TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE 37401

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October 7. 1986

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Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation Attn: Mr. B. J. Youngblood, Project Director PWR Project Directorate No. 4 Division of Pressurized Water Reactors (PWR) Licensing-A U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Youngblood:

Docket Nos. 50-327 In the Matter of the Tennessee Valley Authority)

Enclosed is TVA's response to your letter to S. A. White dated August 4, 1986. This response addresses your 15 Watts Bar Nuclear Plant (WBN) specific cable pulling questions from an engineering/design perspective. Similar cable pulling questions at the Sequoyah Nuclear Plant (SQN) will be addressed in detail in TVA's response to your August 29, 1986 letter.

Also as requested in your letter, we have enclosed a list of related WBN employee concerns. As you will note, there are a number of concerns which question the adequacy of the cable pulling program. These concerns are being evaluated by the TVA Employee Concerns Special Program (ECSP). If concern evaluations identify problems with either the specified requirements or the implementation of these requirements, corrective actions may be required which affect the program requirements as identified in the enclosed response. The ECSP reports will be provided to you for your information when completed.

Based upon preliminary concerns expressed by your reviewers on September 10. 1986 at WBN, enclosed are two memorandums (From W. S. Raughley to Those listed dated September 2, 1986, "All Nuclear Plants - Electrical Issues - Class IE Cable Bend Radius," and dated July 16. 1986, "All Nuclear Plants - Electrical Issues - Support of Cables in Vertical Conduits") which should resolve some of these additional concerns. Supplemental documentation to our response is provided as deemed appropriate. We hope this additional information will allow you to complete your review.

Please note that the requested sidewall bearing pressure test report will be submitted to you upon completion of a third-party review. Submitta, of the report after a third-party review was discussed with your reviewers in a meeting on July 17, 1986 in Knoxville.

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The enclosures in this letter are:

Enclosure 1

Enclosure 2

Response to questions transmitted with your letter to S. A. White dated August 4, 1986

Summary of how General Construction Specification Number G-38 requirements are communicated to working level as requested in the July 17, 1986 meeting in Knoxville

Enclosure 3

Listing of employee concerns which are related to your cable pulling concerns listed in your August 4, 1896 letter

Enclosure 4

TVA memorandums dated September 2, 1986 and July 16, 1986 which address some additional cable pulling concerns expressed at the September 10, 1986 meeting at WBN

The extension on the response date requested in your August 4, 1986 letter has been coordinated with your staff.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please get in touch with M. K. Brandon at FTS 858-8076.

Very truly yours,

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Len L! Gridley, Manager

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Enclosures cc (Enclosures): U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region II Attn: Dr. J. Nelson Grace, Regional Administrator 101 Marietta Street, NW, Suite 2900 Atlanta, Georgia 30339

Mr. Gary Zech, Director TVA Projects U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region II 101 Marietta Street, NW, Suite 2900 Atlanta, Georgia 30323

Mr. Tom Kenyon Watts Bar Project Manager U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 7920 Norfolk Avenue Bethesda, Maryland 20814 ENCLOSURE 1

Responses to NRC questions contained in the August 4, 1986, NRC letter from B. J. Youngblood to S. A. White.

ITEMS 1 & 2

- Describe the types of lubricants used, and the method of application during cable pulling. To the extent possible, describe the periods during plant construction in which different types of lubricants were used and the types of cable with which they were used.
- 2. Is there a record indicating that lubricants were used during cable pulls?

RESPONSE

Warehouse inventory records indicate four types of cable pulling lubricants inchased and issued for use since July 1974. While there is no record indicating specifically where lubricants were used, our records do indicate the volume of lubricant used. The quantity purchased and issued of each type is listed below:

1. Polywater type G & J

-	Quantity bought = 6,000 gallons Quantity issued = 3,134 gallons	Started purchasing 10-5-83 Still using
2.	Soapstone Powder (in 50# bags)	Started purchasing 2-22-77
	quantity bought = 145 bags	Still using
-	quantity issued = 90 bags	
3.	Hi-green cable pulling lub cant	Started purchasing 9-1-78
	Quantity bought = 2.800 gallons	Stopped using 8-2-79
	Quantity issued = 2,800 gallons	
4.	Yellow No. 77 cable pulling lubricant	Started purchasing 9-1-78
	Quantity bought = 6.069 gallons	Scopped using after 02-11-83
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The cable lubricants listed were to be applied by hand. Of the above lubricants, only the soapstone power was approved for use on braid-covered cables. All of the above were approved for use on rubber- or plastic-covered cables. Ends of cables do not indicate any abuse and residues in conduit ends and the above volumes indicate that sufficient quantities of lubricant were used.

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Describe in detail the process of elimination used in determining the worst-case conduits with regard to cable pulling. Include such information as the lengths of conduit considered to be too short to be of concern, the assumptions used in scoping the worst-case conditions, and the methods used to determine the 12 worst-case conduits.

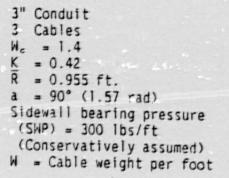
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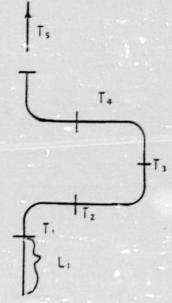
The purpose of the calculations was to determine acceptability of sidewall bearing pressures (SWP) exerted on Class IE cables in existing conduits. All Class IE (approximately 10,400) conduits were evaluated through preliminary screening, field inspection, and detailed calculations.

A. PRELIMINARY SCREENING

The screening analysis was performed as follows:

(1) Developed a list of assumed worst-case configurations based on vertical conduit with four 90° bends in pulling end of conduit. The cable pull was assumed to be upward. See figure:





(2) Calculated maximum pulling tension allowable to avoid exceeding sidewall bearing pressure limits (300 lbs/ft for power and control; 100 lbs./ft. for instrumentation).

