radiation release; or risk to licensee personnel or the public.

Table 6: Load* slips and drops of very heavy loads occurring at operating nuclear facilities (Post NUREG-0612)

Plant	Event Date	Load Slip	Load Drop
Fort Calhoun (PWR)	April 1990		While lowering the reactor head, it cocked slightly, catching on alignment pins, bending two. (This event was caused by operator error.)
Arkansas Nuclear One-1 (PWR)	September 1993	When removing the reactor head, the head was trolleyed horizontally. When a vertical lift was attempted, the head instead lowered. (This event was caused by a component deficiency.)	
Comanche Peak 1 (PWR)	October 1999	A gearbox in an auxiliary hoist (attached to the polar crane) failed, lowering the reactor coolant pump motor about 15-20 feet. The load came to rest before impacting any equipment. (This event was caused by a component deficiency instigated by repair activities.)	

*This table only includes loads that have been classified as “very heavy” (approximately 30 tons or greater)

3.5 Crane Load Drop Event Tree

An event tree was developed (see Figure 12, *Load drop event tree*) assuming that the load drop was the initiating event. Probabilities for each branch were conservatively estimated using information gathered from the Pilot Plant licensees, NUREG-0612, and WASH-1400, *Reactor Safety Study*. Because of the vast differences between reactor safety system layout even within the same design type [i.e., BWR vs. PWR, or nuclear steam supply system (NSSS) vendor], general statements about the potential consequences of very heavy load drops at various locations within a nuclear plant is outside the scope of this study.

From a deterministic standpoint, very heavy load drops may be more risk significant at BWR plants than PWR plants because of the location of the BWR spent fuel pool on the upper floor (refueling floor) of the reactor building, and the heavy loads that the refueling floor would experience. This situation is worsened for BWRs that have a Mark I containment which places the torus directly below the equipment hatch in the reactor building. Should a load drop occur while the load is being lowered down the equipment hatch to ground level from the refueling floor (approximately 100 feet), the torus could be punctured. Accident mitigation could be compromised given a punctured torus (emergency core cooling system pump failure) or during suppression pool cooling. A heavy load drop that would penetrate the refueling floor could also disable an isolation condenser (installed at some BWRs) which would also compromise the plant’s capability to cope with decay heat removal following a station blackout. Other scenarios exist where individual trains of safety-related systems could be disabled, but not to the point where system redundancy or diversity would be eliminated.

Movements of very heavy loads near PWR spent fuel pools generally encounter few risk-significant systems because of their location at or near ground level. Drops of loaded spent fuel casks over the spent fuel pool, on the pool wall, or in the decontamination area have been analyzed by various licensees (see Table 8, *Heavy load drop calculations*), showing little impact on the health and safety of the public.

Number of very heavy load lifts per reactor year

The number of very heavy load lifts per reactor year (25) was calculated by taking the total number of very heavy load lifts (47400 lifts) that occurred since 1980 or commercial operation, whichever was the latest, and dividing it by the total number of reactor years for the same set of power plants having an operator license (1920 years). This value was then used as the starting point for branch event probabilities as discussed in this section.

Load Drop

For very heavy loads occurring at plants having an operating license, and after the issuance of NUREG-0612, there were no actual load drops. To be conservative, one very heavy load drop was assumed to occur during the period of interest (see Table 6). Assuming that the number of very heavy load lifts was approximately 47400, the load drop frequency (drops/number of lifts) was calculated to be approximately $2\text{E-}05$ ($1/47400$ lifts).

Drop Over Safe Shutdown Equipment (On Level)

The probability of a drop over Safe Shutdown Equipment (SSE) would be related to the probability of the failure to follow procedures. As shown in Figure 5, a large percentage of crane issues are either related to not following procedures, or not properly implementing procedures. For the purposes of this assessment, it was conservatively assumed that all crane issues were the result of the failure to follow procedures and could have caused a drop over an SSE. This would result in a probability of approximately $2\text{E-}03$ failures per lift. Wash-1400 provides a human reliability estimated failure rate of $1\text{E-}02$ (based on data from the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Agency and the U.S. military) was used as the upper bound for this study. Both of these values will receive additional analyses.

Safe Shutdown Equipment Needed (On Level)

This is largely unknown; however, given the lack of on-level safe shutdown equipment, and the separation of redundant trains, the probability that safe shutdown equipment would be totally compromised is very small. Crane travel interlocks would have to fail, procedures would have to be violated, operations staff would not have maintained redundancy in systems during the load lift and transfer, and load contact with the safe shutdown equipment would not be incidental. It is estimated that this probability would be between $1\text{E-}03$ and $5\text{E-}03$ per event.

Floor Breach

Since those licensees that were visited as part of this study (see Table 7) had procedural load lift height guidance for differing load weights, and routine guidance to minimize the load lift height, a floor breach would seem very unlikely unless the crane operator blatantly failed to

follow established procedures. The probabilities for each of the three branches in Figure 12 that would involve a floor breach are conditional upon previous failures. The logic for the factor was the degree of crane operator error and plant operations error during the load lifts. For example, for the worst case scenario, the following sequence would already have taken place; (1) a very heavy load drop occurs, (2) the load was dropped over SSE, and (3) the SSE was needed for accident mitigation. For the upper two branches, the load either didn't drop on SSE, or if the load did drop on SSE, the SSE wasn't needed for accident mitigation. Consequently, using guidance provided in NUREG-0612, the probability for a floor breach was reduced by a factor of 10 from the "worst case" at $1\text{E-}01$ to $5\text{E-}01$ to the "best case" at $1\text{E-}02$ to $5\text{E-}02$.

Safe Shutdown Equipment Below Level

Depending upon the load path, there may be SSE below the level over which the load would be transported. This could be in the form of controlling instrumentation or mechanical fluid systems. The investigative level of this study (which was cursory) did not discover situations where redundancy or diversity would be eliminated. For the purposes of this study, the probability that an SSE exists below level was conservatively assumed to range between $1\text{E-}01$ and $8\text{E-}01$. The higher probability value ($8\text{E-}01$) shown in the worst case pathway was chosen because of potential common cause failures due to other preceding failures in the same pathway.

Safe Shutdown Equipment Needed (Below Level)

Transporting very heavy loads over equipment that would be necessary for plant accident mitigation would not be a conservative practice, is once again related to judgement or performance errors on the part of the crane operator and on plant operators. NUREG-0612 estimates that the probability of failure to follow a given procedure is between $1\text{E-}02$ and $5\text{E-}02$.

Table 7: Crane events resulting in a loss or partial loss of offsite power

Plant	Event Date	Description
Peach Bottom 2 (BWR)	August 1987	While Unit 2 had been shutdown for five months, an 80 ton mobile crane contacted an energized 220 KV line resulting in tripping of the Unit 2 startup source line. Both Units 2 and 3 were affected. Unit 3 "C" RHR was restored within 10 minutes. Unit 2 "C" RWCU pump was restored within 37 minutes, and RHR was returned to service within 4 hours. (LER 277-87-016)
Fermi 2 (BWR)	December 1991	While in cold shutdown, a mobile crane contacted an energized 120 KV overhead electrical line twice. The circuit opened and closed momentarily for each contact, but did not cause a loss of offsite power. (No LER was written)
Palo Verde 3 (PWR)	November 1991	While Unit 3 was in hot standby, a 35 ton mobile crane contacted a 13.8 KV overhead line causing a partial loss of offsite power. The crane was not grounded, was not level, the friction brake was not set, and the crane was left unattended when its boom rotated into the power line. (LER 530-91-010-01, also an augmented inspection team (AIT) inspection was performed)
Diablo Canyon 1 (PWR)	March 1991	While Unit 1 was in a refueling outage, loss of offsite power caused by mobile crane when it got too close to a 500 KV electrical line. The 230 KV startup power system had been cleared for maintenance and was not available. RHR capability was lost for less than one minute, and the spent fuel pool pumps were inoperable for approximately 23 minutes. An Unusual Event was declared. (LER 275-91-004-01, also an AIT inspection was performed)
Nine Mile Point 2 (BWR)	September 1992	While Unit 2 was at 100 percent power, a mobile crane boom got too close to one of two 115 KV lines, tripping the line and causing a partial loss of offsite power. Division I and II EDGs ran loaded for approximately 4 hours each. The 115 KV line was restored within approximately 3 hours. (LER 410-92-020)
Indian Point 3 (PWR)	March 1995	While Unit 3 was in cold shutdown, a mobile crane in the Indian Point 2 owner controlled area shorted the C phase of the 138 KV feeder to ground causing a loss of offsite power. Emergency power was provided by two EDGs. (LER 286-95-004)

Of the six crane events described in Table 7, two licensees had Augmented Inspection Team (AIT) inspections (Palo Verde and Diablo Canyon). However, none of the six mobile crane events met the minimum risk threshold requirements to be classified as an ASP event.

4 LICENSEE LOAD DROP CALCULATION METHODOLOGY AND RESULTS

A sampling of load drop calculations obtained from each facility that was visited indicated that calculational methodologies and assumptions varied from licensee to licensee, producing different end results. Heights of load drops, plant locations for postulated load drops, contact area at impact, materials property values, and weights of loads varied greatly. The Oyster Creek calculation for a drop of a 45 ton fuel cask over a reinforced concrete 16 inch thick slab was the most restrictive, with an allowable drop height of 2.77 inches. Some facilities performed load drop calculations using ballistic type equations based on high velocity and low mass situations. Each licensee used load drop calculations to determine transport height restrictions in their heavy load procedures. These restrictions would be based on conservative engineering analyses. Table 8, *Load drop calculations for very heavy components*, provides a sampling of load drop calculations from the facilities that were visited.

Table 8: Load drop calculations for very heavy components

PLANT	CALC DATE	LOAD	WT (tons)	HT	TARGET COMPOSITION	STRIKING VELOCITY	ASSUMPTIONS	CALCULATION OUTCOMES
Grand Gulf (BWR)	8/15/78 Bechtel	Drywell head	61.5	5ft (air)	- Refueling floor; 9" RC slab on 3" decking (non-composite), slab supported on W36x300 beams @ 6'4" spacing	17.9 ft/sec	Used an equation for penetration of 12" diameter missiles. 100% of flange will contact the floor.	- Depth of penetration 2.8" - 9" RC slab $\mu = 6.9$ - W36x300 $\mu = 5.9$
Grand Gulf (BWR)	8/17/78 Bechtel	Drywell head	61.5	30 ft (air)	- Reactor well; 1.5" wide sleeve, radius of 16'-3/4"	43.9 ft/sec	Drywell head hits the sleeve	Drywell head crushes the sleeve, and continues downward, but doesn't compromise the integrity of the RPV
Grand Gulf (BWR)	8/16/78 Bechtel	RPV head	117	5 ft (air)	- Refueling floor, 4'-0" thick RC	17.9 ft/sec	100% of flange will contact the floor.	-Depth of penetration 4.4" -For simple support, $\mu=9$; for fixed support, $\mu<1$
Grand Gulf (BWR)	4/4/78 Bechtel	Steam separator	68	17 ft (water)	- Spent fuel pool; Steam separator area, 52" thick slab with 1/4" liner plate	21.5 ft/sec	Steam separator falls in water	-Assuming a 1/4" plate, the depth of penetration = .7" (unsatisfactory) -Assuming a 52" concrete slab, depth of penetration = 6.2" -Assuming an interface forcing function, depth of penetration = 2.6" -Using a structural response and ratioing, the slab response will not exceed the acceptable ductility ratio of 10.
Grand Gulf (BWR)	7/18/78 Bechtel	Steam dryer	40	23 ft (air)	- Dryer storage area, 52" thick slab with 1/4" liner plate	38.5 ft/sec	- For the 1/4" liner plate, the equation appears to spread out the load over an entire cylinder with a diameter of 238"(same for the slab) as opposed to an annulus.	- Assuming a 1/4" plate, the depth of penetration = .09" - Assuming a 52" thick concrete slab, depth of penetration = 5.4" - $\mu < 5.3$
Oyster Creek (BWR)	10/29/99 EQE	Fuel cask	45	6" (air)	- Refueling floor; At the center of beam 5B27; slab thickness 16"; beam width 36," beam depth 30"; various rebar 8-15, #8	5.7 ft/sec	- ACI 349-97	- Allowable drop height = 7.01"

Table 8: Load drop calculations for very heavy components (continued)

