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Subject: Westinghouse Reported Event 30 Day Follow Up Report

Dear Sirs:

The following information is being provided by Westinghouse Electric Company LLC (WEC) Hematite Decommissioning Project (HDP) in accordance with 10 CFR 70.50(c)(2). The Attachment is a copy of the amended 24-hour NRC event notification and provides the applicable information required by 10 CFR 70.50(c)(1) and the additional information required in accordance with 10 CFR 70.50(c)(2).

In accordance with the commitments described within the attached event report, the HDP requests concurrence to implement the Characterization Plan provided in Appendix A. Appendices B & C provide the technical reports that support the selection of the self alarming dosimeters for monitoring during characterization, Appendix D is the overall schedule, and Appendix E provides the preliminary estimates of uranium-235 in the form of residual contamination within each of the five areas of the Process Building.

Please do not hesitate to contact Gerald Couture of my staff at 803-247-2045 or myself, should you have questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "E. Kurt Hackmann".

E. Kurt Hackmann
Director, Hematite Decommissioning Project

- Attachment: Revised Report Number: 44668 (11/21/08)
- Appendix A Characterization Plan for Estimating the Amount of ²³⁵U As Residual Contamination Within the Process Buildings
- Appendix B NSA-TR-08-27, 'Using Electronic Dosimeters as Alarming Personal Criticality Detectors at Westinghouse Facilities'
- Appendix C N-TRT-G-00001, 'Technical Basis for the Use of Alarming Personal Criticality Detectors to Augment Permanent Nuclear Incident Monitor (NIM) Systems in Areas Not Normally Occupied'
- Appendix D Schedule
- Appendix E Facility Maps (Process Building HEPA Units & Process Building Piping)

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ATTACHMENT

AMENDED 24-HOUR NRC EVENT NOTIFICATION
REVISED REPORT NUMBER: 44668 (11/21/08)

Information required by 10CFR70.50(c)(1):

REVISED REPORT NUMBER: 44668 (11/21/08)

(i) Caller's name, position title, and call-back telephone number;

Gerry Couture/Westinghouse Hematite Licensing Manager

Kurt Hackmann/Westinghouse Hematite Project Director

(ii) Date, time, and exact location of the event;

November 19, 2008 16:00

Westinghouse Hematite Fuel Facility

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Festus, MO 63028

Radioactive Materials License SNM-00033

(iii) Description of the event:

Reasons for Report

1. 10 CFR70, Appendix A (b)(1): A condition that results in the facility being in a state that was not analyzed, was improperly analyzed, or is different from that analyzed.
2. 10 CFR Section 70.50(b)(i): For equipment that has been disabled and such equipment is required by regulation.

Description

The residual radioactivity contained within these buildings is primarily in the form of surface or holdup Uranium contamination. The results of previous characterization data indicate that the residual mass was approximately 250 grams of U-235 on building surfaces. However, the preliminary results of more recent characterization surveys and sampling have provided information that suggests the inventory of residual mass may be higher than previously estimated.

As a result of further discussions and preliminary evaluations, Westinghouse wishes to provide a revised report pursuant to 10 CFR Section 70.50(b)(i). Section 70.24 requires that each licensee authorized to possess special nuclear material in specified quantities maintain in each area in which such special nuclear material is handled, used, or stored, a criticality monitoring system. Further specific guidance is contained in Regulatory Guide 3.71 approved by the NRC Staff. As previously reported, the process building or specific areas within may potentially contain more than the threshold amount of special nuclear material to trigger this requirement. If so, a report is required pursuant to the cited section in that previously installed criticality monitoring equipment has been disabled, i.e., removed, and such equipment would be required by regulation.

This report is being made provisionally as there is insufficient time to definitively determine whether the entry conditions for the building as a whole have been met, i.e., whether 700 grams of uranium-235 are stored therein, and whether the building can be considered to be comprised of separate areas which could each be evaluated for the need to have criticality monitoring provisions. This report under 10 CFR 70.50(b)(i) is subject to being withdrawn with an appropriate explanation and evaluation, if it is determined that the reporting threshold had not been met.

