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Dear Mr. Brach:

Subject: Request for Special Package Authorization for the LACBWR Reactor Pressure Vessel Package

Dairyland Power Cooperative submitted a letter of intent, dated November 23, 2005, to request a special package authorization for their La Crosse Boiling Water Reactor (LACBWR) Reactor Pressure Vessel Package (RPVP). Duratek, Inc. (Duratek) is under contract to DPC to design, license, and fabricate the LACBWR RPVP for DPC under the provisions of Duratek's NRC approved Part 71 QA program. As such, Duratek respectfully submits the attached Safety Analyst Report (SAR) in support of our request for special package authorization for the LACBWR RPVP per 10 CFR 71.41(d). The request conforms to the guidance of Regulatory Guide 7.9, Standard Format and Content of Part 71 Applications for Approval of Packages for Radioactive Material. Duratek will submit, under a separate letter, proprietary information concerning the SAR.

Due to the length of time required for fabrication of the LACBWR RPVP and the inflexible shipping schedule, we request approval of this request no later than 17 April 2006.

There is one attachment to this letter, listed below:

Attachment 1 Safety Analysis Report for the LACBWR RPVP

Should you or members of your staff have questions about the request, please contact Mark Whittaker at (803) 758-1898.

Sincerely,

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**SAFETY ANALYSIS REPORT**

**FOR**

**MODEL LACBWR RPVP**

**REVISION 0**

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## **1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION**

This chapter of the La Crosse Boiling Water Reactor (LACBWR) Reactor Pressure Vessel Package (RPVP) Safety Analysis Report (SAR) presents a general description of the packaging and its contents. This application requests a special package authorization for the shipment by Dairyland Power of the LACBWR RPVP per 10 CFR 71.41(d).

## **1.1 INTRODUCTION**

The (LACBWR) is owned and was operated by Dairyland Power Cooperative (DPC) of La Crosse, Wisconsin.

LACBWR was a nuclear power plant of nominal 50 Mw electrical output, which utilized a forced-circulation, direct-cycle boiling-water reactor as its heat source. The plant is located on the east bank of the Mississippi River in Vernon County, Wisconsin, approximately 1 mile south of the village of Genoa, Wisconsin, and approximately 19 miles south of the city of La Crosse, Wisconsin.

LACBWR achieved initial criticality on July 11, 1967, and the low power testing program was completed by September 1967. In November 1967, the power testing program began. The power testing program culminated in a 28-day power run between August 14 and September 13, 1969.

DPC operated the facility as a base-load plant on its system since November 1, 1969, when the AEC accepted the facility from Allis-Chalmers, until LACBWR was permanently shut down on April 30, 1987. During this time the reactor was critical for a total of 103,287.5 hours.

As part of the decommissioning of LACBWR, the intact reactor vessel will be removed from the reactor building, packaged for transport, and shipped, primarily by rail, to the Barnwell LLW Facility for disposal. The LACBWR RPVP described in this submittal will be transported a single time from its location near Genoa, Wisconsin to the Barnwell LLW Facility.

## **1.2 PACKAGE DESCRIPTION**

### **1.2.1 Packaging**

The LACBWR reactor vessel packaging consists of a steel canister surrounding the reactor pressure vessel, with the annulus between the vessel and the canister filled with medium-density concrete, as shown in the drawings in Appendix 1.3. The canister is formed of a 1.5" steel cylindrical shell with end plates of 4" steel plate. The completed package is 39' 7" long with an outer diameter of 10' 6". The total design weight of the package is 624,500 lbs. All joints in the canister are welded forming the containment boundary and providing a tamper-resistant seal. Shielding is welded to the exterior of the canister at the location of the reactor core. The lower section of the canister has a raised flat ring, on which the eight (8) RPV support legs rest when the RPV is placed inside the lower section of the canister. There are no tie-down devices that are a structural part of the packaging and, at the time of shipment, there are no operable lifting attachments that are a structural part of the packaging. The packaging will be fabricated and assembled in accordance with Duratek's NRC approved Part 71 Quality Assurance program.

### **1.2.2 Contents**

#### Physical Description

The contents of the LACBWR RPVP are the irradiated reactor pressure vessel and the reactor internals. The reactor vessel consists of a cylindrical shell section with a formed integral hemispherical bottom head and a removable hemispherical top head, which is bolted to a mating flange on the vessel shell. The vessel has an overall height of 37', an inside diameter of 99", and a nominal wall thickness of 4" (including 3/16" of integrally bonded stainless steel cladding). The reactor vessel is ferritic steel (ASTM A-302-Gr-B) plate with integrally bonded Type 304L stainless steel cladding. The reactor internals consist of the following: a thermal shield, a core support skirt, a plenum separator plate, a bottom grid assembly, steam separators, a thermal shock shield, a baffle plate structure with a peripheral lip, a steam dryer with support structure, an emergency core spray tube bundle structure combined with fuel hold-down mechanism, control rods, fuel assembly shrouds, and reactor core support structures. The internals are composed primarily of AISI Type 304 stainless steel with certain components also containing zircalloy, inconel, and boron carbide. The voids in the reactor vessel will be filled with low-density cellular concrete (LDCC) prior to cutting the nozzles and lifting the vessel to remove it from the reactor building. The total weight of the filled vessel is 185 tons. All fuel has been previously removed.

## Radionuclide Content

In January 2003, the Waste Policy Institute (WPI) issued their report (Ref. 1-1) of an analytical determination of nuclide activation levels in the LACBWR reactor pressure vessel (RPV), reactor internals, and subcomponents. WPI used a dual approach – manual calculation using a simplified reactor model for isotopic irradiation/decay, and a detailed irradiation analysis using the ORIGEN-ARP 2.00 computer code. The resulting activity was decayed from the time of shutdown (April 1987) to January 2003, the assumed time of shipment for the WPI report. The manual calculation results were nearly a factor of two higher than the ORIGEN-ARP results, 15631 vs 8130 total curies. In the activation calculation, the upper bound material percentage for niobium was used from NUREG/CR-6567 (Ref. 2). The listed range for niobium in stainless steel (the predominate material in the reactor internals) is 5-300 ppm, so 300 ppm was used in the activation calculation. Thus, the results for Nb-94 are extremely conservative.

A surface coating evaluation, based on removable contamination samples from the Shutdown Condenser, was performed for the internal surfaces of the RPV and internals. The measured activity per unit area was distributed over the area of the vessel and internals, 1047.47 m<sup>2</sup>, to determine the total activity of surface contamination in the vessel. This activity is a small fraction of the total activity.

Three fuel assembly designs (Type I, Type II, and Type III) were used in the LACBWR reactor (Ref. 3). All assemblies were stainless steel clad. Visible fuel rod clad failures were evident in many spent Type I and Type II fuel assemblies. There has been no evidence of any fuel rod clad failures in Type III fuel. During refueling in 1977 and in 1979, after the grossly failed fuel assemblies were moved from the reactor to the spent fuel pool (SFP), several pieces of fuel rod and fuel debris were recovered from the tops of other fuel assemblies and control rods in the reactor and placed in the SFP. During 1977, a significant fraction of the reactor internals, including other fuel assemblies, tops of control rods, below the core, unfueled positions, steam separator down-comer region, etc, was examined and searched for identifiable fuel debris. Very little other than a few small pieces of fuel clad was found, and all were recovered and placed in the SFP. Cladding failures decreased after Cycle 5 (Mar. 1978- Mar. 1979).

After detailed examination of the failed fuel rods, an estimate of the amount of uranium displaced from the failed rods was made. After including the collected debris and the uranium identified in waste shipments sent offsite for disposal, a residual of 58.2 grams of uranium remains (Ref. 4). It is assumed that this material is distributed throughout the primary system and has plated out on the reactor

vessel, internals, primary system piping, and other primary system components outside the vessel. The calculated TRU generated from this distributed uranium is shown below (decayed to January 2003), based on the burnup and power levels characteristic of the LACBWR reactor. The activity per unit area conservatively assumes 100% of the activity is distributed only on the reactor vessel and internals. This gives a TRU activity per unit area approximately 100 times the measured contamination values included in the WPI characterization.

**Table 1-1  
Activity From Residual Uranium**

Radionuclide	Grams	Decayed Ci	$\mu\text{Ci}/\text{cm}^2$
U-234	1.76E-02	1.09E-04	1.04E-05
U-235	1.13E+00	2.49E-06	2.38E-07
U-236	1.98E-01	1.29E-05	1.23E-06
U-238	5.69E+01	1.93E-05	1.85E-06
Np-237	7.82E-03	5.55E-06	5.30E-07
Pu-238	1.81E-03	2.72E-02	2.59E-03
Pu-239	2.66E-01	1.65E-02	1.57E-03
Pu-240	7.15E-02	1.64E-02	1.57E-03
Pu-241	3.64E-02	1.71E+00	1.63E-01
Pu-242	6.84E-03	2.67E-05	2.54E-06
Am-241	1.26E-03	4.19E-03	4.00E-04
Am-243	9.25E-04	1.85E-04	1.76E-05
Cm-242	3.01E-04	2.52E-11	2.40E-12
Cm-244	1.46E-04	6.48E-03	6.19E-04
Total	5.86E+01	1.78E-01	1.70E-01

The WPI results were updated by substituting the conservative estimate (Table 1-1) of the contamination levels from uranium and TRU that could be present due to the fuel failures that occurred during operation. Finally, the activities were decayed to the expected date of shipment, i.e., June 1, 2007. The resulting total activity is shown in Table 1-2.

**Table 1-2**  
**Total Activity**

Radionuclide	Ci	TBq	A <sub>2</sub>	Fraction A <sub>2</sub>
H-3	8.35E-06	3.09E-07	40	7.72E-09
C-14	1.28E+01	4.73E-01	3	1.58E-01
Fe-55	9.20E+02	3.40E+01	40	8.51E-01
Co-57	8.56E-08	3.17E-09	10	3.17E-10
Co-60	4.32E+03	1.60E+02	0.4	4.00E+02
Ni-59	5.10E+01	1.89E+00	Unlimited	0.00E+00
Ni-63	4.81E+03	1.78E+02	30	5.94E+00
Sr-90	7.29E-05	2.70E-06	0.3	8.99E-06
Nb-94	5.60E-01	2.07E-02	0.7	2.96E-02
Cs-137	2.96E-04	1.10E-05	0.6	1.83E-05
U-233/234	1.09E-04	4.03E-06	0.006	6.71E-04
U-235	2.49E-06	9.21E-08	Unlimited	0.00E+00
U-238	1.93E-05	7.15E-07	Unlimited	0.00E+00
Pu-238	2.62E-02	9.71E-04	0.001	9.71E-01
Pu-239/240	3.29E-02	1.22E-03	0.001	1.22E+00
Pu-241	1.38E+00	5.12E-02	0.06	8.53E-01
Cm-242	2.63E-14	9.74E-16	0.01	9.74E-14
Cm-243	5.82E-03	2.15E-04	0.001	2.15E-01
Pu-242	2.67E-05	9.86E-07	0.001	9.86E-04
Am-241	4.16E-03	1.54E-04	0.001	1.54E-01
Am-243	1.85E-04	6.83E-06	0.001	6.83E-03
Total	1.01E+04	3.75E+02		4.10E+02

Of the total activity in the vessel only 1.61 Ci, with an A<sub>2</sub> value of 3.43, is from contamination and is potentially dispersible. The rest of the activity is in the activated metal components. The total quantity of fissile material is 1.7 g, which qualifies as "fissile exempt" material. The total decay heat is less than 70 watts.

### 1.3 APPENDIX

#### 1.3.1 Drawings

C-068-163041-002 "RPV Canister Assembly"  
 C-068-163041-003 "Lower Shell Assembly"  
 C-068-163041-004 "Upper Shell Assembly"

FIGURE WITHHELD UNDER 2.390

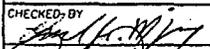
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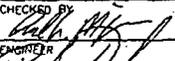
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### **1.3.2 References**

- 1-1. LACBWR RPV Activated Materials Report, DPC.0101.02.01, Jan. 2003
  
- 1-2 Low-Level Radioactive Waste Classification, and Assessment: Waste Streams and Neutron Activated Metals, NUREG/CR-6567, August 2000
  
- 1-3 Response to NRC re: Accounting at Reactors and Wet Spent Fuel Storage Facilities, LAC-13866, March 2005
  
- 1-4 Summary Report – Research of Material Displaced from LACBWR Spent Fuel Assemblies, LAC-TR-141, Feb. 2003

## 2.0 STRUCTURAL EVALUATION

This chapter presents the structural evaluation of the LACBWR RPV package. The evaluations are performed in accordance with the requirements of 10CFR71 (Reference 2-1) for an exclusive use Type B package. Tables and Figures cited in the text are found in the Appendix.

### 2.1 DESCRIPTION OF STRUCTURAL DESIGN

#### 2.1.1 Discussion

The LACBWR RPV package (henceforth referred to as the "package" in this SAR) consists of a fully welded canister, fabricated in two parts and field welded together, and the grouted RPV. The package is cylindrical in shape and has a maximum diameter of approximately 11'. The overall length of the package, excluding the remnant of the lifting attachment, is approximately 39' 7". The upper part of the canister is made of a 1½" thick shell, having an outside diameter of 125½", and a 4" thick endplate. The lower part of the canister is made of a 1½" thick shell, having an outside diameter of 121½", and a 4" thick endplate. To provide a surface for welding the upper and lower parts of the canister, the lower part of the canister is fitted with a ring that is 3" thick and has an outside diameter of 131".

Prior to placement in the canister, the RPV (Reference 2-2), with some of its internal components, as discussed in Chapter 1, is filled with low-density cellular concrete (LDCC). The interstitial space between the canister and the RPV is filled with the medium density cellular concrete (MDCC). Thus, the content of the package is in the form of a monolith that tightly fits inside the canister. The structure of the canister forms the containment boundary of the package.

Supplemental shielding plates are welded to the canister at the location of the core-region of the RPV. These plates do not form the containment boundary but need to remain attached to the canister during the normal operating conditions to meet the shielding requirements of 10CFR71. However, these plates are not needed to meet the dose rate requirements under hypothetical accident conditions. Please see Chapter 5 for the detailed evaluation of the shielding requirements.

Trunnions and other lifting and handling attachments may be welded to the canister to facilitate package handling during the preparation of the package. Any such attachments will be disabled or removed before the shipment. The fill holes provided in the upper shell of the canister and the upper endplate, as discussed in Section 1.2.1 and 7.1.2 are plugged and welded closed. Care

was taken to ensure that the attachments, and the fill holes are not located in the region where the package is postulated to be dropped during the normal operating conditions.

The weight of the package components and contents, as well as the package center of gravity is discussed in Section 2.1.3. The fabrication of the package will be in accordance with fabrication specification satisfying the design requirements described in this SAR. Chapter 8 addresses the inspections and examinations that will be performed on the package for compliance with applicable design and regulatory requirements.

## 2.1.2 Design Criteria

The package is designed to satisfy the requirements of 10CFR71.71 under the normal conditions of transport (NCT) and hypothetical accident conditions (HAC). Compliance with the "General Standards for All Packages" specified in 10 CFR 71.43 and the "Lifting and Tie-Down Standards" specified in 10 CFR 71.45 are discussed in Section 2.4 and 2.5 respectively.

The allowable stresses in the package containment boundary are based on the criteria of Regulatory Guide 7.6 (Reference 2-3). The allowable stresses under normal conditions are:

$$\text{Primary membrane stresses} < S_m$$

$$\text{Primary membrane + bending stresses} < 1.5 S_m$$

$$\text{Where, } S_m = \text{Design stress intensity}$$

Based on ASME Code (Reference 2-4), Section III, ND-3000 the design stress intensity is defined to be:

$$S_m = \text{Lesser of } (1 S_y \text{ and } S_u/3.5)$$

$$\text{Where, } S_y = \text{Material yield stress}$$

$$S_u = \text{Material ultimate strength}$$

The containment boundary of the LACBWR RPV package is made of ASTM A-516 Gr. 70 material (see Section 2.2.1), for which  $S_y = 38,000$  psi and  $S_u = 70,000$  psi. Therefore,

$$S_m = 20,000 \text{ psi}$$

For the inelastic drop analyses, the acceptance criteria are set in such a way that the rupture of the material is prevented. Since the free drop analyses for the LACBWR RPV package are performed using nonlinear finite element analysis techniques, where the accumulated plastic strains

can be calculated, the failure criteria is established based on the material ductility. For the package to remain intact, the total accumulated tensile strains are limited to the minimum elongation in 2" specimen of the rupture test. The minimum specified elongation for ASTM A-516 Gr. 70 is 21%. The accumulated plastic strain is limited to this value.

The acceptance criterion for prevention of buckling is set such that a minimum safety factor of 3 is achieved on the critical buckling stress under normal loading conditions. The acceptance criteria for prevention of brittle fracture are based on Regulatory Guide 7.11 (Reference 2-5) and its source document NUREG/CR-1815 (Reference 2-6).

### 2.1.3 Weights and Centers of Gravity

The weight of the various components of the LACBWR RPV package has been evaluated in Reference 2-7. They are summarized here as follows:

Weight of the RPV + LDCC .....	=	380,000	lb
Canister .....	=	130,000	lb
Interstitial MDCC.....	=	99,000	lb
1¼" Supplemental Shield Plates .....	=	15,000	lb
1¾" Supplemental Shield Plates .....	=	15,000	lb
Total Package Mass.....	=	639,000	lb

The C.G. of the package is estimated to be at a distance of 235" from the top surface of the upper endplate.

### 2.1.4 Identification of Codes and Standards for Package Design

Based on the contents form and amount of radioactivity (normal form, radioactive contents between 3000A2 and 300A2 and not greater than 30,000 Ci), the LACBWR RPV package is categorized as Type-B, Category II package (Reference 2-5). Based on the recommendations of Reference 2-8 the fabrication, examination, and inspection of the containment boundary components of a Type II package should be per ASME B&PV Code Section III, Subsection ND. Therefore, the design of the containment boundary is also based on the ASME Code requirements as much as practicable.

## 2.2 MATERIALS

### 2.2.1 Material Properties and Specifications

#### RPV

Specification: ASTM A-302, No Grade Specified (Reference 2-2), Assume Grade A

Minimum Yield Strength,  $S_y$  = 45,000 psi

Minimum Ultimate Strength,  $S_u$  = 75,000 psi

Minimum Elongation, in 2" specimen,  $e$  = 15%

#### Canister

Specification: ASTM A-516 Gr. 70

Minimum Yield Strength,  $S_y$  = 38,000 psi

Minimum Ultimate Strength,  $S_u$  = 70,000 psi

Minimum Elongation, in 2" specimen,  $e$  = 21%

#### Welds

Rod Specification: E-70xx Electrodes

Minimum Ultimate Strength,  $S_u$  = 70,000 psi

#### Concrete

The low-density cellular concrete (LDCC), used to fill the RPV cavity, and the medium density cellular concrete (MDCC), used to fill the interstitial space between the Canister and the RPV, do not have specific formulas except that they are comprised of small aggregate and suitable binders to yield the desired flow ability. They have a nominally density of 50 lb/ft<sup>3</sup> and 120 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>, respectively.

### 2.2.2 Chemical, Galvanic, or Other Reactions

The materials from which the package is fabricated (carbon steel, LDCC and MDCC) along with the contents (the carbon steel RPV) will not cause significant chemical, galvanic or other reaction in air, nitrogen or water atmosphere.

### **2.2.3 Effects of Radiation on Materials**

The materials from which the package is fabricated (carbon steel, LDCC and MDCC) along with the contents (the carbon steel RPV), exhibit no significant degradation of their mechanical properties under the radiation field produced by the RPV.

## **2.3 FABRICATION AND EXAMINATION**

### **2.3.1 Fabrication**

For a Type-B, Category II package Reference 2-8 recommends using ASME B&PV Code, Section III, Subsection ND, as the fabrication criteria. Recognizing that the LACBWR package is a one-time use package, with a massive monolithic content, the fabrication of the containment boundary is based on the ASME Code requirements as much as practicable.

### **2.3.2 Examination**

For a Type-B, Category II package Reference 2-8 recommends using ASME B&PV ND-5000 as the examination criteria. Recognizing that the LACBWR package is a one-time use package, with a massive monolithic content, the examination of the containment boundary is based on the ASME ND-5000 requirements as much as practicable.

## **2.4 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL PACKAGES**

10 CFR 71.43 establishes the general standards for packages. This section identifies these standards and provides the bases that demonstrate compliance.

### **2.4.1 Minimum Package Size**

10 CFR 71.43(a) requires that:

*“The smallest overall dimension of a package must not be less than 10 cm (4”).”*

The smallest overall dimension of the package is the diameter of the lower part of the canister (121.5”), which is larger than 4”. Therefore, the minimum package size requirement is satisfied.

#### **2.4.2 Tamper-Indicating Feature**

10 CFR 71.43(b) requires that:

*“The outside of a package must incorporate a feature, such as a seal, which is not readily breakable, and which, while intact, would be evidence that the package has not been opened by unauthorized persons.”*

The outside of the package is a totally welded structure. Therefore, the requirement of the tamper-proof feature is satisfied.

#### **2.4.3 Positive Closure**

10 CFR 71.43(c) requires that:

*“Each package must include a containment system securely closed by a positive fastening device that cannot be opened unintentionally or by a pressure that may arise within the package,”*

The package is a totally welded structure. It is subjected to a very low design pressure (MNOP = 7.5 psi). It has been shown in Section 2.6.1.3 that the canister structure is capable of sustaining this pressure with a large margin of safety. Therefore, the requirement of positive closure is satisfied.

## **2.5 LIFTING AND TIE-DOWN STANDARDS FOR ALL PACKAGES**

10 CFR 71.45 specifies the requirements for the lifting and tie-down devices that are “structural parts of the package”. The lifting and tie-down devices for the package are designed such that they are “not structural part of the package”. Therefore, their design is not a part of the package safety analysis for Part 71 considerations, and the criteria of 10 CFR 71.45 do not apply.

### **2.5.1 Lifting Devices**

Trunnions and lifting attachments may be welded to the canister to facilitate the handling of the package during its preparation for the shipment. These devices must be disabled or removed prior to its shipment of the package. The evaluation of these devices under the site-applicable standards must be performed to ensure that the temporary use of these devices may not impair the package to meet the requirements of this SAR.

### **2.5.2 Tie-Down Devices**

There are no tie-down devices that are “integral part of the package”. Therefore, the criteria of 10 CFR 71.45 do not apply.

## **2.6 NORMAL CONDITIONS OF TRANSPORT**

This Chapter demonstrates that the package is structurally adequate to meet the performance requirements of Subpart E of 10 CFR 71 when subjected to NCT as defined in 10 CFR 71.71. Compliance with these requirements is demonstrated by analyses in lieu of testing as allowed by 10 CFR 71.41(a) and Regulatory Guide 7.6 (Reference 2-3).

### **2.6.1 Heat**

The LACBWR RPV package has been analyzed for the hot environment (ambient temperature 100°F) with and without solar insolation using a 1-dimensional analytical model. The details of these analyses are presented in Chapter 3 of the SAR. Total solar insolation of 400 g cal/cm<sup>2</sup> on the horizontal curved surface for 12-hour duration has been used. The internal heat load of the package (70 Watt) is also included in the analysis. The maximum normal operating

pressure (MNOP) is established based on the maximum cavity temperature obtained from these analyses.

### 2.6.1.1 Summary of Pressures and Temperatures

Based on the analyses performed in Chapter 3, the maximum temperature of various component of the package is summarized below (Reference Table 3-2).

Canister temperature .....	153.7°F
Interstitial concrete temperature.....	154°F
RPV Temperature.....	154.28°F
Temperature gradient through the package wall .....	0.3°F

The design temperature of the package is established to be 160°F and the MNOP is 7.5 psig.

### 2.6.1.2 Differential Thermal Expansion

The canister of the LACBWR RPV package is a welded structure that does not have any thermal insulation and dissimilar metal joints. Under the thermal test conditions the entire canister will rise in temperature to approximately 154°F, with very little (less than 1°F) temperature gradient through its wall. Therefore, under these tests the entire canister will expand uniformly, with little or no thermal stresses.

### 2.6.1.3 Stress Calculations

The stresses in the package under NCT are mainly due to the internal pressure. As mentioned in the previous section, negligible amount of thermal stresses would result under the thermal tests. The canister of the package is a single-layered steel structure fabricated in two pieces that are welded together with no force-fits and an appropriate amount of pre-heat. Therefore, no appreciable fabrications stresses will be present in the package.

Stresses in the package are calculated under the MNOP as follows:

### Stresses in the Wall

Under the design internal pressure the canister will be subjected to hoop and longitudinal stresses in the wall. These stresses can be calculated using the formulas from Roark (Reference 2-9), Table 29, Case 1c.

Under the design pressure,  $p = 7.5$  psig

$$\sigma_2 = \frac{pr}{t} = \frac{7.5 \times 62.75}{1.5} = 313.8 \text{ psi}$$

$$\sigma_1 = \frac{pr}{2t} = \frac{7.5 \times 62.75}{2 \times 1.5} = 156.9 \text{ psi}$$

Where,

$r$  = internal radius, for conservativeness external radius of 62.75" is used

$t$  = thickness of the shell = 1.5"

Because of the discontinuity at the joint where the upper and lower parts of the canister are welded, the stress will be intensified. This joint is similar to a socket-welded joint for which a stress concentration factor of 3 is normally used. To be conservative a stress concentration factor of 3.5 is used in this calculation. Therefore, the maximum stresses are as follows:

$$\sigma_{hoop} = 3.5 \times \sigma_2 = 3.5 \times 313.8 = 1,098 \text{ psi}$$

$$\sigma_{long} = 3.5 \times \sigma_1 = 3.5 \times 156.9 = 549 \text{ psi}$$

### Stresses in the Endplates

Both the top and the bottom endplates of the canister are 4" thick circular plates. The top endplate is also welded with the lifting arrangement, part of which will remain attached to it even when the lifting attachment is rendered ineffective prior to the shipment of the package. Thus, this end will be much stiffer than the lower end, which is analyzed for the maximum stress under the design pressure. The maximum stress in this plate can be calculated by idealizing it as a circular plate, with the simply-supported edge, and uniformly loaded over its surface. Using the formula from Roark (Reference 2-9), Table 24, Case 10, we get:

$$\sigma_{max} = 0.375 \times (3 + \nu) \times q \times (a/t)^2$$

Where,

$\nu$  = Poisson's Ratio = 0.3 for steel

$q$  = uniform pressure = 7.5 psi

$a =$  radius of the plate = 62.75"

$t =$  thickness of the plate = 4"

Thus,

$$\sigma_{max} = 0.375 \times (3 + 0.3) \times 7.5 \times (62.75/4)^2 = 2,284 \text{ psi}$$

It should be noted that the ASME B&PV Code classifies the stress at the juncture of the endplates and the shell as a secondary stress.

#### 2.6.1.4 Comparison with Allowable Stresses

From the analyses presented in the previous section, the maximum stress in the package under the normal operating conditions is 2,284 psi. Since this is a bending stress, based on the ASME code, it is classified as a primary membrane + bending stress. Conservatively considering it to be primary membrane stress, the allowable stress is 20,000 psi (see Section 2.1.2). Therefore, the factor of safety under the normal operating conditions is:

$$\text{F.S.} = 20,000/2,284 = 8.76$$

#### 2.6.2 Cold

The LACBWR RPV package has been analyzed for the cold environment (ambient temperature -20°F) with the internal heat load of 70 Watt using a 1-dimensional analytical model. The details of these analyses are presented in Chapter 3 of the SAR. Based on the analyses performed, the maximum temperature of various component of the package is summarized below (Reference Table 3-2).

Canister temperature .....	-18.55°F
Interstitial concrete temperature.....	-18.26°F
RPV Temperature.....	-17.97°F
Temperature gradient through the package wall .....	0.29°F

The canister of the LACBWR RPV package is a welded structure that does not have any thermal insulation and dissimilar metal joints. Under the cold test conditions the entire canister will drop in temperature to approximately -19°F, with very little (less than 1°F) temperature gradient

through its wall. Therefore, under this test the entire canister will contract uniformly, with little or no thermal stresses.

Although the LACBWR RPV package has been evaluated for the regulatory cold condition requirement of -20°F ambient temperature, the minimum temperature the package can be transported has been set to 0°F. The fracture toughness requirements for various parts of the containment boundary (i.e. the canister) are established based on 0°F lowest service temperature (LST). Provisions of Regulatory Guide 7.11 (Reference 2-5) and NUREG/CR-1815 (Reference 2-6) are used in determination of the nil ductility transition (NDT) temperature for the package material. The ASME Code Section VIII – Division 2, is used to establish NDT test exclusion criteria.

The LACBWR RPV package is a Type B, Category II package. Therefore, the required NDT temperature is determined by using a value of  $\beta=0.6$  in accordance with the methodology provided in Section 5.2 of NUREG/CR-1815. The NDT temperature for a particular thickness of plate is determined from the following equation.

$$T_{\text{NDT}} = \text{LST} - A$$

Where A is the temperature offset obtained from Figure 6 of Reference 2-6 (Provided in Appendix 2-2 of this SAR).

For the 4" thick endplates, the value of A from Figure 6 is 15°F. Therefore,

$$T_{\text{NDT}} (4") = 0 - 15 = -15^{\circ}\text{F}$$

For the 3" thick welding ring, the value of A from Figure 6 is 0°F. Therefore,

$$T_{\text{NDT}} (3") = 0 - 0 = 0^{\circ}\text{F}$$

For the 1½" shell, the impact test exclusion criteria of the ASME Code exemption criterion is used. Figure AM-218.1 of Reference 2-4 (Provided in Appendix 2-3 of this SAR) gives a set of curves for different materials that specify the LST above which the material is exempted from impact test. For 1½" thick plate made of A-516 material that has been normalized and conforms to the fine grain practice, the LST is -13°F. Therefore, for 0°F LST, no impact test is required for 1½" thick plates.