PLANT	CALC DATE	LOAD	WT (tons)	HT	TARGET COMPOSITION	STRIKING VELOCITY	ASSUMPTIONS	CALCULATION OUTCOMES
Oyster Creek (BWR)	10/26/99 EQE	Fuel cask	45	(3.85") (air)	- Refueling floor; center drop on slab 5S10; slab span N/S 23'-3" x E/W 20'-9"; slab thickness 16"; rebar #6 @7" and 18" centers, and #8@6, 8, &9" centers;	(4.55 ft/sec)	- ACI 349-97	- Allowable drop height = 3.85"
Oyster Creek (BWR)	10/26/99 EQE	Fuel cask	45	(2.77") (air)	- Refueling floor; Drop on slab 5S10 adjacent to beam 5B27; slab span N/S 23'-3" x E/W 20'-9"; slab thickness 16"; rebar #6 @7" and 18" centers, and #8@6, 8, &9" centers	(3.86 ft/sec)	- ACI 349-97	- Allowable drop height = 2.77"
Oyster Creek (BWR)	10/26/99 EQE	Fuel cask	45	(11.58") (air)	- Refueling floor; Drop on slab 5S14 adjacent to beam 5B39; similar to slab 5S10 but slab thickness = 26";	(7.88 ft/sec)	- ACI 349-97	- Allowable drop height = 11.58"
Oyster Creek (BWR)	10/26/99 EQE	Fuel cask	45	6" (air)	- Refueling floor; Drop on east wall of spent fuel pool; the wall is 6' thick and extends from the 119' level to the 72' level;	5.7 ft/sec	- Analyzed as a hard object striking a hard target; the drop would occur between columns C5 and C6 and between beam 5B21 and 5B19, and slab 5S14; target mass 10000 lb/ftsec ²	- Available strain energy calculated at ~254 kipft, kinetic energy from drop ~31 kipft - If kinetic energy of drop is set equal to the strain energy, the allowable drop height would be 49.6" - If load is dropped directly on C6, the allowable drop height would be 49"
Palo Verde (PWR)	6/4/80 Bechtel	Fuel cask	125	12' (air)	- Drop from level 124.5' to the decontamination pit (~12');	27.8 ft/sec	- Assumes that the cask hits the floor exactly flat; Ductility ratio of 30 acceptable	- Thickness required to preclude spalling 71.56"; slab deflection .063"; ductility ratio calculated to be 22.84

Table 8: Load drop calculations for very heavy components (continued)

PLANT	CALC DATE	LOAD	WT (tons)	HT	TARGET COMPOSITION	STRIKING VELOCITY	ASSUMPTIONS	CALCULATION OUTCOMES
Palo Verde (PWR)	6/4/80 Bechtel	Fuel cask	125	30' (air)	- Drop from the top of the spent fuel pool to the bottom of the cask loading pit; target slab is 7'-9" thick	44.96 ft/sec	- Ductility ratio of 30 acceptable	- Ductility ratio of 6.01 calculated, 30 is acceptable; - using a different soil reaction, ductility ratio calculated to be 9.67, 30 is acceptable
Palo Verde (PWR)	6/23/80 Bechtel	Fuel cask	126	1' + rotation strike on wall	- Drop from top of spent fuel pool to the decontamination pit and then deflects to the east wall of the pit	(Striking velocity on the wall = 16.133 ft/sec)	- Ductility ratio of 30 acceptable	- Calculated ductility ratio 47.09, 20 (average of beam, 10, and slab 30) - For this situation, an energy absorbing pad was required
Brown's Ferry (BWR)	1/14/72 TVA	Fuel cask	100	3'	- Drop on hypothetical 18" RC slab	13.9 ft/sec	- NAVDOCKS (p51) - Cask lands flat on 16 fins, evenly distributed (4.124 ft ²)	- Depth of penetration = .0892 ft
Brown's Ferry (BWR)	1/17/72 TVA	Fuel cask	100	3'	- Drop on hypothetical 18" RC slab	13.9 ft/sec	- Compares energy absorbed to the energy the system can ultimately absorb	- energy to be absorbed = 7.2 E6, in-# energy the system can ultimately absorb = 9.35 E6 in-#
Brown's Ferry (BWR)	1/18/72 TVA	Fuel cask	100	3'	- Drop on 18" thick slab near supports	13.9 ft/sec	- After punching through in the area immediately adjacent to the slab support, the structural system will form two effective cantilever beams with three plastic hinges	- Punch through will occur near the column and beams in an arc, it will not go through the slab
Brown's Ferry (BWR)	1/27/72 TVA	Fuel cask	100	6"	- Drop on 36" slab	5.675 ft/sec	- Uses a modified Petry formula for penetration	- Penetration calculated to be .015 ft

Table 8: Load drop calculations for very heavy components (continued)

PLANT	CALC DATE	LOAD	WT (tons)	HT	TARGET COMPOSITION	STRIKING VELOCITY	ASSUMPTIONS	CALCULATION OUTCOMES
Limerick (BWR)	4/30/84 Bechtel (1)	Drywell head	104	3'	- Tilted drop on refueling floor, RC 24" thick, #9@8" centers (T&B);	13.9 ft/sec	- Capacity of slab based on yield-line theory, simple span, elasto-plastic design - Doesn't appear to account for kinetic energy absorption over a small area - Tilted drop case, strikes over 40 degrees of circumference - Interface force = 6.35 E6 # (average=2.1 E6 #)	- Punching shear capacity appears to be high (240 psi) - Calculated punching shear appears to be low (117psi) - Compressive strength of concrete appears to be high - E for concrete appears to be high - $\mu = .8$, allowable 10 (over concrete, Zones A&B) - $\mu < 8.72$, allowable 8.72 (over W36 beam, Zones A&B) - $\mu = 7.5$, allowable 8.72 (over two W36 beams, Zones A&B) - $\mu < 1.0$, (over concrete, Zone C) - $\mu < 12$, allowable 20 (over W24) - $\mu = 10$, allowable 12 (over two beams W24)
Limerick (BWR)	4/24/84 Bechtel (2)	Drywell head	104	3'	- Flat drop on refueling floor	13.9 ft/sec	- Drywell head lands completely flat on the refueling floor - Interface force = 7.1 E6 #	- Flat drop case shows a greater force on the floor than does the tilted case above - $\mu = 1.8$, allowable 10 (over concrete zone A&B) - $\mu = 1.5$, 8.72 allowable 8.72 (over W36 beam, Zones A&B) - $\mu = 1.4$, (over concrete, Zone C) - $\mu = 2$, allowable 12, (over W24, zone C)
Limerick (BWR)	4/26/84 Bechtel (3)	RPV Head	92	3'	- Flat drop on refueling floor	13.9 ft/sec	- RPV head lands completely flat on the refueling floor - Interface force = 1.23 E7 #	- $\mu = 1.8$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zones A&B) - $\mu < 3$ (over W36, zones A&B) - $\mu = 1.3$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zone C) - $\mu < 5$, (over W24, zone C)
Limerick (BWR)	4/26/84 Bechtel (4)	RPV Head	92	3'	- Tilted drop on refueling floor	13.9 ft/sec	- RPV head lands tilted - Interface force = 7.16 E6 # (average=2.39 E6 #)	- Flat drop case shows a greater force on the floor than does the tilted case above - $\mu = 1.0$ (over concrete, Zones A&B) - $\mu = 5.5$ (over two beams, W36, zones A&B) - $\mu < 1.0$, (over concrete, Zone C) - $\mu > 100$, (over two beams, W24, Zone C)
Limerick (BWR)	4/26/84 Bechtel (5)	RPV Head	92	2'	- Tilted drop on refueling floor	11.38 ft/sec	- RPV head lands tilted - Interface force = 6.55 E6 # (average=2.18 E6 #)	- $\mu \sim 20$, (over W24, Zone C) - Drop height was changed from 3' to 2' to get a lower μ

Table 8: Load drop calculations for very heavy components (continued)

PLANT	CALC DATE	LOAD	WT (tons)	HT	TARGET COMPOSITION	STRIKING VELOCITY	ASSUMPTIONS	CALCULATION OUTCOMES
Limerick (BWR)	4/26/84 Bechtel (6)	Shield Plugs	12	3'	- Flat drop on refueling floor	13.9 ft/sec	- Flat drop calculated for over W36, 24" thick concrete, and W24 - Interface force = 3.37 E7 #	- Flat drop force for the 12 ton plugs was calculated to be greater than the tilted drop of the drywell head at 104 tons - $\mu = 1.5$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zones A&B) - $\mu \ll 1$ (over W36, zones A&B) - $\mu = 1.5$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zone C) - $\mu = 2.4$, allowable 10, (over W24, zone C)
Limerick (BWR)	4/26/84 Bechtel (7)	Stoplog	59	3'	- Flat drop on refueling floor	13.9 ft/sec	- Flat drop - Contact area = 75 ft ² - Interface force = 5.3 E7 #	- $\mu = 2$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zones A&B) - $\mu = 1.08$, allowable 8.72 (over W36, zones A&B) - $\mu < 2.5$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zone C) - $\mu = 1.53$, allowable 10, (over W24, zone C)
Limerick (BWR)	4/26/84 Bechtel (8)	Stoplog	59	3'	- Tilted drop (45 degrees) on refueling floor	13.9 ft/sec	- Tilted drop - Contact area = 2.5 ft ² - Interface force = 1.78 E6 # (average=5.94 E5 #)	- Per an unreferenced equation, spalling of concrete will occur at a drop height of approximately 4" - $\mu = .6$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zones A&B) - Punching shear capacity appears to be high (240 psi from p. 12 of calc) - Calculated punching shear appears to be low (173 psi) - $\mu = 4$, allowable 8.72, (over W36, zones A&B) - $\mu = .4$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zone C) - $\mu = 100$, allowable 12, (over W24, zone C)
Limerick (BWR)	4/26/84 Bechtel (9)	Stoplog	59	1'-9"		10.6 ft/sec	- Tilted drop - Contact area = 2.12 ft ² - Interface force = 1.14 E6 # (3.814 E5 #)	- $\mu \sim 20$, (over concrete with embedded beams)

Table 8: Load drop calculations for very heavy components (continued)

PLANT	CALC DATE	LOAD	WT (tons)	HT	TARGET COMPOSITION	STRIKING VELOCITY	ASSUMPTIONS	CALCULATION OUTCOMES
Limerick (BWR)	4/26/84 Bechtel (10)	Stoplog	38	2'	- Tilted drop (45 degrees) on refueling floor	11.35 ft/sec	- Tilted drop - Contact area = 1.3 ft ² - Interface force = 9.41 E5 # (average=3.134 E5 #)	- Per an unreferenced equation, spalling of concrete will occur at a drop height of approximately 7" - $\mu < 1.0$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zones A&B) - Punching shear capacity appears to be high (240 psi from p. 12 of calc) - Calculated punching shear appears to be low (101 psi) - $\mu = 1.2$, allowable 8.72, (over W36, zones A&B) - $\mu \ll 1.0$, (over concrete, Zone C) - $\mu \sim 12$, allowable 12, (over W24, zone C)
Limerick (BWR)	4/26/84 Bechtel (11)	Stoplog	38	2'	- Flat drop on refueling floor	11.35 ft/sec	- Flat drop - Contact area = 135 ft ² - Interface force = 8.68 E6 #	- $\mu = 3.0$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zones A&B) - $\mu = 1.2$, allowable 8.72, (over W36, zones A&B) - Per an unreferenced equation, spalling of concrete will occur at a drop height of approximately 16.1" - $\mu = 1.5$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zone C) - $\mu < 12$, allowable 12, (over W24, zone C)
Limerick (BWR)	4/26/84 Bechtel (12)	Stoplog	38	1.5' (air) 22.5' (water)	- Flat drop back into its slot	30.9 ft/sec	- Flat drop - assume 50% contact (831.25 in ²) - Interface force 2.73 E7 # (average=9.1 E6 #)	- Penetration based on impact duration = 1.4" - Penetration based on missiles hitting soils = .68"
Limerick (BWR)	4/26/84 Bechtel (13)	Stoplog	38	1.83' (air) 37.75' (water)	- Flat drop into the Fuel Pool	34.5 ft/sec	- Flat drop - Assumes 50% contact (831.25 in ²) - Interface force 3.04 E7 # (average=1.01 E7 #)	- Penetration based on impact duration = 1.7" - Penetration based on missiles hitting soils = .85"
Limerick (BWR)	4/23/84 Bechtel (14)	Steam dryer assembly	45	6'	- Flat drop on refueling floor	19.7 ft/sec	- Flat drop - Total contact area = 3000 in ² - Contact area for slab of interest = 1140 in ²	- $\mu = 3$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zones A&B) - $\mu = 2.0$, allowable 8.72 (over W36, zones A&B) - $\mu = 1.7$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zone C) - $\mu = 2$, allowable 12, (over W24, zone C)

