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Core Operating Limits Report (COLR) for Prairie Island Unit 2 Cycle 23, Revision 1

Pursuant to the requirements of Technical Specification (TS) 5.6.5.d, the COLR for Prairie Island Unit 2 Cycle 23, Revision 1 is attached. The limits specified in the attached COLR have been established using Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) approved methodologies.

Revision 0 of the COLR for Prairie Island Unit 2 Cycle 23 was approved, along with the 50.59 evaluation for the reload, in advance of the refueling outage. After approval of Revision 0, the core design was changed to a new loading pattern. Revision 1 of the COLR was created and approved for the revised core design for Unit 2 Cycle 23. Revision 0 was never issued due to the revised core design and therefore, in accordance with TS 5.6.5.d, was not provided to the NRC.

The Unit 2 COLR has been revised for Cycle 23 to incorporate the following changes:

- Deleted the references to NAD-P2-003, "Prairie Island Unit 2 Cycle 22 Final Reload Design Report (Reload Safety Evaluation) and USAR Update," Revision 0, July 2003 and NAP-P2-004, "Prairie Island Unit 2 Cycle 22 Startup and Operations Report," Revision 0, August 2003.
- Added the reference to 50.59 Evaluation 1046, Rev. 1, "Unit 2 Cycle 23 Core Reload."
- Updated Table 1 to incorporate revised minimum shutdown margin limits for Modes 4, 5 and 6.
- Updated Table 2 to incorporate revised W(z) values.

Summary of Commitments

This letter contains no new commitments and no revisions to existing commitments.

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REVISION 1

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Note: This report is not part of the Technical Specifications
This report is referenced in the Technical Specifications

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REVISION 1

This report provides the values of the limits for Unit 2 Cycle 23 as required by Technical Specification Section 5.6.5. These values have been established using NRC approved methodology and are established such that all applicable limits of the plant safety analysis are met. The Technical Specifications affected by this report are listed below:

1. 2.1.1 Reactor Core SLs
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1. <u>2.1.1 Reactor Core Safety Limits</u>

   Reactor Core Safety Limits are shown in Figure 1.

   Reference Technical Specification section 2.1.1.

2. <u>3.1.1 Shutdown Margin Requirements</u>

   Minimum Shutdown Margin requirements are shown in Table 1.

   Reference Technical Specification section 3.1.1.

3. 3.1.3 Isothermal Temperature Coefficient (ITC)

ITC Upper limit:

a. < 5 pcm/°F for power levels < 70% RTP; and
b. less than a line which slopes linearly from
   i. 0 pcm/°F at power level = 70% RTP to
   ii. –2.9 pcm/°F at power level = 100% RTP

ITC Lower limit:

a. -32.7 pcm/°F

Reference Technical Specification section 3.1.3.

4. 3.1.5 Shutdown Bank Insertion Limits

The shutdown rods shall be fully withdrawn.

Reference Technical Specification section 3.1.5.

5. 3.1.6 Control Bank Insertion Limits

The control rod banks shall be limited in physical insertion as shown in Figures 2, 3, and 4.

The control rod banks withdrawal sequence shall be Bank A, Bank B, Bank C, and finally Bank D.

The control rod banks shall be withdrawn maintaining 128 step tip-to-tip distance.

Reference Technical Specification section 3.1.6.

6. 3.1.8 Physics Tests Exceptions - MODE 2

Minimum Shutdown Margin requirements during physics testing are shown in Table 1.

Reference Technical Specification section 3.1.8.

7. 3.2.1 Heat Flux Hot Channel Factor ($F_Q(Z)$)

The Heat Flux Hot Channel Factor shall be within the following limits:

CFQ = 2.50

K(Z) is a constant value = 1.0 at all elevations.

W(Z) values are provided in Table 2.

$F^W{}_Q(Z)$ Penalty Factors are provided in Table 3.

Applicability: MODE 1.

Reference Technical Specification section 3.2.1

8. 3.2.2 Nuclear Enthalpy Rise Hot Channel Factor ($F_{\Delta H}{}^N$)

The Nuclear Enthalpy Rise Hot Channel Factor shall be within the following limit:

$$F_{\Delta H} \leq 1.77 \text{ x } [1 + 0.3(1- P)]$$

where: P is the fraction of RATED THERMAL POWER at which the core is operating.