### 2.6.3 Reduced External Pressure

The reduced external pressure test, specified in 10 CFR 71.71(c)(3), is required to be performed under an external pressure of 3.5 psia. Under this pressure condition the design pressure will result in an internal pressure of  $7.5 + 14.7 - 3.5 = 18.7$  psig. The stresses, calculated in Section

2.6.1.3, for 7.5 psig may be linearly ratioed to obtain the stresses in the package under the reduced external pressure. Thus, the stresses in the canister under reduced external pressure are:

$$\text{Maximum stress in the shell} = 1,098 \times 18.7 / 7.5 = 2,738 \text{ psi}$$

$$\text{Maximum stress in the endplates} = 2,284 \times 18.7 / 7.5 = 5,695 \text{ psi}$$

Since these are bending stresses, based on the ASME code, they are classified as a primary membrane + bending stresses. Conservatively considering it to be primary membrane stress, the allowable stress is 20,000 psi (see Section 2.1.2). Therefore, the factor of safety under the reduced external pressure loading is:

$$\text{F.S.} = 20,000 / 5,695 = 3.51$$

#### 2.6.4 Increased External Pressure

The increased external pressure test, specified in 10 CFR 71.71(c)(4), is required to be performed under an external pressure of 20 psia. Assuming zero internal pressure, the canister will be subjected to an external pressure of 20 psig. The stresses, calculated in Section 2.6.1.3, for 7.5 psig may be linearly ratioed to obtain the stresses in the package under the increased external pressure. Thus, the stresses in the canister under increased external pressure are:

$$\text{Maximum stress in the shell} = 1,098 \times 20 / 7.5 = 2,928 \text{ psi}$$

$$\text{Maximum stress in the endplates} = 2,284 \times 20 / 7.5 = 6,091 \text{ psi}$$

Since these are bending stresses, based on the ASME code, they are classified as a primary membrane + bending stresses. Conservatively considering it to be primary membrane stress, the allowable stress is 20,000 psi (see Section 2.1.2). Therefore, the factor of safety under the increased external pressure loading is:

$$\text{F.S.} = 20,000 / 6,091 = 3.28$$

Under the increased external pressure loading, the canister will be subjected to a compressive loading. A closed end cylindrical shell may be susceptible to buckling under this loading condition. The buckling stress of the LACBWR RPV canister is calculated from the formulas of Reference 2-9, Table 35, Case 20.

For,  $l = \text{length of the cylinder} = 480''$   
 $r = \text{radius of the cylinder} = 62.75''$   
 $t = \text{wall thickness} = 1.5''$

$$\left(\frac{l}{r}\right)^2 \left(\frac{r}{t}\right) = \left(\frac{480}{62.75}\right)^2 \left(\frac{62.75}{1.5}\right) = 2,448 \gg 300$$

The critical stress is given by the formula:

For,  $E = \text{modulus of elasticity for steel} = 30 \times 10^6 \text{ psi}$

$$q' = \frac{0.92E}{\left(\frac{l}{r}\right)\left(\frac{r}{t}\right)^{2.5}} = \frac{0.92 \times 30 \times 10^6}{\left(\frac{480}{62.75}\right)\left(\frac{62.75}{1.5}\right)^{2.5}} = 318.8 \text{ psi}$$

The buckling stress is:

$$q_{\text{buckling}} = 0.8 \times q' = 255 \text{ psi}$$

Therefore, the factor of safety against the buckling is:

$$\text{F.S.} = 318.8/20 = 15.9 > 3.0$$

It should be noted that the buckling stress calculated here is very conservative because of the following reasons.

1. The formula used is for the unsupported shell whereas the canister is filled with the grouted RPV which supports the canister wall under compressive loading.
2. The total length of the canister is used for the unsupported length, whereas for the canister, the discontinuity in the upper and lower part of the canister will reduce the effective length of the shell. Therefore, the buckling stress will be higher than that calculated from the above formula.

### 2.6.5 Vibration

The package is a fully welded steel structure that does not have any flexible component, which could be subjected to vibration loading, associated with the road or rail transportation. Because of the monolithic nature of the package, it will be subjected to a very small transportation loading.

### 2.6.6 Water Spray

Not applicable, since the package exterior is constructed of steel.

### 2.6.7 Free Drop

Under the normal conditions of transport (NCT), 10CFR71.71(c)(7) specifies that a free drop test of the package through a distance of 1 ft (for packages weighing more than 33,100 lb) on a flat, essentially unyielding, horizontal surface be performed. Under the normal conditions of transport, the LACBWR RPV package is always oriented in a horizontal orientation. Two orientations of the package, as shown in Figure 2-1, have been considered for this drop test. In the first orientation, the package is totally horizontal; the lowest point of the package is its welding ring, which contacts first with the unyielding surface. In the second orientation, the package axis is inclined at a 5° angle with the horizontal plane; the lowest point of the package is the endplate edge, which contacts first with the unyielding surface.

The demonstration of compliance with the regulatory requirements of the free drop test is accomplished by analytical evaluation as permitted by the regulations (10CFR71.41). Duratek Inc. proprietary document ST-517 (Reference 2-7) provides the details of these analyses. The results from these analyses, in a summary form, are presented in this SAR.

Finite element analysis methods, using the ANSYS/LS-DYNA (Reference 2-10) explicit dynamics computer code, have been employed to simulate the regulatory drop tests. Inelastic behavior of the package components – RPV, concrete, and the canister material is incorporated into the models. Under each drop condition, the finite element model of the package is dropped freely from the specified height on a rigid unyielding surface. The models are analyzed over a sufficiently large time period so that the kinetic energy of the package has been transformed into the internal energy and/or external work. The state of stresses and strain in the canister is observed throughout this period. The failure of the containment material is assumed to occur when the maximum tensile strain reaches the maximum specified elongation at the ultimate tensile strength of that material.

The finite element model is constructed from 3-dimensional 8-node hexahedral solid elements (ANSYS SOLID 164). All the major components of the package have been exclusively represented in the model. Figures 2-2 and 2-3 show the finite element model. The major components of the model are identified in these figures. Since all the bounding orientations considered for the evaluation, are symmetric about the vertical plane, only one-half of the geometry of the package has been modeled. Symmetry boundary conditions have been applied at the cut-plane. The model consists of 9,364 nodes and 5,170 elements.

The results of the analyses of 1-ft drop test simulation are summarized in Table 2-1. A discussion of these results is presented in the following sections.

#### 1-ft Side Drop

The time-history plots of various energy and work quantities for this load case are included in Figure 2-4. Figures 2-5 and 2-6 present the stress intensity and tensile strain contour plots at the instant when these quantities achieve their maximum value. Figures 2-7 and 2-8 present the time-history plot of the attachment load in the 1¼" and 1¾" supplemental shield plates, respectively.

The maximum tensile strain of 10.804% is calculated for this drop test simulation. Since this value is smaller than the allowable value of 21%, it is concluded that no failure of the containment will occur during this drop test. Also, the supplemental shielding will remain attached during the test.

#### 1-ft Inclined (Oblique) Drop

The time-history plots of various energy and work quantities for this load case are included in Figure 2-9. Figures 2-10 and 2-11 present the stress intensity and tensile strain contour plots at the instant when these quantities achieve their maximum value. Figures 2-12 and 2-13 present the time-history plot of the attachment load in the 1¼" and 1¾" supplemental shield plates, respectively.

The maximum tensile strain of 10.597% is calculated for this drop test simulation. Since this value is smaller than the allowable value of 21%, it is concluded that no failure of the containment will occur during this drop test. Also, the supplemental shielding will remain attached during the test.

It should be noted that LACBWR package containment boundary structure (canister) is made of solid steel for which the material properties used in the drop analyses (density, elastic modulus, yield stress and the tangent modulus) do not appreciably change through the temperature range of -20°F and 100°F. Therefore, the initial conditions for the cold and hot environment will not have any significant effect on the results and conclusions of the drop test analyses presented in this SAR.

#### **2.6.8 Corner Drop**

Not applicable; the LACBWR RPV package is not a fiberboard, wood, or fissile material package.

## 2.6.9 Compression

Not applicable; the LACBWR RPV package weighs more than 11,000 lbs.

## 2.6.10 Penetration

The package is evaluated for the impact of the hemispherical end of a vertical steel cylinder of 1¼" diameter and 13 lb mass, dropped from a height of 40" onto the exposed surface of the package.

The penetration depth of the 13 lb 1¼" diameter rod dropped from a height of 40 inch is calculated from the Ballistic Research Laboratories (BRL) formula sited in Reference 2-11. For a steel target, the penetration depth is given by the formula:

$$\left(\frac{e}{d}\right)^{3/2} = \frac{DV_0^2}{1.12 \times 10^6 \times K_s^2}$$

Where,

- $e$  = penetration depth, inch
- $d$  = effective projectile diameter, inch = 1.25"
- $W$  = missile weight, lb = 13 lb
- $D$  = caliber density of the missile, lb/in<sup>3</sup> =  $W/d^3$
- $V_0$  = striking velocity of the missile, ft/sec
- $K_s$  = steel penetrability constant = 1.0

For 40" drop of the rod, the striking velocity,

$$V_0 = (2 \times 32.2 \times 40 / 12)^{0.5} = 14.65 \text{ ft/sec}$$

$$D = 13 / 1.25^3 = 6.656 \text{ lb/in}^3$$

Solving the penetration equation, we get,

$$e = 1.25 \times \left( \frac{6.656 \times 14.65^2}{1.12 \times 10^6 \times 1^2} \right)^{2/3} = 0.0147''$$

Since the minimum thickness of the LACBWR RPV canister is 1½", the puncture drop test will not cause any damage to the package.

## **2.7 HYPOTHETICAL ACCIDENT CONDITIONS**

This Section demonstrates that the package is structurally adequate to meet the performance requirements of Subpart E of 10 CFR 71 when subjected to HAC as defined in 10 CFR 71.73. Compliance with these requirements is demonstrated by analyses in lieu of testing as allowed by 10CFR 71.41(a) and Regulatory Guide 7.6 (Reference 2-3).

### **2.7.1 Free Drop**

Under the hypothetical accident conditions (HAC), 10CFR71.73(c)(1) specifies that a free drop test of the package through a distance of 30 ft on a flat, essentially unyielding, horizontal surface be performed. The tests are required to be performed in orientations, which may result in the maximum damage to the package. Three orientations of the package, as shown in Figure 2-14, have been considered for this drop test. In the first orientation, the package is totally horizontal; the lowest point of the package is its welding ring that contacts first with the unyielding surface. In the second orientation, the package axis is inclined at a 5° angle with the horizontal plane; the lowest point of the package is the endplate edge that contacts first with the unyielding surface. In the third orientation the center of gravity (C.G.) of the package is aligned with the lowest point of the package along a vertical axis. Other orientations, including the end drop orientations, are enveloped with these orientations.

The package is analyzed with the help of ANSYS/LS-DYNA finite element model, as described in Section 2.6.7 and shown in Figures 2 and 3, except that the supplemental shielding plates have been assumed to have been detached during all the 30 ft drop tests. These plates are not needed for satisfying the shielding requirements during the HAC events (as shown in Chapter 5). Their removal from the finite element model results in a conservative evaluation of the package under the drop tests.

The finite element models are analyzed over a sufficiently large time period so that the kinetic energy of the package has been transformed into the internal energy and/or external work. During the time interval analyzed, several impacts between various parts of the package and the unyielding surface do take place. For the inclined and the corner-over-CG orientations the so-called “slap-down” effect is automatically included in the analyses. The state of stresses and strain in the canister is observed throughout the analysis period. The failure of the containment material is

assumed to occur when the maximum tensile strain reaches the maximum specified elongation at the ultimate tensile strength of that material.

Duratek Inc. proprietary document ST-517 (Reference 2-7) provides the details of the HAC drop test analyses. The results from these analyses, in a summary form, are presented in this SAR.

The results of the analyses of 30-ft drop test simulation are summarized in Table 2-2. A discussion of these results is presented in the following sections.

#### **2.7.1.1 End Drop.**

The end drop orientation of the package is enveloped by the three other orientations analyzed in this SAR.

#### **2.7.1.2 Side Drop.**

The time-history plots of various energy and work quantities for this load case are included in Figure 2-15. Figures 2-16 and 2-17 present the stress intensity and tensile strain contour plots at the instant when these quantities achieve their maximum value.

The maximum tensile strain of 19.197% is calculated for this drop test simulation. Since this value is smaller than the allowable value of 21%, it is concluded that no failure of the containment will occur during this drop test.

#### **30-ft Inclined Drop**

The time-history plots of various energy and work quantities for this load case are included in Figure 2-18. Figures 2-19 and 2-20 present the stress intensity and tensile strain contour plots at the instant when these quantities achieve their maximum value.

The maximum tensile strain of 31.171% is calculated for this drop test simulation. Since this value is larger than the allowable value of 21%, it indicates that there will be a rupture of the containment material. To examine in more details as to where this rupture is expected, the maximum strain contour plot of the package, excluding the elements representing the outer half of the two end plates, is obtained as shown in Figure 2-21. This plot shows that a maximum tensile strain of 13.97% occurs in this part of the package. Therefore, it is concluded that the rupture may occur at

the outer face of the endplate near the point of impact but it will extend to less than half the thickness of the plates (i.e. 2"). No failure of the containment is expected during this drop test.

Although the results of the analyses show that no failure of the containment is expected during this drop test, it is nonetheless postulated that due to material imperfection or other reasons failure of the package may occur at the location of high tensile strains. Clearly such a failure will be limited to a very small region (see Figure 2-20). This region is assumed to be extending to 10° in the circumferential direction on either side of the plane of impact. The consequence of such a failure are addressed in Chapter 4 of this SAR.

### **2.7.1.3 Corner Drop.**

The time-history plots of various energy and work quantities for this load case are included in Figure 2-22. Figures 2-23 and 2-24 present the stress intensity and tensile strain contour plots at the instant when these quantities achieve their maximum value.

The maximum tensile strain of 24.068% is calculated for this drop test simulation. Since this value is larger than the allowable value of 21%, it indicates that there will be a rupture of the containment material. To examine in more details as to where this rupture is expected, the maximum strain contour plot of the package, excluding the elements representing the outer half of the two end plates, is obtained as shown in Figure 2-25. This plot shows that a maximum tensile strain of 18.647% occurs in this part of the package. Therefore, it is concluded that the rupture may occur at the outer face of the endplate near the point of impact but it will extend to less than half the thickness of the plates (i.e. 2"). No failure of the containment is expected during this drop test.

Although the results of the analyses show that no failure of the containment is expected during this drop test, it is nonetheless postulated that due to material imperfection or other reasons failure of the package may occur at the location of high tensile strains. Clearly such a failure will be limited to a very small region (see Figure 2-24). This region is assumed to be extending to 10° in the circumferential direction on either side of the plane of impact. The consequence of such a failure is addressed in Chapter 4 of this SAR.

#### **2.7.1.4 Oblique Drops.**

The shallow angle side drop test evaluation has been included under 2.7.1.2. As discussed under Section 2.7.1 the finite element models are analyzed over a sufficiently large time period. During this period, several impacts between various parts of the package and the unyielding surface do take place. For the inclined and the corner-over-CG orientations the so-called "slap-down" effect is automatically included in the analyses.

#### **2.7.1.5 Summary of Results.**

The results of the HAC drop test evaluation is summarized as follows:

- The supplemental shielding plates welded on the lower part of the canister detach from the package.
- The region near the impact point of the package deforms severely but remain within the allowable limits of the plastic strain. However, for conservativeness it is assumed that the welds in the severely stretched region do fail. The failure region is assumed to be extending to 10° in the circumferential direction on either side of the plane of impact.
- The MDCC near the point of impact will crack and crush.
- The RPV and the LDCC will experience relatively small stresses and strains.

#### **2.7.2 Crush**

Not applicable; the LACBWR package weighs more than 1,100 lb, its density is larger than 62.4 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>, and it does not contain greater than 1000 A2 radioactivity.

#### **2.7.3 Puncture**

The puncture drop test specified in 10CFR71.73(c)(3) requires that the package be dropped on a 6" diameter mild steel rod from a height of 40". The Nelms' Equation (Reference 2-12) predicts that a package weighing W, made with steel having an ultimate strength S<sub>u</sub> needs a shell thickness t to prevent penetration of the puncture bar, which is given by the formula:

$$t = (W/S_u)^{0.7}$$

For LACBWR RPV package,  $W = 639,000$  lb,  $S_u = 70,000$  psi, then,

$$t = (639,000/70,000)^{0.7} = 4.7''$$

Since the wall of the canister is  $1\frac{1}{2}''$  thick, it is predicted that the puncture drop test will result in the bar piercing through the canister shell. The MDCC behind the shell will impede further penetration of the rod. Since the shell of the RPV is  $4''$  thick, it can be concluded that under this test the wall of the RPV will remain intact.

The consequences of the puncture of the containment boundary under this test are addressed in Chapters 4 and 5.

## **2.7.4 Thermal**

A qualitative evaluation of the LACBWR RPV package under a fully engulfing fire, as specified in 10 CFR 71.73(c)(4), has been performed in Section 3.4 of the SAR.

### **2.7.4.1 Summary of Pressures and Temperatures**

Since the outer component of the package – the canister, is a welded structure that does not have any thermal insulation and dissimilar metal joints, under the fire test, the entire canister will rise to a temperature close to  $1475^{\circ}\text{F}$ , with very little temperature gradient through its wall. Also since the canister has been assumed to have developed cracks in the welds near the point of impact, during the drop tests, and a puncture through its wall during the puncture test, no pressure can develop inside the canister during the fire test.

### **2.7.4.2 Differential Thermal Expansion**

Under the HAC fire test the temperature of the canister uniformly rises, with very little through the wall temperature gradient, the entire canister will expand uniformly under this test. Since there are no thermal insulation and dissimilar metal joints there will be no differential thermal expansion of the package.

### **2.7.4.3 Stress Calculations**

Since under the HAC fire test the temperature of the canister uniformly rises, with very little through the wall temperature gradient, the entire canister will expand uniformly under this test, with very little thermal stress in the canister. Due to the cracks in the weld developed preceding the fire test, the canister will not be able to withhold any pressure. Thus there will be little or no primary stresses in the canister under the fire test conditions.

### **2.7.4.4 Comparison with Allowable Stresses**

As discussed before, under the HAC fire conditions the LACBWR RPV package will not be able to contain any pressure. Therefore, it will develop little or no primary stresses. Also because of the uniformity of the structure (no dissimilar metals, no thermal insulators) the containment boundary of the package, i.e. the canister will uniformly expand under this test, developing no significant thermal stresses.

### **2.7.5 Immersion — Fissile Material**

Not applicable for LACBWR RPV package; since it does not contain fissile material.

### **2.7.6 Immersion — All Packages**

All the Type-B packages are required to meet the water immersion test specified in 10CFR71.73(c)(6). According to which, an undamaged package must be subjected to a pressure of 21.7 psig.

In Section 2.6.4, the LACBWR RPV package has been analyzed under an external pressure of 20 psig for stresses and buckling. The factors of safety calculated in that section can be linearly ratioed to obtain the corresponding factors of safety under the water immersion test. Thus, factor of safety on the stresses is:

$$F.S. = 3.28 \times 20 / 21.7 = 3.02$$

And, factor of safety against buckling of the shell is:

$$F.S. = 15.9 \times 20 / 21.7 = 14.65$$

### **2.7.7 Deep Water Immersion Test (for Type B Packages Containing More than 105 A2)**

Not applicable; LACBWR RPV package does not contain more than 105 A2 (see Chapter 1).

### **2.7.8 Summary of Damage**

The summary of damage due to the HAC fire test, which follows the HAC drop and penetration tests is as follows:

- The supplemental shielding plates welded on the lower part of the canister detach from the package.
- The region near the impact point of the package deforms severely.
- Possible, failed region (assumed to be extending to 10° in the circumferential direction on either side of the plane of impact).
- The MDCC near the point of impact will crack and crush.
- Penetration rod pierced through the canister wall, MDCC in the vicinity cracked, pulverized, and or lost. The RPV remains intact.
- The initial cracks in the weld caused during the HAC drop tests may expand during the fire test.

The effect of these damages on the shielding effectiveness is addressed in Chapter 5 and on containment effectiveness in Chapter 4.

## **2.8 ACCIDENT CONDITIONS FOR AIR TRANSPORT OF PLUTONIUM**

Not applicable for LACBWR RPV package; since it neither contains plutonium, nor it is transported by air.

## **2.9 ACCIDENT CONDITIONS FOR FISSILE MATERIAL PACKAGES FOR AIR TRANSPORT**

Not applicable for LACBWR RPV package; since it neither contains fissile material, nor it is transported by air.

## **2.10 SPECIAL FORM**

Not applicable for LACBWR RPV package; since no special form content is included in the package.

## **2.11 FUEL RODS**

Not applicable for LACBWR RPV package; since it does not include fuel rods.

## **2.12 APPENDIX**

The appendix to this section includes the references and applicable pages from reference documents that are not readily available.

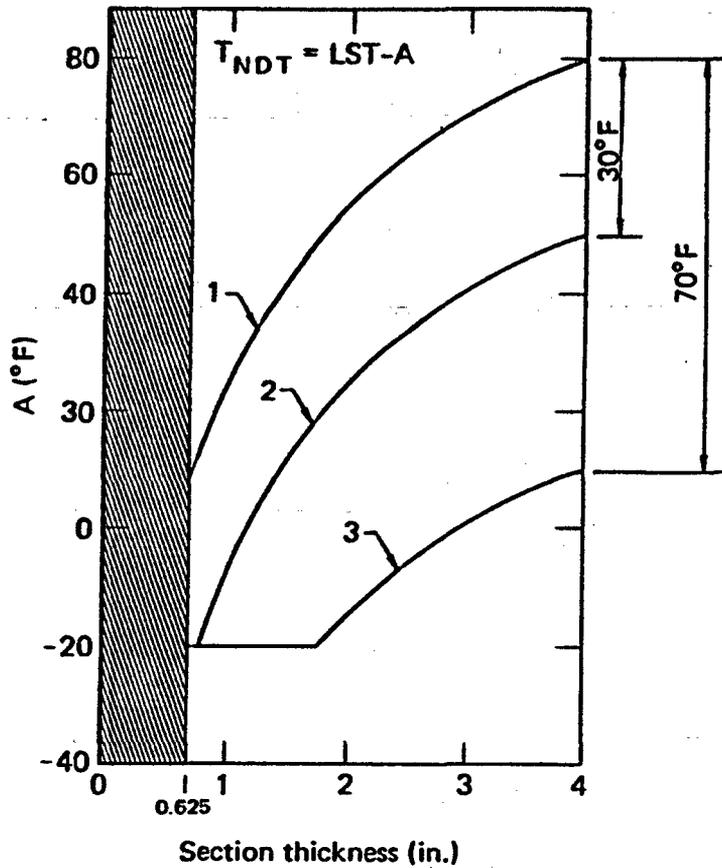
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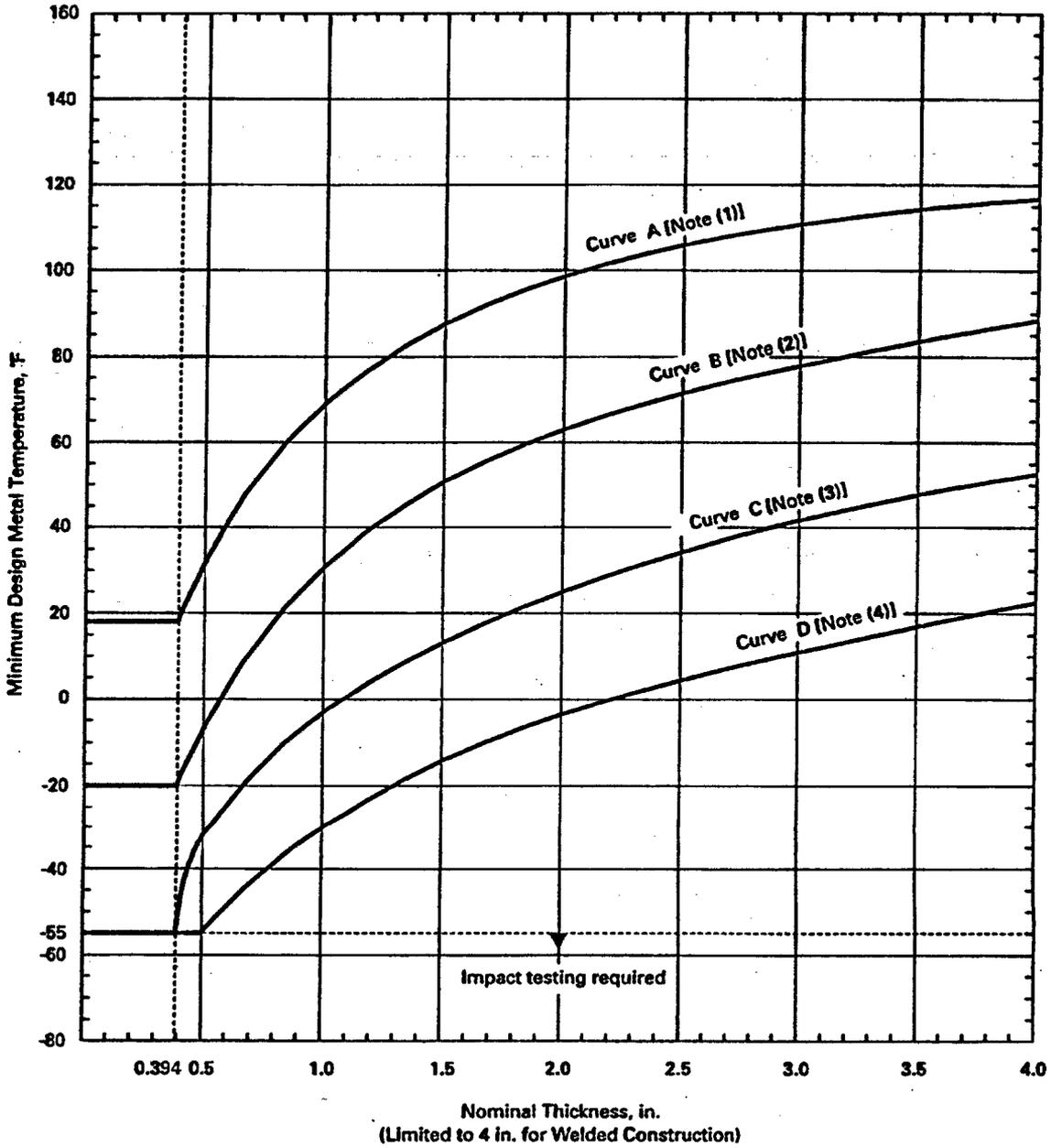
**Appendix 2-2 – Extraction from Reference 2-6**



**FIG. 6. Design chart for Category II fracture critical components showing reference temperature relative to NDT as a function of section thickness (derived from Fig. 7). Curve 1 is the basic  $K_{ID}/\sigma_{y_d}$  curve for  $\beta = 0.6$ , and represents full dynamic loading with stresses at yield stress level. For effective g loadings of less than approximately 100 g: curve 2, shifted 30°F, may be used for steels with  $\sigma_{ys}$  in the range  $60 \text{ ksi} < \sigma_{ys} < 100 \text{ ksi}$ ; curve 3, shifted 70°F, may be used for steels with  $\sigma_{ys}$  less than 60 ksi.**

**Appendix 2-3 – Extraction from Reference 2-4**

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**FIG. AM-218.1 IMPACT TEST EXEMPTION CURVES**

(Notes to figure follow on next page)

**Table 2-1**  
**Summary of Results of 1-ft Drop Test Simulation**

Orientation	Quantity	Max. Value	At Time After the Impact
Side Drop	Maximum Stress Intensity (psi)	60.043 <sup>(1)</sup>	0.040 second
	Maximum Principal Stress (psi)	45,526	0.030 second
	Maximum Tensile Strain (%)	10.804 <sup>(2)</sup>	0.315 second
Inclined Drop	Maximum Stress Intensity (psi)	58,661 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.2275 second
	Maximum Principal Stress (psi)	44,787	0.2275 second
	Maximum Tensile Strain (%)	10.597 <sup>(4)</sup>	0.2275 second

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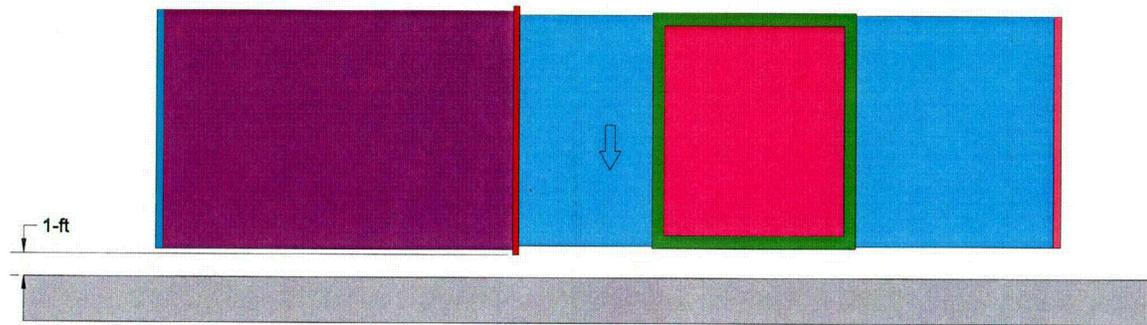
- (1) See Figure 2-5 for the location of the maximum stress intensity.
- (2) See Figure 2-6 for the location of the maximum tensile strain.
- (3) See Figure 2-10 for the location of the maximum stress intensity.
- (4) See Figure 2-11 for the location of the maximum tensile strain.

**Table 2-2**  
**Summary of Results of 30-ft Drop Test Simulation**

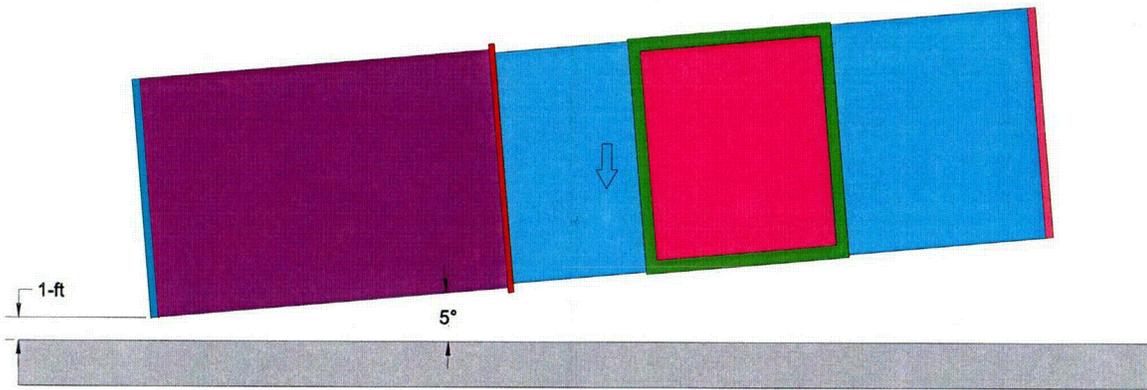
Orientation	Quantity	Max. Value	At Time After the Impact
Side Drop	Maximum Stress Intensity (psi)	92,532 <sup>(1)</sup>	0.0178 second
	Maximum Principal Stress (psi)	122,561	0.0054 second
	Maximum Tensile Strain (%)	19.197 <sup>(2)</sup>	0.019 second
Inclined Drop	Maximum Stress Intensity (psi)	117,566 <sup>(3)</sup>	0.0645 second
	Maximum Principal Stress (psi)	50,702	0.0645 second
	Maximum Tensile Strain (%)	31.171 <sup>(4)</sup>	0.0705 second
Corner Drop With Slap-down	Maximum Stress Intensity (psi)	96,179 <sup>(5)</sup>	0.030 second
	Maximum Principal Stress (psi)	46,970	0.795 second
	Maximum Tensile Strain (%)	24.068 <sup>(6)</sup>	0.795 second

NOTES:

- (1) See Figure 2-16 for the location of the maximum stress intensity.
- (2) See Figure 2-17 for the location of the maximum tensile strain.
- (3) See Figure 2-19 for the location of the maximum stress intensity.
- (4) See Figure 2-20 for the location of the maximum tensile strain. The maximum tensile strain in the weld is less than 13.97% as shown in Figure 2-21.
- (5) See Figure 2-23 for the location of the maximum stress intensity.
- (6) See Figure 2-24 for the location of the maximum tensile strain. The maximum tensile strain in the weld is less than 18.647% as shown in Figure 2-25.