Table 8: Load drop calculations for very heavy components (continued)

PLANT	CALC DATE	LOAD	WT (tons)	HT	TARGET COMPOSITION	STRIKING VELOCITY	ASSUMPTIONS	CALCULATION OUTCOMES
Limerick (BWR)	4/26/84 Bechtel (15)	Steam dryer assembly	45	6'	- Tilted drop (17.46 degrees) on refueling floor	19.7 ft/sec	- Tilted drop - Contact area = 4.06 ft ² - Interface force = 4.07 E6 # (average=1.36 E6 #)	- $\mu < 1$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zones A&B) - $\mu = 9$, allowable 8.72 (over W36, zones A&B)
Limerick (BWR)	4/26/84 Bechtel (16)	Steam dryer assembly	45	5'	- Tilted drop (14.5 degrees) on refueling floor	17.94 ft/sec	- Tilted drop - Contact area = 4.18 ft ² - Interface force = 3.83 E6 # (average=1.28 E6 #)	- $\mu = 8$, allowable 8.72 (over W36, zones A&B) - $\mu < 1$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zone C) - $\mu = 50$, allowable 12, (over W24, zone C)
Limerick (BWR)	4/26/84 Bechtel (17)	Steam dryer assembly	45	3'	- Tilted drop (8.62 degrees) on refueling floor	13.9 ft/sec	- Tilted drop - Contact area = 7.29 ft ² - Interface force = 5.17 E6 # (average=1.72 E6 #)	- $\mu = 12$, allowable 12, (over W24, zone C)
Limerick (BWR)	4/28/84 Bechtel (18)	Steam separator assembly	81.5	5'	- Flat drop on refueling floor	17.9 ft/sec	- Flat drop - Contact area = 5.61 ft ² - Interface force = 5.12 E6 #	- $\mu = 2$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zones A&B) - $\mu = 2.0$, allowable 8.72 (over W36, zones A&B) - $\mu = 1.8$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zone C) - $\mu = .25$, allowable 10, (over W24, zone C)
Limerick (BWR)	4/28/84 Bechtel (19)	Steam separator assembly	81.5	5'	- Tilted drop (14.5 degrees) on refueling floor	17.9 ft/sec	- Tilted drop - Contact area = 4.97 ft ² - Interface force = 4.55 E6 # (average=1.52 E6 #)	- $\mu < 1$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zones A&B) - $\mu = 5.5$, allowable 20 (two beams, over W36, zones A&B) - $\mu = 1.5$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zone C) - $\mu = 25$, allowable 20 (two beams, over W24, zone C)
Limerick (BWR)	4/28/84 Bechtel (20)	Steam separator assembly	81.5	2.5'	- Tilted drop (7.2 degrees) on refueling floor	12.7 ft/sec	- Tilted drop - Contact area = 5.57 ft ² - Interface force = 3.595 E6 # (average=1.2 E6 #)	- $\mu = 12$, allowable 20 (two beams, over W24, zone C)
Limerick (BWR)	4/28/84 Bechtel (21)	Steam separator assembly	81.5	7'	- Flat drop on refueling floor	21.2 ft/sec	- Flat drop - Contact area on slab of interest = 7.92 ft ² weight on slab of interest = 31 tons - Interface force = 8.56 E6 #	- $\mu = 3.5$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zones A&B) - $\mu = 2.8$, allowable 10 (over W36, zones A&B)
Limerick (BWR)	4/28/84 Bechtel (22)	Steam separator assembly	81.5	7'	- Tilted drop (20.5 degrees) on refueling floor	21.2 ft/sec	- Tilted drop - Contact area = 4.88 ft ² - Interface force = 5.27 E6 # (average=1.76 E6 #)	- $\mu = .7$, allowable 10 (over W36, zone D)

Table 8: Load drop calculations for very heavy components (continued)

PLANT	CALC DATE	LOAD	WT (tons)	HT	TARGET COMPOSITION	STRIKING VELOCITY	ASSUMPTIONS	CALCULATION OUTCOMES
Limerick (BWR)	5/8/84 Bechtel (23)	Shield plugs	85	3'	- Flat drop on refueling floor	13.9 ft/sec	- Flat drop - Total contact area = 418.5 ft ² - Contact area on slab of interest = 181.9 ft ² - Interface force = 1.29 E8 #	- $\mu < 10$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zones A&B)
Limerick (BWR)	5/8/84 Bechtel (24)	Shield plugs	85	3'	- Tilted drop (5.3 degrees) on refueling floor	13.9 ft/sec	- Tilted drop - Total contact area = 2.65 ft ² - Interface force = 1.88 E6 # (average=6.27 E5 #)	- $\mu < 1$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zones A&B) - $\mu = 4.0$, allowable 10 (over W36, zones A&B) - $\mu < 1$, allowable 10, (over concrete, Zone C) - $\mu > 12$, allowable 12 (two beams, over W24, zone C)
Limerick (BWR)	5/8/84 Bechtel (25)	Shield plugs	85	2'	- Tilted drop (3.5 degrees) on refueling floor	11.3 ft/sec	- Tilted drop - Total contact area = 2.67 ft ² - Interface force = 1..54 E6 # (average=5.1 E5 #)	- $\mu = 12$, allowable 12 (two beams, over W24, zone C)
Limerick (BWR)	6/17/96 S&L	Shield plug	85		- Tilted blunt drop on drywell head		- Slightly tilted drop - Drywell head material thickness at impact is 1.5" SA 516 Gr 70 - Postulates the failure of two lifting lugs on the plug - ADINA computer program used to analyze the drywell head under an increasing local load - It is assumed that the plug rotates on a hinge (failure of a lifting lug, not the crane) so only 53 % of load hits the drywell head - S&L doesn't provide an analysis for a sharp (small area) impact - Area of impact = 754 in ²	- Once the effective load of the plug is reduced from 170 k# to 79 k#, the strain energy to be absorbed by the drywell head was calculated to be 3402 in-kips - Increased the capability of the head to a DIF of 1.2, the materials can take 4774 in-kips which is about 40% higher than that caused by the plug drop - The deflection at maximum strain energy would be approximately 8", whereas at the calculate strain energy, the drywell head will deflect approximately 5.8"
Comanche Peak (PWR)	12/8/88 SWEC (4)	Reactor Coolant Pump Assembly	27.6		- 20 " thick RC - Slabs S-4 to S-8		- (General) Strain energy capacity is compared to kinetic energy of the load drop; Assumes a ductility ratio of 10; An elasto-plastic force-deflection diagram is assumed to represent the energy absorbing capacity of the structural component - Missile "area" = 7 ft. Diameter	- Maximum drop height = 5" (Scabbing) - The contact areas was changed in calculation listed as 4-1 below

Table 8: Load drop calculations for very heavy components (continued)

PLANT	CALC DATE	LOAD	WT (tons)	HT	TARGET COMPOSITION	STRIKING VELOCITY	ASSUMPTIONS	CALCULATION OUTCOMES
Comanche Peak (PWR)	12/8/88 SWEC (4-1)	Reactor Coolant Pump Assembly	27.6		- 20 " thick RC - Slabs S-4 to S-8		- (General) Strain energy capacity is compared to kinetic energy of the load drop; Assumes a ductility ratio of 10; An elasto-plastic force-deflection diagram is assumed to represent the energy absorbing capacity of the structural component - Missile "area" = 2 ft. Diameter	- Maximum drop height = 1' - 2"
Comanche Peak (PWR)	12/8/88 SWEC (4-2)	Reactor Coolant Pump Assembly	27.6		- 26 " thick RC - Slabs S-1, 2, 3, and 9		- (General) Strain energy capacity is compared to kinetic energy of the load drop; Assumes a ductility ratio of 10; An elasto-plastic force-deflection diagram is assumed to represent the energy absorbing capacity of the structural component - Missile "area" = 2 ft. Diameter	- Maximum drop height = 3' - 3"
Comanche Peak (PWR)	12/8/88 SWEC (5-1)	Reactor Coolant Pump Stator	23.8		- 20 " thick RC - Slabs S-4 to S-8		- (General) Strain energy capacity is compared to kinetic energy of the load drop; Assumes a ductility ratio of 10; An elasto-plastic force-deflection diagram is assumed to represent the energy absorbing capacity of the structural component - Missile "area" = 6 ft. Diameter	- Maximum drop height = 5"
Comanche Peak (PWR)	12/8/88 SWEC (5-2)	Reactor Coolant Pump Stator	23.8		- 26 " thick RC - Slabs S1, 2, 3, and 9		- (General) Strain energy capacity is compared to kinetic energy of the load drop; Assumes a ductility ratio of 10; An elasto-plastic force-deflection diagram is assumed to represent the energy absorbing capacity of the structural component - Missile "area" = 6 ft. Diameter	- Maximum drop height = 1' - 3"
Comanche Peak (PWR)	12/8/88 SWEC (6-1)	Reactor Coolant Pump Motor Assembly (Rotor & Stator)	42.4		- 20 " thick RC - Slabs S-4 to S-8		- (General) Strain energy capacity is compared to kinetic energy of the load drop; Assumes a ductility ratio of 10; An elasto-plastic force-deflection diagram is assumed to represent the energy absorbing capacity of the structural component - Missile "area" = 2 ft. Diameter	- Maximum drop height = 9"

Table 8: Load drop calculations for very heavy components (continued)

PLANT	CALC DATE	LOAD	WT (tons)	HT	TARGET COMPOSITION	STRIKING VELOCITY	ASSUMPTIONS	CALCULATION OUTCOMES
Comanche Peak (PWR)	12/8/88 SWEC (6-2)	Reactor Coolant Pump Motor Assembly (Rotor & Stator)	42.4		- 26 " thick RC - Slabs S1, 2, 3, and 9 - Slab S-10		- (General) Strain energy capacity is compared to kinetic energy of the load drop; Assumes a ductility ratio of 10; An elasto-plastic force-deflection diagram is assumed to represent the energy absorbing capacity of the structural component - Missile "area" = 2 ft. Diameter	- Maximum drop height = 2' - 1"
Comanche Peak (PWR)	12/8/88 SWEC (7/7A)	Reactor Coolant Pump Motor Assembly (Rotor & Stator)	27.6		- 54 " thick RC - Slab S-10		- (General) Strain energy capacity is compared to kinetic energy of the load drop; Assumes a ductility ratio of 10; An elasto-plastic force-deflection diagram is assumed to represent the energy absorbing capacity of the structural component - Missile "area" = 2 ft. Diameter	- Maximum drop height = 48' - 9" (Scabbing) - Maximum drop height = 24' - 4" (to reach strain energy max)
Comanche Peak (PWR)	12/8/88 SWEC (8/8A)	Reactor Coolant Pump Rotor)	3.3		- 54 " thick RC - Slab S-10		- (General) Strain energy capacity is compared to kinetic energy of the load drop; Assumes a ductility ratio of 10; An elasto-plastic force-deflection diagram is assumed to represent the energy absorbing capacity of the structural component - Missile "area" = 2 ft. Diameter	- Maximum drop height = 353' - 11" (Scabbing) - Maximum drop height = 176' - 8" (to reach strain energy max)
Oconee (PWR)	6/1/82 (1)	- Low pressure turbine rotor	138	30 feet above turbine deck	- Turbine deck floor 11.5" thick RC - Second floor 8" thick RC - Base floor 48" RC	- 43.95 ft/sec at impact on turbine deck	- Methodology based on Bechtel Power Topical Report, BC-TOP-9 Rev. 2, September 1974 "Design of Structures for Missile Impact" - Rotor falls with it's shaft perpendicular to the floor, flat contact - Ductility ratio of 10	- Perforation depth calculated to be 10.31," (i.e., the rotor will not go through the turbine deck floor) - The drop will result in bending failure of the operating floor slab - The second floor will be penetrated by punching shear - The rotor will penetrate approximate 7" into the basement floor - Will not damage any piping greater than 14.12"
Oconee (PWR)	6/1/82 (2)	- Low pressure turbine rotor	138	77 feet	- 60" thick RC basement floor	70.4 ft/sec	- Methodology based on Bechtel Power Topical Report, BC-TOP-9 Rev. 2, September 1974 "Design of Structures for Missile Impact" - Rotor falls down the equipment hatch	- Penetration depth of rotor = 21.12" - Some spalling may occur - With not prevent vital embedded systems from performing their safety related functions