EXAMPLE: $T = \frac{3(SWP)R}{(3W_c - 2)}$

T = 391 lbs for above figure

(3) Calculated length of conduit in terms of W that would correspond with allowable sidewall bearing pressure limits. This was done for all the conduit sizes and number of cables in each conduit.

EXAMPLE: T, = WL,

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(4) Screened the conduit schedule for lengths exceeding the calculated lengths by using nominal weights of cables. A large number of extremely short cables were eliminated from further analysis because they were shorter than the length of four 90° bends.

The original number of 10,400 conduits was reduced during the preliminary screening process to a list of 1,914 conduits requiring further evaluation.

Conservatism was used in the screening method because:

- (a) sidewall bearing pressure criteria used in the screening was 300 lb/ft. Test results of 600-1500 lb/ft were later obtained in tests performed by TVA to determine SWP capabilities of various cables,
- (b) four conduit bends were assumed back to back. Using a more typical conduit with bends distributed throughout the conduit could result in pulling tensions 1/2 to 1/4 of those in screening, and
- (c) initial conduit section assumed to be vertical. This assumption doubled the resultant tension as compared to pulling through a horizontal section (which is far more typical).

B. FIELD INSPECTION

Obtained a sample size of 81 worst-case conduits for detailed calculations (approximately 20 conduits per voltage level). The worst-case conduits were selected by visual inspection of 778 of the 1,914 conduits using the criteria of multiple bends (>360°), long lengths, elevation changes, and conduit fill (\geq 30%) (EEB Engineering Procedure 22.29).

C. DETAILED CALCULATIONS

The detailed calculations of the 81 worst-case conduits showed 12 conduits exceeding the sidewall bearing pressure limits of 300 lbs/ft or 100 lbs/ft as applicable. These values are based on the assumption that the cables were pulled in the direction that would cause sidewall bearing pressures to be greater.

Discuss the extent to which the following were considered in determination of the worst-case cable pulling situations:

- a. Pull-by in which new cable was pulled past cable already in a conduit.
- b. Differences in cable construction, jacket materials, and diameters when one type of cable was pulled by another in a conduit.
- c. Differences in cable construction, jacket materials, and diameters when mixes of cable types were included in a multiple pull.

RESPONSE

Differences in cable construction, jacket materials, and diameters were not specifically considered in TVA's evaluation of the worst-case cable pulling situations. The concern of cable "pull-bys" was considered on a generic basis by TVA when preparing its sidewall pressure evaluation program. As it is normal practice to route only one circuit in power level conduits, pull-bys occur generally in instrumentation and control level conduits only. Typical conductor sizes routed in such conduits are No. 8 through No. 16 AWG. The results of the cable sidewall bearing pressure tests indicate that for such conductor sizes, the limiting parameter for installation is not sidewall pressure, but rather conductor strength.

An NRC review team conducted an interview on September 9, 1986 with TVA construction employees knowledgable of cable pulling practices at WBN. As indicated then, the construction employees knew their business well, good construction practices were used, ample amounts of cable lubricant were used, and the work was done in the presence of quality control inspectors. Work was stopped if a problem developed during a pull and a construction engineer was called to evaluate the situation before continuing. The above practices were followed to avoid cable damage during pulls.

In addition, the calculations performed included specific conservatism in regard to cable pull-bys. The conduit configuration utilized assumed an entirely vertical conduit run with all conduit bends at the top of the run (the cable was assumed to have been pulled upwards). Therefore, the tension assumed going into the bends was equal to the full weight per foot of the cable multipled by its length. If the pull were assumed to be horizontal, as the great majority of conduit runs are, the weight of the cable would be offset by the effective coefficient of friction, thereby, more than halving the resulting tension into the bends. In addition, by assuming all cables were pulled together, TVA has calculated a tension and corresponding sidewall pressure based on the total weight of all cables. If only a portion of the cables were pulled at one time the resulting tension and, therefore, sidewall pressure would be proportionately reduced.

Describe the extent to which different classes of cables that may be intermixed within a conduit (e.g., V5 with V4, etc.).

RESPONSE

The design maintains separation of the cables by voltage classification.

Design Input Memorandum DIM-WB-DC-30-5-3 to Watts Bar Design Criteria WB-DC-30-5, "Power Control, and Signal Cables for use in Category I Structures," which was issued March 13, 1986 states that cables routed in conduit shall be separated by voltage levels with two exceptions.

- Cables of different voltage levels may be routed together when a piece of equipment has only one conduit opening. These cables should be separated with respect to voltage levels as soon as possible. Generally these are very short lengths (less than three feet).
- When the circuit protective device in a radial feeder is capable of interrupting both power and control circuits for a piece of equipment, the associated power and control cables may be routed together in the same conduit.

This DIM was issued to formally document the requirements for separation of voltage levels in conduits which had been explicitly stated for cable trays. However, the design reflects that the same voltage level separation has been maintained in conduits as in cable trays. The 81 worst-case conduits in the SWP study did not have mixed voltage levels in them.

Describe the types of repairs that may be performed on cables or their tackets.

RESPONSE

When an insulated cable becomes damaged (i.e., conductor strands are nicked or insulation cut) it is either spliced, replaced, or repaired depending on the extent of damage. TVA General Construction Specification G-38, "Installing Insulated Cables Rated Up To 15,000 Volts," has the following criteria for Class IE cable repair.

- For low-voltage (600V or less) cables, repair to the jacket, A. shield (where applicable), and insulation may be made with the following restrictions:
 - If the conductor or insulation has been damaged, the cable a) shall be spliced or replaced.
 - Where damage involves other cable components (i.e., jacket h) and/or shield) each component shall be repaired individually.
 - Damaged Class IE coaxial and triaxial cables shall be c) replaced.

