

Status of SFP Evaluation

- Background
- Recently completed analysis and testing
 - MELCOR code results
 - ANL air oxidation testing
- New activities
 - -NAS review
 - Analysis
 - Testing

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Preliminary evaluation (cont)

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Ex2

- Initiated work at ANL to address air oxidation kinetics for preoxidized, hydrided fuel
- Review of 'Alvarez paper'

Recent Analysis & Testing

- Completed testing of Zircalloy and Zirlo preoxidized fuel cladding specimens to evaluate oxidation kinetics
 - Improved data base over the range of 300 900 C
- Ongoing testing addressing hydrided fuel cladding

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New Activities

- NAS review
- Follow up analysis of BWR pool
 - Scenario variations
 - Geometry changes
 - Mitigation strategies
 - Consequences analysis
- PWR pool analysis
- Development of generalized screening criteria
- Confirmatory Testing

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New Activities

NAS Review

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Preliminary public mtg- 12/3/03

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NAS Review

- Proposed 1st Mtg 2 days
 - Opening presentation
 - NRC position summary & summary of activities underway (including reactor vulnerability)
 - Threat environment and additional security measures
 - DBT
 - Past spent fuel pool studies
 - Assumptions and conservatisms in NUREG- 1738, NUREG/CR-6451 etc
 - NRC review of Alvarez paper

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NAS Review

Proposed 1st Mtg (cont)

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- New NRC spent fuel pool studies
 - Analysis of pool damage

- Analysis of fuel response
 - Improved methods
 - Scenarios
 - Analyses (results, insights)
 - Mitigation
- New NRC cask studies
 - Analysis of cask damage
 - Analysis of fuel response

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New Activities-Testing

- New testing proposed for confirming spent fuel pool modeling of T/H and accident progression
- Confirmation of modeling adequacy
 - Natural circulation flow air flow case
 - Laminar flow losses (initial and degrading fuel conditions)
 - Base plate and bypass region modeling
 - Convective heat transfer
 - Radiation heat transfer
 - Transient oxidation behavior

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Testing/Preliminary Plans

- Prototypic configuration
- Full scale unfueled assemblies with heater rods
 - Full height, Natural circulation scaled with same fluid
 - Heater rod vs fuel thermal capacitance
 - Axial power distribution
 - Integral testing with 5 assembly array
 - Pool resistance roughly scaled, downcomer and below rack losses
 - Identical to SE calc configuration
 - Single assembly or sub-assembly for detailed T/H
 - Water addition provisions- confirmation of recovery

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