Table 8: Load drop calculations for very heavy components (continued)

PLANT	CALC DATE	LOAD	WT (tons)	HT	TARGET COMPOSITION	STRIKING VELOCITY	ASSUMPTIONS	CALCULATION OUTCOMES
Oconee (PWR)	10/16/75 (3)	- Spent fuel cask	24	46.5 feet (40 feet through h water)	- Floor of spent fuel pool	54.72 ft/sec	- Allow one trunnion or side of yoke to fail, load stabilizes, and then falls to the SFP floor - Cask hits at approx. 11 degrees - Uses modified Petry formula	- Penetration in steel floor plate 1.91 inches. Actual thickness of plate on the floor is 2.25"
Oconee (PWR)	5/19/89 (4)	-Spent fuel cask	100		- Floor of spent fuel pool	55 ft/sec	- Uses missile impact theory - Very little chance of a large eccentric drop due to gaps between the cask and surrounding equipment - Assumes that the impact is evenly distributed around the cask bottom ring - Assumes that the cask falls through air	- Cask penetration into concrete = 11.4 "
Oconee (PWR)	5/19/89 (5)	-Spent fuel cask	100	46.5 ft	- Floor of spent fuel pool	46 ft/sec	- Uses missile impact theory - Very little chance of a large eccentric drop due to gaps between the cask and surrounding equipment - Assumes that the impact is evenly distributed around the cask bottom ring - Assumes that the cask falls through water - Includes buoyancy and drag effects of water	- Cask penetration into concrete = 6.8 "
Oconee (PWR)	5/26/89 (6)	- Spent fuel cask			- Floor of spent fuel pool		- Assumes that the largest crack possible would be 1/64" wide and could include the largest plate in the spent fuel pool (568" in perimeter) - Assumes that 40' of water is in the pool	- The leakage rate was calculated to be 21.3 gallons per day
Oconee (PWR)	11/21/80 (7)	- Spent fuel cask	29.1	27' - 9"	- Fuel rack	42.27 ft/sec	- Assumes free fall to the rack (no water) - Assumes all the kinetic energy is absorbed in part by buoyancy force - Actual crush tests were performed on fuel cans - If cans are damaged, then radioactive gases are released	- 522 cells will be damaged
Oconee (PWR)	12/2/80 (8)	- Spent fuel cask (TN-8)	43.4	27' - 9"	- Fuel rack	42.27 ft/sec	- Cask hits the side of the spent fuel pool - Assumes all the kinetic energy is absorbed in part by buoyancy force	- 576 cells damaged

Table 8: Load drop calculations for very heavy components (continued)

PLANT	CALC DATE	LOAD	WT (tons)	HT	TARGET COMPOSITION	STRIKING VELOCITY	ASSUMPTIONS	CALCULATION OUTCOMES
Oconee (PWR)	2/26/88 (9)	- Radiologica l consequen ces of spent fuel cask drop in pool	NA	NA	- Fuel rack	NA	- Assumes that a maximum of 1024 assemblies damaged in the units 1 and 2 fuel pool (354 assemblies have less than 1 year decay, the remaining have 1 year decay) - Assumes that a maximum of 825 assemblies are damaged in the unit 3 fuel pool (177 assemblies have less than 1 year decay, the remaining have 1 year decay) - Assumes that the entire gap activity is released for the effected assembly - No credit is given for HVAC filtration - Beta does from plume is insignificant	- Total body dose (Rem) for units 1 and 2 = .15 - Total body dose (Rem) for unit 3 = .13 - Thyroid dose (Rem) for units 1 and 2 = 72 - Thyroid dose (Rem) for unit 3 = 72
Diablo Canyon (PWR)	9/16/86 Bechtel (1)	RCP motor stator	10	12"	- RC slab, infinite thickness	8.02 ft/sec	- Assumes infinite slab thickness - Assumes missile impact	- Depth of penetration = 0.038"
Diablo Canyon (PWR)	9/16/86 Bechtel (1)	RCP motor stator	10	12"	- RC slab, 24" thick	8.02 ft/sec	- Assumes slab thickness of 24" - Assumes missile impact	- Depth of penetration = 0.038"
Dresden 1 (BWR)	9/28/93 Bechtel (1)	TN-RAM cask	38.5	2' above pool water, 41' of water	- Bottom of spent fuel pool - RC2-3 ft. thick with rock base	- 44.9 ft/sec	- Bechtel Design Guide C-2.45, "Design of Structures for Tornado Missile Impact, Rev 0" - Drops vertically, lands totally flat on cask base	- The concrete base will fail in shear
Dresden 1 (BWR)	9/28/93 Bechtel (2)	TN-RAM cask	38.5	2' above pool water, 41' of water	- Bottom of spent fuel pool - RC2-3 ft. thick with rock base	- 38.4 ft/sec	- Bechtel Design Guide C-2.45, "Design of Structures for Tornado Missile Impact, Rev 0" - Drops horizontally, contact area is calculated assuming a .76 inch penetration (1631 square inches)	- The concrete base will fail in shear
Dresden 1 (BWR)	9/28/93 Bechtel (3)	Tn-9.1 Cask	41.5	2' above pool water, 41' of water	- Bottom of spent fuel pool - RC2-3 ft. thick with rock base	- 38.4 ft/sec	- Bechtel Design Guide C-2.45, "Design of Structures for Tornado Missile Impact, Rev 0" - Drops vertically, lands totally flat on cask base	- The concrete base will fail in shear

Table 8: Load drop calculations for very heavy components (continued)

PLANT	CALC DATE	LOAD	WT (tons)	HT	TARGET COMPOSITION	STRIKING VELOCITY	ASSUMPTIONS	CALCULATION OUTCOMES
Dresden 1 (BWR)	9/28/93 Bechtel (4)	Tn-9.1 Cask	41.5	2' above pool water, 41' of water	- Bottom of spent fuel pool - RC2-3 ft. thick with rock base	- 29.0 ft/sec	- Bechtel Design Guide C-2.45, "Design of Structures for Tornado Missile Impact, Rev 0" - Drops horizontally, contact area is calculated assuming a .406 inch penetration (2044 square inches)	- The concrete base will fail in shear
Dresden 1 (BWR)	10/6/93 Bechtel (5)	Tn-9.1 Cask	41.5	6" (this dimension should have been at least 10 inches)	- 8" thick RC wall	- 5.67 ft/sec	- Bechtel Design Guide C-2.45, "Design of Structures for Tornado Missile Impact, Rev 0" - ACI 318-83 - The cask would have to go over the transfer pool curb which is 10 inches, not 6 inches as assumed in the calculation	- spalling will not occur since wall is >>31.9 inches - Speculation is made for drops on the walkway next to the transfer pool
Dresden 1 (BWR)	9/28/93 Bechtel (6)	TN-RAM cask	38.5	12"	- Washdown area floor - 9" thick RC slab	- 8.02 ft/sec	- Bechtel Design Guide C-2.45, "Design of Structures for Tornado Missile Impact, Rev 0" - ACI 318-83	- The concrete base will fail in shear
Dresden 1 (BWR)	10/5/93 Bechtel (7)	TN-RAM	38.5	- See Dresden (3) above	- See Dresden (3) above	- See Dresden (3) above	- See Dresden (3) above - Assumes a redwood crush pad at the bottom of the spent fuel pool - Assumes that the cask lands flat	- Acceptable (59% of allowable)
Dresden 1 (BWR)	10/5/93 Bechtel (8)	Tn-9.1 Cask	41.5	- See Dresden (5) above	- See Dresden (5) above	- See Dresden (5) above	- See Dresden (5) above - Assumes a redwood crush pad at the bottom of the spent fuel pool - Assumes that the cask lands flat	- Acceptable (93% of allowable)
Dresden 1 (BWR)	10/6/94 Vectra (9)	Spent fuel casks	75-110	- 3.75 ft. air, 39.25 water	- Fuel transfer slab, RC 3ft. thick	- Variable from approximately 38 to almost 47 ft/sec	- ACI-349-85 - Bechtel Topical Report, "Design of Structures for Missile Impact, " BC-TOP-9A, Rev 2 - Modified Petry formula (missile penetration) - Uses a Ballistic Research Lab formula - Assumes a flat cask impact area (100% contact) for all equations - Punching shear is the controlling failure mode	- Acceptable for penetration, perforation and spalling (however, impact area of 100% was assumed) - Spent fuel pool slab will fail by punching shear - An energy absorbing device would have to be supplied to cover an area of 17 ft. x 10 ft. (Even assuming a flat cask impact area)

Table 8: Load drop calculations for very heavy components (continued)

PLANT	CALC DATE	LOAD	WT (tons)	HT	TARGET COMPOSITION	STRIKING VELOCITY	ASSUMPTIONS	CALCULATION OUTCOMES
Dresden 1 (BWR)	10/6/94 Vectra (10)	Spent fuel cask	110	NA	- Fuel transfer slab, RC 3ft. thick	- approximately 40-42 ft/sec	- Vertical drop - A 45 degree crack will propagate from the outer edge of the cask and completely penetrate the pool floor - Assumes a hole in the pool floor of approximately 154 square ft - A coefficient of permeability (.0137 ft/day) for a sandy clay soil will be assumed	- Maximum leakage calculated to be approximately 2.7 gal/minute which should be easily made up by available water sources
Dresden 2,3 (BWR)	5/21/73 S&L (11)	IF-300 GE cask	70	1.88 ft in air, 37.75 ft in water	- Spent fuel pool floor - 6'-3" RC slab	- 44.1 ft/sec	- Vertical drop - Modified Petry formula - ACI 318-71 - Assumes a flat cask impact (100% impact area of the fins, 445.5 square inches)	- Penetration in slab = 10.03" - Load factor against punching shear = 2 - Load factor against cracking = 1.44 -
Dresden 2,3 (BWR)	5/21/73 S&L (12)	IF-300 GE cask	70	1.88 ft in air, 37.75 ft in water	- Spent fuel pool floor - 6'-3" RC slab	- 43.9 ft/sec	- Horizontal drop - Modified Petry formula - ACI 318-71 - Assumes a reduce contact area of 1008 square inches	- Penetration in slab = 4.5" - Load factor = 1.5 - Load factor against punching shear = 2
Dresden 2,3 (BWR)	5/21/73 S&L (13)	IF-300 GE cask	70	NA	- Decontamination pit	NA	- Vertical drop - ACI 318-71 - Due to the complex shape, the slab was transformed into an equivalent fixed ended beam of 9.5' width	- The maximum drop height was calculated to be 11.15 inches - It was recommended that the cask be raised a maximum of 9" for safe cleaning operation, and 6" while traveling to and from the decontamination pit
Dresden 2,3 (BWR)	5/21/73 S&L (14)	IF-300 GE cask	70	NA	- Travel path between the decontamination pit and the spent fuel pool over the torus	NA	- An extension form (13) above - Vertical drop	- Two pathways were analyzed (slabs and beams, and over beams) - The pathway over beams was the most desirable, which indicated that the cask could be raised to a maximum height of 22." - A conservative lift height of 6" was made
Dresden 2,3 (BWR)	7/2/81 S&L (15)	NA	NA	95.5 ft	- Drop down the reactor building equipment hatch to the main floor over the torus	- 78.4 ft/sec	- Assume the dropped load has a diameter of 18" - RC slab, 24 inches thick - Assumes concrete will fail at approximately 1300 Kips, then calculates the penetration depth into the concrete from an initial height of 95.5 ft	- To prevent scabbing of a 24" thick floor, the missile penetration depth cannot be > 3.27" - Maximum load drop with no scabbing of a 24" thick slab = 1 ton

Table 8: Load drop calculations for very heavy components (continued)