Raychem Type N materials are required to be used for splicing Class IE cables that are required to function in harsh environments.

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For medium-voltage (5kV-15kV) power cables, repair may be made to the jacket only. (If damage extends beyond the jacket, the cable shall be spliced or replaced.)

Repairs to both Class IE low-voltage (except as noted in 6.A.c) and medium-voltage cable jacket damage require the use of Raychem Type N heat-shrinkable sleeving or Raychem NJRS wraparound cable jacket repair sleeves.

Describe the extent to which repaired or spliced cable is allowed to be pulled into a conduit.

RESPONSE

TVA General Construction Specification G-38 and drawings require Class IE cables to be spliced in boxes or enclosures in seismic Category I structures, in electrical manholes, handholes, and cable trenches.

Splices for Class IE cables are typically made where the circuit length exceeds the full standard cable reel length, the cable insulation or conductor has been damaged, or the point of termination must be extended because of a design change.

General Construction Specification G-38 does not prohibit recaired Class 15 cable from being pulled in conduit. However, repairs to cable jacket generally are made after the cable has been pulled. Cable jacket damage to Class IE cables requires use of either Raychem Type N (Nuclear grade) sleeving or NJRS repair sleeve, except Class IE coaxial and triaxial cables which are not allowed to be repaired but must be replaced.

Are the conduits that could have been abused during pulling located in harsh environment areas such that they may be subjected to such conditions as high moisture, flooding, steam, or high temperature conditions during normal or accident periods?

RESPONSE

As noted in the following table, some of the worst-case conduits are located to a harsh environment areas.

CONDUIT	ENVIRONMENT
1-43-292-1054-G	Mild
0-3MC-290-409-A	Mild
0-3MC-290-409-A	Mild
1-2PM-293-5664-E	Harsh
1-2PM-293-5677-D	Harsh
0-3RM-290-609-8	Mild
1-2PLC-299-62-E	Harsh
1-2PLC-299-82-8	Mild
1-4PLC-232-282-8	Harsh
1-4PLC-292-2810-8	Harsh
1-4PLC-292-2940-A	Mild
1-1PLC-292-2801-A	Harsh
1-4PLC-292-279-3	Harsh

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CONDUIT	ENVIRONMENT
1-2PLC-299-61-D	Harsh
1-4PLC-292-2814-8	Harsh
1-2PLC-299-63-G	Harsh
1-2PM-292-7274-A	Harsh
1-2PM-293-5678-D	Harsh
1-2PS-292-704-E	Harsh
1-5PP-292-2189-B	Harsh
1-5PP-292-2656-A	Mild
1-5PP-292-2183-A	Harsh
1-5PP-292-2182-B	Harsh
0-48-292-1090-G	Mild
1-48-292-1044-D	Mild
0-3MC-292-629-A	Harsh
1-3M-292-3380-A	Mild
'-3VC-292-580-A	Harsh
1-3PV-290-961-D	Mild
1-3VC-292-582-A	Harsh
1-4VC-292-1082-B	Harsh
1-3VC-292-1077-A	Harsh
1-3G-290-1525-B	Mild
1-3G-290-1524-A	Mild
2-2NM-290-3256-E	Mild
2-4PLC-292-2300-A	Mild
2-4PLC-292-2519-A	Mild
2-4PLC-292-852-A	Mild
2-4PLC-293-1136-A	Harsh

2-3PLC-292-1184-A	Harsh
2-3PLC-292-1185-6	Harsh
2-3M-292-4338-B	Harsh
23M-292-3360-A	Mild
2-2FM-293-7869-D	Harsh
2-2PM-292-6444-E	Harsh
2-3PLC-292-2303-A	Mild
2-26M-292-7400-B	Harsh
2-2PM-293-7872-F	Harsh
2-2PS-292-704-E	Harsh
2-2RM-293-438-A	Harsh
2-2PV-290-825-E	Mild
2-3FLC-292-1928-B	Harsh
2-4PLC-292-1280-B	Harsh
2-4PLC-292-2882-A	Mild
2-4PLC-292-2922-8	Mild
2-3VC-293-2577-A	Harsh
2-2PM-292-7401-A	Harsh
2-2PM-293-6426-D	Harsh
2-4PLC-292-2763-A	Harsh
2-3PLC-290-215-B	Mild
2-4PLC-292-631-B	Harsh
2-4PLC-292-853-B	Mild
2-3M-290-2987-B	Mild
2-3VC-293-2035-B	Harsh
2-3VC-293-2069-8	Harsh

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2-5PP-292-2296-8		Mild
2-5PP-292-2297-8	N.	Mild
2-5PP-292-2291-A		Mild
2-5PP-292-2292-A		Mild
2-5PP-292-2190-B		Harsh
2-5PP-292-2656-A		Mild
2-5PP-292-2191-A		Harsh
2-3VC-293-1259-8		Harsh
2-4PLC-292-860-A		MIId
0-5PP-296-2488-8		Mild
0-5PP-296-2481-4		Mild
1-5PP-292-2190-8		Harsh
1-5PP-292-2280-A		Harsh
1-5PP-292-2188-A		Harsh
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What in-situ testing has been done to the cables on a routine basis or subsequent to the generation of the concerns related to cable abuse?

RESPONSE

After a cable is pulled, a continuity check is performed as part of the termination process. Megger and/or high potential testing is conducted on medium-voltage (6900-V) motor circuits and 100HP and greater low-voltage (480V) motor circuits. As specified in maintenance instructions, periodic testing is performed for medium-voltage motor circuits and 100HP and greater low-voltage notor circuits.

ITEM 10

Describe any testing or monitoring programs that TVA will implement relating to the cables suspected of having been abused?

