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STEAM GENERATOR TUBE INSPECTION DISCUSSION POINTS

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DIABLO CANYON POWER PLANT, UNIT 1

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The following discussion points have been prepared to facilitate the phone conference being arranged with Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) to discuss the results of the steam generator (SG) tube inspections to be conducted during the current Diablo Canyon Power Plant, Unit 1 refueling outage. This phone call will be scheduled to occur towards the end of the planned SG tube inspection interval, but before the unit exits its refueling outage.

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1. Discuss whether any primary-to-secondary leakage existed in this unit prior to shutdown.
2. Discuss the results of secondary side pressure tests.
3. For each SG, provide a description of areas examined, including the expansion criteria utilized and type of probe used in each area. Also, be prepared to discuss your inspection of the tube within the tubesheet, particularly the portion of the tube below the expansion/transition region.
4. Discuss any exceptions taken to the industry guidelines.
5. Provide a summary of the number of indications identified to-date of each degradation mode and SG tube location (e.g., tube support plate, top-of-tubesheet, etc.). Also provide information, such as voltages, and estimated depths and lengths of the most significant indications.
6. Describe repair/plugging plans for the SG tubes that meet the repair/plugging criteria.
7. Discuss the previous history of SG tube inspection results, including any "look backs" performed. Specifically, for significant indications or indications where look backs are used in support of dispositioning (e.g., manufacturing burnish marks).
8. Discuss, in general, new inspection findings (e.g., degradation mode or location of degradation new to this unit).
9. Discuss your use or reliance on inspection probes (eddy current or ultrasonic) other than bobbin and typical rotating probes, if applicable.

10. Describe in-situ pressure test plans and results, if applicable and available, including tube selection criteria.
11. Describe tube pull plans and preliminary results, if applicable and available; include tube selection criteria.
12. Discuss the assessment of tube integrity for the previous operating cycle (i.e., condition monitoring).
13. Provide the schedule for SG related activities during the remainder of the current outage.
14. Discuss the following regarding loose parts:
  - what inspections are performed to detect loose parts,
  - a description of any loose parts detected and their location within the SG if the loose parts were removed from the SG,
  - indications of tube damage associated with the loose parts, and
  - the source or nature of the loose parts if known.