Applicability: MODE 1.

Reference Technical Specification section 3.2.2

9. 3.2.3 Axial Flux Difference (AFD)

The indicated axial flux difference, in % flux difference units, shall be maintained within the allowed operational space defined by Figure 5.

Applicability: MODE 1 with RATED THERMAL POWER $\geq$ 50% RTP.

Reference Technical Specification sections 3.2.3.

10. 3.3.1 Reactor Trip System (RTS) Instrumentation

Overtemperature ΔT and Overpower ΔT Parameter Values for Table 3.3.1-1;

Overtemperature ΔT Setpoint

Overtemperature ΔT setpoint parameter values:

ΔT_0	=	Indicated ΔT at RATED THERMAL POWER, %
T	=	Average temperature, °F
T'	=	560.0 °F
P	=	Pressurizer Pressure, psig
P'	=	2235 psig
K_1	$\leq$	1.17
K_2	=	0.014 /°F
K_3	=	0.00100 /psi
τ_1	=	30 seconds
τ_2	=	4 seconds
$f(\Delta I)$	=	A function of the indicated difference between top and bottom detectors of the power range nuclear ion chambers. Selected gains are based on measured instrument response during plant startup tests, where q_t and q_b are the percent power in the top and bottom halves of the core respectively, and $q_t + q_b$ is total core power in percent of RATED THERMAL POWER, such that (a) For $q_t - q_b$ within −13, +8 % $f(\Delta I) = 0$ (b) For each percent that the magnitude of $q_t - q_b$ exceeds +8% the ΔT trip setpoint shall be automatically reduced by an equivalent of 1.73 % of RATED THERMAL POWER. (c) For each percent that the magnitude of $q_t - q_b$ exceeds -13 % the ΔT trip setpoint shall be automatically reduced by an equivalent of 3.846 % of RATED THERMAL POWER.

Overpower ΔT Setpoint

Overpower ΔT setpoint parameter values:

ΔT_0	=	Indicated ΔT at RATED THERMAL POWER, %
T	=	Average temperature, °F
T'	=	560.0 °F
K_4	$\leq$	1.11
K_5	=	0.0275/°F for increasing T; 0 for decreasing T
K_6	=	0.002/°F for $T > T'$; 0 for $T \leq T'$
τ_3	=	10 seconds

11. 3.4.1 RCS Pressure, Temperature, and Flow - Departure from Nucleate Boiling (DNB) Limits

Pressurizer pressure limit = 2205 psia
RCS average temperature limit = 564°F
RCS total flow rate limit = 178,000 gpm

Reference Technical Specification section 3.4.1.

12. 3.9.1 Refueling Boron Concentration.

The boron concentration of the reactor coolant system and the refueling cavity shall be sufficient to ensure that the more restrictive of the following conditions is met:

a) $K_{eff} \leq 0.95$
b) 2000 ppm
c) The Shutdown Margin specified in Table 1

Reference Technical Specification section 3.9.1.

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Table 1

Minimum Required Shutdown Margin

Plant Conditions	Number of Charging Pumps Running**		
	0-1 Pump	2 Pumps	3 Pumps
Mode 1*	-	-	-
Mode 2*	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
Mode 3, $T_{ave} \geq 520°F$	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
Mode 3, $350°F \leq T_{ave} < 520°F$	2.0%	2.0%	2.5%
Mode 4	2.0%	4.5%	6.5%
Mode 5, $T_{ave} \leq 200°F$	2.5%	5.5%	8.0%
Mode 6, ARI, $T_{ave} \geq 68°F$	5.129%	5.129%	7.5%
Mode 6, ARO, $T_{ave} \geq 68°F$	5.129%	6.5%	10.0%
Physics Testing in Mode 2	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%

Operational Mode Definitions, as per TS Table 1.1-1.

* For Mode 1 and Mode 2 with Keff $\geq$ 1.0, the minimum shutdown margin requirements are provided by the Rod Insertion Limits.