RESPONSE

Testing is planned as described in item 9. In addition, TVA will implement an extensive trend analysis program to track, consolidate, and categorize identified conditions adverse to quality. This program will be implemented by November 1986. The trend analysis program will readily identify any adverse trends associated with cabling at any TVA nuclear plant. It should be noted that neither TVA nor the industry has identified any adverse trend with cable failures. If negative trends develop, either from within TVA or the industry, TVA would implement actions necessary to ensure safety is maintained.

ITEM 11

Prior to pulls were the conduits known to be clean and obstruction free?

RESPONSE

Since 1968 TVA General Construction Specifications G-40, "Installing Electrical Conduit Systems and Conduit Boxes," require that after a conduit is installed, it shall be inspected and cleaned out, and compressed air shall be used in blowing out any accumulation of trapped liquids.

The nuclear plant site procedures, such as Division of Nuclear Construction's Quality Control Procedure and Quality Control Instruction, and Office of Nuclear Power's Modifications and Additions Instruction (M&AI), include the requirements. WBN procedures, with the exception of WBN M&AI procedures, were previously provided by letter from R. L. Gridley to B. J. Youngblood dated July 25, 1986. The current revisions of applicable WBN M&AI procedures are attached.

WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT

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1.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this instruction is to outline the general installation criteria and inspection requirements for the installation of CSSC control, signal, and power cables.

2.0 SCOPE

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This instruction applies to all CSSC and non-CSSC electrical cables routed by OE to be used in control, signal, and power circuits. For non-CSSC cables, QC inspections shall be performed by the craft foreman or cognizant engineer. For non-CSSC cables designated as associated cables, QC inspection of the route only is required. Applicable portions of this instruction should be used for repair of damaged cables or cable repulls under a Maintenance Request.

3.0 REFERENCES

3.1 Source Documents

3.1.1 General Construction Specification G-38, "Installing Insulated Cables Rated up to 15,000 Volts Inclusive"

3.2 Other Documents

- 3.2.1 MAI-4, "Installation and Inspection of Cable Terminations"
- 3.2.2 MAI-13, "Installation, Inspection, and Documentation of Exposed Rigid and Flexible Conduit"
- 3.2.3 MAI-14, "Installation and Inspection of Electrical Penetration Pressure Seals, Fire-Stop Barriers, and Flame Retardant Cable Coating"

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3.2.4 MI-57.14 (15), "Splicing of Low (Medium) Voltage Cables"

4.0 GENERAL CRITERIA

4.1 Cable Lubricants

When pulling cables in conduits, lubricants should be used to minimize the potential for cable jacket and/or insulation damage. When available, manufacturer's instructions shall be followed in applying the lubricant. Other lubricants may be acceptable provided they are approved for use by the vendor of the cable on which the lubricant is to be applied. Recommended cable lubricants are listed below:

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- For rubber or plastic covered cables use:
 - (1) Dust with mics or sospstone
 - (2) Water
 - (3) Talc
 - (4) Bishop No. 45 Cable Pulling Lubricant (Bishop Electric, Division of Sola Basic Industries)
 - (5) Y-er Eas (Electro Compound Company)
 - (6) Soapstone and water
 - (7) Soap (low alkali such as Ivory Flakes) and water
 - (8) Polywater lubricants "A", "G", and "J" (American Polywater Corporation). Use of lubricant "A" should be restricted to pulling applications involving long, vertical runs.
 - (9) Slip-X 300 (American Colloid Company)
 - (10) CRC wire pulling lubricant with Teflon (CRC Chemicals, Inc.)
- 4.1.2 For braid-covered cables use:
 - (1) Soapstone
 - (2) Talc
 - (3) Sospstone and water thick paste (use very little water and smear the paste lightly on the cable)

4.2 Cable Ties

- 4.2.1 Cable ties shall be of the self-locking type. Cable ties for general plant use may be of nylon as manufactured by Thomas and Betts Company, AMP Special Industries, Panduit Corporation, All-State, Dennison (South Eastern Associates, Inc.) or equivalent. Stainless steel or Tefzel cable ties may also be used in general plant areas.
- 4.2.2 Cable ties for use within the primary containment shall be either stainless steel as manufactured by AMP Special Industries or equivalent, or ETFE fluoropolymer (such as Tefzel from Thomas and Betts Company) with a locking device or equivalent.
- 4.2.3 The use of cable ties in cable trays is to be kept to a minimum to reduce the quantities of combustible materials in the unlikely event of a fire.
- 4.2.4 Cable ties in cable trays are color coded corresponding to the color code of the division of cable separation (Attachment 1).

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4.3 Cable Identification

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1 Cables routed in cable trays designated for Class IE (train or channel) circuits shall be identified for the division of separation at intermediate points. As a minimum, the identifications (which may be accomplished by means of marking, tagging, or taping) shall occur near tray intersections and along the cable tray system at 5-foot intervals to provide visual verification that the cable installation conforms with the separation criteria (section 4.4.2). The intermediate cable markings shall conform with the color code for the division of cable separation (attachment 1). These cable markings should be applied prior to or during installation. Nondivisional cables are not required to be marked at intermediate points.

4.4 Minimum Bending Radius

4.4.1 The minimum bending radius of an insulated cable consists of two parts:

- (1) the minimum pulling radius
- (2) the minimum training radius
- 4.4.2 The minimum pulling radius is the smallest radius to which a cable maybe bent during pulling. This radius is measured on the inner curature of the bend. The minimum cable pull radius shall be six times the outside diameter of unshielded power and control cable and twelve times the 0.D. of all shielded cables.
- The minimum training radius is the smallest radius to which a 4.4.3 cable may be bent after all pulling operations have been completed. Unless relaxed values are approved by OE prior to implementation, the minimum cable training radius for a single conductor cable is the appropriate installation factor from attachment 6 times the 0.D. of the cable. For multiconductor cables having an overall shield, the minimum training radius is determined in the same manner as for a single conductor cable. For multiconductor cables not having an overall shield, the minimum training radius is equal to the appropriate installation factor from attachment 6 times the O.D. of the largest conductor in the multiconductor. The training radius for coaxial cable may be relaxed to a value equal to the O.D. of the cable multiplied by a factor of 4; triaxial may likewise be relaxed, except by a factor of 8. For shielded medium voltage cables, the value listed on attachment 7 may be used.