(A) Radiological or chemical hazards involved, including isotopes, quantities, and chemical and physical form of any material released;

Uranium 234, 235, 238 LEU, nominally four weight percent

(B) Actual or potential health and safety consequences to the workers, the public, and the environment, including relevant chemical and radiation data for actual personnel exposures to radiation or radioactive materials or hazardous chemicals produced from licensed materials (e.g., level of radiation exposure, concentration of chemicals, and duration of exposure);

Based on the results of recent radiological surveys performed within the process buildings, small quantities of uranium contamination have been identified in partially dismantled piping, equipment and ventilation filter housings. The potential for exposure to workers and to members of the public is minimal since the uranium is present in the form of contamination fixed to interior surfaces of the building, piping and interiors of equipment that remains within the building.

(C) The sequence of occurrences leading to the event, including degradation or failure of structures, systems, equipment, components, and activities of personnel relied on to prevent potential accidents or mitigate their consequences; and

Recent radiological surveys performed within the process buildings have revealed the potential for small quantities of uranium contamination in partially dismantled piping, equipment and ventilation filter housings. These radiological surveys were performed to gather additional information to support work planning associated with building demolition. This condition does not represent degradation or failure of structures, systems, equipment, components, or activities of personnel relied on to prevent potential accidents or mitigate their consequences.

(D) Whether the remaining structures, systems, equipment, components, and activities of personnel relied on to prevent potential accidents or mitigate their consequences is available and reliable to perform their function;

No structures, systems, equipment, components are relied upon to prevent potential accidents. The activities of personnel have been curtailed.

(iv) External conditions affecting the event;

None.

(v) Additional actions taken by the licensee in response to the event;

1. Issued a Stop Work Order and assured all necessary personnel have been briefed to restrict access and all work activities associated with the Process Building.
2. Procuring necessary instrumentation to utilize as the regulatory required equipment and upon concurrence from NRC, proceed with the radiological characterization of the Process Building.

(vi) Status of the event (e.g., whether the event is on-going or was terminated);

No activities within the Process Building are in progress.

(vii) Current and planned site status, including any declared emergency class;

Surveillance mode in preparation for Decommissioning.

(viii) Notifications, related to the event, that were made or are planned to any local, State, or other Federal agencies;

No. Discussions ongoing with representatives of the USNRC Headquarters and Region III.

(ix) Status of any press releases, related to the event that were made or are planned.

None.

10CFR70.50(c)(2) *Written report. Each licensee that makes a report required by paragraph (a) or (b) of this section, or by § 70.74 and Appendix A of this part, if applicable, shall submit a written follow-up report within 30 days of the initial report. Written reports prepared pursuant to other regulations may be submitted to fulfill this requirement if the report contains all the necessary information, and the appropriate distribution is made. These written reports must be sent to the NRC's Document Control Desk, using an appropriate method listed in § 70.5(a), with a copy to the appropriate NRC regional office listed in appendix D to part 20 of this chapter. The reports must include the following:*

(i) Complete applicable information required by § 70.50(c)(1);

This information has been provided in Attachment 1.

(ii) The probable cause of the event, including all factors that contributed to the event and the manufacturer and model number (if applicable) of any equipment that failed or malfunctioned;

An Apparent Cause Analysis (ACA) for this event is in progress. Due to the legacy nature of this event, information is required to be obtained from personnel who no longer work for Westinghouse Hematite Decommissioning Project: (HDP). Completion of this ACA is being tracked in accordance with Corrective Action Program 08-325-W001. A copy of the completed ACA will be transmitted as soon as it is available.

