

OVERVIEW OF MITIGATING SYSTEMS PERFORMANCE INDEX



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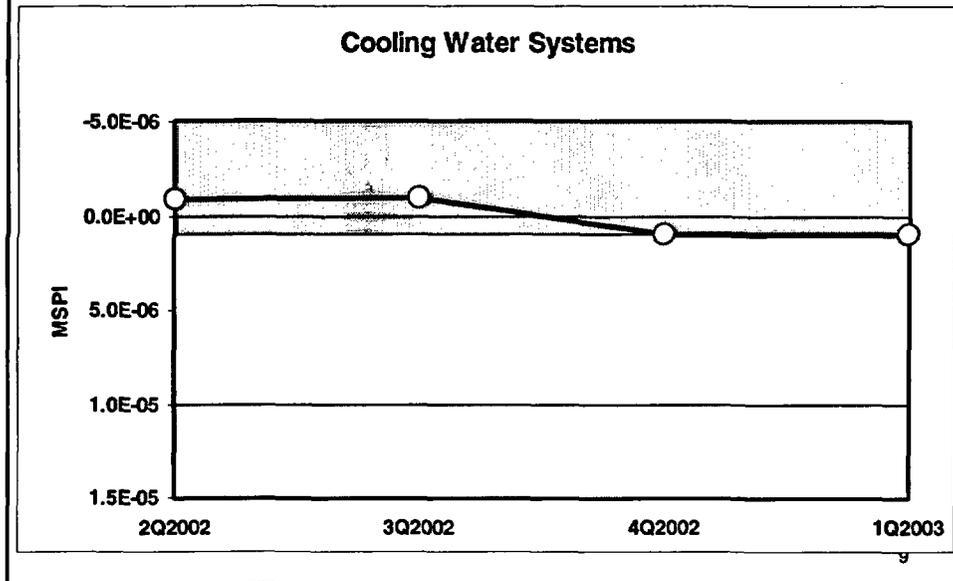
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SCRAMS WITH LOSS OF NORMAL HEAT REMOVAL

OPTION 4

- Counts scrams in which normal heat removal is unavailable during scram recovery
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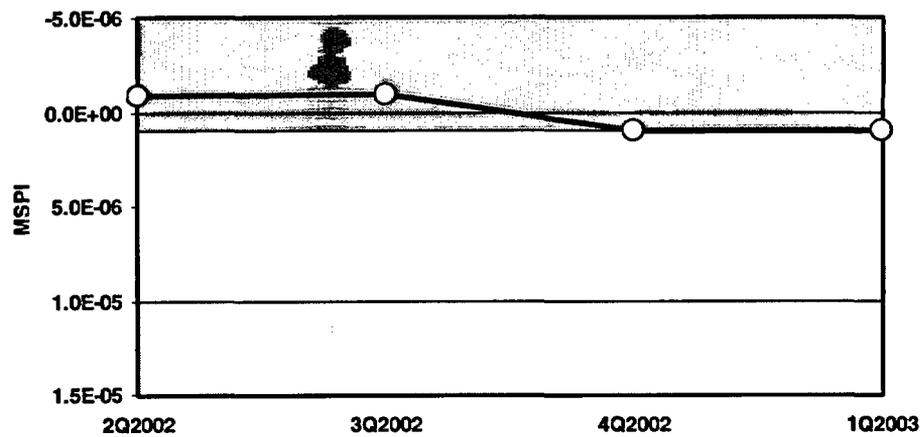
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