Side Drop Orientation



Inclined Drop Orientation

Figure 2-1  
Package Orientations Analyzed for the 1-ft Drop Test Simulation

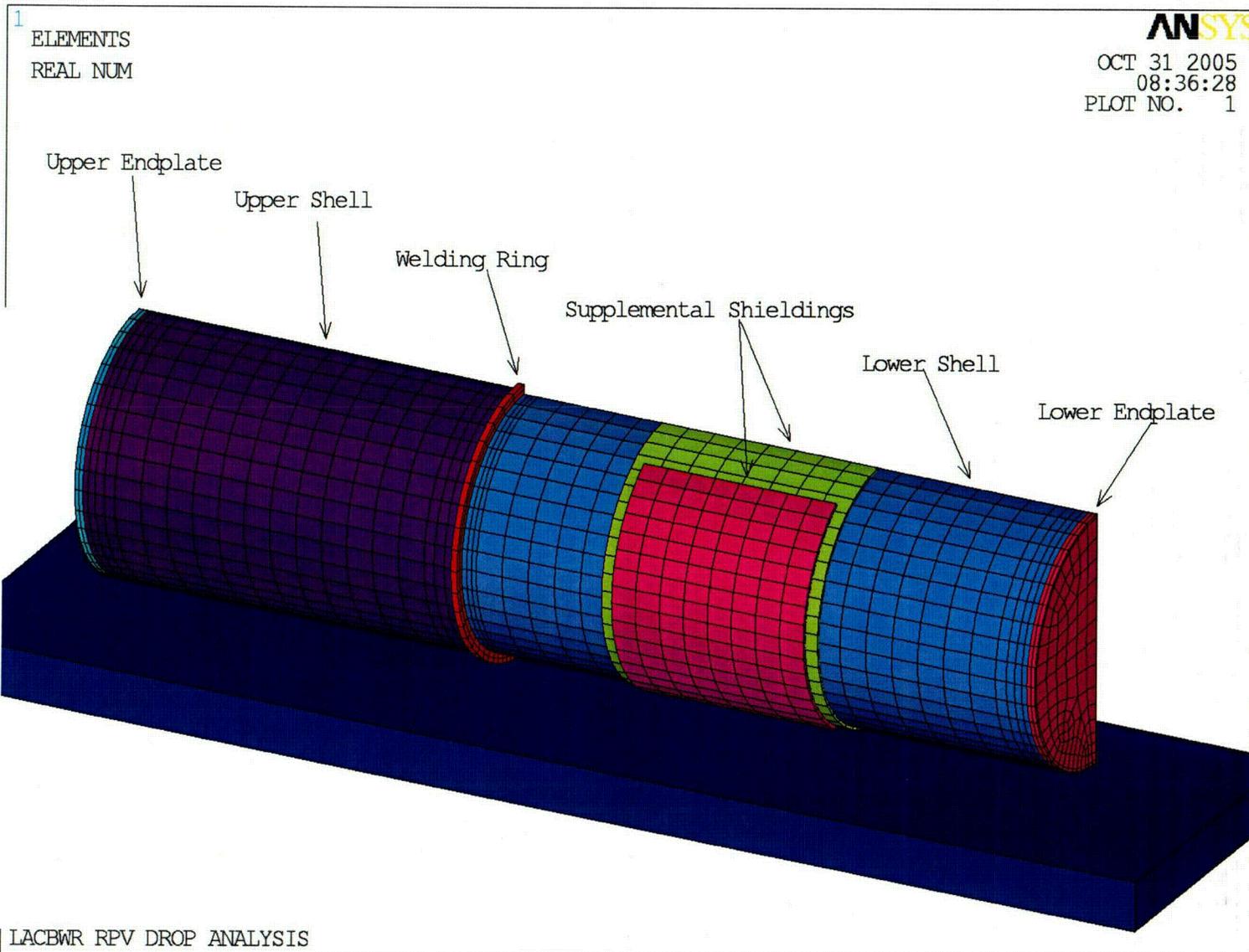


Figure 2-2  
Finite Element Model of the LACBWR RPV Package Components

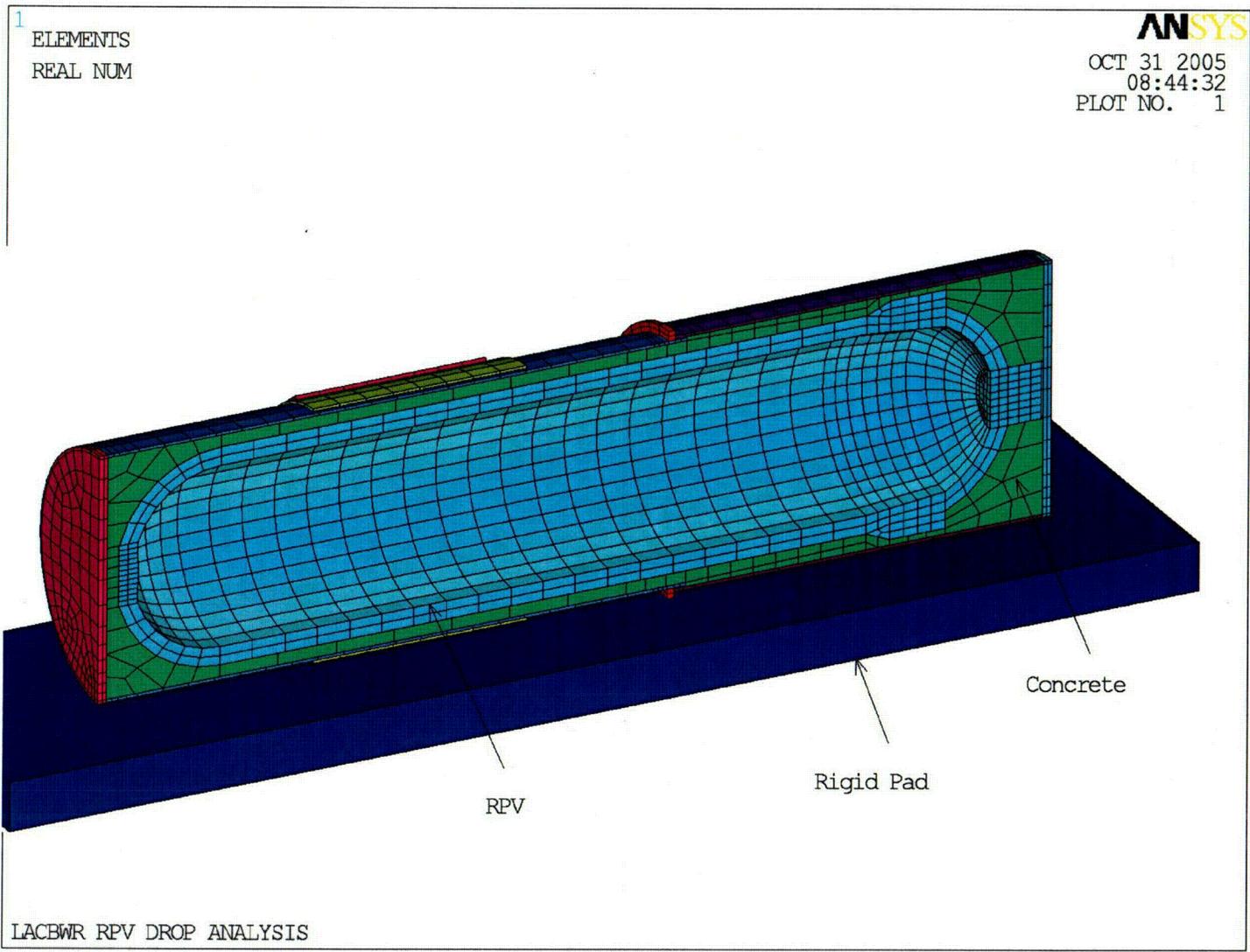
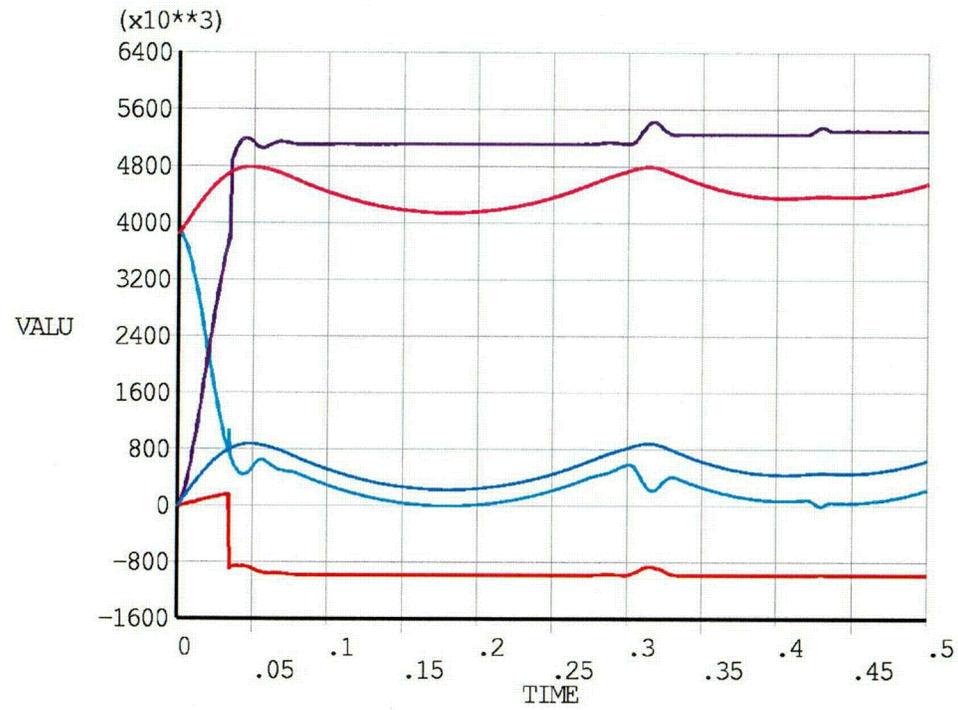


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Finite Element Model of the LACBWR RPV Package Internals

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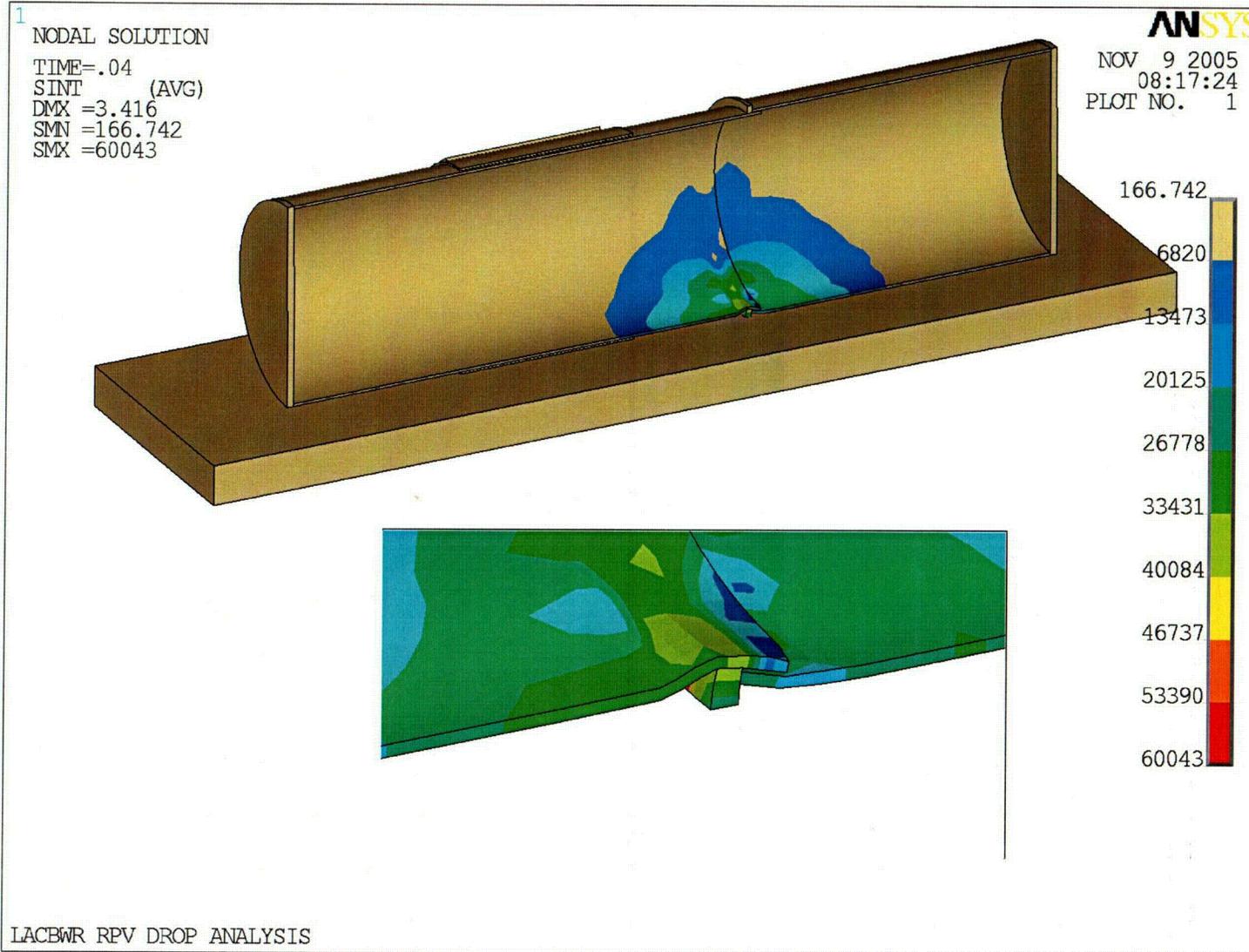
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Figure 2-4  
Time-History Plot of Various Quantities – 1-ft Side Drop

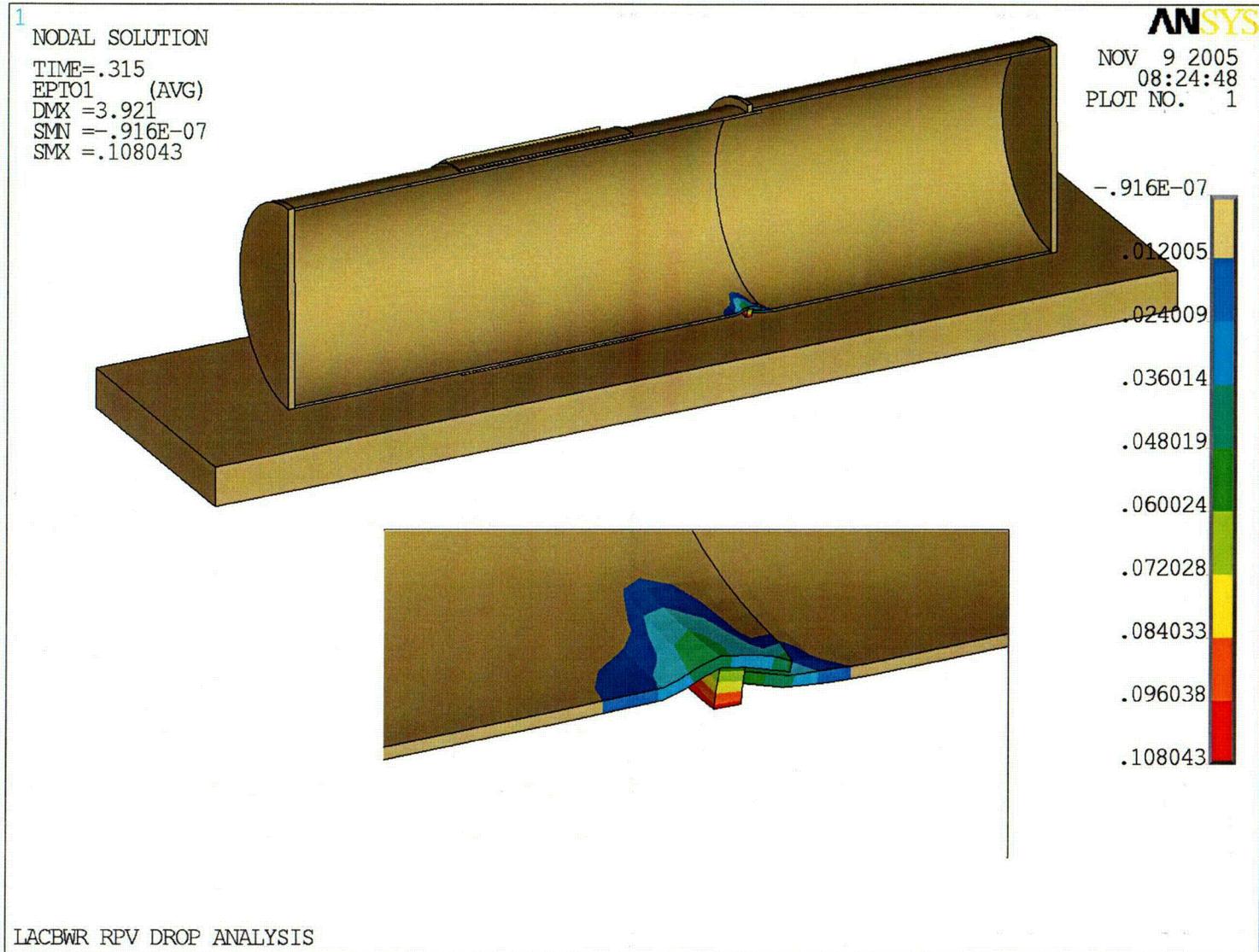
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Plot of

Maximum S.I. - 1-ft Side Drop

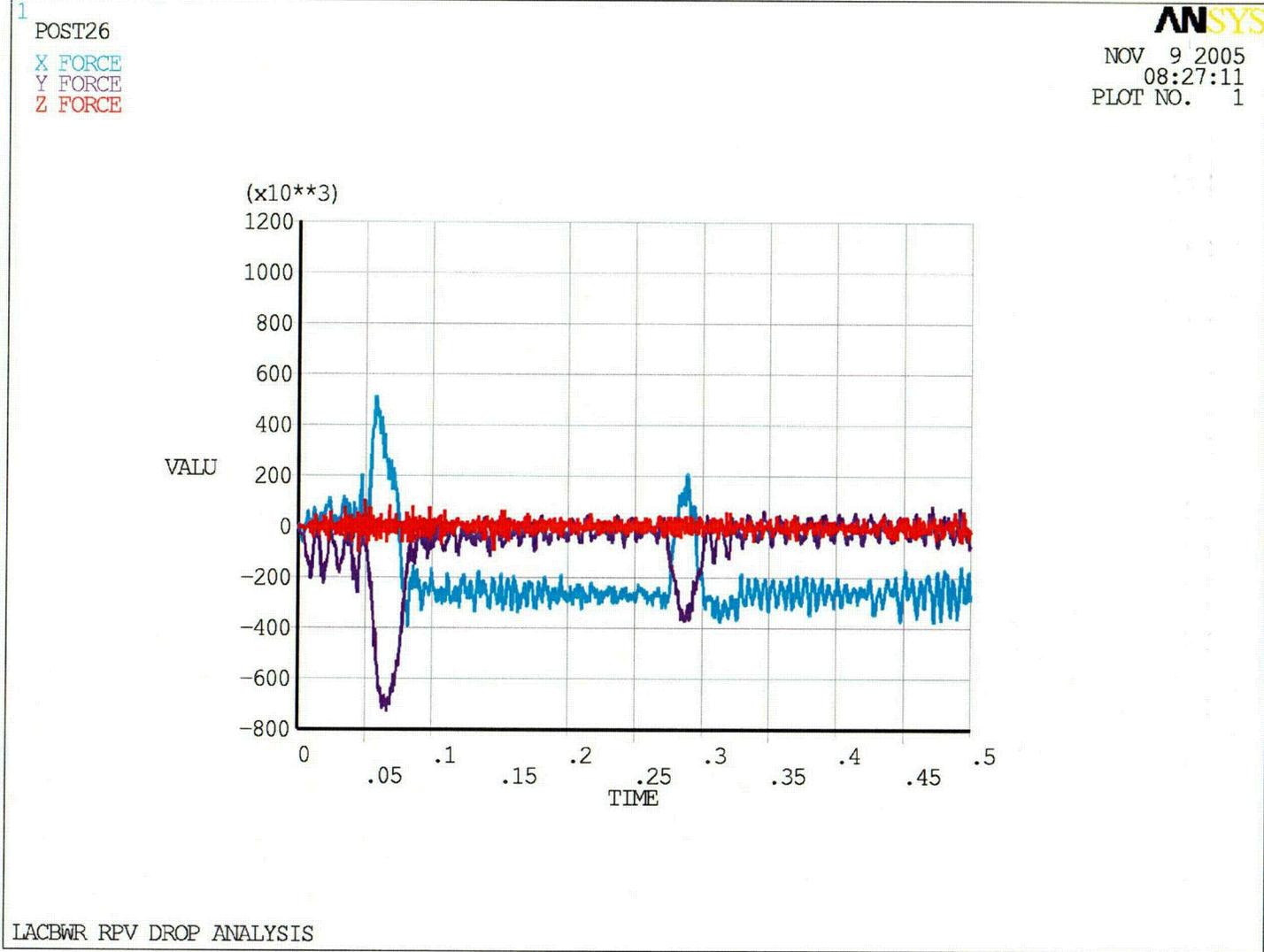
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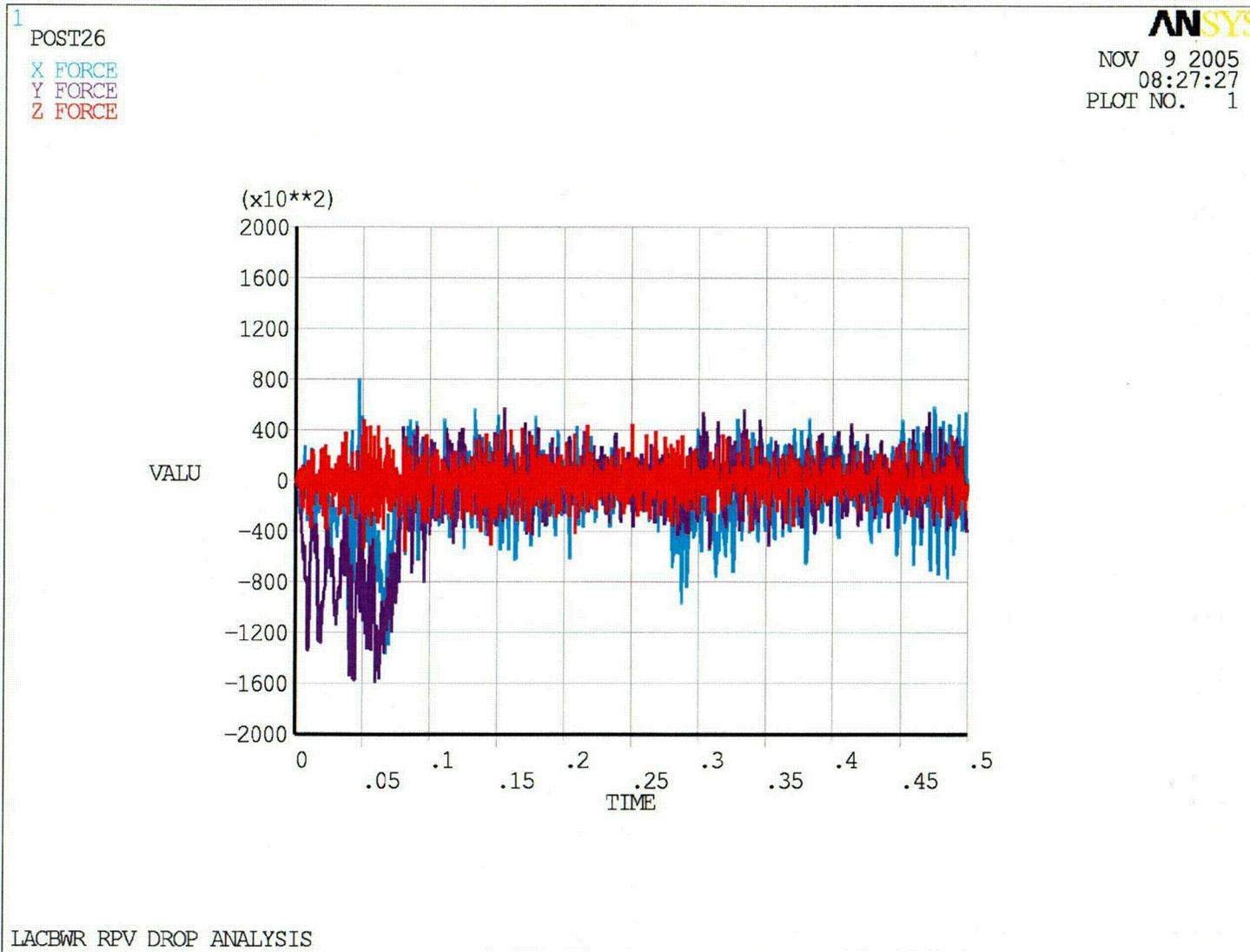
Intensity Contour Plot of the Maximum Tensile Strain – 1-ft Side Drop

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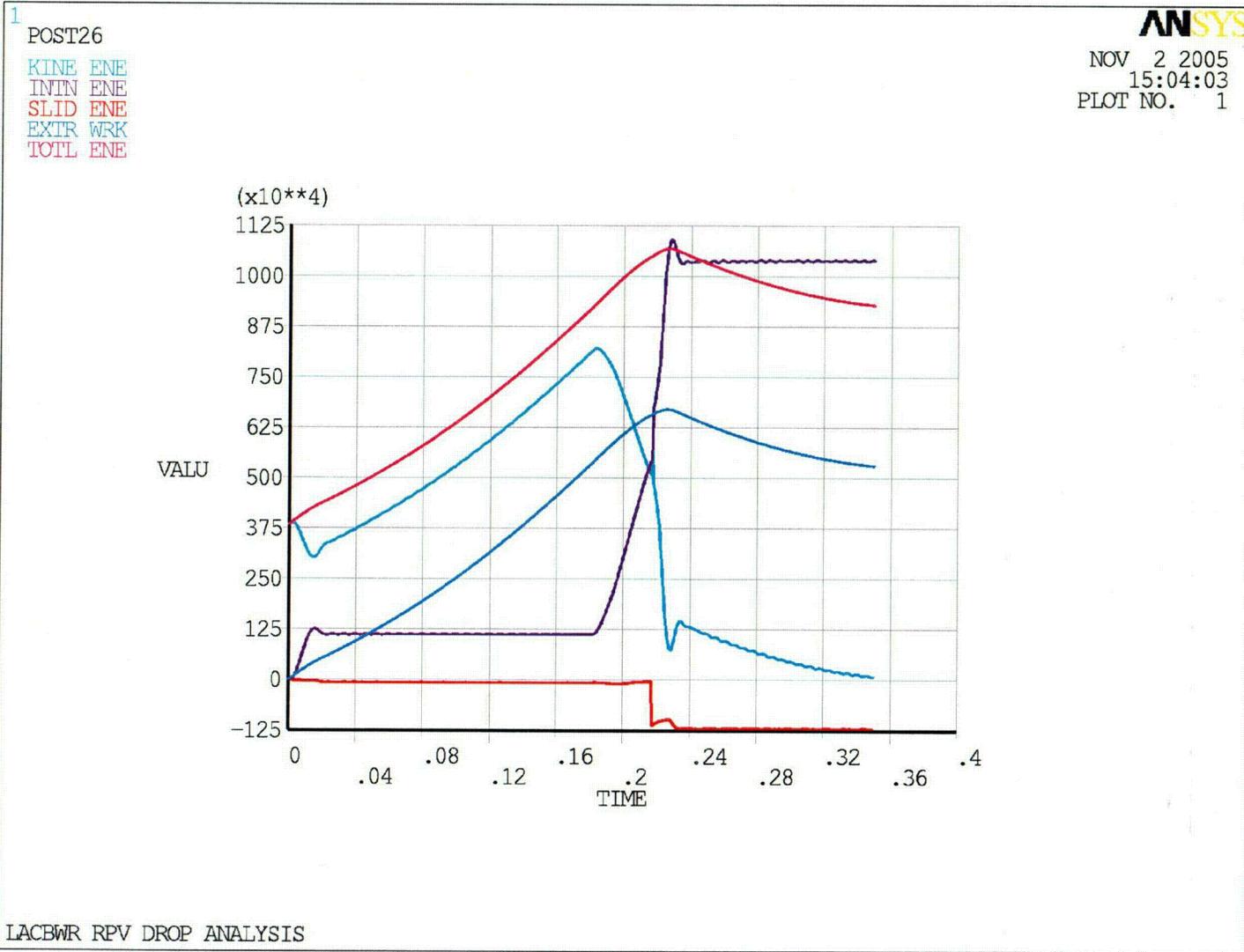
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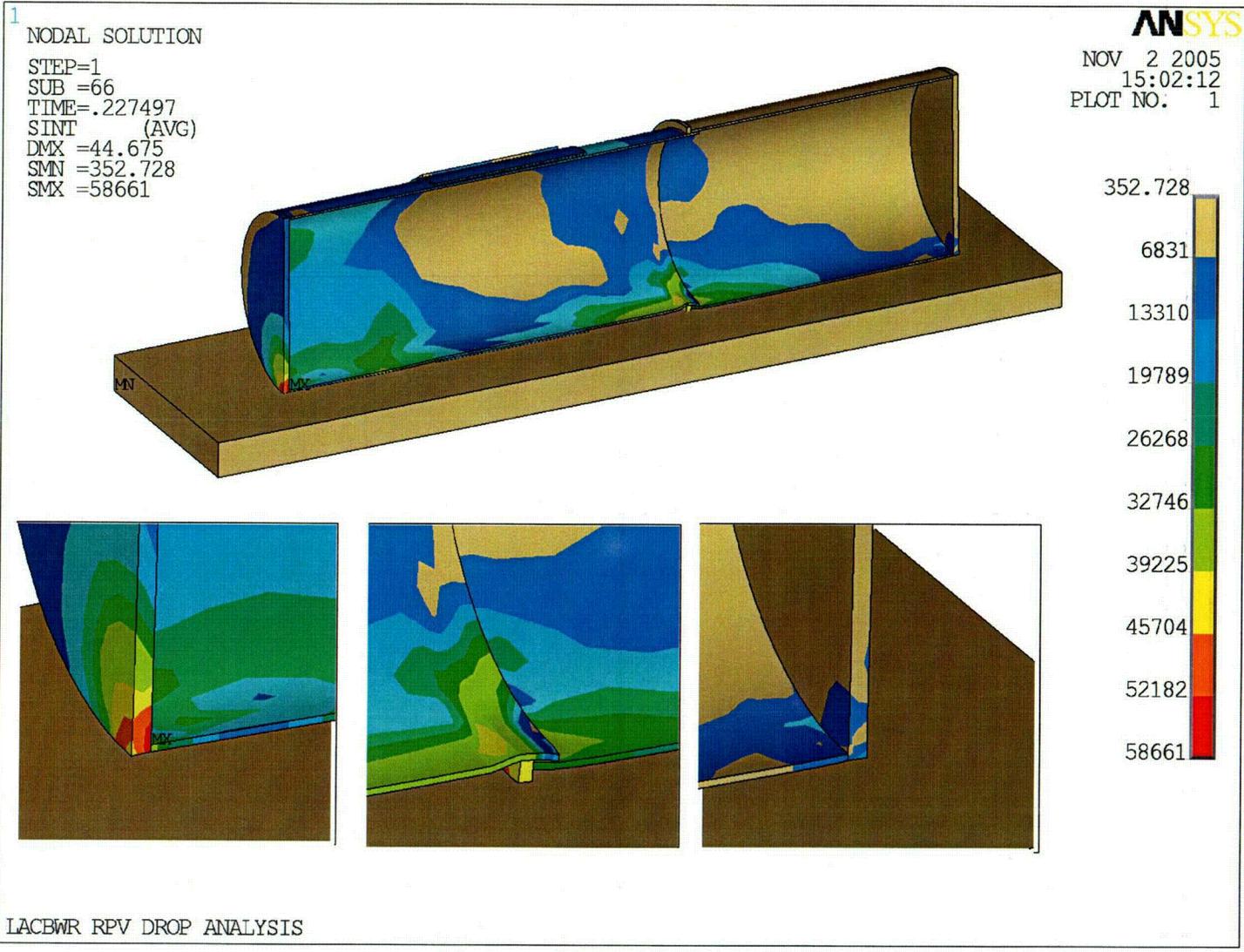
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Quantities - 1-ft Inclined Drop