4.5 Maximum Allowable Pulling Force (F_)

4.5.1 The amount of pulling force used for initial installations, pullbys (a cable pull into a conduit containing cables installed by a previous pull), or pullbacks (the process of removing previously installed cables from raceways) shall be limited to avoid damaging the cable. It is primarily to avoid elongation of the conductor. The pulling force for a cable pull through a specific conduit configuration may be less when sidewall pressure requirements are applied.

- 4.5.2 The maximum allowable pulling force for a single cable pull will be recorded on data sheet 2 by the cognizant engineer. The value supplied by the cable vendor must be used when supplied. If this value is not supplied by the cable vendor, then the cognizant engineer will calculate the force using MGL-E1 and documented on data sheets 2 or 3. This value will be used when connecting a pull rope device to the conductor. When using a basket weave grip (mare's tail), the maximum allowable pulling force shall be limited to:
 - Unshielded jacket cables-the lesser of 2000 pounds or the value recorded on data sheet 2.
 - (2) Shield jacket cables--the less of 1000 pounds or the value recorded on data sheet 2.
- 4.5.3 The maximum allowable pulling force for a group cable pull shall be 80 percent of the sum of the individual maximum allowable pulling forces for power and control cables, or 60 percent of the sum of the individual maximum allowable pulling forces for instrumentation cables. These requirements apply for pulls in conduits or cable trays when a pull rope is required.
- 4.6 Expected Pulling Force and Sidewall Pressure (SWP)

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- 4.6.1 The sidewall pressure is the radial force exerted on the insulation and cable jacket at a bend point of a raceway when the cable is under tension. The cognizant engineer using MGL-E1 shall calculate the expected SWP in the direction of the pull for cables routed in conduits designated for Class 1E cables prior to making the actual pull.
- 4.6.2 SWP calculations are not required in the following:
 - If the monitoring of the pulling force is not required, (see section 4.7.7.2).
 - (2) If the conduit run is straight between pull points (no bends).
 - (3) If adherence to F requirements prevents violation of the SWP requirements. The F is likely to be more restrictive than SWP requirements for instrumentation and small control cables.
 - (4) If the conduit bend has a large radius. A conduit bend with a radius of 15 feet or greater shall be treated as a straight length in calculating the expected pull forces.

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Calculation of the expected SWP requires calculation of the expected pulling force. If the total expected pulling force is less than F and the expected SWP is less than the maximum allowable value supplied by the cable vendor (300 lb/ft for power and control cables and 100 lb/ft for instrumentation cables shall be used, in lieu of vendor information) the cables may be pulled; if not, a second calculation shall be made, assuming the pull is in the opposite direction from that assumed in the initial calculation. If still too high, additional pull points must be installed or the raceway routing otherwise changed to bring the expected pulling force and/or expected SWP within acceptable limits. If the expected SWP does not exceed allowable maximum limits at the bend where the greatest expected pulling force occurs, calculation of the expected SWP at other bends is not necessary.

(5) If for initial cable pulls in horizontal conduit, the cable length within the conduit is no greater than that calculated by the cognizant engineer using section 6.4 of MGL-E1 and the tables on attachment G of MGL-E1. The cables show maximum lengths between pull points with equivalent degree bends shown. The cognizant engineer shall document these calculations on Data Sheet 4.

4.7 Cable Installation

- 4.7.1 The Cable Installation Sheet (Data Sheet 1) specifies the route a cable is required to take between points of termination. Measures shall be taken to ensure that this route is followed in installing the cable. If instances occur where cables cannot be installed exactly as indicated on the Cable Installation Sheet, the cognizant engineer shall be notified for disposition.
- 4.7.2 Cables shall be installed in conduits and trays that bear the same color-coded separation level except for associated cables. Associated cables are non-CSSC cables routed in trained cable trays and/or conduits; however, they shall not cross from one train to another.
- 4.7.3 The guidelines outlined below shall be followed when installing cables on cable trays:
- 4.7.3.1 Cables shall be placed on low-level signal trays, medium-level signal trays, control trays, and 480-volt trays in a neat, orderly fashion. Temporary bridges shall be used at intersections to allow cables to be pulled without excessive interlacing.
- 4.7.3.2 All medium voltage power cables (5-15-kV) larger than number 2/0 AWG shall be placed on trays in grouped, three-phase circuits. Medium voltage power cables which are No. 2/0 AWG shall be either grouped as above or laid side-by-side with no space between individual conductors. Except as noted in 4.7.3.3 below, the nominal spacing between adjacent 3-phase circuit bundles or between a 3-phase circuit bundle and ungrouped No. 2/0 AWG cables shall be determined as outlined on attachment 2.

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- 4.7.3.3 The nominal spacing defined on attachment 2 may be less at points where cables enter or exit a tray and at tray fittings where necessary to prevent exceeding the minimum cable bending radius as specified on the Cable Installation Sheet. However, nominal spacing should be restored as soon as practical.
- 4.7.3.4 Cable ties (see section 4.2) may be used where required to maintain a neat orderly arrangement of cables or to maintain the required nominal spacing between medium voltage circuits.
- 4.7.3.5 In vertical cable trays, cable ties shall be used to support cables at the top of the raceway or as close to the top as practical, plus a support for each additional interval of spacing as specified in the table below. (In vertical solid bottom trays, cable supports as defined on OE drawings shall be provided.) If the total vertical tray riser is less than 25 percent of the spacing specified in the table below, no cable support shall be required.