(iii) Corrective actions taken or planned to prevent occurrence of similar or identical events in the future and the results of any evaluations or assessments;

Summarized below are actions taken to investigate and mitigate the event at the Hematite Decommissioning Project:

- Appendix A describes the overall plan for re-entry into the former process buildings at the Hematite Decommissioning Project to investigate the uranium holdup remaining in the facility;
- This plan provides for appropriate compensatory actions through the use of self alarming dosimeters with alarm response procedures established to address actions by personnel should an alarm condition be encountered;
- The plan includes the safety basis for the activities to be conducted and appropriate restrictions on activities that are not to be conducted until the final characterization can be completed and evaluated by cognizant technical staff.
- Appendix B & C includes the technical evaluation for the self alarming dosimeters selected as an alternate methods for meeting 10CFR 70.24.
- Appendix D is the schedule for completion of plan activities; and
- Appendix E includes process building maps representing the preliminary estimate uranium-235 quantities within each of the five areas within the buildings based on currently available data.

Westinghouse HDP will provide the results of the completed characterization before proceeding with any decommissioning activity within the affected process areas, and will only recommence such activity upon obtaining NRC concurrence to proceed. Access as provided by this plan will allow for the necessary characterization studies to be completed as well as any surveillance actions required by SNM-33 to be conducted.

(iv) For licensees subject to Subpart H of this part, whether the event was identified and evaluated in the Integrated Safety Analysis.

The Hematite DCP is not subject to the requirements of Subpart H of 10CFR70.61 through 70.76 in accordance with 10 CFR 70.60 in that at the time of the event the Hematite facility was undergoing decommissioning activities pursuant to 10CFR70.38(c).

APPENDIX A

CHARACTERIZATION PLAN FOR ESTIMATING THE AMOUNT OF ^{235}U
AS RESIDUAL CONTAMINATION WITHIN THE PROCESS BUILDINGS



Hematite Decommissioning Project

DO-08-011

**CHARACTERIZATION PLAN FOR ESTIMATING THE
AMOUNT OF ^{235}U AS RESIDUAL CONTAMINATION
WITHIN THE PROCESS BUILDINGS**

**WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC COMPANY
HEMATITE, MISSOURI**

Revision 0
December 18, 2008

1.0 Background Information

The Hematite Decommissioning Project (HDP) includes the demolition of six interconnected process buildings (Buildings 240, 253, 254, 255, 256, and 260). These process buildings are shown on Figure 1.

The majority of the process piping and equipment within the process buildings was removed and shipped for offsite disposal and/or processing during the Primary Interference Removal (PIR) project. At the conclusion of the PIR project, the surfaces of the remaining equipment and interior surfaces of the building were sprayed with fixative in preparation for building demolition.

During August 2008, visual inspections and radiological surveys of the process buildings were initiated to confirm the type and number of items remaining in the building; to confirm the continued effectiveness of the fixative to contain surface contamination during subsequent building demolition; and to identify any items that displayed elevated radiation levels suggesting the presence of residual contamination on internal surfaces. During the inspection, several uranium dioxide (UO_2) fuel pellets were identified within a normally inaccessible portion of a conveyor system. The discovery of the UO_2 pellets was discussed in telephone conversations with the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) on September 4 and 8, 2008. As discussed with NRC at the time, HDP would perform additional characterization surveys of the Process Buildings 240, 253, 254, 255, 256, and 260.

Elevated gamma radiation levels were also identified by measurements made on contact with portions of the piping remaining within the buildings that were subsequently suspected to have been associated directly with uranium processing. The extent of the radiation surveys was expanded to include all piping as a result of identifying the elevated radiation levels, and a preliminary estimate of the amount of uranium-235 (^{235}U) at each location was prepared. The HDP continued the inspections and radiological surveys until the time that a Stop Work Order was issued on November 20, 2008 for all activities conducted associated with the process buildings. The Stop Work Order was issued due to the potential for a greater amount of ^{235}U to be present within the process buildings than previously understood based on a compilation of the preliminary estimates.