PLANT	CALC DATE	LOAD	WT (tons)	HT	TARGET COMPOSITION	STRIKING VELOCITY	ASSUMPTIONS	CALCULATION OUTCOMES
Dresden 2,3 (BWR)	7/2/81 S&L (16)	NA	NA	95.5 ft	- Drop down the reactor building equipment hatch to the main floor over the torus	- 78.4 ft/sec	- Assume the dropped load has a diameter of 18" - RC slab, 24 inches thick - Assumes concrete will fail at approximately 1300 Kips, then calculates the penetration depth into the concrete from an initial height of 95.5 ft	- To prevent scabbing of a 24" thick floor, the missile penetration depth cannot be > 3.27" - Maximum load drop with no perforation of a 24" thick slab = 5.75 tons
Dresden 2,3 (BWR)	7/2/81 S&L (17)	NA	NA	95.5 ft	- Drop down the reactor building equipment hatch to the main floor over the torus	- 78.4 ft/sec	- Assume the dropped load has a diameter of 18" - RC slab, 32 inches thick - Assumes concrete will fail at approximately 1300 Kips, then calculates the penetration depth into the concrete from an initial height of 95.5 ft	- To prevent scabbing of a 32" thick floor, the missile penetration depth cannot be > 3.27" - Maximum load drop with no scabbing of a 32" thick slab = 2 tons
Dresden 2,3 (BWR)	7/2/81 S&L (18)	NA	NA		- Drop down the reactor building equipment hatch to the main floor, over the torus	- 78.4 ft/sec	- Assume the dropped load has a diameter of 24" - RC slab, 32 inches thick - Assumes concrete will fail at approximately 1300 Kips, then calculates the penetration depth into the concrete from an initial height of 95.5 ft	- To prevent scabbing of a 32" thick floor, the missile penetration depth cannot be > 4.62" - The amount of energy deposit to produce a penetration depth of 4.62" was calculated to be 5.36 Kips

5 GUIDANCE FOR HEAVY LOAD MOVEMENTS AND CRANE CLASSIFICATION

5.1 Guidance from NUREG-0612

Section 5 of NUREG-0612, *GUIDELINES FOR CONTROL OF HEAVY LOADS*, states that:

Our evaluation of the information provided by licensees indicates that existing measures at operating plants to control the handling of heavy loads cover certain of the potential problem areas, but do not adequately cover the major causes of load handling accidents. These major causes included operator errors, rigging failures, lack of adequate inspection and inadequate procedures.

Section 5.1 of NUREG-0612, *Recommended Guidelines*, states that:

The objectives of these guidelines are to assure that either (1) the potential for a load drop is extremely small, or (2) for each area addressed, the following evaluation criteria are satisfied:

- I. Releases of radioactive material that may result from damage to spent fuel based on calculations involving accidental dropping of a postulated heavy load produce doses that are well within 10 CFR Part 100 limits of 300 rem thyroid, 25 rem whole body (analyses should show that doses are equal to or less than 1/4 of Part 100 limits);
- II. Damage to fuel and fuel storage racks based on calculations involving accidental dropping of a postulated heavy load does not result in a configuration of the fuel such that k_{eff} is larger than 0.95;
- III. Damage to the reactor vessel or the spent fuel pool based on calculations of damage following accidental dropping of a postulated heavy load is limited so as not to result in water leakage that could uncover the fuel, (makeup water provided to overcome leakage should be from a borated source of adequate concentration if the water being lost is borated); and
- IV. Damage to equipment in redundant or dual safe shutdown paths, based on calculations assuming the accidental dropping of a postulated heavy load, will be limited so as not to result in loss of required safe shutdown functions.

Section 5.1.1 of NUREG-0612, *General*, states that:

... all plants should satisfy each of the following for handling heavy loads that could be brought in proximity to or over safe shutdown equipment or irradiated fuel in the spent fuel pool area and in containment (PWRs), in the reactor building (BWRs), and in other plant areas.

- (1) Safe load paths should be defined for the movement of heavy loads...
- (2) Procedures should be developed to cover load handling operations for heavy loads...
- (3) Crane operators should be trained, qualified ...
- (4) Special lifting devices should satisfy the guidelines...
- (5) Lifting devices that are not specially designed should be installed and used in accordance with the guidelines...
- (6) The crane should be inspected, tested, and maintained ...
- (7) The crane should be designed to meet applicable criteria and guidelines...

To reverse the increase in the number of crane issues noted in Figures 1 and 8 in the last decade (1990 through 1999), and to prepare for an increase in the number of very heavy load lifts, it may be beneficial to revisit the guidelines presented above, and in NUREG-0612 in general. Many older nuclear facilities will reach the maximum capacity of their spent fuel pools, and are beginning to transfer, or will soon transfer, spent fuel to an independent spent fuel storage installation (ISFSI). Transfer of spent fuel to an ISFSI will increase the number of very heavy load lifts. In addition, as nuclear facilities are decommissioned, and spent fuel casks and other very heavy nuclear components are removed, a significant increase in the number of very heavy loads may also occur.

5.2 Licensee Response to NRC Bulletin 96-02

NRC Bulletin 96-02 was initiated in response to the planned movement of 100 ton dry storage casks by Oyster Creek during power operations. Based on the NRC audit of Oyster Creek's 10 CFR 50.59 evaluation of cask movement, the staff was concerned that other licensees may believe that their heavy load operations were in compliance with the regulations, because they had completed Phase I of the generic letter of December 22, 1980, and the closeout of Phase II by Generic Letter 85-11. In addition, Generic Letter 85-11 concluded that the risks associated with damage to safety-related equipment were relatively small because (1) nearly all load paths avoid this (safety-related) equipment, (2) most equipment is protected by an intervening floor, (3) there is redundancy or diversity of components, and (4) crane failure probability is generally independent of safety-related systems. As is demonstrated by Oyster Creek's proposed activities, and the information presented in the bulletin, this conclusion may not always be valid.

NRC Bulletin 96-02 requested licensees to provide the staff with specific information relating to their heavy loads program and plans within 30 days. Many of the licensees that responded to the bulletin, provided incomplete information relating to crane types, load drop analysis, consequence analysis, plant status during load movement, and crane type to be used for the load movements. Eight respondents indicated that a consequence analysis had been done at their facility for heavy load drops.

5.3 Single-failure-proof Crane Classification

Single Failure Proof Crane Guidance

NUREG-0554, *Single-Failure-Proof Cranes for Nuclear Power Plants*, and NUREG-0612, *Control of Heavy Loads at Nuclear Power Plants*, provide current NRC guidance for what constitutes design requirements for single-failure-proof cranes (NUREG-0554), or what modifications are required to upgrade an existing crane to a single-failure-proof classification (Appendix C of NUREG-0612). Both documents have been interpreted differently by licensees and vendors. It was also unclear what “credit” (waivers from standard or routine load handling requirements) could be given by the NRC to licensees that had modified cranes to make them more reliable and failure proof, when making very heavy load movements over safety-related equipment, or during power operations, if the crane did not meet all of the design criteria of NUREG-0554 or Appendix C of NUREG-0612.

ASME NOG-1, *Rules for Construction of Overhead and Gantry Cranes (Top Running Bridge, Multiple Girder)*, received ANSI approval in October 1998. The NOG-1 Standard applies to the design, manufacture, testing, inspection, shipment, storage, and erection of cranes (Types I, II, and III) covered by the Standard. NOG-1, Type I crane design criteria appears to be similar to design criteria in NUREG-0554. The definition of a Type I crane in the NOG-1 Standard is:

a crane that is used to handle a critical load. It shall be designed and constructed so that it will remain in place and support the critical load during and after a seismic event, but does not have to be operational after this event. Single failure-proof features shall be included so that any credible failure of a single component will not result in the loss of capability to stop and hold the critical load.

NOG-1 defines a critical load as,

any lifted load whose uncontrolled movement or release could adversely affect any safety-related system when such a system is required for unit safety or could result in potential off-site exposure in excess of the limit determined by the purchaser.

Crane Classification Issues

During the information gathering phase of this candidate GI, it became clear that definite criteria did not exist for declaring a crane as single-failure-proof (e.g., for new cranes or upgraded cranes). Crane manufacturers also stressed that NUREG-0554 was ambiguous in some areas, and that clarifications or changes needed to be made to both NUREG-0612 and NUREG-0554. Industry suggested that a preferred approach would be to consider adopting NOG-1, Type I (with minor changes) as an acceptable approach to meeting NUREG-0554 and for upgrading cranes to single-failure-proof status. NOG-1 contains much more design information than NUREG-0554 in explaining design criteria for single-failure-proof cranes.

In addition, some licensees listed a crane as single-failure-proof, or that it met NUREG-0612 upgrade requirements, although all the design conditions in NUREG-0554 may not be fully met.

For example:

(1) Oyster Creek

Oyster Creek made many changes to their reactor building crane to increase its reliability, to reduce the likelihood of a load drop, and to minimize the consequence of a load drop to get approvals from the NRC to move dry storage casks at power, subsequently abandoned that approach, and installed a single-failure-proof crane in 2000.

(2) Dresden

The Dresden Unit 2/3 reactor building crane was accepted by the NRC as single-failure-proof (circa 1976) which was before NUREG-0554 was issued. Shortly after the licensing action of 1976, some of the features relied upon in classifying the crane as single-failure-proof were disabled, and generally remained so for many years. Restoration of the crane to its 1976 status, by installing new controls and limiting devices not bring the crane in full compliance with the current single-failure-proof standards of NUREG-0554.

Attachment E, *Seismic Design of the Support Structures for the Reactor Building Crane*, to Sargent and Lundy calculation DRE98-0020, *Evaluation of Reactor Building Superstructure*, dated March 16, 1998, provides a summary of reactor building design criteria. It states that calculations performed in 1966-1967 showed that the stresses in the girder, the support columns and several members of the roof truss were above the materials yield stress for the (dead weight plus safe shutdown earthquake) loading. In some of the roof truss connections, the (dead weight plus safe shutdown earthquake) loading exceeded the ultimate capacity of the connections. Calculations also do not include the stresses in the support column due to the seismic (operating basis earthquake or safe shutdown earthquake) loads imposed by the siding. In 1973, the 1966-67 calculations for the crane girder and the crane columns were updated (red marked) for the effects of the new heavier single failure proof trolley. The 1973 update shows that the columns are overstressed by 6% and 35% for the operating basis earthquake and safe shutdown earthquake loading respectively, with the heavier crane trolley. In 1975 new calculations were prepared for the columns and the vertical bracing to compute the effects of the new trolley. Modifications for the columns and the vertical bracing were designed. This calculation used seismic inputs and analysis methodology more conservative than that stated in the UFSAR. The modifications designed in this calculation were not implemented. The Dresden calculation book index carries the notation "Project canceled, calculation not approved."

Calculation DRE98-0020 (1) did not appear to include conservatism for aging, (2) assumed that the as-built condition was the same as the design requirement, and (3) assumed that the compressive strength of affected concrete (f_c) was 4700 psi (this value is normally assumed to be 4000 or less).

Table 9, *Dresden reactor building steel superstructure interaction summary*, shows the Interaction Coefficient (IC) for selected critical members of the reactor building superstructure where the value for the IC was 0.90 or greater. This information is shown in more detail in Section 6, *Summary and Conclusions*. Since the $IC = (\text{actual stress})/(\text{allowable stress})$, a value approaching or exceeding 1.0 may indicate an overstress situation.

Calculation DRE98-0020 provided bases for not including certain loads in the stress calculations. For example:

Snow Load

(The snow load is not specifically mentioned in the UFSAR.) Section 3.8.4.1.2 of the UFSAR states that the design code which was used to govern the construction documents was the Uniform Building Code (UBC), 1964 edition. The 1964 UBC did not include “live load” in the formula for total lateral load. Based on this provision, snow load is not included in the seismic loading combinations (of this calculation).

Wind Load

The UFSAR indicates that the wind velocity for all structures is 110 mph. Other wind loads (tornado, etc.) are not in the scope of the calculation. (Section 3.3.1.1.1 of the UFSAR indicates that the reactor building was designed to withstand winds of 170 mph, and Section 3.3.2.2.1 indicates that the reactor building is designed to withstand tornado winds to 300 mph and still safely shutdown.)

Operating Basis Earthquake and Safe Shutdown Earthquake Loads

The original design basis included pertinent dead and live loads as well as the OBE (or SSE) seismic loads with the crane in any location, and without lifted load. (The calculation did consider a scenario of an SSE concurrent with a maximum lifted load, but considered this to be “beyond design basis.” The calculation also does not include wind loads with either an OBE or an SSE.)

