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## LIMITING CONDITIONS FOR OPERATION

applicable condition, is not reduced. For example, if hot standby is reached in 2 hours, the time allowed to reach hot shutdown is the next ll hours because the total time to reach hot shutdown is not reduced from the allowable limit of 13 hours. Therefore, if remedial measures are completed that would permit a return to power operation, a penalty is not incurred by having to reach a lower plant operating condition in less than the total time allowed.

The same principle applies with regard to the allowable outage time limits of the action requirements, if compliance with the action requirements for one specification results in entry into a condition of operation for another specification in which the requirements of the Limiting Condition for Operation are not met. If the new specification becomes applicable in less time than specified, the difference may be added to the allowable outage time limits of the second specification. However, the allowable outage time limits of action requirements for a higher reactor operating condition of operation may not be used to extend the allowable outage time that is applicable when a Limiting Condition for Operation is not met in a lower plant condition of operation.

The shutdown requirements of Specification 3.0.3 do not apply during cold shutdown and refueling because the action requirements of individual specifications define the remedial measures to be taken.

Specification 3.0.4 establishes limitations on reactor operating condition changes when a Limiting Condition for Operation is not met. It precludes placing the facility in a higher operational condition when the requirements for a Limiting Condition for Operation are not met, and continued noncompliance to these conditions would result in a shutdown to comply with the action requirements if a change in plant conditions were permitted. The purpose of this specification is to ensure that facility operation is not initiated or that higher reactor operating conditions are not entered when corrective action is being taken to obtain compliance with a specification by restoring equipment to operable status or parameters to specified limits. Compliance with action requirements that permit continued operation of the facility for an unlimited period of time provides an acceptable level of safety for continued operation without regard to the status of the plant before or after a change in plant condition. Therefore, in this case, entry into a reactor operating condition or other specified condition may be made in accordance with the provisions of the action requirements. The provisions of this specification should not, however, be interpreted as endorsing the failure to exercise good practice in restoring systems or components to operable status before plant startup.

When a shutdown is required to comply with action requirements, the provisions of Specification 3.0.4 do not apply because they would delay placing the facility in a lower plant condition of operation.