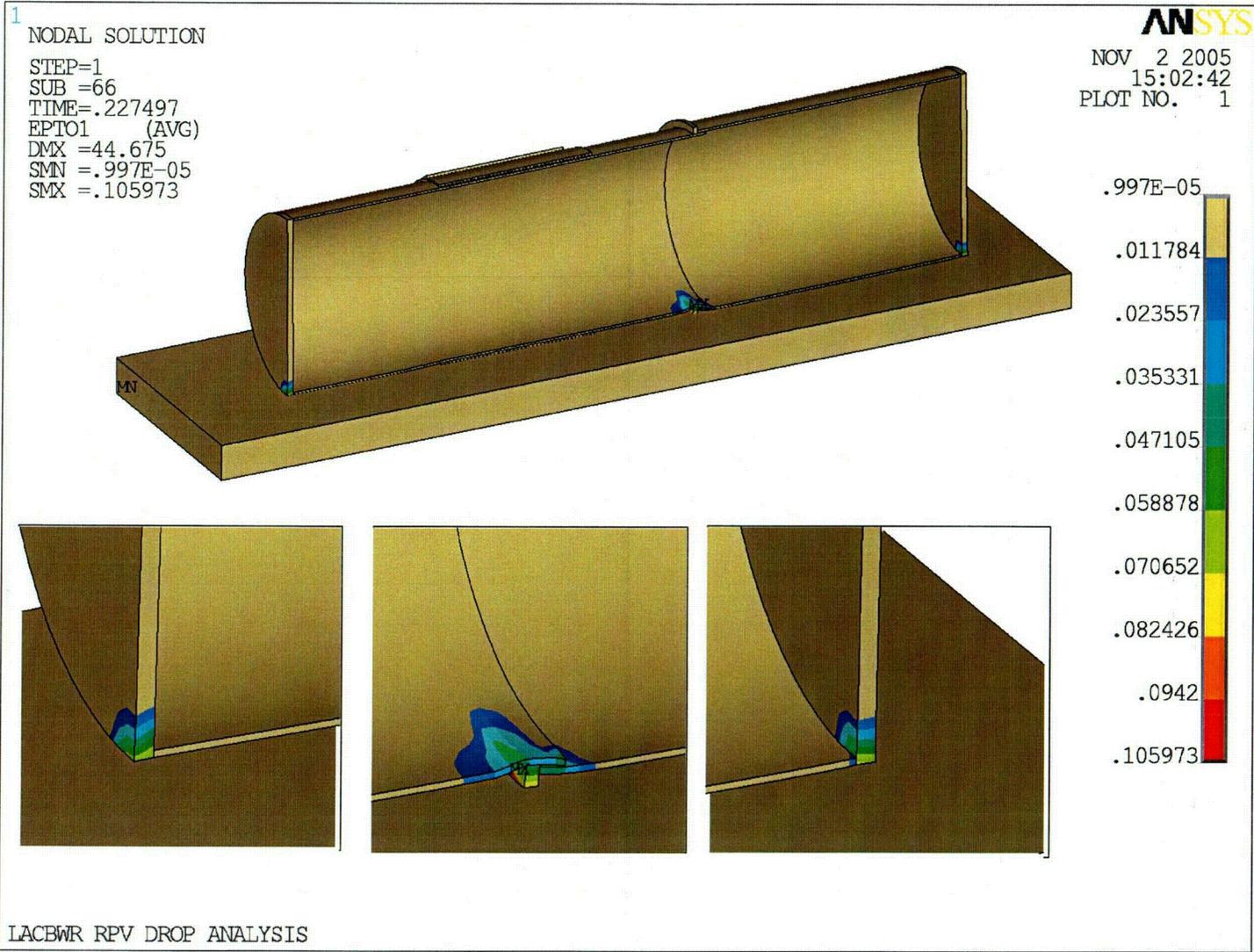
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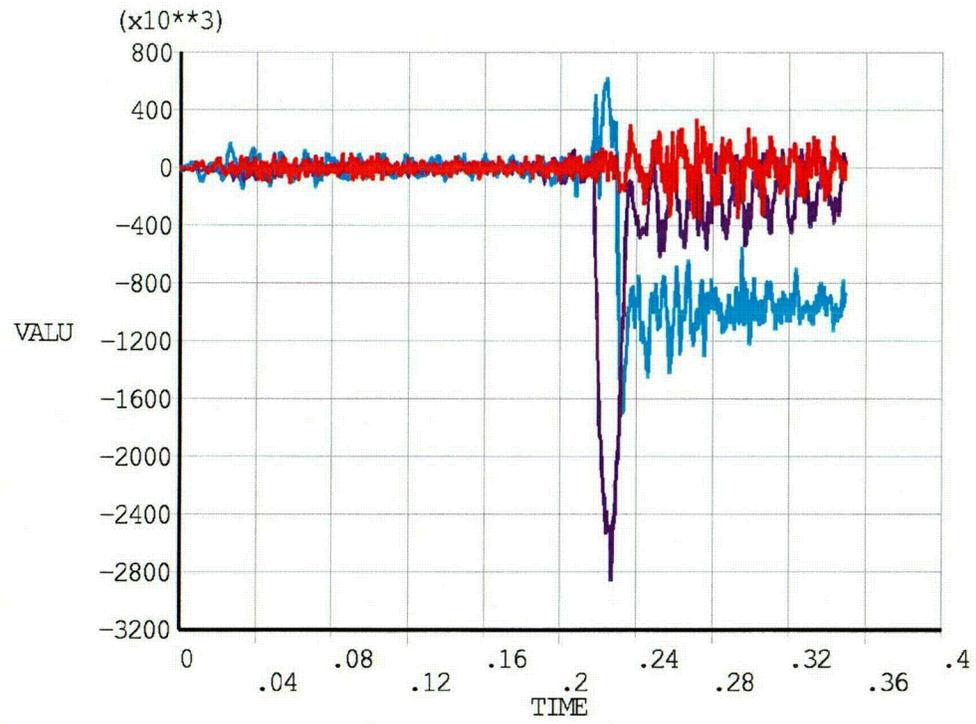
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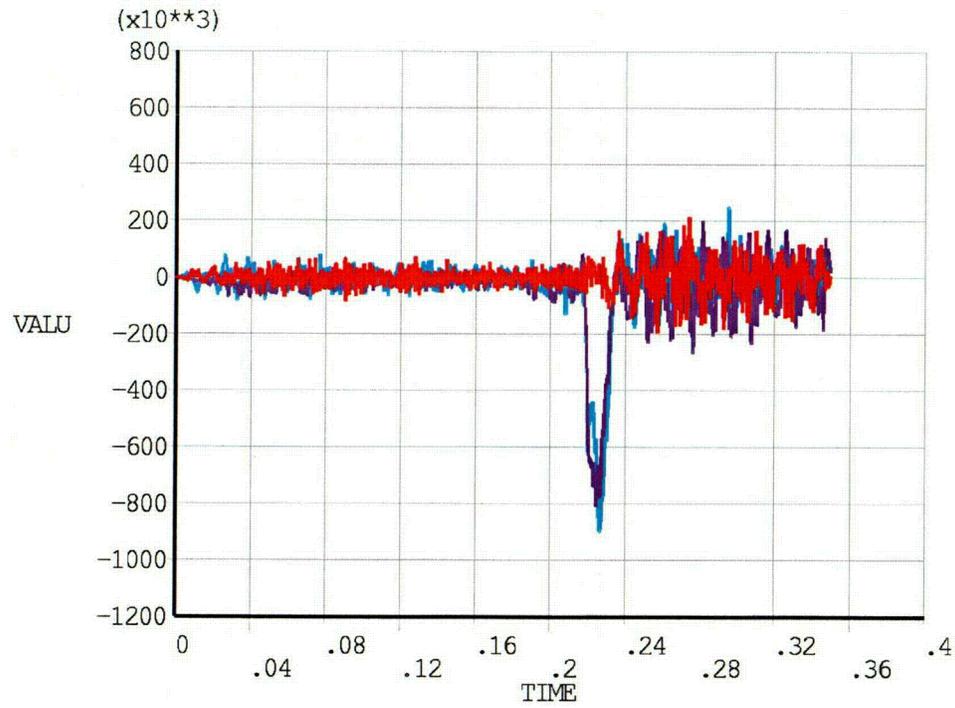


LACBWR RPV DROP ANALYSIS

Figure 2-12  
Time-History  
of the Total  
Forces During  
Inclined Drop  
1 1/4 "  
Supplemental  
Shield Plates

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Figure 2-13  
Time-History Plot of the Total Forces During 1-ft Inclined Drop in the 1 $\frac{3}{4}$  " Supplemental Shield Plates

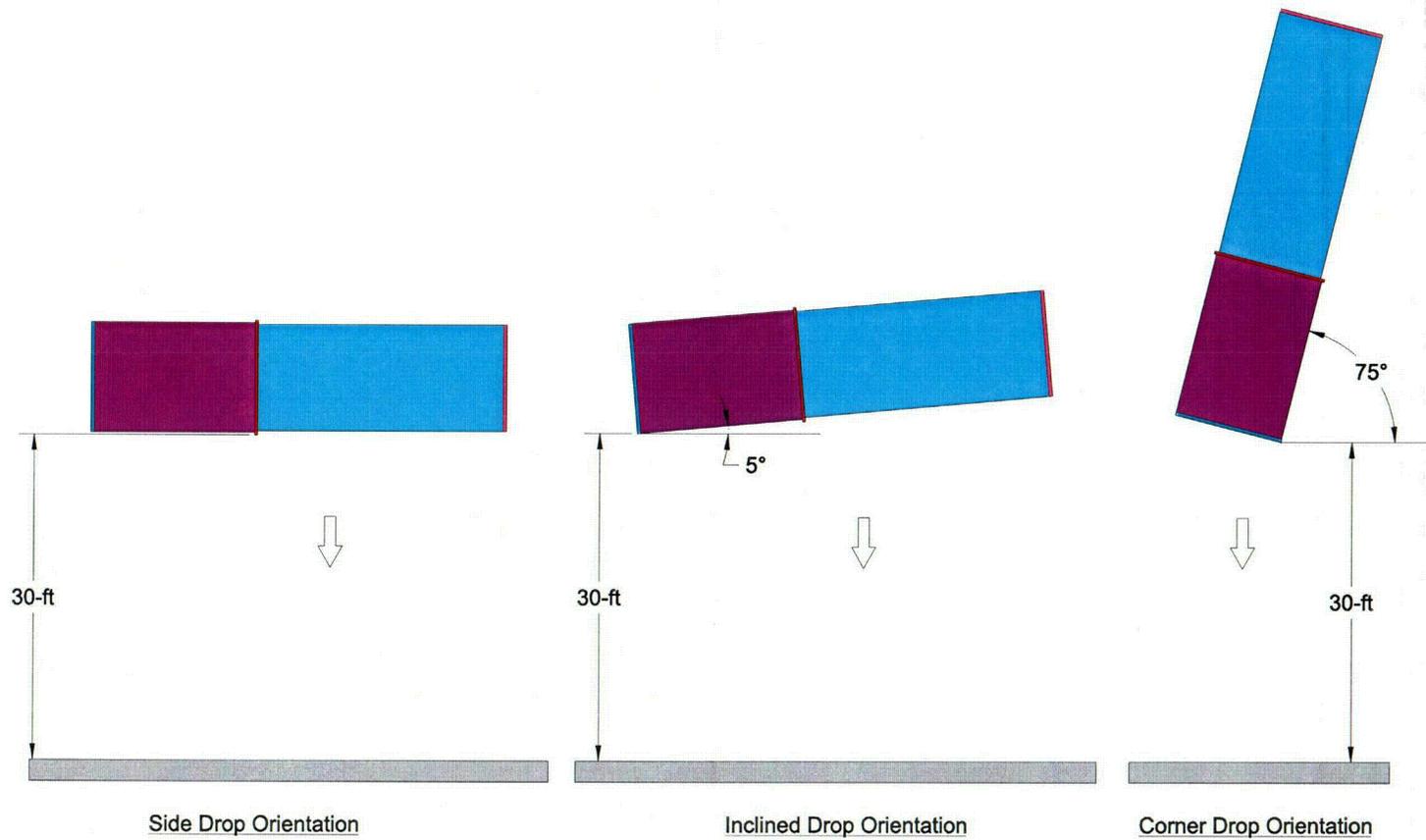
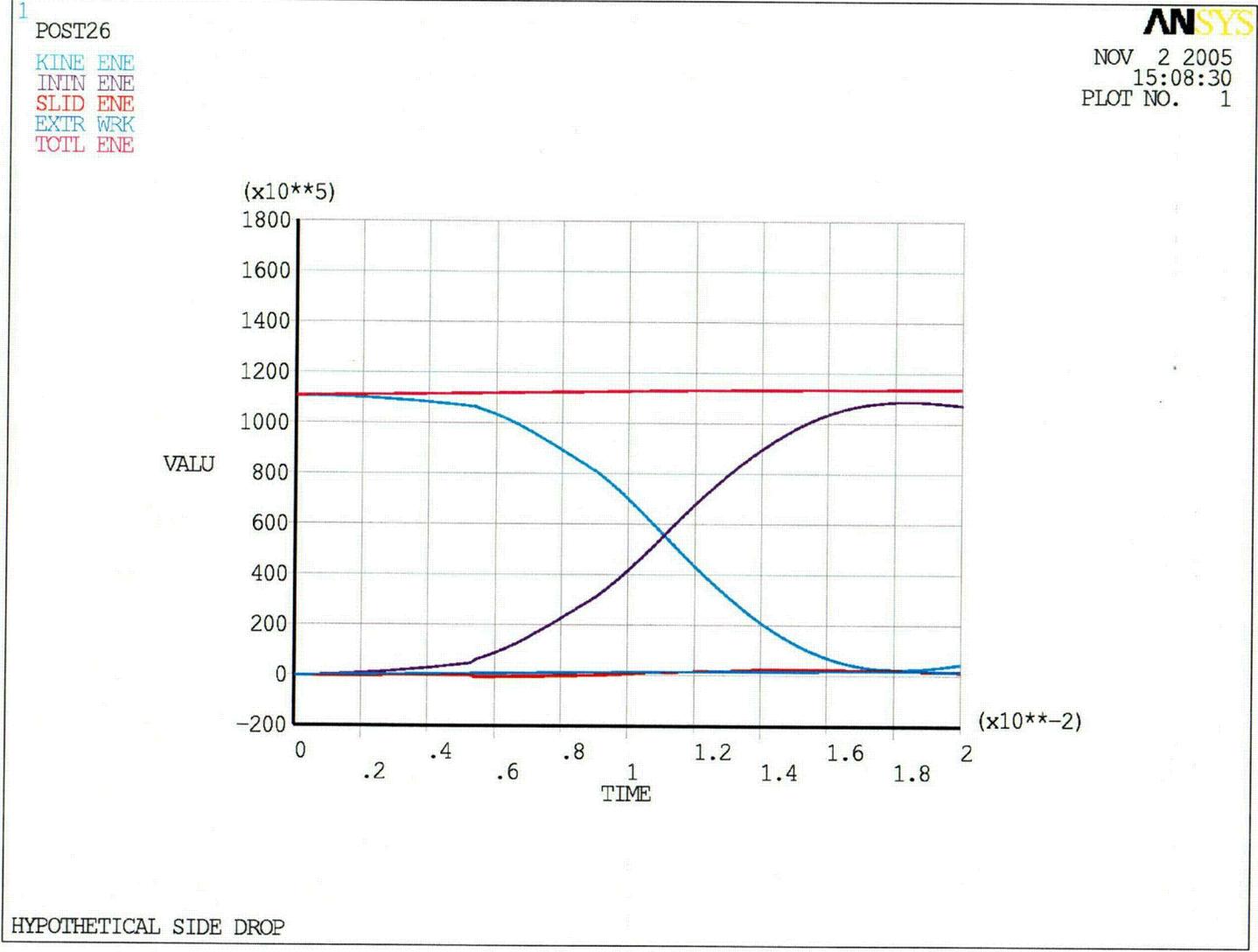


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Package Orientations Analyzed for the Hypothetical Drop Test Simulation

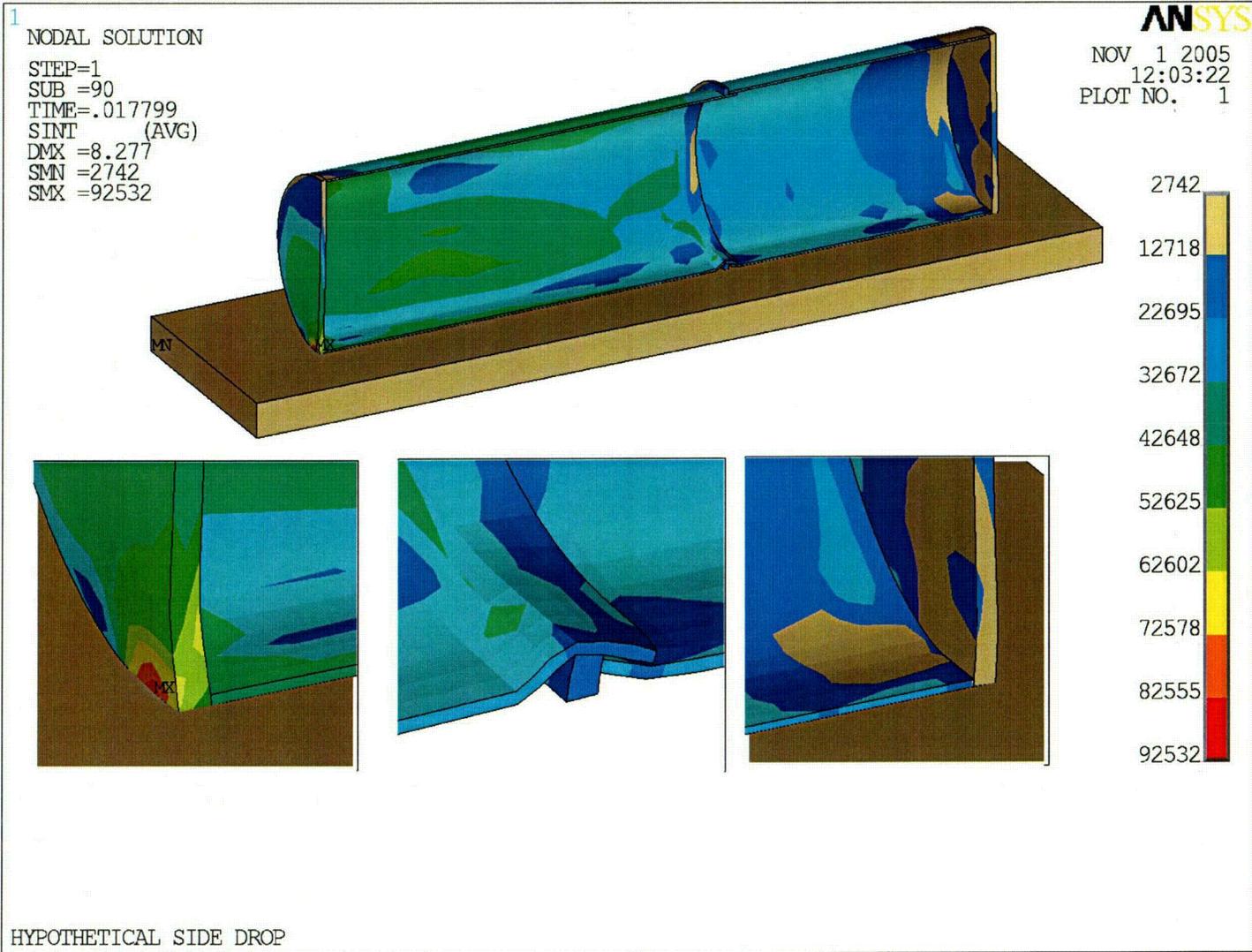
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Plot of



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Quantities – 30-ft Side Drop

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Plot of

Maximum S.I. – 30-ft Side Drop

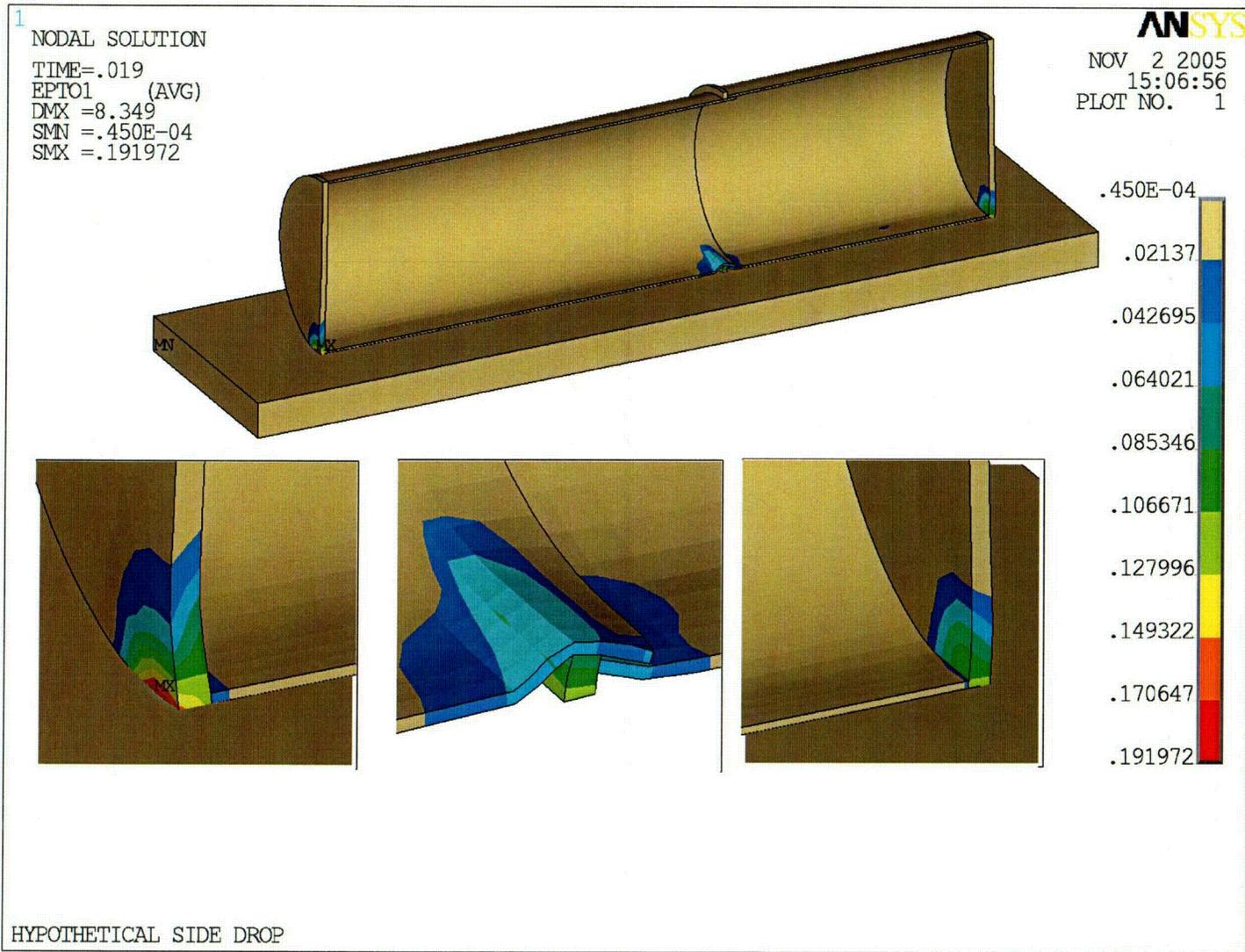
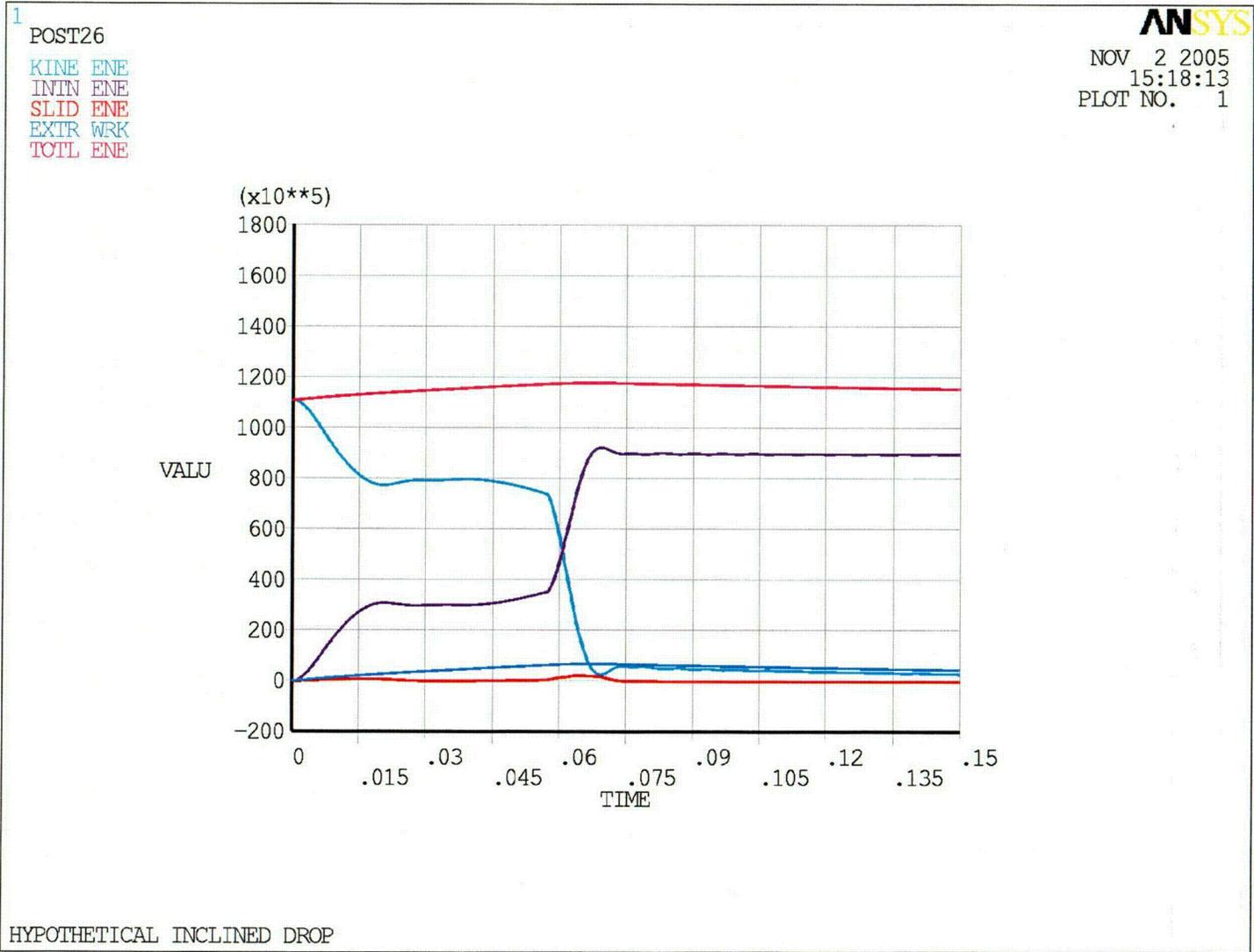