This plan has been prepared to describe the approach to obtain additional radiological data and to perform visual inspections that are necessary to confirm, or to provide a sound basis for refining the estimate of the amount of ^{235}U that is present as residual contamination within process buildings. This plan also describes the measures to be implemented that ensure the safety of persons performing these inspections and radiological surveys.

2.0 Existing Conditions

The process buildings currently contain relatively small amounts of piping, ventilation components, and miscellaneous equipment associated with processing and material handling. The buildings also contain a large number of items not associated with processing such as electrical utilities, structural steel and building surfaces. Following equipment removal during the PIR project, a fixative was applied to the accessible surfaces of remaining components and to the interior surfaces of the building.

In addition to the radiological surveys performed during the PIR project, radiological surveys were performed of many of the remaining components as part of the recent characterization during August through November 2008. Based on the data obtained from these activities, a preliminary estimate of the ^{235}U mass as residual contamination has been assigned to many of the components remaining within the building. Since the building characterization was not complete prior to the Stop Work Order issued on November 20, 2008, other items with elevated radiation levels may exist in the buildings that have not been identified.

2.1. Piping

The majority of the above-grade piping remaining in the building was surveyed as part of the characterization activities performed from August through November 2008. A preliminary estimate of the amount of ^{235}U contained within the piping was prepared based on measurement results. The analytical method used to correlate the results of the survey measurements to ^{235}U mass values was based on the method described in HDP procedures. It was recognized that using this analytical method would provide very conservative ^{235}U mass estimates due to the number and type of conservatisms embodied in the method. However, for the purpose of providing a conservative preliminary estimate, the analytical method was considered suitable.

2.2. Ventilation Components

The majority of the ventilation ducts and highly contaminated components were removed from the process buildings during the PIR project; however some ventilation components still remain in the process buildings. The remaining ventilation components include 21 High Efficiency Particulate Air (HEPA) filter bank housings, ducts attached to these HEPA filter banks, and other ventilation components (not associated with the HEPA banks) for heating and cooling of the buildings. A ^{235}U mass estimate was assigned to 8 of the 21 HEPA filter banks during the PIR project. The remaining ventilation components were not surveyed at the time of the Stop Work Order and, therefore, a preliminary estimate of ^{235}U has not been prepared.

2.3. Equipment

The majority of the equipment was removed from the building during the PIR. The items

of primary interest that have been identified to date remaining in the building include:

- Conveyor components in Buildings 256-1 and 256-2
- Filter shredder components in Building 256-1
- Filters in Building 260
- Mixer hopper components in Building 254
- Blowers and stacks associated with the HEPA filter banks
- Sink and associated above-grade piping in Building 240

These items listed above were identified during the process building inspections performed during August through November 2008. Additional items may be identified during the implementation of this plan.

2.4. Non-Process Items

A large number of non-process items including electrical panels and conduit, sinks, toilets, lights, spot coolers, and other miscellaneous items are located throughout the building. Although elevated activity is not expected on these items since they were not directly used to process uranium, these items will be investigated, and if indicated by the gamma radiation survey, an estimate of the amount of ^{235}U will be prepared.

2.5. Waste

A variety of wastes are also stored in the building awaiting shipment. The majority of the waste is located in the Limestone Building and consists of soil spoils and personal protective equipment (PPE) generated during soil sampling events. Other miscellaneous items also located in the Limestone Building include a 30-gallon drum containing a beryllium shield and B-12 boxes of waste soil. In addition to the items in the Limestone Building, bags of PPE are stored in Building 253, and dunnage returned from Mississauga is located in Building 256-2. The majority of these waste items have been characterized, and a ^{235}U mass estimate has been assigned to these items. A ^{235}U mass estimate still needs to be assigned to the dunnage located in Building 256-2, which exhibits elevated gamma radiation levels. The dunnage was previously characterized as part of the shipment in total and is not expected to contain significant ^{235}U mass.

