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SUBJECT: NOVEMBER 6, 2003, AP1000 TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL
SUMMARY

On Thursday, November 6, 2003, a telephone conference call was held with Westinghouse Electric Company (Westinghouse) representatives and Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff to discuss open items related to removal of aerosol in the containment. The NRC staff specifically discussed the Westinghouse response to draft safety evaluation report (DSER) open items (OIs) 15.3-1 and 15.3.6-1 related to the applicability of the AP600 aerosol removal coefficients to the AP1000 design and Westinghouse's assumptions on aerosol removal in containment, respectively. Westinghouse submitted responses to these open items on July 1, 2003 (ADAMS Accession No. ML031950553). A list of call participants is included in Attachment 1.

The following is a brief summary of the discussions regarding this topic:

- (1) The staff questioned the basis for the method used by Westinghouse to account for aerosol density. Westinghouse stated that it is justified to consider particle void fractions and packing factors in the calculation of aerosol density, and that the method used is consistent with that used by Sandia National Laboratory. The staff requested references for the method used, and Westinghouse committed to provide the requested references.
- (2) The staff questioned the basis for the value of the particle void fraction of 0.2. Westinghouse committed to provide additional justification for the 0.2 particle void fraction. If the particle void fraction is changed, then Westinghouse would have to redo the calculation. Westinghouse proposed instead to revise the DCD to state that although there is uncertainty in the value of the particle void fraction, sensitivity studies have shown that the impact of a larger particle void fraction is small. The staff stated that they would review the DCD revision when it is submitted.

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- (3) The staff also asked Westinghouse if the steam density was based on the total pressure or partial pressure. Westinghouse stated that the steam density was based on total pressure, and that Westinghouse would verify this. The staff stated that the question would be closed if Westinghouse used the total pressure.

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