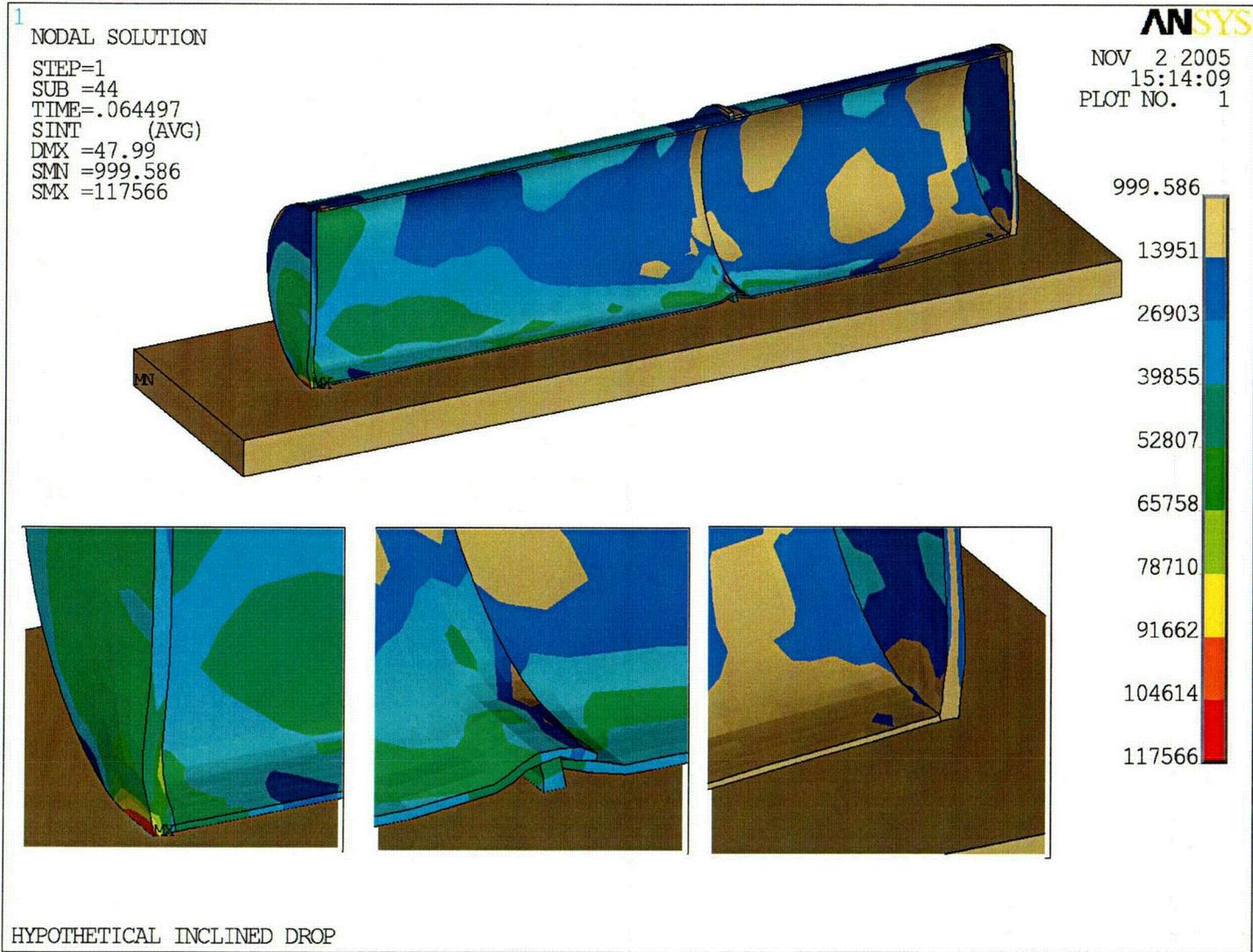
Figure 2-17  
 Stress Intensity Contour Plot of the Maximum Tensile Strain – 30-ft Side Drop

Figure 2-  
Time-  
Plot of



Quantities - 30-ft Inclined Drop

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Contour  
the



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Intensity  
Plot of

Maximum S.I. – 30-ft Inclined Drop

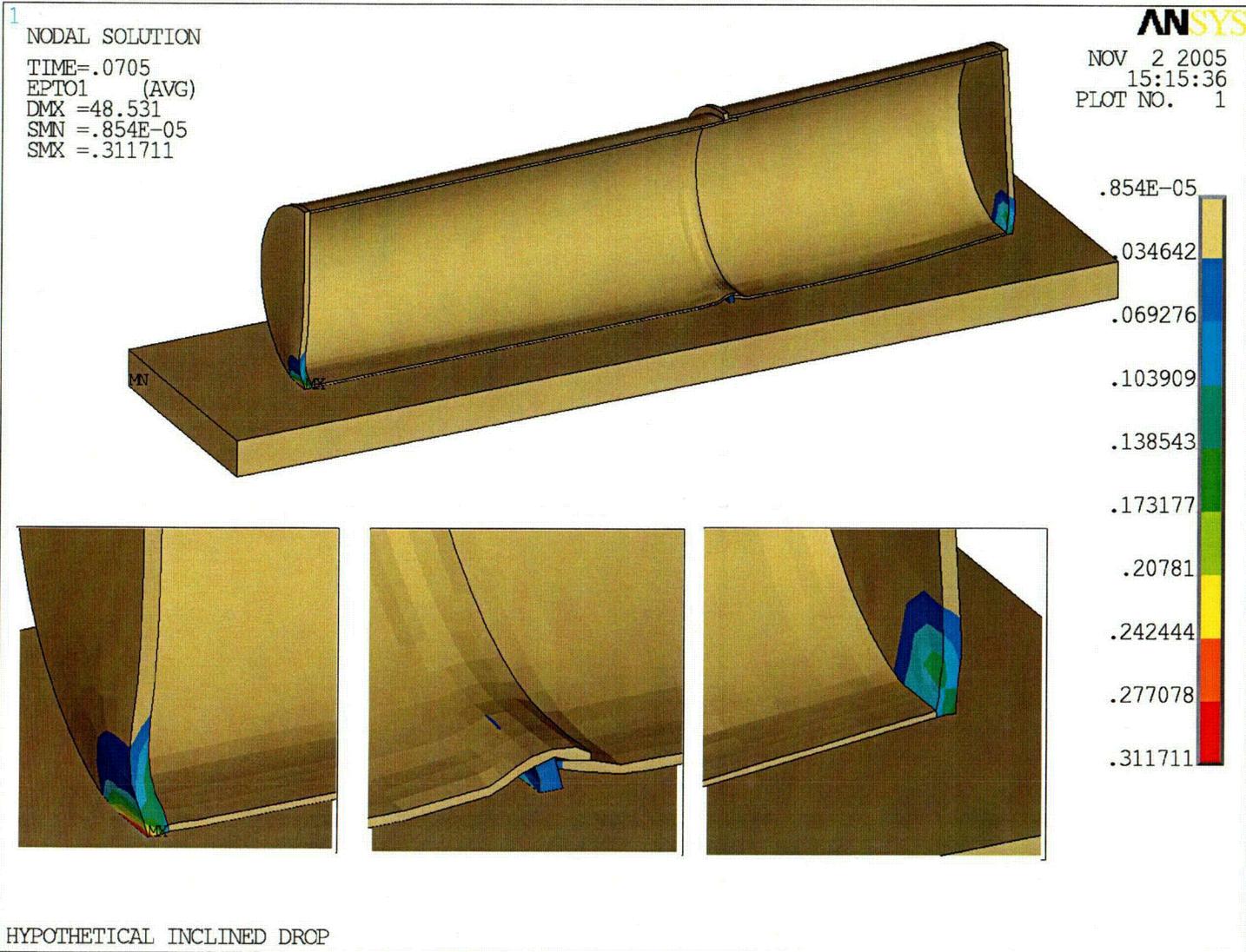


Figure 2-20  
 Stress Intensity Contour Plot of the Maximum Tensile Strain – 30-ft Inclined Drop

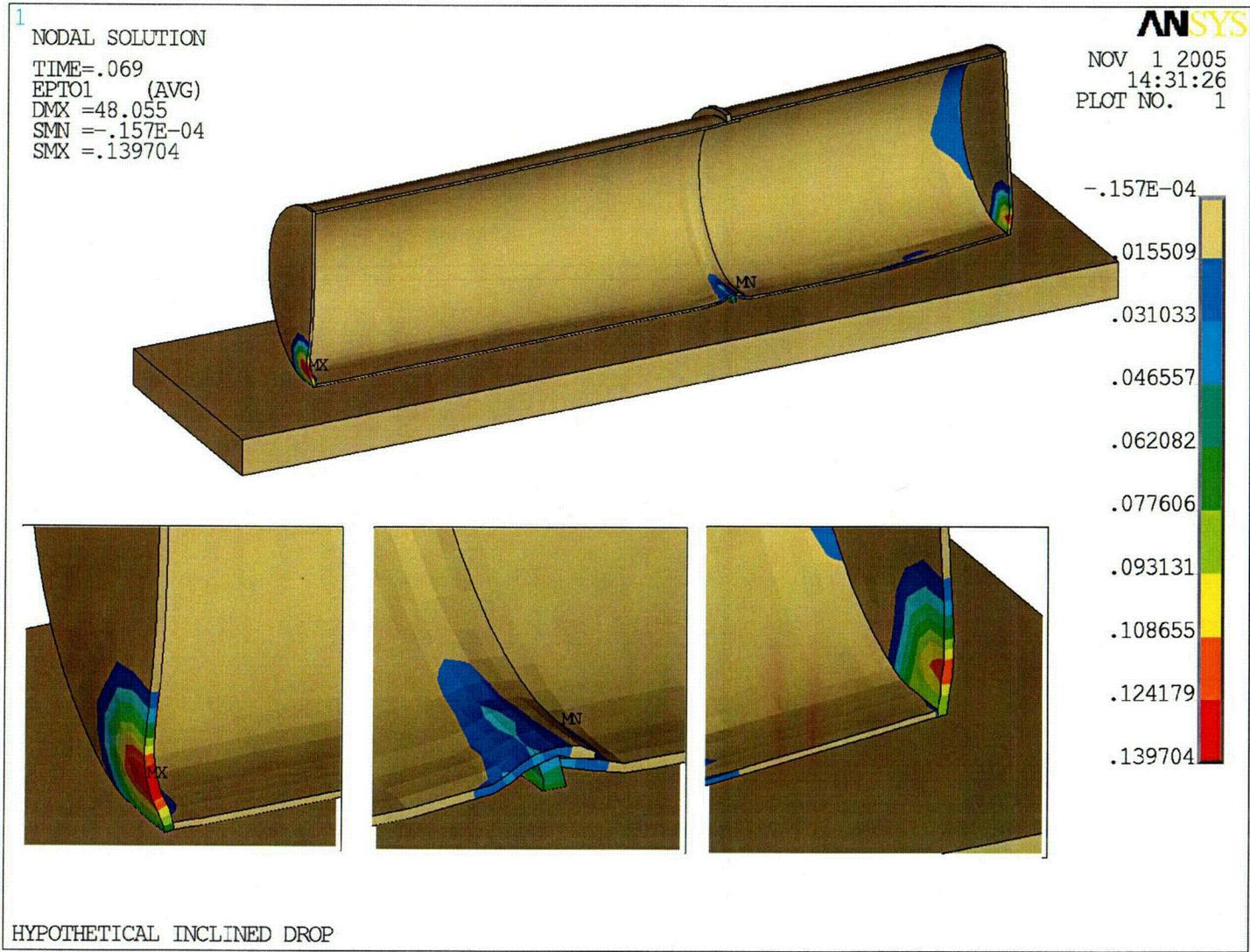
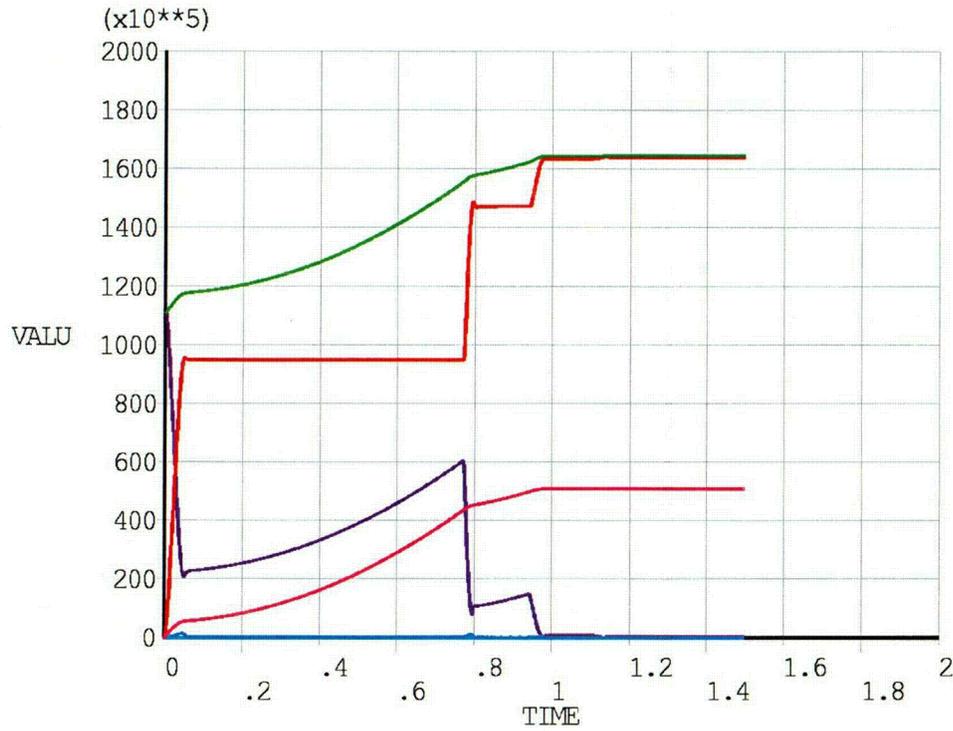


Figure 2-21  
 Stress Intensity Contour Plot of the Maximum Weld Tensile Strain – 30-ft Inclined Drop

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Figure 2-22  
Time-History Plot of Various Quantities – 30-ft Corner Drop

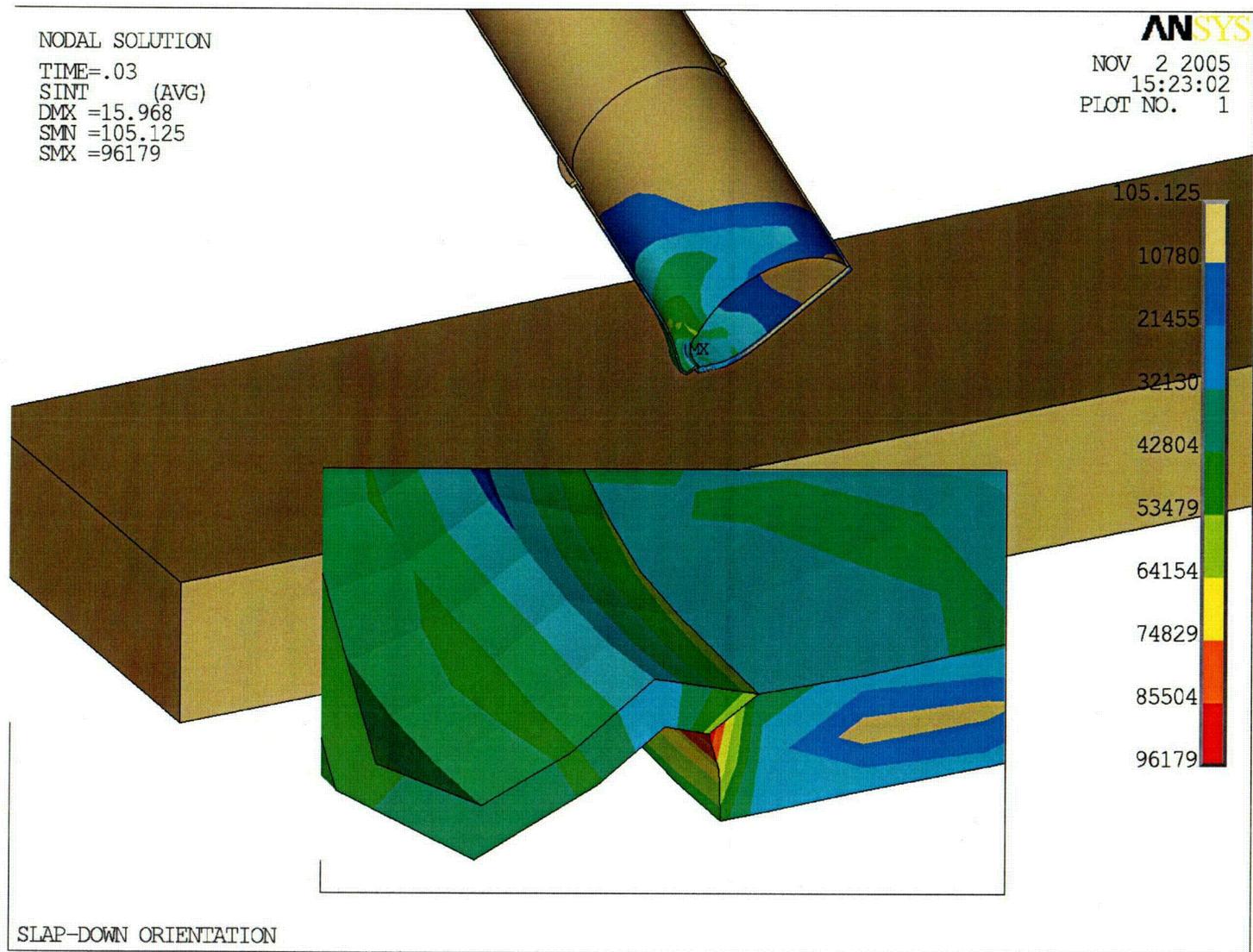


Figure 2-23  
 Stress Intensity Contour Plot of the Maximum S.I. – 30-ft Corner Drop

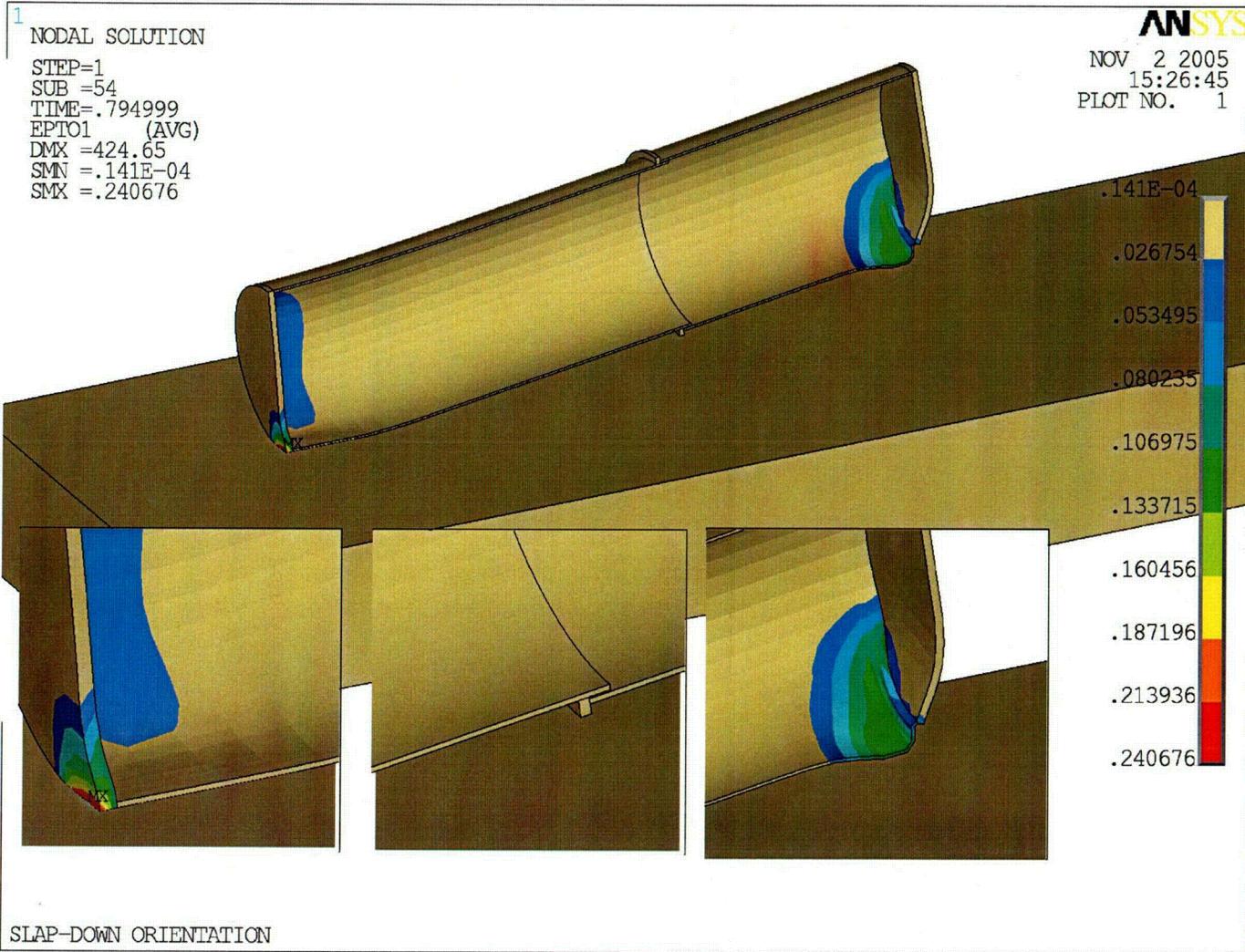
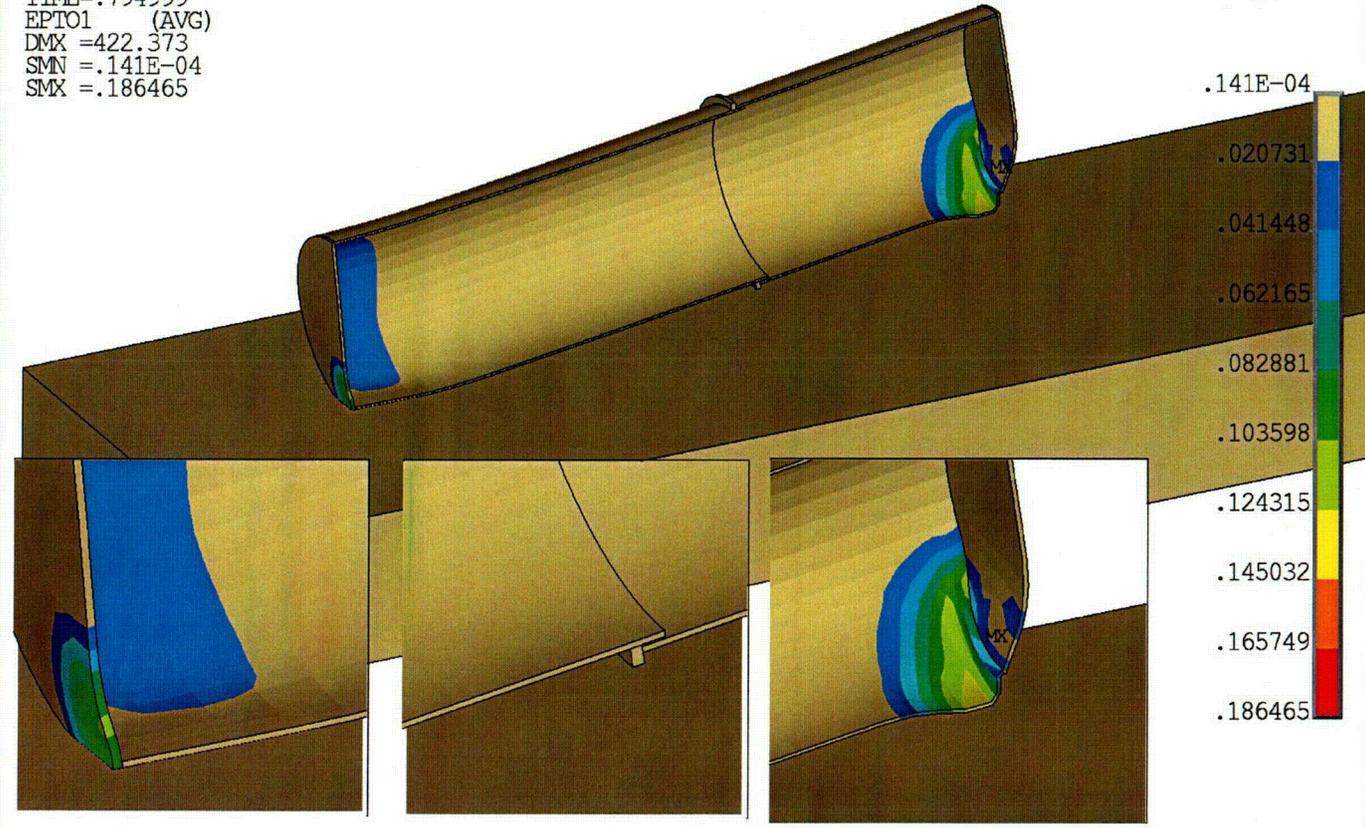


Figure 2-24  
 Stress Intensity Contour Plot of the Maximum Tensile Strain – 30-ft Corner Drop

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SLAP-DOWN ORIENTATION

Figure 2-25  
Stress Intensity Contour Plot of the Maximum Weld Tensile Strain – 30-ft Corner Drop

### **3. THERMAL EVALUATION**

This chapter evaluates thermal performance of the LACBWR RPVP design under the conditions specified in 10 CFR 71.71 (Reference 3-1) for Normal Condition of Transport (NCT) and 10 CFR 71.73 for Hypothetical Accident Conditions (HAC). The objective of this evaluation is to demonstrate that the design of the package is such that:

- There will be no loss of the radioactive contents, no significant increase in external surface radiation level, and no significant decrease in package effectiveness under the NCT test conditions (10CFR 71.71) as stated in 10CFR71.43(f) and 71.51(a)(1);
- Package accessible surface temperature in still air at 100°F and in the shade does not exceed the exclusive use shipment limit of 185°F as specified in 10CFR71.43(g);
- Package performance under the HAC fire test conditions (10CFR71.73(c)(4)) will not result in exceeding the activity release limits of 10CFR71.51(a)(2).

#### **3.1 DESCRIPTION OF THERMAL DESIGN**

##### **3.1.1 Design Features**

The physical characteristics of the package contributing to its thermal performance are described below. Additional details on these components are presented in Section 1.2.

- The dispersible radioactive content of the package is grouted in-place with low-density cellular concrete (LDCC).
- RPV is placed inside a specially designed canister and the annulus space between the RPV and canister is filled with medium density cellular concrete (MDCC).
- The canister constitutes the containment boundary of the package.
- The containment boundary of the package is totally welded structure that does not have any dissimilar material.
- Under both NCT and HAC thermal-loading cases the entire monolithic package expands or contracts uniformly.

##### **3.1.2 Content's Decay Heat**

The radioactivity of the contents of the LACBWR RPVP is described in Section 1.2.2. The total activity and the associated decay heat are shown in Table 3-1. As shown in Table 3-1, the total decay heat is less than 70 Watt.

**Table 3-1**  
**Radionuclide Contents and Decay Heat**

Isotope	Activity Curies	Heat Generation Watts/Curie	Heat Generation Watts
Am-241	4.16E-03	3.28E-02	1.36E-04
Am-243	1.85E-04	3.17E-02	5.85E-06
Ba-137m	2.80E-04	3.92E-03	1.10E-06
C-14	1.28E+01	2.93E-04	3.75E-03
Cm-242	2.63E-14	3.62E-02	9.54E-16
Cm-243	5.82E-03	3.61E-02	2.10E-04
Co-57	8.56E-08	8.50E-04	7.27E-11
Co-60	4.32E+03	1.54E-02	6.67E+01
Cs-137	2.96E-04	1.01E-03	3.00E-07
Fe-55	9.20E+02	3.36E-05	3.09E-02
H-3	8.35E-06	3.37E-05	2.81E-10
Nb-94	5.60E-01	1.02E-02	5.71E-03
Ni-59	5.10E+01	3.98E-05	2.03E-03
Ni-63	4.81E+03	1.02E-04	4.89E-01
Pu-238	2.62E-02	3.26E-02	8.55E-04
Pu-239	3.29E-02	3.06E-02	1.00E-03
Pu-241	1.38E+00	3.10E-05	4.29E-05
Pu-242	2.67E-05	2.92E-02	7.78E-07
Sr-90	7.29E-05	1.16E-03	8.46E-08
U-233	1.09E-04	2.86E-02	3.11E-06
U-238	1.93E-05	2.49E-02	4.82E-07
Y-90	7.29E-05	5.54E-03	4.04E-07
Total	1.01E+04		6.72E+01

### 3.1.3 Summary Tables of Temperatures

The component temperatures of the LACBWR RPVP under various NCT thermal-loading conditions are listed in Table 3-2. The maximum package temperature of 154.28° F is calculated for the case of maximum heat, with solar insolation.

**Table 3-2**  
**Summary of Maximum Temperatures**

Package Component	Thermal-Loading Condition			
	Normal Hot <sup>(1)</sup>	Maximum Hot <sup>(2)</sup>	Normal Cold <sup>(3)</sup>	Maximum Cold <sup>(4)</sup>
Canister	100.87	153.70	-18.55	-38.42
Interstitial Concrete <sup>(5)</sup>	101.16	154.00	-18.26	-38.13
RPV	101.45	154.28	-17.97	-37.84
Low Density Concrete <sup>(6)</sup>	101.45	154.28	-17.97	-37.84

**NOTES:**

- (1) No solar insolation, environment temperature 100°F.
- (2) With solar insolation, environment temperature 100°F.
- (3) No solar insolation, environment temperature -20°F.
- (4) No solar insolation, environment temperature -40°F.
- (5) The Medium Density Cellular Concrete (MDCC) temperature is assumed to be the average of the RPV and the canister temperature.
- (6) The Low Density Cellular Concrete (LDCC), used to fill the cavity of the RPV, is assumed to have the same temperature as the RPV inside surface.

**3.1.5 Summary Tables of Maximum Pressures**

The pressure inside the package has been calculated based on the design temperature conservatively assumed to be 160° F. The pressure based on this design temperature has been established as the maximum normal operating pressure (MNOP). The summary of the maximum pressures is given in Table 3-3.

**Table 3-3**

**Summary of Maximum Pressures**

	Canister Pressure (psig)	RPV Pressure (psig)
Normal Conditions of Transport (NCT)	7.5 <sup>(1)</sup>	7.5 <sup>(2)</sup>
Hypothetical Accident Conditions (HAC)	(3)	(3)

**NOTES:**

- (1) The maximum canister pressure is calculated based on the conservative assumption that the canister inside temperature is 160°F (see Section 3.3.2).
- (2) The RPV internal pressure is assumed to be the same as the canister inside pressure.
- (3) Under the HAC drop test the package is assumed to have failed over a small area at the point of impact. Therefore, no internal pressure can develop inside the canister during the fire test. The consequence of the canister failure is addressed in Chapter 4.

**3.2 MATERIAL PROPERTIES AND COMPONENT SPECIFICATIONS**

**3.2.1 Material Properties**

The material properties used in the thermal analyses of the package have been obtained from the standard sources. These sources include the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code

(Reference 3-2), the Mark's Handbook (Reference 3-3), the Cask Designer's Guide (Reference 3-4), and the Chemical Engineer's Handbook (Reference 3-5). The references have been appropriately cited in the text where these properties have been used.

**3.2.2 Component Specifications**

The LACBWR RPVP canister is fabricated from ASTM A-516 Gr. 70 steel. The annulus concrete (MDCC) does not have a standard specification, except that it has a nominal density of 120 lb/ft<sup>3</sup> and a mixture formula that is comprised of small aggregate and binders to yield desired flow ability. Similarly, the RPV grout (LDCC) does not have a standard specification except that it has a nominal density of 50 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>. The RPV itself has a specification of ASTM A-302 steel.

### 3.3 THERMAL EVALUATION UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS OF TRANSPORT

The maximum and minimum package temperatures are determined under the thermal loading conditions of 10 CFR 71.71(b), 71.71(c)(1), and 71.71(c)(2). The maximum accessible package surface temperature is evaluated using the criteria specified in 10 CFR 71.43(g).

#### 3.3.1 Heat and Cold

The LACBWR RPVP has been analyzed for the hot environment (ambient temperature 100°F) with and without solar insolation, and cold environments of -20°F and -40°F (without solar insolation), using a 1-dimensional analytical model. The details of these analyses are presented in Appendix 3.2.