** Charging pump(s) in service only pertains to steady state operations. It does not include transitory operations. For example, operations such as starting a second charging pump in order to secure the operating pump would fall under the one pump in service column.

Table 2 - W(z) Values(Top 10% and Bottom 8% excluded)

	Height	BU [MWd/MTU]			
	[ft]	150	6000	12000	18000
		AO = 3.59	AO = -1.88	AO = -3.49	AO = -0.77
[BOTTOM] 1	0.00	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
2	0.20	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
3	0.40	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
4	0.60	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
5	0.80	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
6	1.00	1.4210	1.2349	1.1981	1.2036
7	1.20	1.4051	1.2247	1.1881	1.1937
8	1.40	1.3867	1.2133	1.1771	1.1832
9	1.60	1.3665	1.2012	1.1657	1.1729
10	1.80	1.3449	1.1886	1.1541	1.1627
11	2.00	1.3220	1.1756	1.1425	1.1528
12	2.20	1.2983	1.1624	1.1308	1.1430
13	2.40	1.2741	1.1493	1.1194	1.1335
14	2.60	1.2496	1.1363	1.1084	1.1241
15	2.80	1.2254	1.1236	1.0967	1.1134
16	3.00	1.2000	1.1109	1.0894	1.1110
17	3.20	1.1790	1.1054	1.0883	1.1157
18	3.40	1.1694	1.1075	1.0910	1.1305
19	3.60	1.1663	1.1096	1.0945	1.1439
20	3.80	1.1647	1.1109	1.0981	1.1563
21	4.00	1.1626	1.1120	1.1011	1.1678
22	4.20	1.1595	1.1125	1.1036	1.1777
23	4.40	1.1556	1.1123	1.1052	1.1861
24	4.60	1.1510	1.1116	1.1059	1.1929
25	4.80	1.1456	1.1104	1.1087	1.1980
26	5.00	1.1395	1.1082	1.1120	1.2014
27	5.20	1.1330	1.1079	1.1148	1.2033
28	5.40	1.1259	1.1131	1.1189	1.2036
29	5.60	1.1171	1.1180	1.1243	1.2018
30	5.80	1.1173	1.1245	1.1301	1.2041
31	6.00	1.1238	1.1336	1.1406	1.2108
32	6.20	1.1298	1.1436	1.1561	1.2193
33	6.40	1.1351	1.1527	1.1706	1.2288
34	6.60	1.1397	1.1624	1.1842	1.2383
35	6.80	1.1433	1.1730	1.1969	1.2462
36	7.00	1.1460	1.1833	1.2084	1.2522
37	7.20	1.1474	1.1921	1.2184	1.2562
38	7.40	1.1477	1.1996	1.2267	1.2580
39	7.60	1.1476	1.2054	1.2331	1.2573
40	7.80	1.1466	1.2094	1.2374	1.2540
41	8.00	1.1441	1.2114	1.2394	1.2481
42	8.20	1.1402	1.2112	1.2388	1.2394
43	8.40	1.1347	1.2087	1.2357	1.2280
44	8.60	1.1272	1.2044	1.2302	1.2148
45	8.80	1.1207	1.1957	1.2205	1.2031
46	9.00	1.1177	1.1927	1.2166	1.1896
47	9.20	1.1175	1.1977	1.2202	1.1753
48	9.40	1.1258	1.2081	1.2250	1.1714
49	9.60	1.1371	1.2175	1.2273	1.1712
50	9.80	1.1510	1.2290	1.2345	1.1724
51	10.00	1.1639	1.2403	1.2468	1.1754
52	10.20	1.1736	1.2485	1.2588	1.1772
53	10.40	1.1854	1.2584	1.2700	1.1785
54	10.60	1.1929	1.2627	1.2816	1.1800
55	10.80	1.1987	1.2691	1.2964	1.1820
56	11.00	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
57	11.20	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
58	11.40	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
59	11.60	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000

60	11.80	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000
[TOP] 61	12.00	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000