Table 9: Dresden reactor building steel superstructure interaction summary

Element description	Dead loads	Snow load	Max lifted load	Wind	OBE	SSE	IC
(1) Interior crane column member (W14x119/W24x145) (H/N/39-49)	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	0.992
(1) Interior crane column member (W14x119/W24x145) (H/N/39-49)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	0.90
(2) Interior building column members (W24x145) (H/N/39-49)	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	0.996
(2) Interior building column members (W24x145) (H/N/39-49)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	1.00
(3) Interior crane/building column base connections (H/N/39-49)	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	0.95
(5) Exterior column base connections (rows 38 & 50, except rows H & N)	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	0.97
(5) Exterior column base connections (rows 38 & 50, except rows H & N)	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	0.96
(13) Roof truss members (double angles)	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	0.90
(15) Roof truss members (plate girders)	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	1.05
(15) Roof truss members (plate girders)	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	0.95
(18) Roof truss connections (double angles)	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	0.90
(23) Crane girder member	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	0.93
(23) Crane girder member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	0.93
(24) Crane girder connections	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	0.98

6 CRANE OPERATING EXPERIENCE STUDIES

Several crane studies have been performed to estimate failure probabilities, component reliability, root causes, and human factors issues. NUREG-0612 along with more recent studies are briefly discussed in Sections 6.1 through 6.6.

6.1 NUREG-0612, *Control of Heavy Loads at Nuclear Power Plants*

NUREG-0612 was published by the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) of the NRC in July 1980. This study was based on data available from (1) Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), involving root cause data on over 1000 crane accidents during an unspecified time period, (2) the Department of the Navy, involving 466 crane events occurring between February 1974 and October 1977, and (3) NRC Licensee Event Report involving 34 crane events occurring between July 1969 and July 1979. Multiple probabilities are given for

various scenarios, however, the study states, “Based on the data collected from the Navy, it is expected that the probability of handling system failure for nuclear plant cranes will be on the order of between 10^{-5} and 1.5×10^{-4} per lift.” This probability of failure was a best estimate since Navy crane data does not indicate how many lifts were actually performed, (i.e., only the number of problems has been quantified).

6.2 EEG-74, *Probability of Failure of the TRUDOCK Crane System at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP)*

EEG-74 was published by the Environmental Evaluation Group (EEG) of the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology in May 2000. The WIPP is located in southeast New Mexico in bedded salt at a depth of 650 meters. The repository is designed to contain 850,000 drum equivalents of contact-handled transuranic waste and 8000 canisters of remote handled transuranic waste. The contact handled waste will be shipped from various defense generator and storage sites in an NRC certified container called a TRUPACT II. The TRUDOCK system consists of two six ton cranes. Crane cable/hook breaks were initially based on relatively old (1970s) U.S. Navy data in NUREG-0612 which produced a failure rate of approximately 2.0×10^{-5} per demand. Further analysis resulted in an evaluation which produced a more realistic value of 2.5×10^{-6} per demand. The report also indicated that there was a 95% likelihood that not more than one dropped load will occur in approximately 34 years. EEG-74 is included in Appendix B.

6.3 Department of Energy Study, *Independent Oversight Special Study of Hoisting and Rigging Incidents Within the Department of Energy*

This study was performed by the Office of Oversight, Office of Environment, Safety and Health, U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) in October 1996. Equipment studied included cranes, forklifts, and “other” during the period from October 1, 1993 through March 31, 1996. The “other” category included manual and power-operated hoists, chainfalls, and block and tackle. The report analyzed 66 “relevant” hoisting and rigging incidents occurred during the 30 month study period. “Relevant” was defined as: (1) an event occurring during hoisting and rigging operations, or the use of hoisting and rigging equipment, as defined in the U.S. Department of Energy Hoisting and Rigging Handbook, AND (2) one that resulted in unsafe or improper conditions that necessitated the immediate suspension of the hoisting and rigging operation for any period of time, led to a near miss, or caused an accident. Unfortunately, no listing of the relevant crane incidents was given, however, root causes of the crane incidents were listed, and are shown in Table 10, *Root causes of crane incidents at DOE facilities*. As seen by the table, most crane incidents at DOE facilities are related to human factors issues such as inattention to detail, work organization and planning, and programmatic areas rather than crane hardware failures or deficiencies. The DOE study is included in Appendix C.

Table 10: Root causes of crane incidents at DOE facilities

Root Cause	Percent	Root Cause	Percent
Inattention to detail	20	Other human error	3
Work organization and Planning	18	Insufficient refresher training	3
Procedure not used or used incorrectly	9	Lack of procedure	2
Policy not adequately defined, disseminated, or enforced	9	Communication problem	2
Defective or inadequate procedure	9	Inadequate work environment	0
Inadequate administrative control	9	Inadequate supervision	0
Inadequate or defective design	5	Error in equipment or materials selection	0
Defective or failed part	5	Weather	0
Insufficient practice or hands-on experience	5	No training provided	0
Other management problem	3		

6.4 California Department of Industrial Relations, *Crane Accidents 1997 - 1999*

The report was prepared by the Division of Occupational Safety and Health, California Department of Industrial Relations in May 2000. Data for the report was gathered from Federal OSHA's Office of Management Data Services (OMDS) Website. Data was also gathered from Micro-to-Host reports from the Integrated Management Information System (IMIS). The report states that from January 1, 1997 through December 31, 1999, the Division of Occupational Safety and Health learned of, or had reported to it, a total of 158 accidents involving a crane. The report sorts the crane accidents by crane type, crane operator injuries, private sector vs. public sector, construction vs. non-construction, and accident causation. No mention is made concerning crane failure rates. This report is included in Appendix D.

6.5 NUREG-1738, *Technical Study of Spent Fuel Pool Accident Risk at Decommissioning Nuclear Power Plants*

NUREG-1738 was prepared by the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation and published in February 2001. This report states that for decommissioning plants:

For a non-single-failure-proof load handling system, the drop frequency of a heavy load drop is estimated, based on NUREG-0612 information, to have a mean value of 3.4×10^{-4} per year. The number of heavy load lifts was based on the NEI (*Nuclear Energy Institute*) estimate of 100 spent fuel shipping cask lifts per year, which probably is an overestimate. For plants with a single-failure-proof load handling system or plants conforming to the NUREG-0612 guidelines, the drop frequency is estimated to have a mean value of 9.6×10^{-6} per year, again for 100 heavy load lifts per year but using data from U.S. Navy crane experience.

Once the load is dropped, the analysis must then consider whether the drop significantly damages the SFP (*spent fuel pool*).

NUREG-1738, Appendix 2C, *Structural Integrity of Spent Fuel Pool Structures Subject to Heavy Loads Drops*, states that:

A loss-of-inventory from the SFP could occur as a result of a heavy load drop. For single-failure-proof systems where load drop analyses have not been performed at decommissioning plants, the mean frequency of a loss-of-inventory caused by a cask drop was estimated to be 2.0×10^{-7} per year (assuming 100 lifts per year). For a non-single-failure-proof handling system where a load drop analysis has not been performed, the mean frequency of a loss-of-inventory event caused by a cask drop was estimated to be 2.1×10^{-5} per year. The staff believes that performance and implementation of a load drop analysis that has been reviewed and approved by the staff will substantially reduce the expected frequency of a loss-of-inventory event from a heavy load drop for either a single failure-proof or non-single-failure-proof system.

NUREG-1738, Appendix 2C is included in Appendix E to this report.

6.6 Navy Crane Events

NUREG-1738 used Navy crane event data from December 1995 to May 1999 to modify NUREG-0612 equations to quantify the failure rate of lifting equipment. During the time period, there were 11 incidents which involved loads in excess of 20 tons. Four different accident types were recorded for the 11 events, (i.e., overload, damaged crane, load collision, and damaged load) most of which were caused by human factors (i.e., not following procedures or lack of skills). The Navy crane event data is included in Appendix F, *Navy Crane Operating Experience*.

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Appendix A

Crane Events at U.S. Nuclear Power Plants 1968 through 1999

Introduction

A review of crane documents in the NRC's Nuclear Document System (NUDOCS), events reported by individual licensees, through NRC documents and inspection reports, by vendors, and the public for the period 1968 through 1999 resulted in 297 different issues. Depending on the severity of each issue, each issue may be discussed in several documents. Most are administrative (not following a procedure, load path issues, noncompliance with technical specifications, inadequate crane operational testing prior to use, etc.) and few relate to problems encountered when lifting loads of approximately 30 tons or more. The data and resultant sorting is shown on Table A1, *Reported crane issues at U.S. nuclear power plants*. Abbreviations for sorting categories are shown on Table A2, *Sorting category abbreviations*, and abbreviations for nuclear power plants are shown on Table A3, *Plant name abbreviations*. Abbreviations used in Tables A1, A2, and A3 are located at the end of this appendix.

Sorting of Crane Issues

To analyze crane issues, several general categories were established, most with several subcategories. Once this information was entered in the database, sorts were performed to look for trends and patterns.

- Category 1: Plant and event report date

Subcategories include; plant docket number (DOC), plant name (NAME), event report year (YR), event report month (MO), and whether the issue occurred when the plant had an operating license and after January 1980 (0612 OPER) (Post NUREG-0612).

- Category 2: Crane type

Subcategories include; reactor building (RB), polar (PC), auxiliary (AUX), refueling/manipulator (MC), spent fuel pool (SFP), tower (TOW), mobile (MOB), and other (OTHR).

- Category 3: Crane component deficiency

Subcategories include; structure (STR), control (CONT), brakes (BRK), rails (RAIL), fasteners (FAST), unknown or indeterminate (UNK), and none (NON).

- Category 4: Reported administrative cause for event

Subcategories include; not following procedures (NFP), poor procedures (PP), didn't test (NT), load path inadequacy (LPI), ventilation inadequacy (VT), maintenance (MT), engineering (ENG), operations (OPS), unknown or indeterminate (UNK), and none (NON).

- Category 5: Safety Implication of event

Subcategories include; Death (DTH), injury (INJ), radiation release (RAD), load slip (LS), load drop (LD), crane component drop (above the hook) (CCD), equipment deficiency or damage (EQ), loss or partial loss of power (LPL), and none (NON).

- Category 6: Load description for slip or drop events

Subcategories include; Load description (component and weight) (LOADESC), and height of drop or slip (HEIGHT).

Table A1: Reported crane issues at U.S. nuclear power plants

CRANE EVENTS AT U. S. NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS (1968-1999)

DOC	NAME	YR	MO	U612 OPER	RB	PC	AUX	MC	SFP	OTHR	TOW	MOB	STR	CONT	BRK	RAIL	FAST	COMP	NON	UNK	NFP	PP	NT	LPI	VT	MT	ENG	OPS	NON	UNK	DTH	INJ	RAD	LS	LD	CCD	EQ	NON	LPL	LOADDESC	HEIGHT	
313	ANO1	96	5	1					1										1					1													1					
313	ANO12	93	11	1		1														1										1							1			While resuming a vertical lift of the reactor head, the head lowered instead		
313	ANO12	94	5	1					1										1		1																1					
313	ANO12	96	12	1				1						1								1															1					
368	ANO2	97	7	1					1										1						1													1				
439	BELL	79	11									1	1																1								1					
259	BF1	93	2	1	1														1				1														1					
260	BF2	85	3	1							1							1														1	1	1			1	1		A 25-ton capacity hook fell thru a temporary building in the turbine building	Many ft	
456	BRA1	95	12	1					1										1					1													1					
325	BRU1	97	6	1						1									1		1																1					
324	BRU12	97	5	1				1										1								1											1					
334	BV1	97	9	1					1										1				1														1					
334	BV1	97	12	1					1										1				1														1					
334	BV12	93	6	1	1													1			1															1						
412	BV2	97	12	1					1										1				1														1					
412	BV2	98	9	1					1										1				1														1					
454	BYR12	78	4							1								1												1							1					
454	BYR12	97	12	1		1											1								1												1					
455	BYR2	80	8									1							1		1										1											
483	CAL	78	8							1									1		1																	1				
483	CAL	81	8							1				1																								1				
483	CAL	87	8	1					1										1		1																	1				
483	CAL	97	5	1	1														1		1																	1				
483	CAL	99	9	1	1														1					1														1				
413	CAT1	86	2	1			1												1		1					1												1				
317	CC	93	2	1					1										1				1															1				
317	CC12	93	3	1							1				1											1										1	1			Two-block of Aux hoist on turbine building crane; cable broke and the hook and block assembly fell	40 ft	
461	CLI	97	2	1						1						1																						1				
298	COO	95	2	1	1														1		1																	1				