Based on the analysis it is shown that the maximum temperature of the accessible surface of the package in the shade is 100.87°F, which is much lower than 185°F, required by 10 CFR 71.43(g). Also, the package maximum inside temperature is 154.28°F. Based on this the maximum operating design temperature is established to be 160°F. It is also shown that there is very small temperature gradient through the wall (less than 1°F) during all the thermal-loading cases. Therefore, no significant thermal stresses can develop in the package under any of these loading conditions.

#### 3.3.2 Maximum Normal Operating Pressure

The maximum normal operating pressure (MNOP) of the package is calculated assuming the gas within the package, a mixture of air and water vapor, behaves as an ideal gas. The inside surface of the canister is assumed to be dry.

The temperature of the gas mixture within the package is set equal to the design maximum temperature (160° F). Assuming the atmospheric pressure exists inside the package at 70°F, the partial pressure of the gas mixture in the package at 160° F,  $P_1$ , may be calculated by the ideal gas relationship.

$$P_1 = P_2 \times \frac{T_1}{T_2}$$

Thus,  $P_1 = 14.7 \times (160 + 460) / (70 + 460) = 17.2$  psia

Vapor pressure of water at 160° F is 4.74 psia (Reference 3-5).

Therefore, the maximum package pressure,

$$\begin{aligned} P &= 17.2 + 4.74 = 21.94 \text{ psia} \\ &= 21.94 - 14.7 = 7.24 \text{ psig} \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, the MNOP has been conservatively established as 7.5 psig.

### **3.4 THERMAL EVALUATION UNDER HYPOTHETICAL ACCIDENT CONDITIONS**

The LACBWR RPVP under the HAC fire test conditions (10CFR71.73) will not exceed the activity release limits of 10CFR71.51(a)(2).

#### **3.4.1 Initial Conditions**

The HAC fire test follows the drop and puncture tests. It is demonstrated in Chapter 2 that under the drop test conditions the package undergoes a severe deformation in the vicinity of the impact region. The welds near these regions may fail but package contents (RPV, MDCC and LDCC) remain in place during these tests. During the puncture test, it is demonstrated that the rod can pierce through the shell of the canister, the MDCC in the vicinity of the impact may crack and/or pulverize, but the RPV container will remain intact. Therefore, the initial conditions of the package under HAC fire test are a deformed package with cracked welds and/or punctured shell of the container.

#### **3.4.2 Fire Test Conditions**

The HAC fire is defined to be a fully engulfing pool fire with a maximum temperature of 1475°F lasting for a 30-minute period followed by a cool down with 100°F ambient temperature and solar insolation.

#### **3.4.3 Maximum Temperatures and Pressure**

Since the outer component of the package – the canister, is a welded structure that does not have any thermal insulation and dissimilar metal joints, under the fire test the entire canister will rise to a temperature close to 1475°F, with very little temperature gradient through its wall. Since the canister has been assumed to develop cracks in the welds near the point of impact during the drop tests, and a puncture through its wall during the puncture test, no pressure can develop inside the canister during the fire test.

#### **3.4.4 Maximum Thermal Stresses**

Since the temperature of the canister uniformly rises, under the HAC fire test with very little through the wall temperature gradient, the entire canister will expand uniformly under this test and develop very little thermal stress in the canister. The canister structure will remain intact under this test. However, due to the cracks in the weld developed preceding the fire test, there will be a loss of containment following this test. The consequences of the loss of shielding are addressed in Chapter 5 and that of the containment is addressed in Chapter 4.

### **3.4.5 Accident Conditions for Fissile Material Packages for Air Transport**

Not applicable for LACBWR RPVP since it neither contains fissile material, nor it is transported by air.

## **3.5 APPENDIX**

The following Appendices are included with this section.

Appendix 3-1 - List of References

Appendix 3-2 - Steady State Thermal Analyses of the LACBWR RPVP

### **Appendix 3-1 List of References**

- 3-1 Code of Federal Regulations, Title 10, Part 71, Packaging and Transportation of Radioactive Material, January 2003.
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- 3-6 Heat Transfer, J.P. Holman, McGraw Hill Book Company, New York, Fifth Edition, 1981.

## Appendix 3-2 Steady-State Thermal Analyses

The steady-state thermal analyses of the LACBWR RPVP, performed to evaluate the temperature distribution in the package, are presented in this Appendix. Since the package is very large and nearly axisymmetric in shape, the temperature distribution in the axial and circumferential direction is small and has been neglected. To evaluate the radial temperature distribution in the package under various thermal-loading conditions, its wall has been idealized as a 1-dimensional composite wall (See Figure 3-1, Page 3-15). Section A-A of the wall where the interstitial concrete has maximum thickness has been used in the analyses. Analytical equations have been established to account for various mode of heat transfer through the package wall. A brief description and the applicable equations are given in the following paragraphs.

### Conduction

Heat transfer through a conductive medium is governed by the equation:

$$q = \frac{kA}{L} \Delta T$$

where:

k = thermal conductivity of the medium (Btu/sec-in-°F)

A = area of the conductive medium (in<sup>2</sup>)

L = length of the conducting medium (in)

$\Delta T$  = temperature difference across the medium (°F)

Thermal resistance of the medium is defined as,

$$R = \frac{L}{kA}$$

Referring to Figure 3.1, the resistance of the 4" thick RPV shell is:

$$R_1 = 4/(8.03 \times 10^{-4} \times 1) = 4,981 \text{ °F/(Btu/sec)}$$

Resistance of the 7.75" thick concrete layer is:

$$R_2 = 7.75/(2.4306 \times 10^{-5} \times 1) = 318,851 \text{ °F/(Btu/sec)}$$

Resistance of the 1.5" thick steel can is:

$$R_3 = 1.5/(8.03 \times 10^{-4} \times 1) = 1,868 \text{ °F/(Btu/sec)}$$

The equivalent thermal resistance of the system is:

$$R = R_1 + R_2 + R_3 = 4,981 + 318,851 + 1,868 = 325,700 \text{ }^\circ\text{F}/(\text{Btu}/\text{sec})$$

### Convection

Convective heat transfer between the package and the atmosphere,  $q_c$ , is governed by the equation:

$$q_c = h A (T_s - T_a)$$

where:

$h$  = heat transfer coefficient (Btu/sec-in<sup>2</sup>-°F)

$A$  = area (in<sup>2</sup>)

$T_s$  = package surface temperature (°F)

$T_a$  = ambient temperature (°F)

The heat transfer coefficient for the natural convection is given by the following relationship (see for example Ref. 3-4, page 135).

$$h = C (T_s - T_a)^{1/3}$$

where, for horizontal cylinders,

$$\begin{aligned} C &= 0.18 \text{ (Btu/hr-ft}^2\text{-F}^{4/3}\text{)} \\ &= 3.4722 \times 10^{-7} \text{ (Btu/sec-in}^2\text{-F}^{4/3}\text{)} \end{aligned}$$

With the substitution of variables, the natural convection equation becomes:

$$q_c = 3.4722 \times 10^{-7} \times (T_s - T_a)^{1/3} \times 1 \times (T_s - T_a)$$

or,

$$q_c = 3.4722 \times 10^{-7} \times (T_s - T_a)^{4/3}$$

### Radiation

Heat transfer by radiation between the outside surface of the package and the atmosphere is governed by the following equation (see for example Ref. 3-4).

$$q_r = \sigma \epsilon F A (T_1^4 - T_2^4)$$

where:

$q_r$  = heat flow rate (Btu/sec)

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma &= \text{Stefan-Boltzmann Constant} \\ &= 1.7136 \times 10^{-9} \text{ (Btu/hr-ft}^2\text{-R}^4\text{)} \\ &= 3.3056 \times 10^{-15} \text{ (Btu/sec-in}^2\text{-R}^4\text{)}\end{aligned}$$

$\epsilon$  = emissivity

F = geometric form factor = 1.0

A = area (in<sup>2</sup>)

T<sub>1</sub> = surface temperature (°R)

T<sub>2</sub> = ambient temperature (°R)

The overall emissivity for radiation heat transfer between the package shell and the environment is set equal to the overall emissivity,  $\epsilon$ , for heat transfer between two infinite parallel planes as given by the following equation (Ref. 3-6, page 336).

$$\epsilon = \frac{\epsilon_1 \epsilon_2}{\epsilon_2 + \epsilon_1 - \epsilon_1 \epsilon_2}$$

where:

$\epsilon$  = overall emissivity

$\epsilon_1$  = surface 1 emissivity

$\epsilon_2$  = surface 2 emissivity

An environment emissivity coefficient of 0.9 was assumed for the normal conditions of transport. The emissivity of the outside of the package shell and the environment are 0.8 and 0.9, respectively. Thus, the overall emissivity is calculated by the above equation to be 0.7347. With the substitution of the variables, the radiation equation becomes:

$$q_r = 3.3056 \times 10^{-15} \times 0.7347 \times 1 \times 1 \times [(T_o + 460)^4 - (T_a + 460)^4]$$

or,

$$q_r = 2.4286 \times 10^{-15} \times [(T_o + 460)^4 - (T_a + 460)^4]$$

### Internal Heat Loading

The 70-Watt decay heat load is assumed to be confined to 10-ft length of the activated metal inside the RPV. The heat flux on the inside surface of the RPV is:

$$\text{Internal heat load, } q = 70 \text{ W} = 70 \times 9.4804 \times 10^{-4} = 0.06636 \text{ Btu/sec}$$

The RPV inside radius is 49.5". Thus, the heat flux on the inside surface of the RPV is:

$$q_i = 0.06636 / (2\pi \times 49.5 \times 120)$$

$$= 1.778 \times 10^{-6} \text{ Btu/(sec-in}^2\text{)}$$

### Solar Insolation

The total insolation is required to be 400 gcal/cm<sup>2</sup> for a 12-hour period for curved surfaces according to the Code of Federal Regulations 10 CFR 71.71 (Reference 3-1). The total insolation of 400 gcal/cm<sup>2</sup> is divided by 12 hours of assumed sunlight to yield an average insolation rate. The average insolation rate is then multiplied by the surface emissivity specified earlier in this document (0.7347) yielding an insolation rate of 1.742×10<sup>-4</sup> Btu/sec-in<sup>2</sup>.

$$q_s = 1.742 \times 10^{-4} \text{ (Btu/sec-in}^2\text{)}$$

### Steady-State Thermal Evaluations

The analytical model shown in Figure 3-1 is used to analyze the package for the temperature distribution during various thermal-loading conditions. The energy balance over section A-A of Figure 3-1 results in the following equation.

$$q_i + q_s = q_c + q_r$$

$$\text{or, } 1.778 \times 10^{-6} + q_s = 3.4722 \times 10^{-7} \times (T_o - T_a)^{4/3} + 2.4286 \times 10^{-15} \times [(T_o + 460)^4 - (T_a + 460)^4]$$

$$\text{or, } (T_o - T_a)^{4/3} + 6.9944 \times 10^{-9} \times [(T_o + 460)^4 - (T_a + 460)^4] - 5.1207 - 2.88 \times 10^6 \times q_s = 0$$

The temperature gradient across the package thickness can be calculated from the following equation:

$$\Delta T = R \times q_i$$

$$\text{or, } (T_i - T_o) = 325,700 \times 1.778 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\text{or, } T_i = 0.579 + T_o$$

### Maximum Temperatures

#### No Solar Insolation

Ambient temperature,  $T_a = 100^\circ\text{F}$

Solar Insolation,  $q_s = 0$

Equation 1, in this case becomes:

$$(T_o-100)^{4/3} + 6.9944 \times 10^{-9} \times [(T_o+460)^4 - 560^4] - 5.1207 = 0$$

Which can be solved to get, the package outside temperature

$$T_o = 100.87 \text{ }^\circ\text{F}$$

The package inside temperature can be calculated using Equation 2, as

$$T_i = 101.45 \text{ }^\circ\text{F}$$

### With Solar Insolation

Ambient temperature,  $T_a = 100^\circ\text{F}$

Solar Insolation,  $q_s = 1.742 \times 10^{-4} \text{ (Btu/sec-in}^2\text{)}$

Equation 1, in this case becomes:

$$(T_o-100)^{4/3} + 6.9944 \times 10^{-9} \times [(T_o+460)^4 - 560^4] - 506.82 = 0$$

Which can be solved to get, the package outside temperature

$$T_o = 153.70 \text{ }^\circ\text{F}$$

The package inside temperature can be calculated using Equation 2, as

$$T_i = 154.28 \text{ }^\circ\text{F}$$

### Cold Environment

#### Normal Cold

Ambient temperature,  $T_a = -20^\circ\text{F}$

Solar Insolation,  $q_s = 0$

Equation 1, in this case becomes:

$$(T_o+20)^{4/3} + 6.9944 \times 10^{-9} \times [(T_o+460)^4 - 440^4] - 5.1207 = 0$$

Which can be solved to get, the package outside temperature

$$T_o = -18.55 \text{ }^\circ\text{F}$$

The package inside temperature can be calculated using Equation 2, as

$$T_i = -17.97 \text{ }^\circ\text{F}$$

**Maximum Cold**

Ambient temperature,  $T_a = -40^\circ\text{F}$

Solar Insolation,  $q_s = 0$

Equation 1, in this case becomes:

$$(T_o+40)^{4/3} + 6.9944 \times 10^{-9} \times [(T_o+460)^4 - 420^4] - 5.1207 = 0$$

Which can be solved to get, the package outside temperature

$$T_o = -38.42^\circ\text{F}$$

The package inside temperature can be calculated using Equation 2, as

$$T_i = -37.84^\circ$$

FIGURE WITHHELD UNDER 2.390

Figure 3-1.

Analytical Model of the LACBWR RPVP for Thermal Analyses

## 4.0 CONTAINMENT

This Chapter identifies the containment requirements for the La Cross Boiling Water Reactor (LACBWR) RPV package (RPVP). The package is shown on drawings in Appendix 1.3. Several factors enhance the capability of the package to minimize dispersal of the radioactive contents to less than the limits for both the Normal Conditions of Transport and Hypothetical Accident Conditions specified in 10 CFR 71. These are discussed in the sections below.

The LACBWR RPV package has no valves, pressure relief valves, or closure devices that could be operated intentionally or unintentionally.

There are several aspects of the LACBWR RPV package that enhance its containment capabilities:

- The total source term in the radioactive contents is  $1.01 \times 10^4$  Ci (approximately 410  $A_2$  values), but only 1.6 Ci (3.43  $A_2$  values) is loose contamination and therefore dispersible.
- The containment boundary for the LACBWR RPV package consists of an all-welded containment shell described in 4.1.1 below. In addition, there are multiple barriers between the radioactive contents and the environment that provide structural integrity for the package and minimize potential releases of the radioactive contents:
  - The cavity of the RPV will be filled with a low density cellular concrete. This concrete will bind with the loose contents and minimize the likelihood for their dispersal in the event of a breach in containment.
  - The former RPV shell provides structural protection for the low density concrete against damage in potential drop conditions, which minimizes the dispersible contents that might otherwise be created. The RPV will also act as a barrier to minimize low density concrete and radioactive contents from escaping through breaches in the containment shell. In addition, the RPV provides backing for the annulus concrete and for the containment shell, and reduces potential damage to them in drop scenarios.
  - Medium density cellular concrete is poured into the annulus between the RPV shell and the containment shell. This annulus concrete will act as another barrier to dispersal of low density concrete and radioactive contents in the event of a breach in the containment shell.

- The containment shell itself. The containment shell is a unitized structure that is completely welded closed. There are no mechanical closures, gaskets, valves, or other similar types of penetrations.

It is shown in this Chapter that the containment requirements in 10 CFR 71.51(a)(1) for Normal Conditions of Transport, and in 10 CFR 71.51(a)(2) for Hypothetical Accident Conditions are met by the LACBWR RPV package. Periodic and pre-shipment leak test criteria are not applicable as a measure of containment integrity, since there are no seams or closures to test. Instead, it is shown that, for Normal Conditions of Transport, the maximum permitted leak rate in 10 CFR 71.51(a)(1) cannot be exceeded because the welded-closed structure of the containment shell remains intact and there are no leak paths for radioactive contents. For Hypothetical Accident Conditions, it is shown that the maximum permitted leak rate in 10 CFR 71.51(a)(2) cannot be exceeded because of the small quantity of dispersible contents and the multiple barriers to dispersal. See Figure 4-1.

The package contains no explosive mixtures or potential aerosol particulates that could be considered radiological hazards.

## **4.1 DESCRIPTION OF CONTAINMENT SYSTEM**

### **4.1.1 Containment Boundary**

The containment boundary for the LACBWR RPV package is shown on drawings in Appendix 1.3. The containment boundary is called the "RPV canister" on drawings in Appendix 1.3. The containment shell is a completely welded-shut enclosure covering the RPV. It consists of two subassemblies, the lower and the upper, and is constructed of ASTM A516 Gr 70 steel plate rolled to required dimensions and joined with full-penetration welds. The lower subassembly is a cylindrical 1 ½" thick shell that surrounds the lower two-thirds of the RPV. The bottom end of the lower subassembly is closed with a 4" thick plate welded to the barrel portion. A welding ring is welded to the outside circumference approximately 6" from the open end.

The upper subassembly also consists of 1 ½"-thick ASTM A516 Gr 70 steel plate rolled to required dimensions and joined with full-penetration welds, and a 4" thick end plate. It encloses the upper one-third of the RPV. The containment shell is assembled by placing the RPV in the lower subassembly,

then placing the upper subassembly over the open end and welding it to the welding ring on the lower subassembly on the lower subassembly.

#### **Containment Penetrations**

The only penetrations in the containment boundary consist of ports used for injection of the concrete into the annulus. There will be at least four injection ports in the upper assembly; two on the end and two on the sides. (More fill ports may be added if needed at the time of filling the annulus.) Each port will be a 3 ½" diameter opening in the shell. After the annulus has been filled with concrete, and prior to transport, the openings will be closed and welded shut using a plug assembly in each opening as shown on drawings in Appendix 1.3 in each opening. Each plug assembly will be welded to the shell with a fillet weld as shown on drawing in Appendix 1.3.

#### **Closure**

There is no access to the containment cavity, and consequently no closure device on the LACBWR RPVP. The outer containment shell is sealed by being completely welded closed.

The LACBWR RPV package is not vented.

#### **4.1.2 Special Requirements for Plutonium**

Not applicable to the LACBWR RPVP.

### **4.2 GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS**

#### **4.2.1 Type A Fissile Packages**

Not applicable to the LACBWR RPVP.

#### **4.2.2 Type B Packages**

The contents of the LACBWR RPV package contain approximately 10,100 Ci of radioactivity, of which only 1.61 Ci (3.43 x A<sub>2</sub>) will be loose, potentially dispersible materials. The remainder of the ra-

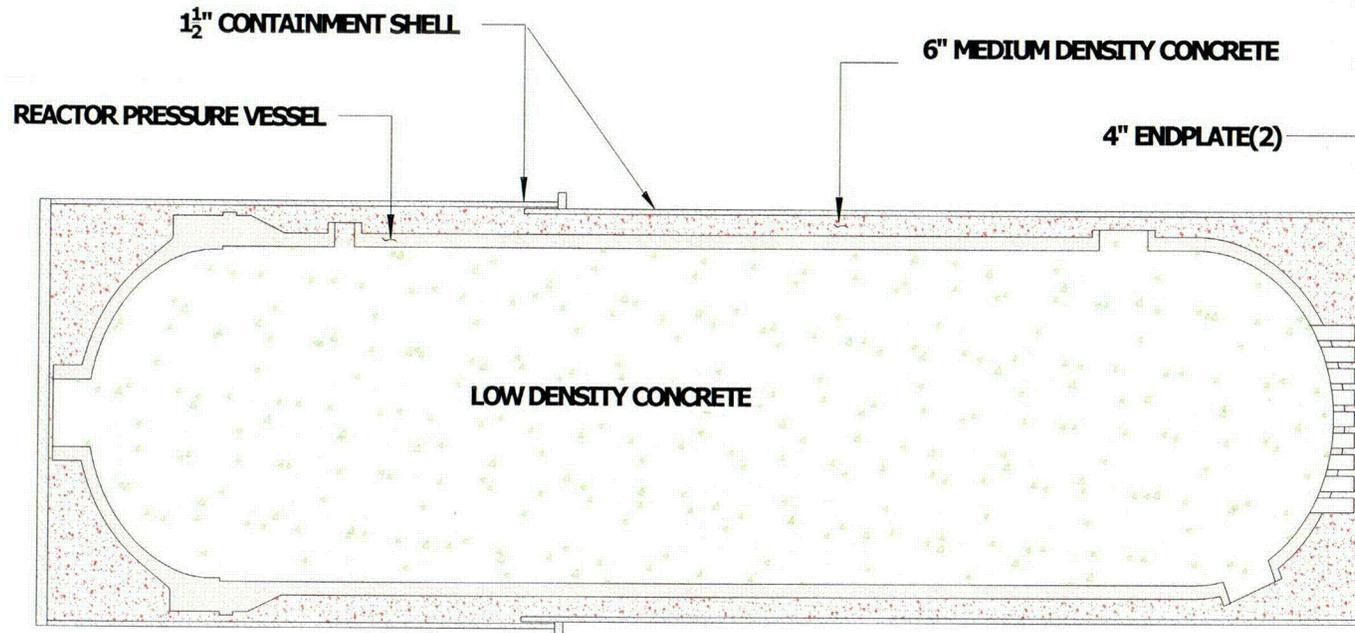
radioactive contents is activated materials in the former core region. In sections 4.3 and 4.4 below, it is shown that the rugged construction of the package, the multiple layers of protection, and immobilization by low density concrete added to the internals of the RPV, preclude leakage of the small quantity of dispersible materials from containment during both Normal Condition of Transport and Hypothetical Accident Conditions. The package remains intact and will perform its intended safety function under the tests and conditions in 10 CFR 71.

#### **4.2.3 Hydrogen Generation**

Not applicable to the LACBWR RPVP. The only potential source of hydrogen generation is radiolytic decomposition of water in low-density concrete inside of the RPV in the region of the activated core materials. However, hydration will remove water as the low density concrete cures. Special precautions will be taken during filling of the RPV to ensure the concrete is allowed to cure properly and the amount of free standing water is minimized.

#### **4.3 CONTAINMENT UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS OF TRANSPORT (TYPE B PACKAGES)**

The maximum permitted leakage rate under Normal Conditions of Transport cannot be exceeded during transport of the LACBWR RPV package. 10 CFR 71.51(a)(1) states that the containment requirements for Normal Conditions of Transport are:



**Multiple Layers of Protection from  
Dispersal of Contents for the LACBWR RPV**

Figure 4-1

*“... there would be no loss or dispersal of radioactive contents--as demonstrated to a sensitivity of  $10^6 A_2$  per hour, no significant increase in external surface radiation levels, and no substantial reduction in the effectiveness of the packaging”*

As discussed in 4.1.1, the LACBWR RPV package containment is a totally welded-shut enclosure, without mechanical seals or a bolted closure. Integrity of containment welds are verified by non-destructive examination during fabrication as described in Chapter 8. Containment is shown in Chapter 2 of this application to remain intact during Normal Conditions of Transport, precluding release of the radioactive contents. Therefore, there are no events that can breach the containment boundary and lead to the dispersal of radioactive contents or a significant reduction in effectiveness of the packaging. Thus, the LACBWR RPV package satisfies the containment requirements of 10 CFR 71.51 under Normal Conditions of Transport.

#### **4.4 CONTAINMENT UNDER HYPOTHETICAL ACCIDENT CONDITIONS**

In this section it is shown that the maximum permitted leakage rate under Hypothetical Accident Conditions cannot be exceeded during transport of the LACBWR RPV package. 10 CFR 71.51(a)(2) states that the containment requirements for Hypothetical Accident Conditions are:

*“...there would be no escape of krypton-85 exceeding  $10 A_2$  in 1 week, no escape of other radioactive material exceeding a total amount  $A_2$  in 1 week, and no external radiation dose rate exceeding  $10 \text{ mSv/h}$  ( $1 \text{ rem/h}$ ) at  $1 \text{ m}$  ( $40 \text{ in}$ ) from the external surface of the package”.*

As discussed in Chapter 1, the LACBWR RPV package contains only  $3.4 A_2$  quantities of dispersible radioactive contents. The remaining quantity of radioactive contents consist of activated hardware primarily in the former core region of the RPV. In this section it is shown that the low quantity of dispersible radioactive materials, the structural strength of the LACBWR RPV package, and the multiple barriers that protect the contents, prevent dispersal of contents greater than the maximum permitted in 10 CFR 71.51(a)(2). As discussed in 4.0, for the purposes of containment considerations, features of the LACBWR RPV package that are barriers to excessive dispersal of the radioactive contents include:

- the low density cellular concrete inside the RPV
- the RPV shell
- the medium density cellular concrete in the annulus between the RPV shell and the containment shell
- the containment shell itself

The analysis of the LACBWR RPV package in Chapter 2 has shown that the 30 ft drop Hypothetical Accident Condition could result in a partial breach in a containment shell weld and crushing of the annulus concrete in the area of impact. Also, a localized breach of the containment shell and annulus could occur due to the puncture accident. However, with either scenario, the breach of the containment shell and annulus concrete would be small and localized to the immediate area of impact, rather than being a generalized or extensive loss of the containment shell. Consequently, the quantity of radioactive contents dispersed subsequent to the Hypothetical Accident Condition would be limited to the volume that could pass through the crushed region of the annulus concrete and leak out of the localized opening in the containment shell. In addition, the analysis in Chapter 2 shows that neither the 30 ft drop nor the puncture test would cause damage to the RPV shell or the low density concrete inside the RPV, and that these would remain intact as barriers to dispersal of radioactive contents during Hypothetical Accident Conditions.

Since the quantity of dispersible activity in the RPV is small, the specific activity in the low density concrete will be small. Therefore, a large volume of low density concrete would have to be dispersed to cause a large release of radioactive materials. However, since the low density concrete in the RPV remains monolithic under Hypothetical Accident conditions, it is unlikely that a substantial volume of concrete can escape the RPV shell and through the small breaches in the annulus concrete and containment shell. The following example illustrates this:

Given:

Volume of low density cellular concrete: 1690 ft<sup>3</sup> (Ref. 4-1)

Dispersible radioactive contents: 1.61 Ci (Chapter 1)

1.61 Ci = 3.43 A<sub>2</sub> → .46 Ci/A<sub>2</sub> (Chapter 1)

Assume that dispersible contents mixes with 25% of the low density concrete inside the RPV shell, then:

$$1690 \text{ ft}^3 \times 25\% = 422.5 \text{ ft}^3$$

$$\frac{1.61 \text{ Ci}}{422.5 \text{ ft}^3} = .0038 \frac{\text{Ci}}{\text{ft}^3}$$

Assume that 5% of the low density cellular concrete in the RPV is dispersed during Hypothetical Accident Conditions, and that all of the concrete that is dispersed is from the 25% that contains the concrete/radioactive contents mixture:

$$1690 \text{ ft}^3 \times 5\% = 84.5 \text{ ft}^3$$

$$84.5 \text{ ft}^3 \times .0038 \frac{\text{Ci}}{\text{ft}^3} = .32 \text{ Ci} \rightarrow \frac{.32 \text{ Ci}}{.46 \frac{\text{Ci}}{\text{A}_2}} = .7 \text{ A}_2$$

In summary, Hypothetical Accident Conditions could result in a localized breach of the containment boundary. However, the amount of radioactive material leaked would be limited by the multiple barriers to dispersal, and the amount that could pass through small breaches in the medium density concrete and containment shell. A conservative assumption is that 5% of the volume of low density concrete in the RPV (84.5 ft<sup>3</sup>) is dispersed through a localized breach in the containment shell. But, even if this occurs, this would be a dispersal of only 0.7 A<sub>2</sub> quantity of radioactive materials. This is less than the limit of 10 times an A<sub>2</sub> quantity per week for Kr-85 and 1 A<sub>2</sub> per week for all other isotopes, as specified in 10 CFR 71.51(a)(2), and the package meets the containment requirements of 10 CFR 71.

#### 4.5 REFERENCES

- 4-1 ST-520. Calculation of internal volume of RPV shell.

## **5.0 SHIELDING EVALUATION**

### **5.1 DESCRIPTION OF DESIGN FEATURES**

The LACBWR RPVP consists of a steel containment vessel (canister) and annular concrete layer that provides the necessary shielding for it to be shipped as a single use package. (Refer to Section 1.2.2 for package contents.) Tests and analysis performed under Chapters 2.0 and 3.0 have demonstrated the ability of the containment vessel to maintain its integrity under normal conditions of transport. Prior to the shipment, radiation readings will be taken to assure compliance with 10 CFR 71.47.

The package shielding is sufficient to satisfy the dose rate limit of 10 CFR 71.51(a) (2) which states that any shielding loss resulting from the hypothetical accident will not increase the external dose rate to more than 1000 mrem/hr at one meter from the external surface of the package.

#### **5.1.1 Shielding Design Features**

The LACBWR reactor vessel packaging consists of a 1.5" steel canister surrounding the reactor pressure vessel, end plates of 4" steel plate, and the annulus between the vessel and the canister filled with 120 lbs/ft<sup>3</sup> concrete, as shown in the drawings in Appendix 1.3. At the region of highest dose rate, i.e., the 10 foot section of the RPV centered on the core midplane, the annulus is 5.75". In addition, a cylindrical shield of 1 ¼" steel is welded to the canister, extending 4.5' on each side of the core midplane. Further, two additional (cylindrical and supplemental) shields, 1 ¾" steel, are welded to each side of the cylindrical shield extending 4 feet on each side of the core midplane and covering a 120° arc of each side of the shield. Under HAC, these shields are assumed to detach from the canister.

#### **5.1.2 Maximum Radiation Levels**

Table 5-1 gives Normal Conditions of Transport (NCT) and Hypothetical Accident Conditions (HAC) dose rates. Maximum allowable dose rates given in 10 CFR 71 are shown for comparison. The LACBWR RPVP is shipped exclusive use.

**Table 5-1  
Summary of Maximum Radiation Levels**

Condition	Total Dose Rate (mrem/hr)					
	Package Surface		1 m from Surface		2 m from Package	
	Side	Top/Bottom	Side	Top/Bottom	Side	Top/Bottom
NCT						
Calculated	126	15.8	N.A.	N.A.	7.3	3.6
Allowable	200	200	N.A.	N.A.	10.0	10.0
HAC						
Calculated	N.A.	N.A.	541	6.8	N.A.	N.A.
Allowable	N.A.	N.A.	1000	1000	N.A.	N.A.

