

July 19, 2006

APPLICANT: General Electric Company

PROJECT: Economic Simplified Boiling Water Reactor (ESBWR) Design Certification

SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF MAY 26, 2006, MEETING WITH GENERAL ELECTRIC,
REGARDING AUDIT OF ESBWR PIPING DESIGN AND ANALYSIS

On May 26, 2006, a Category 1 public meeting was held between the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and representatives of General Electric Company (GE) at GE Nuclear Energy, 3901 Castle Hayne Road, Wilmington, North Carolina. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the results of an audit of the ESBWR piping design and analysis conducted May 22 to 26, 2006, at the GE Nuclear Energy facilities in Wilmington, North Carolina. A list of attendees at the May 26, 2006, public meeting is provided as Enclosure 1.

An agenda for the audit which described documents to be available during the audit and information needed for a confirmatory analysis by NRC was given to GE and is provided as Enclosure 2. During the audit, GE's responses to NRC's requests for additional information (RAIs) in the piping area were discussed. NRC's RAIs in the piping area are available in the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) at Accession Number ML060880224. GE's responses to these RAIs are available in ADAMS at Accession Number ML061280481. Also during the audit, GE presented information describing the modeling and computer programs used in the stress analysis of the ESBWR main steam lines. GE's presentation is available in ADAMS at Accession Number ML061560245.

Detailed discussions on each RAI response are summarized in the audit trip report provided as Enclosure 3. The response to RAI 3.12-6 was acceptable. Responses to the remaining RAIs remain open pending receipt of acceptable revised responses. Seven of these RAI responses involved issues that were considered significant and remained unresolved. These were responses to RAIs 3.12-3, 11, 17, 21, 22, 25, and 27. GE agreed to provide revised responses.

Eight followup questions were identified during the audit as described in Enclosure 3. Audit question eight involves information requested to support a confirmatory analysis by NRC. GE agreed to submit this information. Audit questions one through seven will be followed up through the RAI process. Audit questions five and six are associated with RAI responses 3.12-11 and 14.

Members of the public were not in attendance.

Please direct any inquiries to Lawrence Rossbach at 301-415-2863, or lwr@nrc.gov.

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Enclosures: 1. List of Attendees
2. NRC agenda
3. Audit trip report

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MEETING ATTENDEES

Subject: ESBWR Piping design and analysis

Date: May 26, 2006

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ESBWR PIPING DESIGN AUDIT
May 22 to 26, 2006

A G E N D A

Topics to be Included in the audit

- Discussion of outstanding RAIs
- Review of Design Specifications and Design Reports
- Review of Design Procedures, Handbooks, GE Technical Documents identified in the DCD and RAI responses
- Review of two Main Steam Piping or other piping system analysis calculations
- Collect adequate information on one MS piping system for confirmatory analysis
- Review of ITAAC and COL items for piping systems

Documents to be available during the audit

- Industry Codes, Standards, Guidelines identified in the DCD and RAI responses
- GE procedures, design specifications and design reports, technical reports and critical references cited within these documents
- Drawings of piping systems to illustrate concerns identified in the RAIs, e.g., thermal oscillations, thermal stratification, etc.
- Verification and validation documents relating to computer codes requiring design certification
- Summary of COL items to be included in the design certification
- Summary of ITAAC items for piping design
- Documents to support GE's RAI responses, including revised DCD pages when applicable
- Piping analysis modeling details of MS piping systems including the SRV piping for BNL to perform a confirmatory analysis*
 - GE computer input and output, calculation and summary sheets, drawings of two MS piping systems including the SRV piping
 - Piping layout and enough details for use in mathematical modeling of the system
 - Piping support information [e.g., locations, directions, type, stiffnesses, masses (if any), etc.]
 - Loads and load combinations
 - Analysis results for comparison with BNL's confirmatory analyses
 - Summary sheets
 - GE computer code manuals (e.g., PISYS)

* Copies of documents needed for BNL to perform confirmatory analyses

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