3.0 Radiological Measurements and Visual Inspection Activities

3.1. General

Surveys of gamma radiation levels (general area and on contact with piping, components, and equipment) will be performed throughout the process building to identify elevated readings that suggest the presence of residual contamination within the piping, component, or equipment. Elevated readings are defined as a radiation measurement that exceeds twice the radiation level in the general vicinity. This approach, based on the

radiation levels observed during the recent characterization and the associated estimates of ^{235}U mass, will ensure that any significant amount of residual contamination is identified.

Identified elevated radiation levels will be documented on a Radiological Survey Report. Additional radiation measurements may be performed in elevated areas under the direction of a Criticality Safety Engineer.

Estimates of the amount of ^{235}U associated with piping, components, and equipment will predominantly be based on measurement results of the gamma radiation surveys, and supplemented with ^{235}U mass estimates obtained using high resolution gamma spectroscopy [e.g., the In-Situ Object Counting System (ISOCS)].

Additional ^{235}U mass estimation methods may be employed under the direction of a Criticality Safety Engineer, provided the methods used do not result in the potential for uncontrolled release of any potential hold-up or represent the potential for any other unanalyzed condition. This may include cutting piping or removing caps or flanges to provide access for visual inspection of the interior surfaces of contaminated equipment, piping and ventilation ducts. The visual inspection may be used to identify locations where hold-up is present, and to validate or update the assumptions used during modeling. The extent of any cutting or cap/flange removal will be limited to that necessary for access.

3.2. Documentation

All ^{235}U mass estimation methods employed in support of the planned building characterization activities will be fully documented and justified in a report that will establish the estimated ^{235}U residual contamination within the process buildings.

Records generated during the implementation of this characterization plan will be retained in accordance with project procedures. The following types of documentation may result from the radiological measurement and visual inspection activities:

- Gamma radiation surveys (Radiological Survey Report);
- ISOCS Sample Analysis Report;
- Documentation of other mass estimation methods performed under the direction of a Criticality Safety Engineer.

4.0 Criticality Safety

The Global Nuclear Criticality Safety Evaluation (NCSE) (NISYS-NCS-1180-TR001/R3) provides the Nuclear Criticality Safety (NCS) basis and develops NCS controls to ensure the safe removal and decontamination of the Hematite facility process buildings, including decommissioning of equipment and structures within. The Global NCSE was developed in support of the PIR project, initiated following cessation of manufacturing operations in 2001. The Global NCSE covered a wide variety of decommissioning

operations, including but not limited to, surveillance, inspection, and removal and decontamination of equipment and building structures such as piping and ventilation ducts.

The NCS controls established in the Global NCSE were developed based on very conservative assumptions, including but not limited to, the amount of UO_2 hold-up within equipment, piping and ventilation ducts. Specifically, the NCS controls established for removal of equipment, ventilation ducts and piping ensure subcriticality regardless of the quantity of UO_2 hold-up associated with the equipment and structures. Of particular interest, is the NCS control strategy for removal of safe geometry piping (i.e. piping with a maximum diameter of 6.5 inches), which does not require radiological survey prior to removal because:

- Any hold-up within the piping is intrinsically safe due to the subcritical geometry of the piping, and
- Any hold-up in the piping would be identified by visual inspection of its internal surfaces following removal, and would be contained by placement of water retardant covers on the pipe ends.

The current condition of the process buildings is far removed from the conditions that existed under the PIR project. Currently, a relatively small quantity of equipment, ventilation ducts and piping remain. The majority of the remaining equipment was cleaned, inspected and tagged under the PIR project. In addition, fixatives have been applied to the internal surfaces of the process buildings to lock-down any potential surface contamination.