Table 3

$F^W_Q(Z)$ Penalty Factor

Exposure Range	$F^W_Q(Z)$ Penalty Factor
BOC – EOC	1.02

Figure 1

Reactor Core Safety Limits

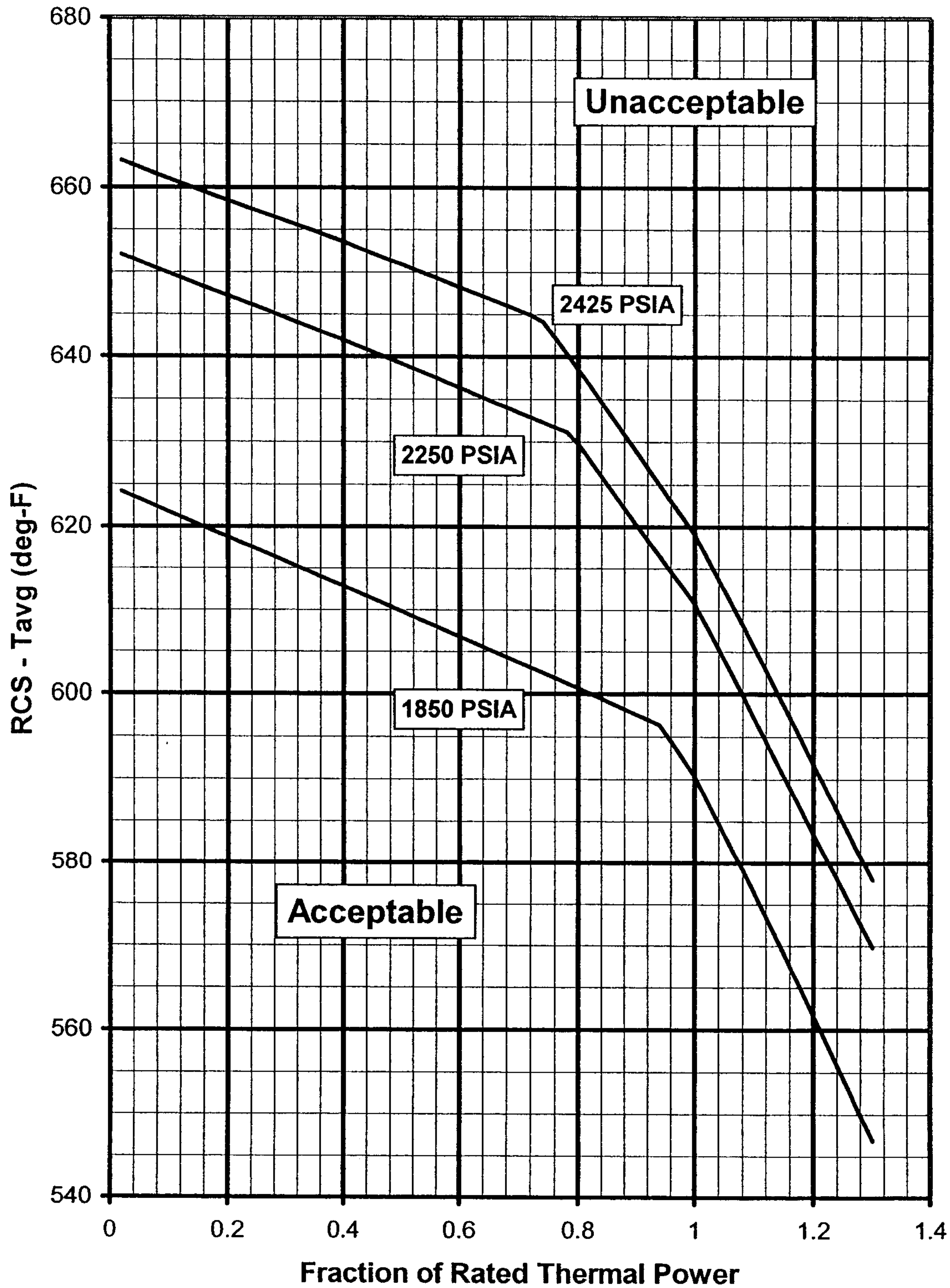
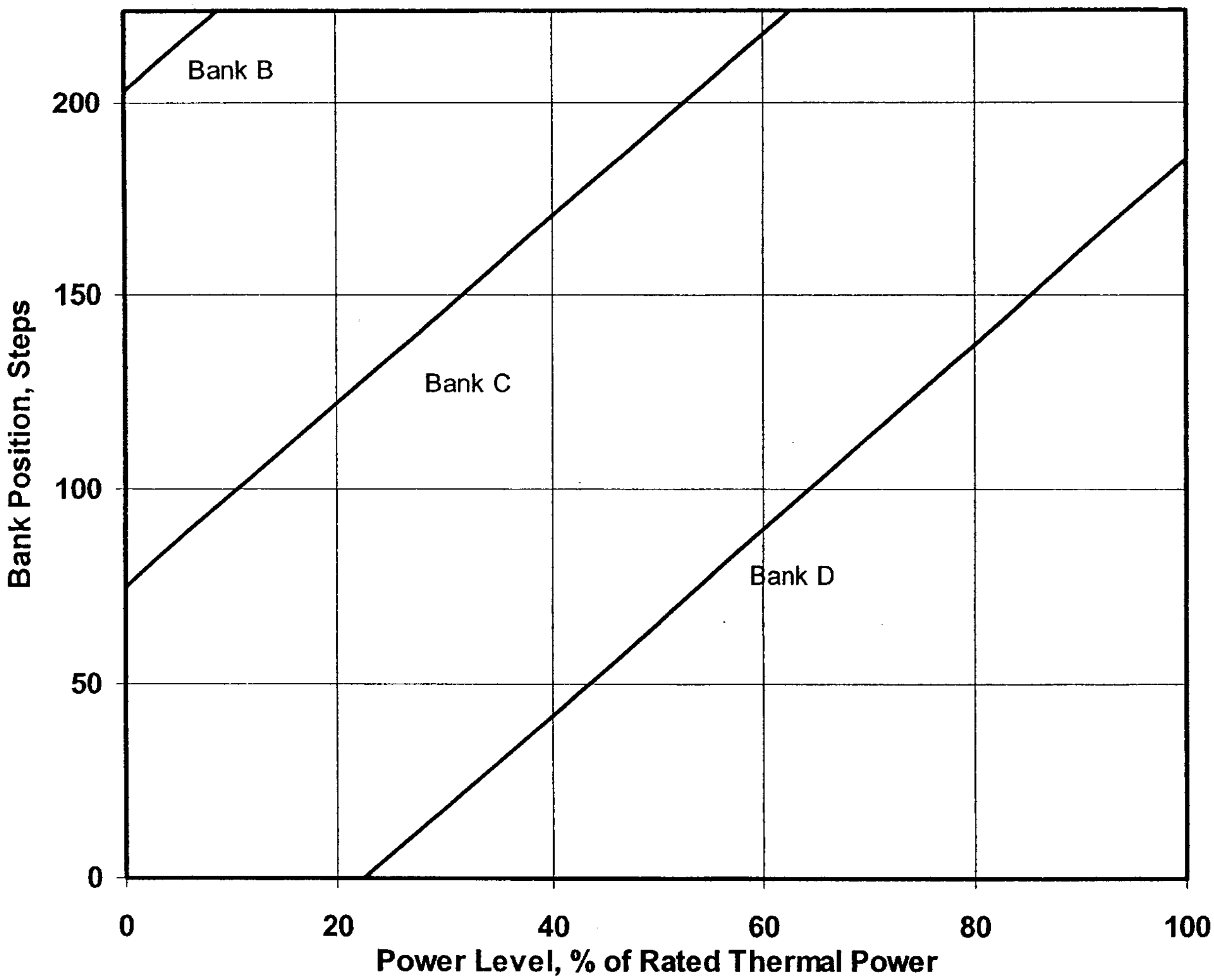