Table A1: Reported crane issues at U.S. nuclear power plants (continued)

CRANE EVENTS AT U.S. NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS (1968-1999)

CRANE EVENTS AT U.S. NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS (1966-1999)																																											
DOC	NAME	YR	MO	0612 OPER	RB	PC	AUX	MC	SFP	OTHR	TOW	MOB	STR	CONT	BRK	RAIL	FAST	COMP	NON	UNK	NFP	PP	NT	LPI	VT	MT	ENG	OPS	NON	UNK	DTH	INJ	RAD	LS	LD	CCD	EQ	NON	LPL	LOADDESC	HEIGHT		
445	CP1	84	9				1							1														1										1					
445	CP1	91	12	1					1											1					1														1				
445	CP1	99	10	1				1											1							1							1					1			Unit 1 reactor coolant pump motor fell during a lift when its gearbox failed (22 tons)	15-20 ft	
445	CP12	76	5								1			1							1										1												
445	CP12	86	10				1										1										1											1					
445	CP12	87	9										1	1							1										1												
445	CP12	87	7					1									1										1											1					
445	CP12	88	2				1										1										1											1					
446	CP2	92	8				1											1												1										1			
302	CRY	78	6							1									1																				1				
302	CRY	84	8	1					1						1						1																			1			
302	CRY	87	8	1						1										1						1														1			
331	DA	98	5	1						1											1										1		1										
346	DB	84	12	1					1											1						1														1			
346	DB	84	11	1			1													1		1																		1			
346	DB	94	11	1					1											1					1															1			
346	DB	96	5	1			1													1					1															1			
346	DB	96	11	1			1													1					1															1			
346	DB	98	6	1			1													1					1															1			
346	DB	98	6	1		1												1														1					1					Polar crane control cable broke, resulting in the cable and pendant dropping	140 ft
346	DB	98	6	1	1																1																	1					
346	DB	98	6	1		1														1		1																	1			Collision between the polar crane jib arm and rigging device causing the rigging device to fall	200 ft
346	DB	98	6	1	1															1		1																1					
346	DB	99	1	1	1	1														1		1																	1				
315	DCC1	84	11	1					1											1						1														1			
315	DCC1	85	5	1				1												1					1															1			
315	DCC1	87	9	1				1						1												1														1			
315	DCC1	92	9	1					1											1						1														1			
315	DCC1	94	7	1					1											1						1														1			
315	DCC1	95	10	1					1											1						1														1			

Table A1: Reported crane issues at U.S. nuclear power plants (continued)

CRANE EVENTS AT U.S. NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS (1968-1999)

CRANE EVENT DATA FOR U.S. NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS (1968-1999)																																															
DOC	NAME	YR	MO	0812 OPER	RB	PC	AUX	MC	SFP	OTHR	TOW	MOB	STR	CONT	BRK	RAIL	FAST	COMP	NON	UNK	NFP	PP	NT	LPI	VT	MT	ENG	OPS	NON	UNK	DTH	INJ	RAD	LS	LD	CCD	EQ	NON	LPL	LOADDESC	HEIGHT						
315	DCC1	98	9	1															1		1																		1								
315	DCC12	97	3	1						1									1		1																		1								
316	DCC2	79	12						1										1				1																1								
316	DCC2	90	11	1			1										1														1																
275	DIC1	87	5	1				1											1		1		1															1									
275	DIC1	91	10	1					1										1									1												1							
275	DIC1	91	9	1					1										1					1																1							
275	DIC1	92	4	1								1							1		1																				1						
275	DIC1	93	6	1					1									1						1																	1						
275	DIC1	93	4	1					1										1					1																	1						
275	DIC1	95	11	1					1										1					1																	1						
275	DIC1	98	7	1			1												1		1																				1						
323	DIC2	91	6	1					1										1						1																	1					
323	DIC2	96	6	1					1										1						1																	1					
237	DRE23	76	6		1											1												1								1							Reactor head was being lowered when two slips occurred	15"			
237	DRE23	81	8	1						1											1																				1						
249	DRE3	83	10	1								1							1		1																					1					
348	FAR1	86	3	1	1														1		1																					1					
364	FAR2	97	4	1					1										1						1																		1				
341	FER	83	12		1									1												1																	1				
341	FER	84	7		1									1												1																	1				
341	FER	92	2	1								1							1		1																						1				
341	FER	94	8	1								1	1									1																					1				
341	FER	94	6	1					1										1		1																						1				
16	FER1	72	11														1																											While moving a fuel assembly from the fuel storage facility to the fuel and repair building, the crane was two-blocked, damaging a shackle, resulting in the fuel assembly falling into the transfer tank	27 ft		
333	FITZ	97	11	1	1														1		1																					1					
267	FSV	92	6						1										1						1																		1				
267	FSV	93	3			1								1																														1			
267	FSV	93	5			1													1				1																					1			
285	FTC	84	8	1			1												1																									1			

Table A1: Reported crane issues at U.S. nuclear power plants (continued)

CRANE EVENTS AT U. S. NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS (1968-1999)

CRANE EVENTS AT U.S. NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS (1966-1999)																																													
DOC	NAME	YR	MO	DB12 OPER	RB	PC	AUX	MC	SFP	OTHR	TOW	MOB	STR	CONT	BRK	RAIL	FAST	COMP	NON	UNK	NFP	PP	NT	LPI	VT	MT	ENG	OPS	NON	UNK	DTH	INJ	RAD	LS	LD	CCD	EQ	NON	LPL	LOADDESC	HEIGHT				
285	FTC	88	6	1		1														1		1																	1						
285	FTC	90	5	1		1														1			1											1			1				While lowering the reactor head, the load shifted, resulting in bending two alignment pins, and scratching the head flange	Short			
285	FTC	93	5	1								1	1									1																1							
285	FTC	95	5	1		1														1								1											1						
416	GG	87	8	1						1										1		1																	1						
416	GG	97	11	1						1										1		1																	1						
416	GG	98	12	1		1														1			1																	1					
416	GG	98	5	1		1														1									1						1								A core shroud tool ring (1490 lbs) became dislodged from its strongback during an accidental release of air through the reactor vessel	Slight	
416	GG12	78	4								1		1																	1									1						
244	GIN	69	7							1						1																									1			The core barrel, thermal shield, lower core plate and attached internals dropped to its stand following a brake failure (90 tons)	6 ft
518	HART	80	5								1				1																1		1												
321	HAT1	85	6	1						1										1		1																	1						
213	HN	73	12							1										1		1											1												
213	HN	77	6							1				1																										1					
213	HN	96	10	1					1											1					1																1				
213	HN	97	9						1					1								1																			1				
213	HN	97	2						1											1					1																1				
213	HN	98	12						1											1					1																1				
247	IP2	68	5			1										1																									1				
247	IP2	69	9			1								1																												1			
247	IP2	71	3			1							1														1															1			
247	IP2	71	3			1							1														1															1			
247	IP2	91	9	1		1											1									1																1			
247	IP2	97	7	1					1											1		1																			1				
247	IP2	98	6	1						1										1		1																			1				

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247	IP2	98	5	1		1													1		1																	1							
286	IP3	71	2								1		1																		1							1							
286	IP3	71	2								1							1																		1							While lowering the pressure vessel the cable parted and gear bracket welds failed (443 tons)	Short	
286	IP3	75	4					1						1																								1							
286	IP3	91	1	1		1											1																					1							
286	IP3	95	3	1								1								1		1																			1				
286	IP3	97	7	1					1							1						1																1							
286	IP3	97	5	1					1											1						1													1						
286	IP3	98	9	1						1						1											1												1						
374	LAS2	84	8							1										1				1																1					
352	LIM12	98	5	1						1										1		1																							
369	MCG1	86	2	1					1											1						1															1				
369	MCG1	90	6	1					1											1						1																1			
369	MCG1	98	8	1			1													1																				1					
369	MCG1	98	7	1			1													1																					1				
295	MCG2	85	2	1				1												1		1																				1			
370	MCG2	88	7	1					1												1																					1			
546	MH12	80	2								1										1	1																			1				
546	MH12	80	2									1	1									1																					1		
546	MH12	82	11			1								1																											1				
245	MIL1	98	5	1				1												1		1																			1				
423	MIL3	98	7	1					1											1																						1			
245	MILL12	97	6	1						1										1		1																				1			
336	MILL2	83	11	1					1											1																						1			
336	MILL2	95	5	1					1											1							1															1			
336	MILL2	95	2	1					1											1							1															1			
336	MILL2	97	5	1						1										1		1																			1				
423	MILL3	80	6			1																																			1				
423	MILL3	89	7	1		1																1																				1			
423	MILL3	89	7	1					1											1							1															1			
423	MILL3	90	5	1						1										1		1																			1				
423	MILL3	95	12	1					1											1		1																			1				

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CRANE EVENTS AT U.S. NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS (1960-1997)																																												
DOC	NAME	YR	MO	0812 OPER	RB	PC	AUX	MC	SFP	OTHR	TOW	MOB	STR	CONT	BRK	RAIL	FAST	COMP	NON	UNK	NFP	PP	NT	LPI	VT	MT	ENG	OPS	NON	UNK	DTH	INJ	RAD	LS	LD	CCD	EQ	NON	LPL	LOADDESC	HEIGHT			
263	MONT	77	9		1									1									1															1						
308	MY	97	7						1					1									1															1						
309	MY	97	3						1										1				1															1						
309	MY	98	5						1										1				1															1						
338	NA1	90	2	1					1										1						1														1					
338	NA1	90	2	1					1									1													1								1		Fuel bundle dropped into the spent fuel pool following failure of a gripper mechanism	Many ft		
338	NA1	90	2	1	1														1						1													1						
338	NA12	92	11	1		1													1				1																1					
220	NMP1	99	8	1	1													1												1										1				
220	NMP12	97	11	1		1														1											1								1					
410	NMP2	78	2								1								1		1											1	1											
410	NMP2	92	10	1								1							1		1																				1			
219	OC	84	6	1					1										1					1															1					
219	OC	94	6	1						1								1								1												1						
269	OCO12	90	1	1		1													1		1																		1					
287	OCO3	81	1	1		1													1		1																		1					
287	OCO3	90	3	1		1													1		1																		1					
255	PAL	70	9				1											1			1															1		1			25 ton Auxiliary crane two-blocked, parting the cable, resulting in the CRDM support tube, hoist sheave, and hook to fall (2100 lbs)	22-26 ft		
255	PAL	86	2	1		1													1		1																		1					
255	PAL	93	3	1					1									1														1							1					
255	PAL	94	7	1					1										1				1																1					
255	PAL	94	7	1					1					1								1																	1					
255	PAL	95	7	1								1							1					1															1					
255	PAL	97	12	1		1								1													1												1					
255	PAL	98	2	1		1										1											1													1				
266	PB12	76	4							1							1																							1				
277	PB2	87	9	1								1							1		1																				1			
277	PB23	76	5							1									1		1																							

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CRANE EVENTS AT U. S. NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS (1966-1999)																																															
DOC	NAME	YR	MO	0812 OPER	RB	PC	AUX	MC	SFP	OTHR	TOW	MOB	STR	CONT	BRK	RAIL	FAST	COMP	NON	UNK	NFP	PP	NT	LPI	VT	MT	ENG	OPS	NON	UNK	DTH	INJ	RAD	LS	LD	CCD	EQ	NON	LPL	LOADDESC	HEIGHT						
277	PB23	93	11	1			1											1			1													1			1			Empty component shipping liner became disconnected from the crane, falling into the spent fuel pool cask storage area	20 ft						
440	PER	85	5			1							1														1										1										
440	PER	98	5	1						1									1		1																		1								
440	PER12	79	10									1								1		1									1																
440	PER12	82	2			1							1																			1							1								
440	PER12	83	9			1							1														1												1								
282	PI	99	5	1						1										1		1																			1						
282	PI	99	5	1		1														1		1																			1						
282	PI1	97	6	1						1										1						1																1					
282	PI1	97	5	1						1										1						1																1					
282	PI12	95	5	1			1							1													1																1				
282	PI12	95	5	1						1										1							1																1				
282	PI12	97	2	1								1								1					1																		1				
306	PI2	97	3	1		1														1					1																		1				
293	PIL	79	12							1										1		1																					1				
293	PIL	97	3	1	1															1					1																		1				
266	PTB1	98	5	1																1					1																		1				
266	PTB12	93	11	1															1																							1	1				
266	PTB12	97	11	1																1		1																					1				
528	PV1	98	3	1																1			1													1							During receipt of new fuel in the fuel building, a loaded container was dropped when the container lid separated from the bottom portion of the container	2"			
528	PV12	87	10	1						1										1				1																		1					
530	PV3	92	1	1									1							1		1																					1				
254	QC1	89	10	1						1				1								1																							While moving a fuel bundle, it became detached from the crane and fell onto fuel in the spent fuel pool	Short	