SPACING FOR CABLE SUPPORTS IN VERTICAL RACEWAYS

CABLE SIZE	SUPPORT SPAN
18 AWG to 1/0 AWG	Not greater than 100 ft
2/00 AWG to 4/0 AWG	Not greater than 80 ft
250 MCM to 350 MCM	Not greater than 60 ft
400 MCM to 500 MCM	Not greater than 50 ft
750 MCM	Not greater than 40 ft

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4.7.3.6 In horizontal cable trays, cable ties are installed at intervals not to exceed 15 feet to confine cables to the contour of the trays (for both changes in direction and elevation) and/or maintain an orderly arrangement.

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Supports for cables in vertical conduits shall be provided at the top of the raceway or as close to the top as practical; plus a support for each additional interval of spacing as specified in the table in section 4.7.3.5. If the total vertical riser is less than 25 percent of the spacing specified, then no cable supports shall be required. Commercially available cable support devices, such as Kellems support grips by Harvey Hubbell, Incorporated, may be used. As an alternative, cable support may be provided by use of Dow Corning Sylgard-170 or 3M Company Scotchcast No. 9 (XR-5240) sealants in a condulet or a similar type conduit body such as an "EYS" fitting. Following manufacturer's instructions, the sealant shall be applied around the cable inside the conduit body. Another method of supporting cable in conduit bodies is to use a Raychem NJRS nuclear jacket repair wraparound sleeve; a length of sleeve shall be cut half the length of the conduit body opening and wrapped around the cable(s) following manufacturer's instructions for the sleeving. (This method is intended only to be used on existing conduit. Future conduit installations should have a pullbox installed that would allow a commerical cable support device.)

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- 4.7.5 Unless otherwise noted on design drawings, the following guidelines apply to cable installation at cable sleeves or cable slots at electrical penetration fire stop/pressure seals:
- 4.7.5.1 Cables, as practical, should be laid straight and should not cross each other within the penetration.
 - 4.7.5.2 When anchoring to the cable tray, slack is to be left in cables by not anchoring to the cable tray for a distance of approximtely 5 feet on each side of the penetration to facilitate fire stop/ pressure seal installation. The slack shall not be excessive to the point that cables cannot be neatly arranged within the tray.
- 4.7.5.3 Cables are to be cleaned by wiping with clean cloths to remove any cable pulling lubricant that was applied during the installation process. Only those portions of cables within the penetration where the scalant material is to be installed need to be cleaned.

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- 4.7.5.4 Nonmetallic spacers may be temporarily placed between each row of cables outside each penetration where the sealant material is to be installed. After installation of sealant material, the spacers are to be removed. See MAI-14 for details of electrical penetration fire stops.
 - 4.7.6 The cable shall be prepared and pulled into raceways by one or a combination of the following methods to the extent practical, smaller size cables should be located nearer the center of the bundle when making group cable pulls.
 - 4.7.6.1 <u>Manually</u>. Certain types of raceways have open tops or removable covers, such as cable trays and cable trenches. When pulling in raceways of this type, the most expedient way to pull cable may be to:
 - Position personnel at corners having sharp edges and periodically along the raceway as required to "hand feed" the cable, or
 - (2) Pull the cable along the side of the raceway and then lay it into the raceway.

As long as the cable remains in these type raceways and one of the methods described above is used to install the cable, no preparation of the cable for pulling is necessary. However, if the cable must exit and enter another type of raceway (such as a conduit) requiring the use of a pull rope, the end of the cable shall be prepared for pulling that portion of the run in accordance with section 4.7.6.2, 4.7.6.3, or 4.7.6.4.

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4.7.6.2 Cables may be prepared for pulling by forming a loop on the end of the conductor (see Figure 4.7.6.2). To use this method, remove jacket, insulation, and filler materials as needed to fold the conductor back on itself. The cable shall be pulled by connecting to this loop; do not connect to the jacket or insulation. For a multiconductor cable or for a group cable pull, a loop shall be formed on the end of each conductor. Provided the shield and/or drain wire of shielded cables remains under the insulation or jacket, it does not have to be treated as a conductor.



Figure 4.7.6.2: Typical cable pulling arrangement using a loop on the end of the conductor.

4.7.6.3 <u>Crip-on-the-Conductor Pulling Eye.</u> A pulling eye which attaches directly to the conductor (such as a crimp-on-the-conductor pulling eye available from Cyprus Cable Support Systems Company) may be used to pull a cable; see figure 4.7.6.3. To use this method, remove enough jacket, insulation, and filler materials to allow the bare conductor to be inserted into the barrel of the pulling eye. The pulling eye shall then be attached to the conductor according to manufacturer's instructions. When this method is to be used to pull multiconductor cables or for a group cable pull, all of the individual conductors shall be crimped in the barrel of the pulling eye.

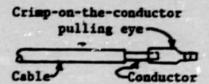


Figure 4.7.6.3: Typical cable pulling arrangement using a crimp-on-the-conductor pulling eye

4.7.6.4 <u>Basket Weave Grips.</u> A fourth acceptable method of preparing the cable for pulling is by use of a basket weave grip (such as a Kellems Pulling Grip available from the Kellems Division of Hubbell) installed according to manufacturer's instructions. See figure 4.7.6.4. Split grips (such as Kellems Universal Slack Pulling Grips or Cable Luffing Grips) are especially useful in cable pullbacks. (An equivalent to the split grip is the field applied "mare's tail" which is a type of basket weave grip constructed by unraveling a rope and reweaving it around the cable.)