## 5.2 SOURCE SPECIFICATION

The LACBWR RPVP will transport the intact LACBWR reactor vessel with all internals. The radionuclide contents are described in Section 1.2.2. To determine NCT and HAC dose rates, results of gamma surveys on the exterior of the vessel were used as the basis for the source term in the shielding models. The maximum contact dose rate on the exterior of the vessel, near the core midplane was 13 rem/hr on 6/1/2005. The maximum contact dose rate on the bottom of the vessel was 1.2 rem/hr on 11/9/2005. From the radionuclides in the vessel, as described in 1.2.2., the external dose rate is due to Co-60. Using the half-life of Co-60, the expected maximum vessel contact dose rate at the time of shipping (6/1/2007) is 10 rem/hr at the core midplane and 0.978 rem/hr at the bottom. For determination of NCT and HAC dose rates, the determination of the maximum external dose rates assumes a uniform source in the core region of the vessel such that the contact dose rate on the side of the vessel at the core midplane is 10 rem/hr and 0.978 rem/hr on the bottom of the vessel..

### 5.2.1 Gamma Source

The assumed gamma source to give a core midplane reading of 10 rem/hr was used, i.e., 10,000 Ci of <sup>60</sup>Co. The gamma decay source strength, in photons/sec and MeV/sec, as a function of gamma energy is shown below. This activity was uniformly distributed over the internals in the core region.

Photon Energy	Activity	Activity
MeV	Photons/sec	MeV/sec
0.6938	6.430E+10	4.46E+10
1.1732	3.942E+14	4.62E+14
1.3325	3.942E+14	5.25E+14
<b>Totals</b>	<b>7.884E+14</b>	<b>9.87E+14</b>

The assumed gamma source to give a bottom dose rate of 0.978 rem/hr was used in calculating the package axial dose rates with the same gamma energies as shown above but equivalent to ~ 666 Ci of Co-60.

### **5.2.2 Neutron Sources**

There are no sources of neutron radiation in the radioactive materials to be carried in the LACBWR RPVP.

## **5.3 MODEL SPECIFICATION**

External dose rates are modeled using MicroShield.

### **5.3.1 Configuration of Source and Shielding**

#### **5.3.1.1 Source**

The source used in calculating radial dose rates is modeled as a right circular cylinder with a diameter of the I.D. of the reactor vessel (99") and a height equal to that of the core region, i.e., 10'. The source is modeled as iron with a density of 2 g/cc. The activity of the source is assumed to be uniformly distributed over the core and of a magnitude such that the calculated vessel contact dose rate at the core midplane (axial value of 5') is equal to the measured value (decayed to the shipping date) of 10 rem/hr. The measurements of the vessel show that nearly all the activity in the vessel is found in the 10' core region and, as expected, is symmetrical about the core midplane. This source configuration is conservative in that the calculated vessel contact dose rate at the bottom of the core region (axial value of 0') is 5 rem/hr while the measured value is less than 1 rem/hr.

Regions of the vessel above and below the core are not considered when calculating maximum radial dose rates since measured vessel contact dose rates drop off rapidly, e.g., at 3 feet below the bottom of the core measured dose rates are 200-300 mrem/hr and at 10' above the top of the core measured values are less than 50 mrem/hr. See Appendix 5.5.2 for the gamma surveys and vessel drawing.

The vessel internals are intact. No dismantlement has taken place with the exception of removal of the used fuel. Prior to moving the vessel, the vessel interior is

filled with low density concrete. This concrete will hold the vessel internals in place but is not included in the shielding models. The source configuration does not change under the NCT or HAC free drop nor does the position of the source within the reactor vessel change.

The source used in calculating axial dose rates is assumed to be a sphere with a diameter of the I.D. of the reactor vessel (99") to represent the hemispherical bottom of the vessel. From radiation surveys, the bottom of the vessel is known to have higher dose rates than the vessel head (bottom 1.2 rem/hr, head 60 mrem/hr), so that in determining maximum axial dose rates, only the vessel bottom was modeled. The source is modeled as iron with a density of 2 g/cc. The activity of the source is assumed to be uniformly distributed over the internals and of a magnitude such that the calculated vessel contact dose rate at the bottom of the vessel is equal to the measured value (decayed to the shipping date) of 0.978 rem/hr.

#### 5.3.1.2 Radial Shielding

The radial shields around the source are modeled as cylindrical shells. The shields are identified in Table 5.2 and shown on Drawing in Appendix 1.3).

**Table 5-2  
Radial Shields**

Shield	Material	Thickness (in)	Density (g/cc)
Vessel	Iron	4	7.86
Annular concrete	Concrete	5.75	1.9
Canister	Iron	1.5	7.86
Cylindrical Shield	Iron	1.25	7.86
Supplementary Shield	Iron	1.75	7.86

As described in Chapter 2, the shields remain as shown in the drawing (C-068-163041-002) after all the NCT tests. The cylindrical and supplemental shields are assumed to disengage as a result of the HAC free drop. In addition, there is some deformation of the canister at the corner when the free drop orientation is CG over corner but none in the region surrounding the reactor core. There may be some minor cracking of the weld at the cylinder/end plate intersection but this does not affect the shielding effectiveness. The HAC puncture test is assumed to result in a 6" diameter hole perpendicular to the vessel axis through the canister and annular concrete ending at

the vessel wall thus removing canister and concrete shields over the 6" hole. The center of the 6" hole is assumed to be positioned on the core midplane. The other HAC tests do not result in further changes to the shielding configuration.

### 5.3.1.3 Axial Shielding

The axial shields are the vessel and the end plates of the packaging, as shown in Table 5-3. No credit is taken for any concrete between the end of the vessel and the end plates. Under both the NCT and HAC, the end plates stay in position as described in Chapter 2.

**Table 5-3  
Axial Shields**

Shield	Material	Thickness (in)	Density (g/cc)
Vessel	Iron	4	7.86
End plates	Iron	4	7.86

### 5.3.1.4 Radial Dose Points

Since the maximum contact dose rate on the vessel is at the core midplane, dose points were located on a line perpendicular to the vessel axis intersecting the core midplane. For the NCT tests, the dose points are located at contact with the cylindrical shielding and at 2m from the supplemental shielding to demonstrate compliance with 10 CFR 71.47(b)(1) and 10 CFR 71.47(b)(3), respectively. After the HAC free drop, a dose point is selected at 1 meter from the surface of the canister and, after the puncture test, at 1 meter from the vessel wall in the center of the 6" diameter hole.

### 5.3.1.5 Axial Dose Points

The maximum contact dose rate at the ends of the vessel is at the center of the bottom hemisphere. Axial dose points were located on the vessel axis in three locations: at contact with the package, at 1m, and at 2m.

## 5.3.2 Material Properties

Three materials are used as shields in the shielding model: steel, concrete, and air. Steel is modeled as elemental iron with a density of 7.86 g/cc. Concrete, using the MicroShield default composition, is included with a density of 1.9 g/cc (120 lbs/ft<sup>3</sup>) (medium density). Air, using the MicroShield default composition, is included with a density of 0.00122 g/cc.

## **5.4 SHIELDING EVALUATION**

### **5.4.1 Methods**

The basic method of evaluating the external dose rates on the package is to create a gamma source, discussed in Sections 5.2 and 5.3, that results in a calculated dose rate equivalent to the measured dose rates on the reactor vessel (decayed to the shipping date). The shielding afforded by the packaging is added and external dose rates are calculated at the locations of the expected maximums. Modifications to the shielding as a result of the NCT and HAC tests are applied and final external dose rates are determined.

The calculational technique is a point kernel integration using the MicroShield computer program (Ref. 5-1). The basic inputs are the geometry and gamma source. The attenuation and buildup factors built into the program are taken from ANSI/ANS-6.4.3-1991, Gamma-Ray Attenuation Coefficients and Buildup Factors for Engineering Materials.

### **5.4.2 Input and Output Data**

The input and output data are shown in the MicroShield case outputs for each of the calculations, included in Appendix 5.5.3.

### **5.4.3 Flux-to-Dose-Rate Conversion**

MicroShield calculates results in terms of a photon fluence rate at the dose points. The photon fluence is expressed in units of photons/cm<sup>2</sup>/second. For conversion to exposure rate, energy absorption in air, and dose equivalent, MicroShield uses tabulated values in ICRP 51, Data for Use in Protection Against External Radiation, and interpolates as required. These conversion factors are in Table 5-4.

**Table 5-4**  
**Dose Rate and Exposure Rate In Air Per Unit Monoenergetic Fluence Rate**  
**(photons/cm<sup>2</sup>/s)**

Photon Energy (MeV)	Conversion Coefficient 10 <sup>-12</sup> Gy cm <sup>2</sup>	mrad/hr	mR/hr
0.01	7.43	2.68E-03	3.06E-03
0.015	3.12	1.12E-03	1.29E-03
0.02	1.68	6.05E-04	6.93E-04
0.03	0.721	2.60E-04	2.97E-04
0.04	0.429	1.54E-04	1.77E-04
0.05	0.323	1.16E-04	1.33E-04
0.06	0.289	1.04E-04	1.19E-04
0.08	0.307	1.11E-04	1.27E-04
0.1	0.371	1.34E-04	1.53E-04
0.15	0.599	2.16E-04	2.47E-04
0.2	0.856	3.08E-04	3.53E-04
0.3	1.38	4.97E-04	5.69E-04
0.4	1.89	6.80E-04	7.79E-04
0.5	2.38	8.57E-04	9.81E-04
0.6	2.84	1.02E-03	1.17E-03
0.8	3.69	1.33E-03	1.52E-03
1	4.47	1.61E-03	1.84E-03
1.5	6.12	2.20E-03	2.52E-03
2	7.5	2.70E-03	3.09E-03
3	9.87	3.55E-03	4.07E-03
4	12	4.32E-03	4.95E-03
5	13.9	5.00E-03	5.73E-03
6	15.8	5.69E-03	6.52E-03
8	19.5	7.02E-03	8.04E-03
10	23.1	8.32E-03	9.53E-03

#### 5.4.4 External Radiation Levels

##### 5.4.4.1 Radial Radiation Levels

###### Radial Source

As described in 5.3.1, the determination of the radial radiation source, based on the activation isotopic and the external radiation measurements, is completed first (see Appendix 5.5.3 - DOS file: LACBWR radial source.ms6). This model assumes a uniformly distributed cylindrical source surrounded by the 4" steel vessel. The modeled source, at the core midplane on contact with the vessel, has a dose rate of 10 R/hr (decayed to the date of shipment), which matches the radiation survey, and at the bottom of the core the dose rate of 5 R/hr, which conservatively overestimates the decayed

measured value of 0.922 R/hr. This source is used in all the subsequent radial dose rate models, both NCT and HAC.

#### **Puncture Test Source**

A special source configuration must be modeled in order to evaluate the conditions resulting from the HAC Puncture Test. As a result of the puncture test, there will be 6" diameter hole through the packaging ending at the vessel wall and, since this test follows the free drop, the cylindrical and supplementary shields will not be present. To model this configuration, a 6" diameter cylinder with a height equal to the vessel diameter and a 4" steel shield is assumed to represent the exposed 6" diameter surface of the vessel wall. The activity of the source is adjusted until the contact dose rate is 10 R/hr, the measured contact dose rate. With this activity, the dose rate at 1 meter from the vessel wall is 297 mR/hr (See Appendix 5.5.3 - DOS file: LACBWR puncture.ms6).

#### **Canister and Concrete**

The source is shielded by the canister and the annular concrete giving a maximum (at the core midplane) 1 meter dose rate of 226 mR/hr and a dose rate at 1 meter from the vessel wall of 244 mR/hr (See Appendix 5.5.3 - DOS file: LACBWR 1m.ms6).

#### **Cylindrical Shield**

The 1.25" cylindrical shield is added over the core region giving a contact (1cm) dose rate of 126 mR/hr (See Appendix 5.5.3 - DOS file: LACBWR NCT contact.ms6).

#### **Supplementary Shields**

The 1.75" supplementary shields are added to the sides of the cylindrical shields giving dose rates 2m from the vertical plane projected from the sides of the 10'8" wide railcar of 7.3 mR/hr (See Appendix 5.5.3 - DOS file: LACBWR NCT 2m.ms6).

#### **5.4.4.2 Axial Radiation Levels**

##### **Source**

As described in 5.3.1, the determination of the axial radiation source, based on the activation isotopic and the external radiation measurements, is completed followed by development of the axial shielding models (see Appendix 5.5.3 - DOS file:

LACBWRbtm.ms6). The source model assumes a uniformly distributed spherical source surrounded by the 4" steel vessel and shows that, at the centerline of the bottom of the vessel on contact with the vessel, the dose rate is 0.978 R/hr, which matches the radiation survey. The dose rate on the vessel head is only 60 mR/hr so using the bottom dose rate to model the axial source is conservative. This source is used in all the subsequent axial dose rate models, both NCT and HAC.

#### End Plates

The 4" steel end plates are added as shielding for the bottom of the package neglecting the concrete in the bottom of the package and the distance between the vessel and the end plates. The dose rate on contact with the end plate is 15.8 mR/hr, 6.8 mR/hr at 1 meter, and ,at 2 meters, is 3.6 mR/hr (see Appendix 5.5.3 – DOS file LACBWRbtmNACHAC.ms6).

#### 5.4.4.3 NCT Results

After the NCT tests, there are no changes to the shielding configuration. As the LACBWR package will be shipped "exclusive use", the applicable dose rates are the maximum on contact with the package and at 2 meters from the vertical plane projected from the outer edges of the 10'8" wide railcar. The package contact maximum is the radial dose rate at the core midplane on contact with the cylindrical shield, i.e., 126 mR/hr; the maximum contact dose rate on the end plates is 15.8 mR/hr. The maximum dose rate 2 meters from the sides of the railcar is 7.3 mR/hr and 2 meters from the ends of the package is 3.6 mR/hr.

#### 5.4.4.4 HAC Results

As described in Chapter 2, under the free drop test, the cylindrical and supplementary shielding is assumed to disengage. Thus, the maximum dose rate at 1 meter from the package after the free drop is that due to shielding the vessel with the canister and concrete, i.e., 226 mR/hr.

After the puncture test, the maximum dose rate will be one meter from the exposed vessel wall. This dose rate is conservatively assumed to be the sum of the dose rate from the exposed 6" diameter surface of the vessel wall, i.e., 297 mR/hr, and the

dose rate 1 meter from the vessel wall with the canister and concrete in place (to represent the rest of the package), i.e., 244 mR/hr. The sum is 541 mR/hr.

## **5.5 APPENDICES**

**5.5.1 References**

**5.5.2 Surveys and Drawing**

**5.5.3 MicroShield Output**

### **5.5.1 References**

**5-1 MicroShield Version 6, Grove Engineering Inc., March 2003**

## **5.5.2 Radiation Surveys and LACBWR Vessel Drawing**



Miscellaneous Radiation Survey Record

Date/Time 6/15 1300 Surveyor HANSEN  
Instrument Type EXTENDER Signature Hansen  
Instrument Serial # 15879 SWP # 05-21 (if applicable)  
Location Rx BUILDING LOWER CAVEITY

ALL readings in mRem/hr unless otherwise noted.

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Rx vessel rad survey  
6/1/2005  
14 degrees east of north

	Distance up in feet	Detector towards Rx Vessel	Detector towards Thermal Shield
inside bottom of Thermal Shield	0	800 mR	300 mR
	1	3.2 R	750 mR
	2	6.6 R	1.6 R
	3	9.2 R	2.1 R
	4	12 R	
approximate core mid plan	5	11 R	
Met interference	6	11 R	
Met interference	6		2.6 R
	7		

Miscellaneous Radiation Survey Record

Date/Time 6/2/13 1000 Surveyor KRUEGER  
Instrument Type EXTENDER Signature [Signature]  
Instrument Serial # 15879 SWP # 05-21 (If applicable)  
Location LOWER CAVEITY - Rx VESSEL SURVEY

ALL readings in mRem/hr unless otherwise noted.

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Rx Vessel Rad Survey  
6/2/2005  
20 degees north of west

	Distance up in feet	Detector towards Rx Vessel	Detector towards Thermal Shield
inside bottom of Thermal Shield	0	1.2 R	550 mR
	1	4.0 R	1.2 R
	2	7.8 R	1.8 R
	3	12.5 R	2.2 R
	4	12 R	2.5 R
approximate core mid plane	5	11 R	2.5 R
	6	7.5 R	2.5 R
	7	6.5 R	2.1 R
	8		2 R

**Rx Vessel Rad Survey**  
**6/2/2005**  
**40 degrees north of west**

	<b>Distance up in feet</b>	<b>Detector towards Rx Vessel</b>	<b>Detector towards Thermal Shield</b>
<b>inside bottom of Thermal Shield</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1.2 R</b>	<b>450 mR</b>
	<b>1</b>	<b>4.8 R</b>	<b>850 mR</b>
	<b>2</b>	<b>7.8 R</b>	<b>2 R</b>
	<b>3</b>	<b>11 R</b>	<b>2.2 R</b>
	<b>4</b>	<b>13 R</b>	<b>2.7 R</b>
<b>approximate core mid plane</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>12.5 R</b>	<b>2.6 R</b>
	<b>6</b>	<b>12 R</b>	<b>2.5 R</b>
	<b>7</b>	<b>10R</b>	<b>2.2 R</b>

Miscellaneous Radiation Survey Record

Date/Time 8-9-2005 1000 Surveyor PEWDEBCKER  
Instrument Type A Signature B.E. Penderley  
Instrument Serial # A SWP # 05-23 (If applicable)  
Location C.B. UPPER & LOWER CAVITY

A EXTENDER # 15879  
RO-3 - # 169

ALL readings in mRem/hr unless otherwise noted.

Remarks: SEE ATTACHED SHEETS  
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**COPY**

Rx Vessel Rad Survey  
8/10/2005

All readings in mRem

Location 1  
14 degees east of north

below external thermal shield

	Distance down in feet	Extendor	RO-3
at bottom of thermal shield el. 655' 2"	0	500	na
	1	280	310
	2	200	220
	3	220	220
start of RPV lower head	4	130	180

Rx vessel, upper pipe chase	Distance up in feet		
top shield wall, el 675'	0	40	44
	1	35	38
	2	na	na nozzle
overhead el.678' 3"	3	75	na

na = not accessible

Extendor #15879  
RO-3 #169

**Rx Vessel Rad Survey  
8/10/2005**

All readings in mRem

**Location 2  
20 degees north of west**

**below external thermal shield**

	Distance down in feet	Extendor	RO-3	
At bottom of thermal shield el. 655' 2"	0	580	na	
	1	390	380	
	2	290	300	
	3	300	320	
start of RPV lower head	4	na	na	nozzle

Rx vessel, upper pipe chase	Distance up in feet		
top shield wall, el 675'	0	45	47
	1	45	46
	2	50	50
overhead el.678' 3"	3	80	60

na = not accessible

Extendor #15879  
RO-3 #169

Rx Vessel Rad Survey  
6/10/2005

All readings in mRem

Location 3  
40 degees north of west

below external thermal shield

	Distance down in feet	Extendor	
At bottom of thermal shield el. 655' 2"	0	480	na
	1	350	360
	2	230	270
	3	280	270
start of RPV lower head	4	180	220

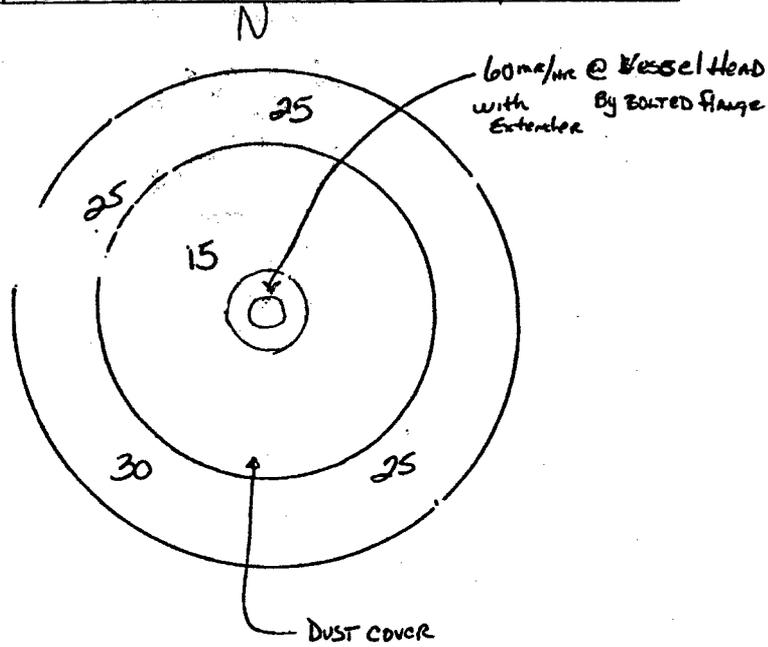
Rx vessel, upper pipe chase	Distance up in feet		
top shield wall, el 675'	0	45	41
	1	40	40
	2	50	50
overhead el.678' 3"	3	70	60

na = not accessible

Extender #15879  
RO-3 #169

Miscellaneous Radiation Survey Record

Date/Time 11-17-58 1050 Surveyor KRUEGER / HANSEN  
Instrument Type EXTENZA / RS0-50E Signature Krug / Hansen  
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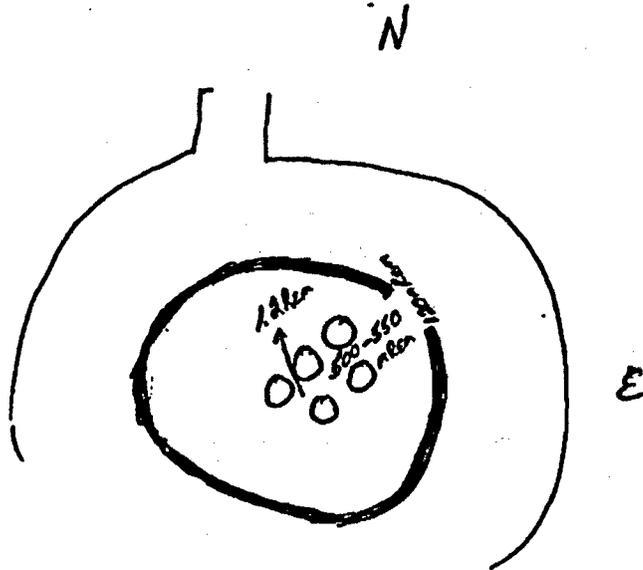


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Miscellaneous Radiation Survey Record

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Instrument Type EXTENDER Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
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Location LOWER CAVITY - UNDER Rx VESSEL - BETWEEN CRD  
EXTENSION TUBES



ALL readings in mRem/hr unless otherwise noted.

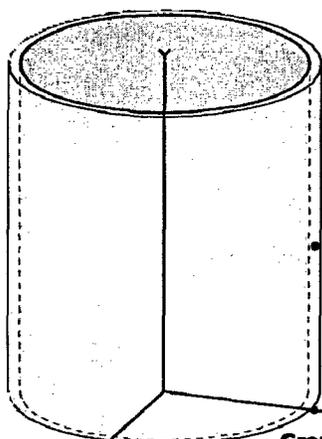
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### **5.5.3 MicroShield Output**

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 Run Date : November 15, 2005  
 Run Time : 2:07:24 PM  
 Duration : 00:00:01

File Ref: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Checked: \_\_\_\_\_

Case Title: RPV  
 Description: RPV only; match to survey  
 Geometry: 7 - Cylinder Volume - Side Shields



		Source Dimensions		
Height		304.8 cm	10 ft 0.0 in	
Radius		125.73 cm	4 ft 1.5 in	
Dose Points				
#	X	Y	Z	
# 1	235.89 cm 7 ft 8.9 in	152.4 cm 5 ft 0.0 in	0 cm 0.0 in	
# 2	139.7 cm 4 ft 7.0 in	152.4 cm 5 ft 0.0 in	0 cm 0.0 in	
# 3	139.7 cm 4 ft 7.0 in	0 cm 0.0 in	0 cm 0.0 in	
Shields				
Shield Name	Dimension	Material	Density	
Source	1.51e+07 cm <sup>2</sup>	Iron	2	
Shield 1	10.16 cm	Iron	7.86	
Transition		Air	0.00122	
Air Gap		Air	0.00122	

x Source Input

Grouping Method : Actual Photon Energies

Nuclide	curies	becquerels	uCi/cm <sup>2</sup>	Bq/cm <sup>2</sup>
Co-60	1.0653e+004	3.9416e+014	7.0377e+002	2.6039e+007

Buildup  
 The material reference is : Shield 1

Integration Parameters

Radial	10
Circumferential	10
Y Direction (axial)	20

Results - Dose Point # 1 - (235.89,152.4,0) cm

Energy MeV	Activity photons/sec	Fluence Rate MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec		Exposure Rate mR/hr	
		No Buildup	With Buildup	No Buildup	With Buildup
0.6938	6.430e+10	2.392e+00	2.970e+01	4.618e-03	5.735e-02
1.1732	3.942e+14	1.413e+05	1.139e+06	2.526e+02	2.036e+03
1.3325	3.942e+14	2.358e+05	1.705e+06	4.090e+02	2.958e+03
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>7.884e+14</b>	<b>3.771e+05</b>	<b>2.844e+06</b>	<b>6.616e+02</b>	<b>4.993e+03</b>

Results - Dose Point # 2 - (139.7,152.4,0) cm

Energy MeV	Activity photons/sec	Fluence Rate MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec		Exposure Rate mR/hr	
		No Buildup	With Buildup	No Buildup	With Buildup
0.6938	6.430e+10	4.068e+00	5.592e+01	7.855e-03	1.080e-01
1.1732	3.942e+14	2.691e+05	2.273e+06	4.809e+02	4.062e+03
1.3325	3.942e+14	4.561e+05	3.422e+06	7.914e+02	5.938e+03
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>7.884e+14</b>	<b>7.253e+05</b>	<b>5.696e+06</b>	<b>1.272e+03</b>	<b>1.000e+04</b>

Results - Dose Point # 3 - (139.7,0,0) cm

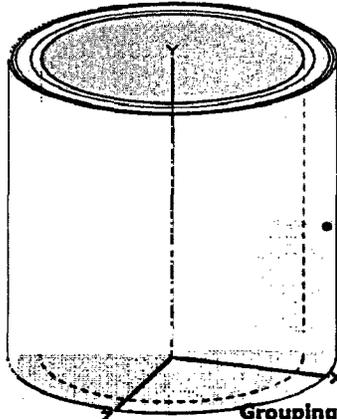
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Energy MeV	Activity photons/sec	Fluence Rate MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec		Exposure Rate mR/hr	
		No Buildup	With Buildup	No Buildup	With Buildup
0.6938	6.430e+10	2.038e+00	2.796e+01	3.935e-03	5.399e-02
1.1732	3.942e+14	1.346e+05	1.136e+06	2.405e+02	2.030e+03
1.3325	3.942e+14	2.281e+05	1.711e+06	3.957e+02	2.968e+03
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>7.884e+14</b>	<b>3.627e+05</b>	<b>2.847e+06</b>	<b>6.362e+02</b>	<b>4.998e+03</b>

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 Run Time : 11:03:13 AM  
 Duration : 00:00:00

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 Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Checked: \_\_\_\_\_

Case Title: RPV package  
 Description: NCT, primary, contact  
 Geometry: 7 - Cylinder Volume - Side Shields



Source Dimensions  
 Height 304.8 cm 10 ft 0.0 in  
 Radius 125.73 cm 4 ft 1.5 in

Dose Points  
 # 1 X 158.48 cm 5 ft 2.4 in  
 Y 152.4 cm 5 ft 0.0 in  
 Z 0 cm 0.0 in

Shield Name	Shields Dimension	Material	Density
Source	1.51e+07 cm <sup>3</sup>	Iron	2
Shield 1	10.16 cm	Iron	7.86
Shield 2	14.605 cm	Concrete	1.9
Shield 3	3.81 cm	Iron	7.86
Shield 4	3.175 cm	Iron	7.86
Transition		Air	0.00122
Air Gap		Air	0.00122

Source Input

Nuclide	curies	becquerels	uCi/cm <sup>2</sup>	Bq/cm <sup>2</sup>
Co-60	1.0653e+004	3.9416e+014	7.0377e+002	2.6039e+007

Grouping Method : Actual Photon Energies

Buildup  
 The material reference is : Shield 1

Integration Parameters

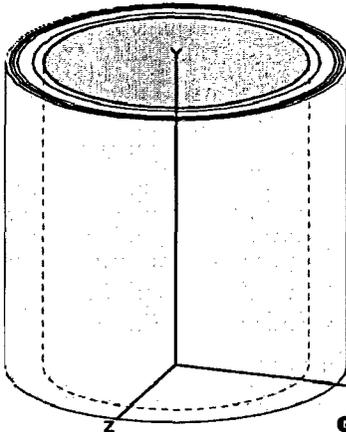
Radial	10
Circumferential	10
Y Direction (axial)	20

Energy MeV	Activity photons/sec	Fluence Rate		Exposure Rate	
		MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec	MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec	mR/hr	mR/hr
0.6938	6.430e+10	No Buildup	With Buildup	No Buildup	With Buildup
1.1732	3.942e+14	6.655e-03	1.922e-01	1.285e-05	3.710e-04
1.3325	3.942e+14	1.544e+03	2.463e+04	2.760e+00	4.402e+01
		3.438e+03	4.718e+04	5.965e+00	8.185e+01
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Case Title: RPV package  
 Description: NCT, supplemental shield, 2m  
 Geometry: 7 - Cylinder Volume - Side Shields



		Source Dimensions		
Height		304.8 cm	10 ft 0.0 in	
Radius		125.73 cm	4 ft 1.5 in	
Dose Points				
#	X	Y	Z	
# 1	362.56 cm 11 ft 10.7 in	152.4 cm 5 ft 0.0 in	0 cm 0.0 in	

Shield Name	Dimension	Material	Density
Source	1.51e+07 cm <sup>3</sup>	Iron	2
Shield 1	10.16 cm	Iron	7.86
Shield 2	14.605 cm	Concrete	1.9
Shield 3	3.81 cm	Iron	7.86
Shield 4	3.175 cm	Iron	7.86
Shield 5	4.445 cm	Iron	7.86
Transition		Air	0.00122
Air Gap		Air	0.00122

Source Input

Grouping Method : Actual Photon Energies

Nuclide	curies	becquerels	$\mu\text{Ci/cm}^3$	Bq/cm <sup>3</sup>
Co-60	1.0653e+004	3.9416e+014	7.0377e+002	2.6039e+007

Bulldup  
 The material reference is : Shield 1

Integration Parameters

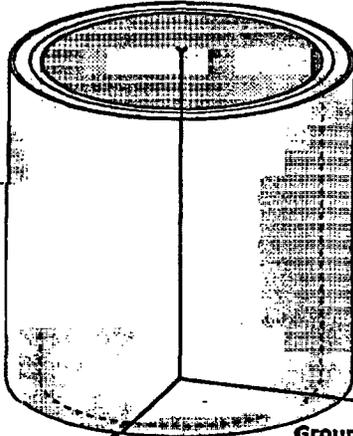
Radial	10
Circumferential	10
Y Direction (axial)	20