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CRANE EVENTS AT U.S. NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS (1968-1999)

CRANE EVENTS (SAL) - S. NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS (1960-1999)																																												
DOC	NAME	YR	MO	B&I OPER	RB	PC	AUX	MC	SFP	OTHR	TOW	MOB	STR	CONT	BRK	RAIL	FAST	COMP	NON	UNK	NFP	PP	NT	LPI	VT	MT	ENG	OPS	NON	UNK	DTH	INJ	RAD	LS	LD	CCD	EQ	NON	LPL	LOADDESC	HEIGHT			
254	QC1	90	1	1	1														1									1								1	1			Operators lowered the reactor building crane hook until it contacted a new fuel bundle stored on the refueling floor	Many ft			
254	QC12	94	8	1					1									1							1													1						
254	QC12	97	4	1	1									1																	1								1					
458	RB	81	5									1	1									1																	1					
458	RB	83	4								1		1																			1				1					Reactor shield building dome form assembly fell following the crane mast bucking (400 tons)	30 ft		
261	ROB	94	6	1						1									1		1																		1					
261	ROB	94	6	1						1										1				1																1				
261	ROB	97	6	1						1										1		1																		1				
261	ROB	97	5	1						1										1						1														1				
261	ROB	97	11	1						1										1		1																		1				
312	RS	75	5			1											1																					1						
312	RS	76	5			1														1					1															1				
312	RS	76	4			1														1		1																		1				
312	RS	79	5			1											1										1												1					
312	RS	80	2	1		1														1																				1				
312	RS	82	7	1		1											1																							1				
312	RS	84	3	1					1					1													1													1				
272	SAL1	80	3	1				1												1				1																	1			
272	SAL12	75	1							1								1																						1				
272	SAL12	87	10	1								1								1		1																		1				
272	SAL12	87	4	1					1											1				1																	1			
272	SAL12	95	9	1					1											1						1															1			
311	SAL2	86	12	1				1												1				1																1				
311	SAL2	87	5	1					1											1				1																	1			
311	SAL2	88	11	1					1											1						1															1			
311	SAL2	97	8	1						1								1									1													1				
443	SEA	91	1	1		1												1																						1				
443	SEA	94	8	1					1											1						1															1			
443	SEA	98	11	1					1											1						1															1			

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CRANE EVENTS AT U. S. NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS (1968-1999)

CRANE EVENTS SATISFIED, S. NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS (1960-1999)																																																	
DOC	NAME	YR	MO	0812 OPER	RB	PC	AUX	MC	SFP	OTHR	TOW	MOB	STR	CONT	BRK	RAIL	FAST	COMP	NON	UNK	NFP	PP	NT	LPI	VT	MT	ENG	OPS	NON	UNK	DTH	INJ	RAD	LS	LD	CCD	EQ	NON	LPL	LOADDESC	HEIGHT								
237	SEQ1	93	7	1				1											1		1													1				1			During fuel loading, a bundle was dropped onto the core	Short							
327	SEQ12	95	6	1			1							1													1												1										
400	SH12	79	8									1	1									1										1							1										
400	SH12	80	5							1								1				1											1																
322	SHO	78	11			1							1														1												1										
322	SHO	84	12						1							1																								1									
322	SHO	84	12						1					1																										1									
400	SHO	89	9						1										1						1																1								
322	SHO	93	6			1													1			1																			1								
206	SON1	90	4	1						1						1												1														1							
361	SON1	99	4			1														1		1																			1								
361	SON2	84	11	1		1								1																												1							
361	SON23	98	3	1		1														1		1																				1							
498	STP1	91	3	1					1											1					1																	1							
498	STP12	80	4			1											1																									1							
498	STP12	92	11	1		1								1																											1	1							
395	SUM	99	5	1				1												1				1																		1							
395	SUM1	84	9	1					1					1													1															1							
395	SUM1	97	6	1						1										1		1																				1							
280	SUR1	75	11					1												1		1																				1							
280	SUR12	89	2	1								1	1									1																				1							
281	SUR2	75	5					1						1																												1							
387	SUS1	81	4			1														1				1																			1						
387	SUS12	97	10	1								1	1									1																				1							
387	SUS12	97	5	1								1	1									1																				1							
387	SUS12	97	6	1				1											1																												While transporting a toolbox (4000 lbs) using the reactor building crane, a sling parted, dropping the toolbox	8 ft	
289	TMI1	85	3	1		1														1		1																			1								
320	TMI12	80	2	1								1	1																														1						
320	TMI12	83	8	1								1								1		1																						1					
320	TMI2	78	6					1						1								1																					1						
320	TMI2	84	7			1								1																														1					

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CRANE EVENTS AT U.S. NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS (1968-1999)																																												
DOC	NAME	YR	MO	U812 OPER	RB	PC	AUX	MC	SFP	OTHR	TOW	MOB	STR	CONT	BRK	RAIL	FAST	COMP	NON	UNK	NFP	PP	NT	LPI	VT	MT	ENG	OPS	NON	UNK	DTH	INJ	RAD	LS	LD	CCD	EQ	NON	LPL	LOADDESC	HEIGHT			
320	TM12	84	10									1							1		1																		1					
320	TM12	85	12							1									1		1														1		1				Defueling canister and support sleeve (2200 lbs) fell into the reactor vessel when it was dislodged from the positioning system using a jib crane	1-1/2		
320	TM12	86	9			1									1												1											1						
320	TM12	88	2			1													1		1																		1					
320	TM12	90	6			1													1		1																		1					
250	TP3	92	10	1		1													1										1			1												
250	TP3	96	8	1						1									1					1																1				
250	TP3	98	12	1					1										1		1																			1				
250	TP34	70	3								1		1																		1	1	1						1					
250	TP34	95	12	1						1									1			1																		1				
250	TP34	97	4	1						1									1		1											1												
250	TP34	97	10	1				1											1		1																			1				
251	TP4	83	12	1					1									1											1								1						While lifting a spent fuel assembly out of the storage rack, the crane two-blocked, parting the cable, dropping the assembly back into the spent fuel pool	Sever
251	TP4	87	3	1					1							1										1													1					
344	TRO	95	11			1										1					1																			1				
344	TRO	95	5						1				1																	1											1			
344	TRO	99	3						1										1		1																				1			
344	TRO	99	5				1												1		1																				1			
424	VOG	80	3							1			1																			1									1			
271	VY	73	3					1										1									1													1				
482	WC	80	1			1										1																								1				
482	WC	80	10							1			1								1											1												
482	WC	86	10	1					1					1												1															1			
482	WC	91	12	1					1										1									1													1			
482	WC	92	1	1					1										1						1																1			

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CRANE EVENTS AT U. S. NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS (1966-1999)																																												
DOC	NAME	YR	MO	0812 OPER	RB	PC	AUX	MC	SFP	OTHR	TOW	MOB	STR	CONT	BRK	RAIL	FAST	COMP	NON	UNK	NFP	PP	NT	LPI	VT	MT	ENG	OPS	NON	UNK	DTH	INJ	RAD	LS	LD	CCD	EQ	NON	LPL	LOADDESC	HEIGHT			
482	WC	97	10	1					1										1				1															1						
482	WC	98	9	1		1													1				1															1						
482	WC	99	5	1					1										1		1																	1						
460	WNP14	81	2							1									1			1																	1					
397	WNP2	89	3	1								1							1					1															1					
397	WNP2	93	4	1				1											1				1																1					
397	WNP2	93	5	1				1											1			1																	1					
397	WNP2	94	11	1						1									1		1																		1					
397	WNP2	98	10	1				1											1		1																	1						
397	WNP2	98	7	1	1														1		1																		1					
397	WNP2	99	9	1					1										1				1																1					
508	WNP3	90	5								1		1																	1									1					
295	ZIO1	85	2	1						1									1					1																1				
295	ZIO1	96	12	1					1										1						1														1					
295	ZIO2	97	7						1										1						1														1					
	TOTALS				205	23	68	11	22	86	51	11	25	30	29	9	11	11	25	179	3	108	10	32	19	39	19	16	6	8	40	10	14	0	4	14	5	102	168	8				

Table A2: Sorting category abbreviations

AUX	Auxiliary crane	MC	Manipulator crane
		MO	Month of event record
BRK	Brake deficiency	MOB	Mobile crane
		MT	Maintenance personnel responsible
CCD	Crane component drop (above the hook)		
COMP	Crane component deficiency other than specific components listed	NAME	Plant name
		NFP	Not following procedure
		NON	None or nothing effected
CONT	Electrical control part of crane	NT	No test or failed to test
		0612 OPER	Post NUREG-0612 operating facility
DOC	Plant Docket number		
DTH	Death associated with event	OTHR	Other crane (not specifically identified)
ENG	Engineering personnel responsible	OPS	Operations personnel responsible
EQ	Equipment deficiency or damage		
		PC	Polar crane
		PP	Poor procedure
FAST	Fastener deficiency		
		RAD	Radiation release
HEIGHT	Approximate load slip or drop height	RAIL	Rail (for truck or trolley) deficiency
		RB	Reactor building crane
INJ	Injury associated with event		
		SFP	Spent fuel pool crane
LD	Load drop (equipment damage or impact)	STR	Structural deficiency
LOADDESC	Description of load for slip or drop events	TOW	Tower crane
LPI	Load path inadequacy	UNK	Unknown or indeterminate
LPL	Loss or partial loss of off-site power		
		VT	Ventilation or ventilation test inadequacy
LS	Load slip (equipment damage not incurred)		
		Year	Year of event record

Table A3: Plant name abbreviations

ANO	Arkansas Nuclear One	NA	North Anna
		NMP	Nine Mile Point
BELL	Bellefonte		
BF	Brown's Ferry	OC	Oyster Creek
BRA	Braidwood	OCO	Oconee
BRU	Brunswick		
BV	Beaver Valley	PAL	Palisades
BYR	Byron	PB	Peach Bottom
		PER	Perry
CAL	Callaway	PI	Prairie Island
CAT	Catawba	PIL	Pilgrim
CC	Calvert Cliffs	PTB	Point Beach
CLI	Clinton	PV	Palo Verde
COO	Cooper		
CP	Comanche Peak	QC	Quad Cities
CRY	Crystal River		
		RB	River Bend
DA	Duane Arnold	ROB	H. B. Robinson
DB	Davis-Besse	RS	Rancho Seco
DCC	D.C. Cook		
DIC	Diablo Canyon	SAL	Salem
DRE	Dresden	SEA	Seabrook
		SEQ	Sequoyah
FAR	Joseph M. Farley	SH	Shearon Harris
FER	Fermi	SHO	Shoreham
FITZ	James A. FitzPatrick	SON	San Onofre
FSV	Fort St. Vrain	STP	South Texas Project
FTC	Fort Calhoun	SUM	Summer
		SUR	Surry
GG	Grand Gulf	SUS	Susquehanna
GIN	Ginna		
		TMI	Three Mile Island
HART	Hartsville	TP	Turkey Point
HAT	Edwin I. Hatch	TRO	Trojan
HN	Haddam Neck		
		VOG	Vogtle
IP2	Indian Point 2	VY	Vermont Yankee
IP3	Indian Point 3		
		WC	Wolf Creek
LAS	La Salle County	WNP	Washington Nuclear (Columbia)
MCG	McGuire	ZIO	Zion
MH	Marble Hill		
MIL	Millstone		
MONT	Monticello		
MY	Maine Yankee		

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