Figure 2
Rod Insertion Limit, 128 Step Tip-to-Tip

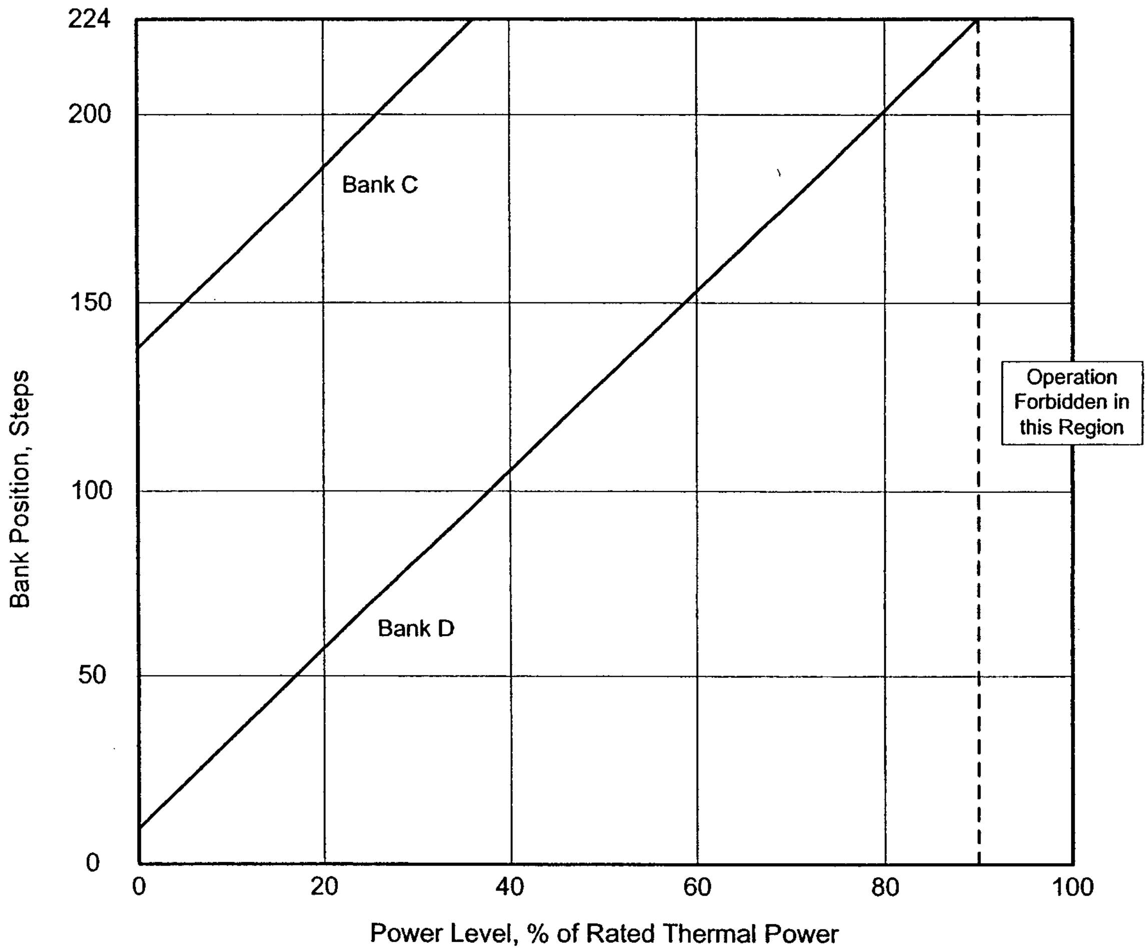


Bank Positions Given By:

- Bank D = (150 / 63) * (P – 100) + 185
- Bank C = (150 / 63) * (P – 100) + 185 + 128
- Bank B = (150 / 63) * (P – 100) + 185 + 128 + 128

NOTE: The top of the active fuel height corresponds to 224 steps. The ARO parking position may be any position above 224 steps.