Basket weave grip Cable

Figure 4.7.6.4:

Typical cable pulling arrangement using basket weave grip

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- 4.7.6.5 The sharp points and edges of the hardware used to attach the cable to the pull rope shall be taped or covered with heat shrinkable sleeves to protect the inside of the conduit and any previously installed cables. The pull rope may be manila rope, synthetic fiber rope, or hemp rope.
- 4.7.6.6 On mechanically assisted pulls, appropriate measures should be taken to protect personnel should breakage of the pull rope occur. A swivel (such as a Pengo-miller available from Hubbell) should be used between the pulling eye and the pull rope on all mechanically assisted pull. (On more difficult hand pulls, a swivel may also be advantageous.) The swivel allows for spin out of the pulling torque relieving the twisting strain on the cable and thereby reducing the difficulty of the pull. Do not run swivels over cable sheaves while under tension and do not exceed the pulling capability of the mechanical pulling device.

4.7.7 Pull Force Monitoring

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Except as noted below, the pull force shall be monitored for initial installations as well as reworks to ensure the maximum pull tension specified on the data sheet 1 is not exceeded. Break ropes selected from attachment 3 or a calibrated dynamometer shall be used to limit the pull force. See figure 4.7.7-1.

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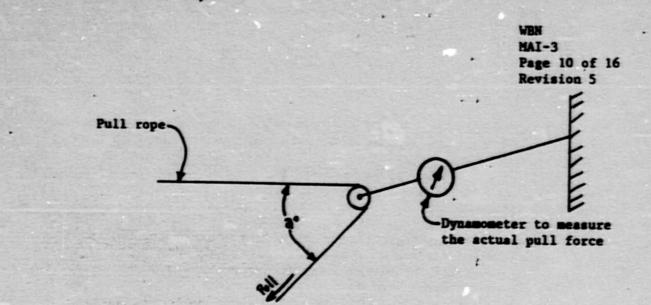


Figure 4.7.7-1: Pull force monitoring

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4.7.7.1 When a dynamometer is used and not placed in direct line with the cable pull, the reading on the dynamometer must be multiplied by the appropriate multiplying factor from table 4.7.7.1 to obtain the true pulling force on the cable. The multiplying factor is determined as follows:

When the angle falls between two tabulated values of Angle (a°) in table 4.7.7.1, the multiplying factor may be calculated using the above equation or shall be assumed to be the value for the higher angle.

Angle, a ⁰	Multiplying Factor
0-	.5
30	0.518
45	0.541
60	0.578
- 90	0.709
100	0.781
110	0.869
120	1.0
130	1.181
140	1.46
150	1.931
160	2.882
170	5.747

Table 4.7.7.1 - Multiplying factors for use with dynamometer readings

4.7.7.2 In the following applications, monitoring the pull force is not required:

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- a. When the initial installation or a pullback is accomplished by the techniques described in section 4.7.6.1, monitoring is not required since the pulling force is adequately controlled by the installation technique.
- b. During initial installation, pullbys, or pullbacks monitoring is not required where cables can be pushed through the conduit. Immediately subsequent to pushing the cable through, the remaining length of required cable may be pulled by one person, by hand, from the other end of the conduit or out of the nearest pull point without having to monitor the pull force.
- c. When the cognizant engineer can determine by the method described in MGL-E1 that the pulling tension value will be zero, monitoring is not required if:
 - A cable is being installed in an empty conduit (no previously installed cables),
 - (2) A cable is being reworked, and it is the only cable in the conduit, or
 - (3) A conduit installation is being reworked, and all cables in the conduit are being removed.
- d. When the ends of cables being pulled through a conduit enter a pull point or exit the end of the conduit, additional footage may be pulled as needed without monitoring provided,
 - The pull force has been monitored until the cables entered the pull point or exited the end of the conduit, and
 - (2) Application of cable pulling lubricant continues if it was used during the monitored portion of the pull.
 - (3) Pulling is stopped if it becomes significantly more difficult to pull than when the pull force was being monitored. The problem shall be determined and corrected before pulling is continued.
- e. For cables which are to be reused after being pulled back out of a conduit, one person may pull up to 3 feet of slack from the nearest pull point without monitoring to allow attachment of a basket weave type grip (see section 4.7.6.4). After this slack has been obtained, the pullback force shall then be monitored (unless section 4.7.7.2.b or 4.7.7.2.c above applies) to ensure the maximum pull force for single cable pulls; 0.8 of the maximum pull force for group power and control cable pulls; or 0.6 of the maximum pull force for group instrumentation cable pulls is not exceeded.

- e. Measures shall be taken to minimize excessive amounts of cable lubricants from entering equipment at termination points.
- Cables shall not be pulled when the temperature is below 15°F unless approved by OE.
- g. Where mechanical assistance is needed, pulling equipment (such as a winch) which will provide a steady continuous pull on the cable should be used.
- h. "Reverse bends" (bends opposite to the direction the cable has been wound on the cable reel) should be avoided where possible.
- 5.7 To the extent practical, a cable pull through a conduit should be delayed until all cables to be routed through that conduit have been identified. However, "pullbys" (cable pulls in conduits with existing cables) are acceptable but may require that extra precautions (as determined by cognizant engineer) be taken to avoid damaging the existing cables. It may be necessary to pullback existing cables before installation of a new cable rather than using a pullby in order to eliminate possible sidewall pressure problems. Due to conditions occurring inside the conduit, such as less available cross sectional area and configuration of the existing cables, the following requirements apply to installations involving pullbys:
 - (a) All requirements pertaining to cable pulls in empty conduits, such as the maximum allowable pulling force and sidewall pressure limitations, are also applicable to pullbys/pullbacks. A coefficient of friction of 0.5 shall be used in the sidewall pressure calculations for pullbys/pullbacks.
 - (b) A method which will minimize the potential for damage to existing cables shall be selected to install the cable pull rope.
 - (c) Pullbys may require the use of larger amounts of cable pulling lubricants.
 - (d) After starting, the pullby shall be immediately terminated if the cables suddenly become more difficult to pull. The problem shall be identified and corrected before attempting to restart the pullby.
- 5.8 When a cable is required to be pulled back from its existing route, the cognizant engineer will initiate and authorize it on data sheet 5. Since the same requirements apply as a cable installation, data sheets 2, 3, or 4 (as required) will be calculated prior to pulling back the cable. If the cable is to be reused, then the repull shall be documented on data sheet 6.
- 5.9 When a cable tray cover is removed, the tray voltage level and mode numbers identifying the location of the tray cover shall be recorded by the craftsman on data sheet 7. The craft foreman shall verify the removal and reinstallation of the tray covers.

