

# Supplement 10 Requalification

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### **Present Status**

- Presently, there are no requalification requirements contained in Appendix VIII
  - Requalification of personnel is covered under Appendix VII
- 10CFR50 and Reg. Guide 0313 require requalification for IGSCC detection, length and depth sizing
- ^ In addition, 10CFR50 and Reg. Guide 0313 requires the same for the examination of weld overlay repairs
- These requirements were augmented requirements which are in addition to the requirements of Appendix VIII and are implemented under the BWR utilities licensing agreements



### Present Status

- ↑ Prior to Supplement 10 BWR licensees required personnel who performed examinations on dissimilar metal welds to be qualified for IGSCC examination under the 3 party agreement or more recently the PDI program for Supplement 2 with IGSCC
  - This is still a requirement of the PDI program
- Presently, in order to perform examinations on Dissimilar metal welds in BWR's procedures, personnel and equipment must be qualified in accordance Supplement 10 or with PDI's implementation of Supplement 10 and have a current Supplement 2 IGSCC qualification for detection and sizing as applicable



# Pass Rates for Supplement 10

- ↑ Manual Piping and Aust. Detection w/ IGSCC
  - 32.87% for first attempt
  - 50% for second attempt
- ↑ Automated Piping and Aust. Detection w/ IGSC
  - 45.71 for first attempt
  - 60.00% second attempt
- Manual Dissimilar Metal Weld Detection
  - 48.28% for first attempt
  - 80.00% for second attempt
- Automated Dissimilar Metal Weld Detection
  - 100% for first attempt
  - (None required) second attempt



- Insufficient data exists to support additional qualification requirements for dissimilar metal welds
- Current requalification rules and mandatory hands on practice are sufficient to maintain proficiency
- ◆ Present industry resources should be concentrated on improving examination techniques and procedures and removing or limiting current Supplement 10 examination limitations not on developing regualification criteria



#### → EPRI/NDEC/PDI

- Is purchasing practice samples which is felt will improve past rates
- Developing training program specific to dissimilar metal weld examinations
- ↑ PDI will continue monitor demonstration performance and report it to NRC
- ↑ PDI feels that Requalification testing does little to help examiners stay proficient and only adds to cost of examination and further depletes the already shrinking workforce
- PDI would like to explore other options, which could be used to maintain proficiency short of requalification for not only Supplement 10,m but also for current IGSCC qualifications
  - Enhanced hands on practice
  - Training