Energy MeV	Activity photons/sec	Fluence Rate		Exposure Rate	
		MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec No Bulldup	MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec With Bulldup	mR/hr No Bulldup	mR/hr With Bulldup
0.6938	6.430e+10	1.619e-04	6.010e-03	3.126e-07	1.160e-05
1.1732	3.942e+14	6.651e+01	1.327e+03	1.189e-01	2.371e+00
1.3325	3.942e+14	1.679e+02	2.859e+03	2.914e-01	4.960e+00
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>7.884e+14</b>	<b>2.345e+02</b>	<b>4.186e+03</b>	<b>4.102e-01</b>	<b>7.331e+00</b>

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File Ref: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 By: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Case Title: RPV package  
 Description: HAC; no shields; can intact, D2 1m from vessel wall  
 Geometry: 7 - Cylinder Volume - Side Shields



		Source Dimensions		
Height		304.8 cm	10 ft 0.0 in	
Radius		125.73 cm	4 ft 1.5 in	
Dose Points				
		X	Y	Z
# 1		254.305 cm 8 ft 4.1 in	152.4 cm 5 ft 0.0 in	0 cm 0.0 in
# 2		235.89 cm 7 ft 8.9 in	152.4 cm 5 ft 0.0 in	0 cm 0.0 in
Shields				
Shield Name	Dimension	Material	Density	
Source	1.51e+07 cm <sup>3</sup>	Iron	2	
Shield 1	10.16 cm	Iron	7.86	
Shield 2	14.605 cm	Concrete	1.9	
Shield 3	3.81 cm	Iron	7.86	
Transition		Air	0.00122	
Air Gap		Air	0.00122	

Source Input

Grouping Method : Actual Photon Energies

Nuclide	curies	becquerels	$\mu\text{Ci}/\text{cm}^2$	$\text{Bq}/\text{cm}^2$
Co-60	1.0653e+004	3.9416e+014	7.0377e+002	2.6039e+007

Bulldup  
 The material reference is : Shield 1

Integration Parameters

Radial	10
Circumferential	10
Y Direction (axial)	20

Results - Dose Point # 1 - (254.305,152.4,0) cm

Energy MeV	Activity photons/sec	Fluence Rate MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec		Exposure Rate mR/hr	
		No Bulldup	With Bulldup	No Bulldup	With Bulldup
0.6938	6.430e+10	2.205e-02	5.102e-01	4.257e-05	9.850e-04
1.1732	3.942e+14	3.399e+03	4.607e+04	6.074e+00	8.233e+01
1.3325	3.942e+14	6.989e+03	8.270e+04	1.213e+01	1.435e+02
TOTALS:	7.884e+14	1.039e+04	1.288e+05	1.820e+01	2.258e+02

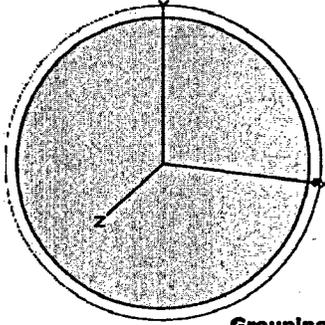
Results - Dose Point # 2 - (235.89,152.4,0) cm

Energy MeV	Activity photons/sec	Fluence Rate MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec		Exposure Rate mR/hr	
		No Bulldup	With Bulldup	No Bulldup	With Bulldup
0.6938	6.430e+10	2.422e-02	5.568e-01	4.676e-05	1.075e-03
1.1732	3.942e+14	3.691e+03	4.982e+04	6.596e+00	8.904e+01
1.3325	3.942e+14	7.576e+03	8.936e+04	1.314e+01	1.550e+02
TOTALS:	7.884e+14	1.127e+04	1.392e+05	1.974e+01	2.441e+02

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 By: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Case Title: LACBWR  
 Description: bottom  
 Geometry: 6 - Sphere



Radius	Source Dimensions		
	125.73 cm	4 ft 1.5 in	
	Dose Points		
# 1	X 138.43 cm 4 ft 6.5 in	Y 0 cm 0.0 in	Z 0 cm 0.0 in
	Shields		
Shield Name	Dimension	Material	Density
Source	8.33e+06 cm <sup>3</sup>	Iron	2
Shield 1	10.16 cm	Iron	7.86
Transition		Air	0.00122
Air Gap		Air	0.00122

Source Input				
Grouping Method : Actual Photon Energies				
Nuclide	curies	becquerels	uCi/cm <sup>2</sup>	Bq/cm <sup>2</sup>
Co-60	6.6576e+002	2.4633e+013	7.9967e+001	2.9588e+006

Bulldup  
 The material reference is : Shield 1

Integration Parameters	
Rho (Radial)	10
Angle	10

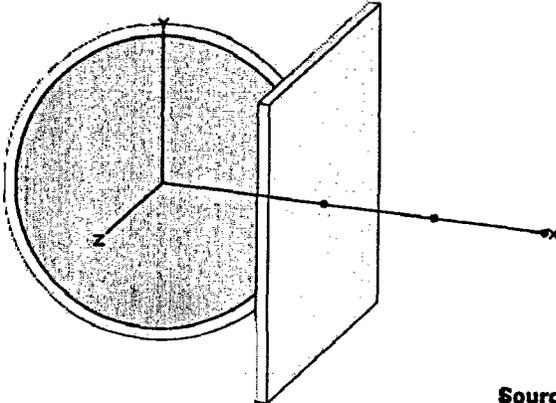
Energy MeV	Activity photons/sec	Fluence Rate MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec	Results		Exposure Rate mR/hr	Exposure Rate mR/hr
			Fluence Rate MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec	Exposure Rate mR/hr		
		No Bulldup	With Bulldup	No Bulldup	With Bulldup	
0.6938	4.018e+09	4.728e-01	5.870e+00	9.128e-04	1.133e-02	
1.1732	2.463e+13	2.784e+04	2.233e+05	4.974e+01	3.990e+02	
1.3325	2.463e+13	4.636e+04	3.337e+05	8.043e+01	5.790e+02	
TOTALS:	4.927e+13	7.420e+04	5.570e+05	1.302e+02	9.780e+02	

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Case Title: LACBWR  
 Description: bottom  
 Geometry: 6 - Sphere



Radius 125.73 cm 4 ft 1.5 in

Dose Points

	X	Y	Z
# 1	147.05 cm 4 ft 9.9 in	0 cm 0.0 in	0 cm 0.0 in
# 2	246.05 cm 8 ft 0.9 in	0 cm 0.0 in	0 cm 0.0 in
# 3	346.05 cm 11 ft 4.2 in	0 cm 0.0 in	0 cm 0.0 in

Shield Name	Shields Dimension	Material	Density
Source	8.33e+06 cm <sup>3</sup>	Iron	2
Shield 1	10.16 cm	Iron	7.86
Transition		Air	0.00122
Shield 3	10.16 cm	Iron	7.86
Air Gap		Air	0.00122

Source Input

Nuclide	Grouping Method : Actual Photon Energies			Bo/cm <sup>2</sup>
	curies	becquerels	uCi/cm <sup>2</sup>	
Co-60	6.6576e+002	2.4633e+013	7.9967e+001	2.9588e+006

Bulldup

The material reference is : Shield 1

Integration Parameters

Rho (Radial) 10  
 Angle 10

Energy MeV	Activity photons/sec	Results - Dose Point # 1 - (147.05,0,0) cm			
		Fluence Rate MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec	Fluence Rate MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec	Exposure Rate mR/hr	Exposure Rate mR/hr
		No Bulldup	With Bulldup	No Bulldup	With Bulldup
0.6938	4.018e+09	9.064e-04	2.511e-02	1.750e-06	4.849e-05
1.1732	2.463e+13	1.982e+02	3.097e+03	3.542e-01	5.535e+00
1.3325	2.463e+13	4.364e+02	5.896e+03	7.571e-01	1.023e+01
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>4.927e+13</b>	<b>6.346e+02</b>	<b>8.994e+03</b>	<b>1.111e+00</b>	<b>1.576e+01</b>

Energy MeV	Activity photons/sec	Results - Dose Point # 2 - (246.05,0,0) cm			
		Fluence Rate MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec	Fluence Rate MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec	Exposure Rate mR/hr	Exposure Rate mR/hr
		No Bulldup	With Bulldup	No Bulldup	With Bulldup
0.6938	4.018e+09	4.054e-04	1.114e-02	7.828e-07	2.150e-05
1.1732	2.463e+13	8.683e+01	1.342e+03	1.552e-01	2.398e+00
1.3325	2.463e+13	1.901e+02	2.538e+03	3.298e-01	4.404e+00
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>4.927e+13</b>	<b>2.769e+02</b>	<b>3.880e+03</b>	<b>4.849e-01</b>	<b>6.802e+00</b>

Results - Dose Point # 3 - (346.05,0,0) cm

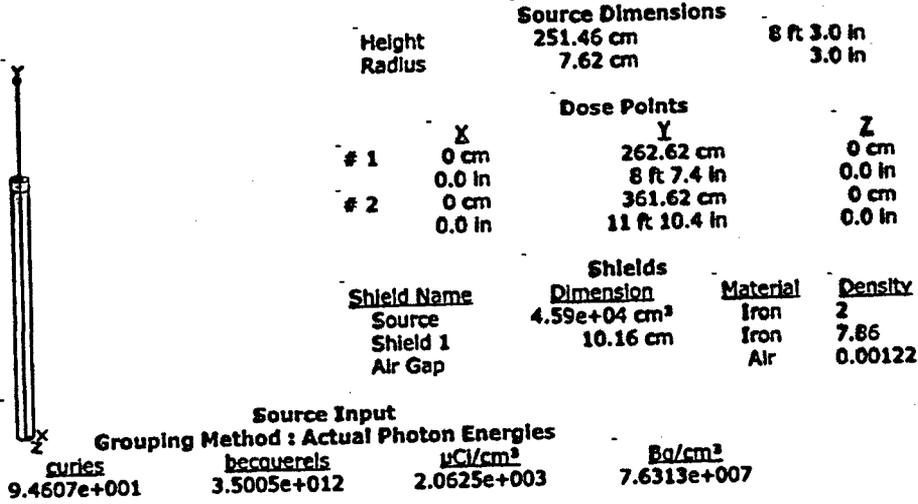
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Energy MeV	Activity photons/sec	Fluence Rate MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec		Exposure Rate mR/hr	
		No Buildup	With Buildup	No Buildup	With Buildup
0.6938	4.018e+09	2.160e-04	5.917e-03	4.171e-07	1.142e-05
1.1732	2.463e+13	4.595e+01	7.075e+02	8.211e-02	1.264e+00
1.3325	2.463e+13	1.004e+02	1.336e+03	1.742e-01	2.317e+00
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>4.927e+13</b>	<b>1.463e+02</b>	<b>2.043e+03</b>	<b>2.563e-01</b>	<b>3.582e+00</b>

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Case Title: LACBWR  
 Description: puncture - cylinder  
 Geometry: 8 - Cylinder Volume - End Shields



Buildup  
 The material reference is : Shield 1

Integration Parameters	
Radial	20
Circumferential	10
Y Direction (axial)	10

Results - Dose Point # 1 - (0,262.62,0) cm						
Energy MeV	Activity photons/sec	Fluence Rate	Fluence Rate	Exposure Rate	Exposure Rate	
		MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec	MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec	mR/hr	mR/hr	
		No Buildup	With Buildup	No Buildup	With Buildup	
0.6938	5.710e+08	7.431e+00	7.913e+01	1.435e-02	1.528e-01	
1.1732	3.500e+12	3.532e+05	2.367e+06	6.312e+02	4.230e+03	
1.3325	3.500e+12	5.557e+05	3.324e+06	9.642e+02	5.767e+03	
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>7.001e+12</b>	<b>9.090e+05</b>	<b>5.691e+06</b>	<b>1.595e+03</b>	<b>9.998e+03</b>	
Results - Dose Point # 2 - (0,361.62,0) cm						
Energy MeV	Activity photons/sec	Fluence Rate	Fluence Rate	Exposure Rate	Exposure Rate	
		MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec	MeV/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec	mR/hr	mR/hr	
		No Buildup	With Buildup	No Buildup	With Buildup	
0.6938	5.710e+08	2.176e-01	2.293e+00	4.201e-04	4.428e-03	
1.1732	3.500e+12	1.031e+04	6.990e+04	1.842e+01	1.249e+02	
1.3325	3.500e+12	1.628e+04	9.901e+04	2.824e+01	1.718e+02	
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>7.001e+12</b>	<b>2.658e+04</b>	<b>1.689e+05</b>	<b>4.666e+01</b>	<b>2.967e+02</b>	

## **6.0 CRITICALITY EVALUATION**

As noted in Section 1.2, the total quantity of fissile material in the LACBWR Reactor Pressure Vessel Package (RPVP) is 1.7 grams. The LACBWR RPVP meets the requirement of 10 CFR 71.15 (a). Thus, the LACBWR RPVP is exempt from the fissile material criteria of 10 CFR 71.55 and 71.59, and a criticality evaluation is not applicable.

## **7.0 OPERATING PROCEDURES**

This chapter describes the operating procedures to be used for loading and transport of the La Crosse Boiling Water Reactor (LACBWR) Reactor Pressure Vessel (RPV) package. In accordance with Regulatory Guide 7.9, this chapter describes the procedures for loading and preparing the package for transport. The LACBWR package is a 10 CFR 71, exclusive use Type B package to be used for a one-time shipment and disposal of the RPV at the licensed low level radioactive waste disposal facility of Chem-Nuclear Systems, Barnwell, South Carolina. Since the package is permanently sealed and will be buried with its contents, the "Unloading and Transportation of Empty Package" as defined in Regulatory Guide 7.9 does not apply. For the same reason, package opening instructions as stated in 10 CFR 71.89 are not applicable.

This chapter describes the plan for loading and transportation of the package in order to ensure safe operations in compliance with the regulations and the package evaluation in this SAR. All the required operations discussed in this chapter will be performed in accordance with written procedures approved under the LACBWR's Quality Assurance (QA) Program, which complies with 10 CFR 71, Subpart H, Quality Assurance. All the applicable record keeping, inspections, reporting, and advance notification requirements addressed in 10 CFR 71.91, 93, 95, and 97 will be complied with under the LACBWR's QA Program. All of the appropriate procedures will comply with the ALARA requirements of 10 CFR 20.

### **7.1 PACKAGE LOADING**

The package and its radioactive contents are described in detail in Chapter 1. As discussed in that chapter, the loaded package will contain the RPV, RPV Head, RPV internals, Low Density Cellular Concrete (LDCC) filling the void space in the RPV, and Medium Density Cellular Concrete (MDCC) filling the annulus between the RPV and the canister.

#### **7.1.1 Preparation for Loading**

Prior to RPV removal, certain actions will be taken in preparation for the package loading process. These operations are:

- Grouting of the RPV recirculation piping (inlet/outlet) with LDCC prior to grouting RPV cavity;

- Grouting the RPV cavity with LDCC;
- Size reducing RPV body flange outside diameter (OD) to 119”;
- Cutting all nozzles; and
- Unbolt RPV support legs from the RPV support ring.

Low Density Cellular Concrete (LDCC) will be injected into the RPV cavity through injection points located in the RPV inlet/outlet recirculation nozzles, steam nozzle, experimental nozzles, and the 20” flange located at the RPV head. The design characteristic of the LDCC critical for this application is its density. A density range of 45-50 lb/ft<sup>3</sup> has been considered for the LDCC in the RPV in the design of the package.

To ensure that no voids are left within the RPV, the LDCC density range is achieved, and no water remains in the LDCC, a controlled LDCC injection process will be followed. The LDCC injection process will be accomplished using written work instructions.

After LDCC injection phase has been completed and the LDCC has cured, cutting of the RPV nozzles will begin. The RPV nozzles consist of the inlet/outlet recirculation and steam nozzles, experimental/water level nozzles, Control Rod nozzles, drain/blow-down nozzle, and In-Core Monitoring nozzles.

The above preparations will be described in detail in approved work packages, and the operation will be performed in accordance with written work instructions. Prior to placing the RPV into the package, the following will be confirmed:

- The contents to be loaded into the package are those authorized by the NRC per 10 CFR 71.41(d).
- The use of the package complies with the stated conditions of the special package authorization.

### **7.1.2 Loading of Contents**

After the preparations described in Section 7.1.1 are complete, the RPV is ready to be lifted out of its cavity and loaded into the packaging. The canister will be fabricated in two sections, upper and lower. The upper section consists of a top plate with clevises for down-ending purposes and a cylindrical shell. Additionally, the upper section will have penetrations in its top plate and shell, which will be used for injecting MDCC in the annulus between the RPV exterior and the upper section interior. The lower

section consists of a bottom plate and a cylindrical shell, with trunnions located at bottom third of the shell body. Additionally, the lower section will have a steel ring welded to the top of the shell body, which will be used for welding the upper section to the lower section.

The fabricated package sections will initially be delivered to LACBWR in a horizontal position on a road transporter. The package lower section will then be moved into a vertical position by means of two A-frame pivot devices supporting the two trunnions on opposite sides of this section. The RPV will be lifted out of the cavity and placed into the package lower section in a vertical position.

After the RPV has been loaded into the package lower section and while the RPV is still connected to the gantry system, MDCC of approximately 120 lb/ft<sup>3</sup> will be injected in the annulus between the RPV exterior and the package lower section interior. Once the annulus has been filled and the MDCC has cured, the gantry system will be disconnected from the RPV. The package upper section will then be placed on top of the exposed section of the RPV, and welded to the package lower section at the weld ring. Following welding, MDCC will be injected via the penetrations in the canister upper section to fill the annulus between the RPV exterior and package upper section interior. Once this annulus has been filled and the MDCC has cured, these penetrations will be plugged and seal welded.

The complete welded package will then be down-ended into a horizontal position using the gantry system trolley crane (400 ton capacity), the clevises, the trunnions, and the A-frame pivot device.

Once the package is in a horizontal position, the clevises and trunnions will be disabled or removed and the remaining shields will be welded to the shell.

#### **7.1.2.1 Lifting Devices**

The package lifting devices include one clevis assembly and one trunnion assembly. The clevises and the trunnions will be used for the package down-ending operations discussed in Section 7.1.2. The clevises and trunnions are not structural parts of the transport package and will be disabled or removed prior to shipment.

There are no other structural parts of the package that could be used for lifting the package during transport. Therefore, the 10 CFR 71.45(a) requirement regarding inoperability of these devices during transport is satisfied.

### **7.1.3 Preparations for Transport**

Radiation and contamination surveys of the package prior to off-site transport will be conducted per DPC's radiological program. Package exterior surface is expected to be free of any contamination, and package exterior radiation levels will not exceed the limits specified in 10 CFR 71.47 at any time during transportation.

Leak testing of the package is not applicable in this case since all package closures will be welded, and the welds will be visually inspected and magnetic particle inspection will be performed. After the process of MDCC injection has been completed, penetration holes will be plugged and seal welded in accordance with the details provided on approved design drawings (Chapter 1), and written procedures. The general configuration of the loaded package is illustrated in Chapter 1. The package welds will be visually inspected, and weld examination will be performed as described in Chapter 8.0. Package markings per 10 CFR 71.85 (c) states:

"The licensee shall conspicuously and durably mark the packaging with its model number, serial number, gross weight, and a package identification number assigned by NRC..."

To comply with the above, the package will be marked per the above requirements.

Based on the Thermal Analysis provided in Chapter 3 of this submittal, the package surface temperature is expected to be negligible; therefore, measurement of the package surface temperature will not be required prior to off-site transport.

Package tie-downs are not a structural part of this package; therefore, there are no 10 CFR 71 requirements applicable to package tie-down preparation prior to off-site transport.

Package tamper-indicating devices are not applicable in this case since the package will be completely welded.

While the package is in a horizontal position as described in Section 7.1.2, it will be moved by a multi-axle hydraulic trailer from the down-ending area, outside the Reactor Building, to a rail spur located at the north end of the LACBWR site, a distance of approximately ¼ of a mile. Prior to this move, the

RPV package will be secured to the hydraulic trailer using tie-down hardware such as chains, turnbuckles, and shackles.

At the LACBWR rail spur the RPV package will be off-loaded from the multi-axle transporter, and loaded onto the offsite rail conveyance using a gantry system. The rail conveyance consists of a twelve (12) axle and eight (8) axle heavy-duty railcars utilizing a combination of saddles and a bolster. Engineered tie-downs securing the RPV package saddles and bolster to the railcars will be installed to produce a unitized transport package. Prior to the rail conveyance leaving LACBWR, the tie-down system will be inspected by qualified personnel to ensure the package is properly and securely tied to the transporter. Loading and securing the package on the transporter will be performed in accordance with approved written procedures.

## **7.2 PACKAGE UNLOADING**

This package is intended for a one-time use only. The package, including its contents will be disposed of at the Barnwell disposal facility in South Carolina. Therefore package unloading will not be applicable in this case.

## **7.3 PREPARATION OF EMPTY PACKAGE FOR TRANSPORT**

As noted in section 7.2 above, this is a one-time use package so Empty Package requirements are not applicable for this package.

## **7.4 OTHER OPERATIONS**

Off-site transportation of the package will be accomplished via rail. Rail transportation will start from Genoa, WI through Memphis, TN, and ends in Barnwell, SC at the Duratek Consolidation Services Facility (DCSF) rail spur. Upon RPV package arrival at DCSF, it will be offloaded using a gantry system similar to what was used at LACBWR and loaded onto a multi-axle hydraulic trailer. Road tie-down hardware will be installed between the RPV package and multi-axle trailer, followed by a road transport to the disposal site in Barnwell, South Carolina.

To organize and coordinate all of the transportation activities, a Transportation emergency Response Plan (TERP) will be developed by Duratek and approved by DPC. This document will be

utilized as the transportation operations controlling document throughout the entire shipment from LACBWR to the disposal site. The "Exclusive Use Instruction" referenced in TERP will identify appropriate operating controls such as the minimum required temperature during transportation discussed in Section 7.4.1. The TERP will also include details such as the transportation route, mode of transportation and transfer locations, distances, processes, and equipment, and identifies responsibilities and interfaces for the next transportation activities. These activities include package transfer from one conveyance to the next, tie-down instructions and inspections, radiological controls, package delivery to the disposal site, etc. Guidance on the required activities to coordinate with appropriate federal and local agencies in response to emergencies will also be provided in the TERP.

10 CFR 71.47(c) states:

"For shipments made under the provisions of paragraph (b) of this section, the shipper shall provide specific written instructions to the carrier for maintenance of the exclusive use shipment controls. The instructions must be included with the shipping paper information."

10 CFR 71.47 (d) states:

"The written instructions required for exclusive use shipments must be sufficient so that, when followed, they will cause the carrier to avoid actions that will unnecessarily delay delivery or unnecessarily result in increased radiation levels or radiation exposures to transport workers or members of the general public."

Implementation of the transportation activities described in the TERP will be in accordance with written procedures. This will satisfy the 10 CFR 71.47(c) and (d) requirement for written instructions to be used during the shipment. These instructions will be included with the shipping paper information provided to the carrier.

#### **7.4.1 Operating Controls for Minimum Required Temperature**

Chapter 2.0 sets specific minimum temperature limits during the transportation in order to protect the RPV package top and bottom plates from brittle fracture. To comply with the criteria discussed in that section, operating controls will be specified in the "Exclusive Use Instruction" to the carrier as summarized below:

Prior to leaving LACBWR, weather reports along the transportation route will be reviewed, and the transportation will not begin if an ambient temperature below 0°F is predicted. The ambient temperature will be monitored throughout the transportation duration. If this temperature falls to 0°F while the transporter is in motion, transportation will be stopped. The criteria for resuming the transportation will be based on the package surface temperature. Measurements of this temperature will be taken at a few locations on the top and bottom plates of the RPV package. Once the minimum measured surface temperature exceeds 0°F, the transportation will resume. The ambient temperature monitoring will continue, and the foregoing operations will take place again if the minimum ambient temperature condition is reached.

## **8.0 ACCEPTANCE TESTS AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM**

The La Crosse Boiling Water Reactor (LACBWR) Reactor Pressure Vessel Package (RPVP) design requirements and operating activities are discussed in Chapters 1 through 7. The packaging is designed for exclusive use, one-time transportation and disposal of the RPV at the Chem-Nuclear Systems low level radioactive waste disposal facility at Barnwell, South Carolina. This chapter describes the acceptance tests and inspections that will be performed on the RPVP to ensure compliance with its design requirements, and the requirements of Subpart G of 10 CFR71.

### **8.1 ACCEPTANCE TESTS**

Acceptance tests and inspections will be performed prior to the transportation of the package in compliance with 10 CFR 71.85. The sequential order of these inspections and tests will be coordinated with other operations as detailed in Chapter 7. All the tests and inspections on the package described in this chapter will be conducted and documented in accordance with written procedures approved under the licensee's NRC Approved Quality Assurance (QA) Program.

#### **8.1.1 Visual Inspections and Measurements**

10 CFR 71.85(a) states:

“The licensee shall ascertain that there are no cracks, pinholes, uncontrolled voids, or other defects that could significantly reduce the effectiveness of the packaging.”

10 CFR 71.87(b) requires the licensee to determine (also addressed in Section 7.2.2.b) that:

“The package is in unimpaired physical condition except for superficial defects such as marks or dents.”

10 CFR 71.85 (c) states:

“...Before applying the model number, the licensee shall determine that the packaging has been fabricated in accordance with the design approved by the Commission.”

The packaging will be fabricated under the RPVP licensee (Duratek) QA Program and in accordance with the design presented in this SAR. Inspections and examinations of the fabricated material and shop welds will be completed prior to shipping the package to LACBWR. The containment shell will be delivered to LACBWR in two sections, a cylindrical lower shell assembly, and an upper shell assembly as discussed in Section 7.1 (see the drawing in Appendix 1.4). Upon arrival on the LACBWR site, the sections will be visually examined to assure no damage has occurred during transport.

The RPV will be placed in the lower shell assembly and grouted. The upper shell assembly will be field welded to the lower shell assembly to form an integral unit. The upper shell to lower shell field weld and grout plug field welds will be visually examined and nondestructively examined as explained in Section 8.1.2. If the examinations reveal any defects, the defects will be evaluated based on the acceptance criteria in 8.1.2 to ascertain whether remedial actions may be warranted. Inspections and repairs, if required, will be appropriately documented.

The above inspections and repairs will be performed using approved written procedures under the Duratek QA Program. Fabrication of the containment shell and other fabricated parts will be performed under the Duratek QA Program, and accomplishment of the inspections described above will satisfy the 10 CFR 71.85 and 10 CFR 71.87 requirements stated in Section 8.1.1. Compliance with the requirements of 10 CFR 71.85(a) is further assured with the weld examinations described in Section 8.1.2.

### **8.1.2 Weld Examinations**

Compliance with the requirements of 10 CFR 71.85(a) is confirmed by the package weld examinations. Examinations of the shop welds will be done at the shop, per the criteria identified in the fabrication specifications and under the Duratek QA Program, prior to shipping the package to LACBWR. All welds will be visually examined, magnetic particle (MT) examined, and volumetrically examined using RT for category A and B welds or UT for category C welds, the acceptance criteria shall be the ASME Code, Section III, Article ND-5300.

SA-516, Grade 70, plugs mounted on cover plates will be placed into the 3-1/2" diameter holes used for injection of the Medium Density Cellular Concrete (MDCC) into the package. The welds used to install these plugs will be visually examined and MT examined with acceptance criteria the ASME Code, Section III, Article ND-5300.

The above operations will be performed using approved written procedures under the Duratek QA Program. Accomplishment of the inspections and examinations described in Sections 8.1.1 and 8.1.2 will satisfy the requirement of 10 CFR 71.85(a).

### **8.1.3 Structural and Pressure Tests**

The structural integrity of the package is analytically demonstrated in section 2, and based on this analysis showing a safety factor greater than 8, no pressure test will be performed.

### **8.1.4 Leak Tests**

The containment shell consists of two welded cylindrical steel shells plus top and bottom plates welded to the cylinders, the shells are welded together after the RPV is loaded and penetration seal plugs are welded in place after the MDCC is installed. These welds will undergo examinations as stated in Sections 8.1.1 and 8.1.2 to insure that the welds are sound and continuous. There are no mechanical closures, gaskets, valves or other similar types of penetrations.

The package contains primarily solid radioactive material with only a very small percentage of radioactive material as surface contamination in the RPV, which will be fixed in place by the Low Density Cellular Concrete (LDCC). There is no gaseous or liquid radioactive material in the package. As concluded in Section 2 and Section 4.3 of this SAR, the package integrity under Normal Conditions of Transport provides assurance that the radioactive materials will remain contained in the package. Therefore, the package meets the requirements of 10CFR71 under Normal Conditions of Transport. The discussion in Section 4.4 of this SAR shows that in the event of a breach of containment under Hypothetical Accident Conditions, the released radioactivity levels are within the limits of 10 CFR 71. Therefore, no leak test is required.

### **8.1.5 Component and Material Tests**

The containment shell is a welded steel enclosure used for the transportation and disposal of the RPV. All plate material shall be provided with certified mechanical and chemical test reports. These tests shall include determination of the nil-ductility transition temperature for materials three inches thick and over. All welding will be performed using procedures qualified for notch toughness requirements to

match the requirements of the base materials. Post weld heat treatment (PWHT) will not be performed unless the weld procedure qualification requires PWHT to meet mechanical properties in the weld. Since fabrication of the containment shell will be accomplished in accordance with the Duratek QA Program, verification of the materials of construction against the design requirements is covered under that program.

#### **8.1.6 Shielding Tests**

As discussed below, shielding tests prior to final acceptance for shipment are not required for this package. Fabrication of the packaging will be performed in accordance with the Duratek QA Program, which will provide assurance that the package is constructed in compliance with the design requirements described in this SAR. The controlled process for loading the packaging described in Sections 7.1.1 and 7.1.2, the weld examinations described in Sections 8.1.1 and 8.1.2, and the pre-shipment dose rate surveys discussed in Section 7.2.2.(j), will confirm the adequacy of the shielding as required by the package design. Because this is a single shipment package, and the design of the package the dose rate and shielding requirements are applicable only to the final configuration, shielding tests are not applicable to intermediate configurations (i.e., prior to emplacement of the MDCC).

#### **8.1.7 Thermal Acceptance Tests**

The analyses performed for thermal evaluation of the package in Chapter 3 have used conservative thermal properties for the materials present in the package. The package materials are capable of withstanding temperatures within its design envelope as shown in Chapter 3. Therefore, thermal acceptance tests are not required.

### **8.2 MAINTENANCE PROGRAM**

The package is a single shipment steel container that will be used for transportation and disposal of the LACBWR RV. This package is a sealed enclosure with no instrumentation or operating control devices that are relied upon for maintaining and monitoring its integrity during the shipment. The initial acceptance tests and inspections described in Section 8.1, and the pre-shipment routine determinations performed in accordance with 10 CFR 71.87 criteria as detailed in Section 7.2.2 will ensure that the package complies with all applicable requirements. The procedures and instructions provided for the

transportation operations as discussed in Section 7.3 will ensure safe transportation of the package. Therefore, no maintenance program is required for this package.