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5.10 After pulling each run of cable the cable should be temporarily identified. For cables pulled by using a loop on the end of the conductor or using a crimp-on-the-coaductor pulling eye, a sufficient length of cable shall be removed from the pulling end to ensure that an adequate length of undamaged cable is available for termination. For cables pulled by a metallic weave basket grip, a minimum of 5 feet shall be removed behind the grip. The ends of cables located outdoors or in other wet locations shall be sealed by taying, or by use of a heat shrinkable end cap or other suitable means if subjuct to being wetted. Yo minimize the possibility of damaging electrical termination compartment and from the cables inside the termination compartment by wiping with a clean cloth after the pull is completed.

6.0 INSPECTIONS AND ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

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6.1 The installation of cable is an in-process inspection requiring the presence of a QC inspector throughout the installation. The inspector shall perform the inspections indicated below, and verify that the acceptance criteria is met by signing the Cable Installation Sheet.

Material--Verify that the proper size and type of cable is used as shown on the Cable Installation Sheet. Also, verify by visual examination that the material is free of defects and cuts both before and after installation.

Lubricant--Verify that only the recommended lubricants as listed in section 4.1 are used.

Routing--Verify that the cable is installed according to the route specified on the Cable Installation Sheet. In cases where equipment not being installed has prevented the fler conduit installation, the cable pull will be considered complete if enough cable is left to complete the installation later; however, it shall be noted in the remarks section of the Cable Installation Sheet by the inspector. Installation of the cable when the flex conduit is isstalled will not be required to be inspected. When a cable leaves the cable tray into a conduit, the routing will be correct if the conduit is routed to either side of the node number in the cable routing where it is suppose to leave the tray. If there is at least one node number in between the conduit and the required code number, then the cable routing shall be changed by the cognizant engineer. For example, a cable is routed through cable tray node numbers 315, 316, 317, and 318; and the conduit is supposed to be located at node 318, then then the conduit could physically be located anywhere in between nodes 317 and 318 or 318 and 319 to be correctly routed.

Bending Radius--Verify that the minimum pulling radius (see section 4.4 and section 5.6.b) as specified on the Cable Installation Sheet is not violated during cable pulling. After the cable has been pulled, verify the tiedown of the cable to the minimum training radius is not violated.

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5.10 After pulling each run of cable the cable should be temporarily identified. For cables pulled by using a loop on the end of the conductor or using a crimp-on-the-conductor pulling eye, a sufficient length of cable shall be removed from the pulling end to ensure that an adequate length of undamaged cable is available for termination. For cables pulled by a metallic weave basket grip, a minimum of 5 feet shall be removed behind the grip. The ends of cables located outdoors or in other wet locations shall be sealed by taping, or by use of a heat shrinkable end cap or other suitable means if subject to being wetted. To minimize the possibility of damaging electrical terminals or contacts, remove cable lubricants, as applicable, from the termination compartment and from the cables inside the termination compartment by wiping with a clean cloth after the pull is completed.

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- 6.1 The installation of cable is an in-process inspection requiring the presence of a QC inspector throughout the installation. The inspector shall perform the inspections indicated below, and verify that the acceptance criteria is met by signing the Cable Installation Sheet.
- 6.1.2 Material--Verify that the proper size and type of cable is used as shown on the Cable Installation Sheet. Also, verify by visual examination that the material is free of defects and cuts both before and after installation.
- 6.1.3 Lubricant--Verify that only the recommended lubricants as listed in section 4.1 are used.
- Routing--Verify that the cable is installed according to the route 6.1.4 specified on the Cable Installation Sheet. In cases where equipment not being installed has prevented the flex conduit installation, the cable pull will be considered complete if enough cable is left to complete the installation later; however, it shall be noted in the remarks section of the Cable Installation Sheet by the inspector. Installation of the cable when the flex conduit is installed will not be required to be inspected. When a cable leaves the cable tray into s conduit, the routing will be correct if the conduit is routed to either side of the node number in the cable routing where it is suppose to "ave the tray. If there is at least one node number in between the conduit and the required node number, then the cable routing shall be charged by the cognizant engineer. For example, a cable is routed through cable tray node numbers 315, 316, 317, and 318; and the conduit is suppy sed to be located at node 318, then then the conduit could physically be located anywhere in between nodes 317 and 318 or 318 and 319 to be correctly routed.
- 6.1.5 Bending Redius-Verify that the minimum pulling radius (see section 4.4 and section 5.6.b) as specified on the Cable Installation Sheet is not violated during cable pulling. After the cable has been pulled, verify the fielders of the cable to the constant training radius is not violated.

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At pullpoints such as boxes and conduit bodies (e.g., condulets), the tension on the cable in the area of bending is negligible. Therefore, only the requirements for a training radius shall be assumed to apply at pullpoints.

- 6.1.6 Pull Force--Verify that the maximum allowable pull force (see section 4.5) specified on data sheet 2 or 3 (as applicable) is not exceeded.
- 6.1.7 Separation Criteria--Verify that cable installation does not violate the separation criteria as specified in section 4.7.2.
- 6.1.8 Cable Distribution and Cable Support--Verify that cables are distributed and supported as specified in section 4.7.3.
- 6.1.9 Penetrations--Verify that cables are installed in penetrations as specified in section 4.7.4.

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6.1.10 Identification--Verify that cables are identified per sections 4.3 and 5.10.