Figure 3
Rod Insertion Limit, 128 Step Tip-to-Tip, One Bottomed Rod
(Technical Specification 3.1.4.B)

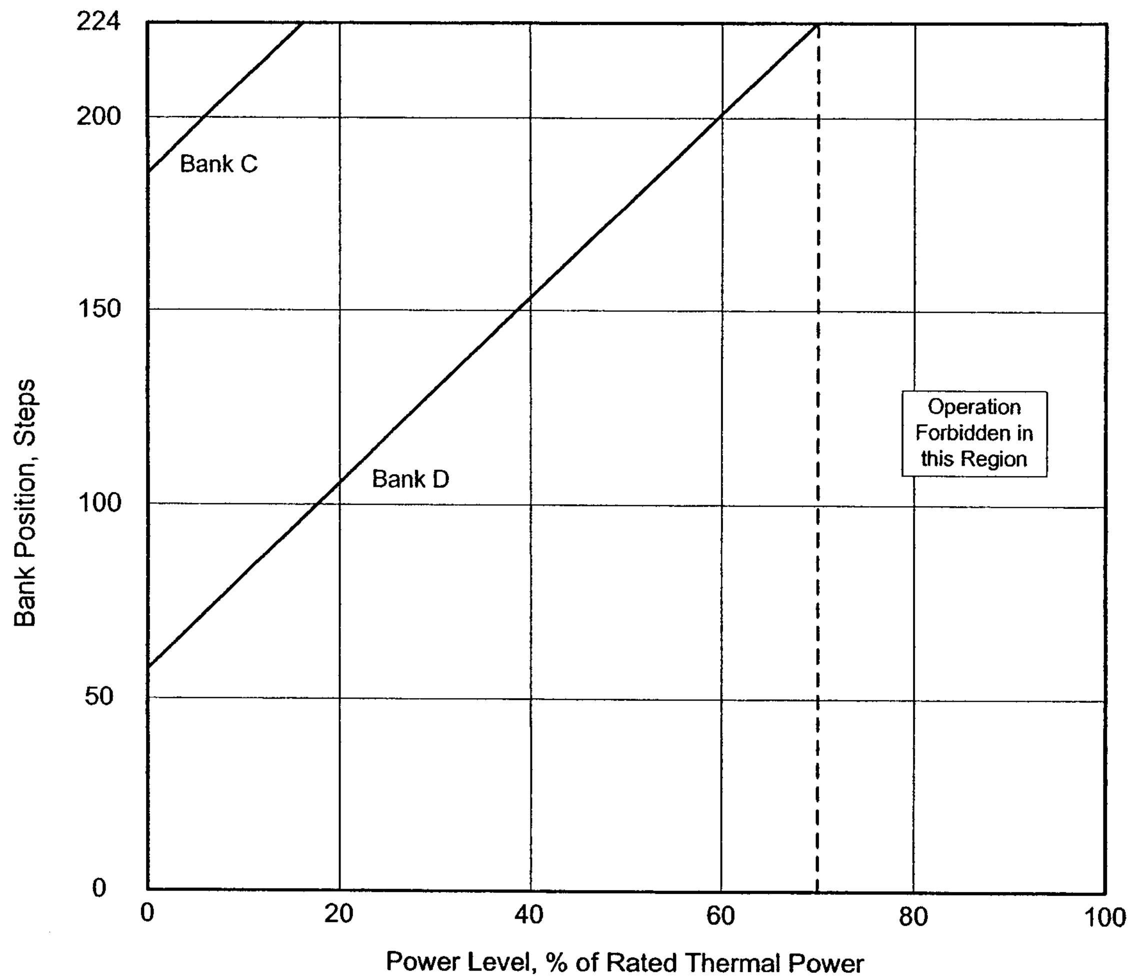


Bank Positions Given By:

- Bank D = (150 / 63) * (P – 90) + 224
- Bank C = (150 / 63) * (P – 90) + 224 + 128

NOTE: The top of the active fuel height corresponds to 224 steps. The ARO parking position may be any position above 224 steps.

Figure 4
Rod Insertion Limit, 128 Step Tip-to-Tip, One Inoperable Rod
(Technical Specification 3.1.4.A)



Bank Positions Given By:

- Bank D = (150 / 63) * (P – 70) + 224
- Bank C = (150 / 63) * (P – 70) + 224 + 128

NOTE: The top of the active fuel height corresponds to 224 steps. The ARO parking position may be any position above 224 steps.

Figure 5
Flux Difference Operating Envelope