The Global NCSE did not identify any credible criticality accident event sequences associated with operations related to conducting radiological survey and inspection of equipment, piping, ventilation ducts and any other structures within the process buildings. The only credible criticality accident event sequences identified in the Global NCSE pertain to activities involving removal of equipment and building structures, where there is potential for a release, accumulation and reconfiguration of any UO_2 hold-up. The work-scope for building characterization does not encompass any equipment or contaminated structures dismantlement or removal and therefore, no NCS controls are required to ensure criticality safety under the proposed characterization plan. It is noted that because the potential residual quantity of SNM within the buildings is far smaller than the potential quantities that existed under the PIR project, the criticality risk associated with performing radiological survey and inspection of equipment, piping, ventilation ducts and other structures remaining within the process buildings is even further remote.

In summary, the risk assessment of Decontamination and Decommissioning (D&D) activities documented in the Global NCSE establishes that there is no credible criticality risk associated with conducting radiological survey and inspection of equipment, piping,

ventilation ducts and any other structures within the process buildings, irrespective of the potential degree of UO_2 hold-up. Furthermore, based on the existing low potential UO_2 hold-up conditions within the process buildings, relative to the UO_2 hold-up potential assumed in the Global NCSE, the risk from criticality is further remote. On this basis, no NCS controls are necessary to ensure subcriticality of equipment and structures within the buildings under the current quiescent conditions, and during any radiological survey and inspection activities. The building characterization work scope encompasses radiological survey and inspection activities only; no dismantlement or removal of contaminated equipment or contaminated building structures shall be undertaken under the proposed work scope, with the exception of limited disassembly, as necessary, to support visual inspection of contaminated internal surfaces, under the direction of a Criticality Safety Engineer. It is recognized that an explicit NCS assessment is likely required to support future building D&D, which may be based on the bounding NCS control strategy adopted in the Global NCSE.

5.0 Radiological Safety

The investigation and radiological surveys will be performed under the requirements specified by a Radiation Work Permit (RWP). The RWP will specify the protective personal equipment, dosimetry and the special precautions based on the nature of a specific task (e.g., opening a section of pipe to facilitate visual inspection). If a change in the radiological conditions or a change to the scope of work as described in the RWP occurs, then a revised or new RWP will be prepared and approved for the work.

5.1. Summary of the Radiological Hazards

The interior surfaces of the process buildings and the exterior surfaces of piping/components have been coated with a fixative to minimize re-suspension of removable surface contamination. The typical radiological conditions in the buildings are expected to be as follows:

- Gamma radiation levels at a distance of 30 centimeters or more from components: Less than 0.1 mrem/hour;
- Gamma radiation levels on contact with components: Less than 1.0 mrem/hour;
- Removable surface contamination (General Area): Less than 5,000 dpm/100 cm^2 ;
- Airborne Radioactivity (General Area): Less than 0.1 Derived Air Concentration (DAC);
- Airborne Radioactivity (Cutting Operation): Estimated average of 2.3 DAC, Estimated maximum of 23 DAC.

The potential for personnel exposure resulting from an inadvertent criticality event has been evaluated and determined incredible.

5.2. Monitoring Requirements

Airborne radioactivity concentrations within the breathing zone of the workers will be measured by the collection of particulate air samples using personal air samplers. Subsequent analysis of air filters will be used at the basis for assigning internal exposure.

Exposure to radiation sources external to the body will be measured using thermo-luminescent dosimeters (TLDs). Personnel will also be issued electronic dosimeters equipped with accumulated exposure and exposure rate audible alarm feature to alert personnel of unexpected radiation levels.

5.3. Breathing Zone (BZ) Samples

BZ samples will be used to monitor the internal exposure to personnel. BZ sampling is conducted within the breathing zone of a worker. Sampling is typically performed for short-term periods at low flow rates with the intent of collecting a sample representative of what the worker is breathing. BZ samplers will be worn when required by the RWP.

5.4. Thermo-Luminescent Dosimeters (TLDs)

TLDs will be used to monitor external exposure to personnel from beta, gamma, and neutron radiations. The TLD vendor's program is accredited by the National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program (NVLAP), and the TLD device is approved for use by the RSO. TLDs shall be processed and read at intervals determined by the RSO, but not to exceed quarterly.

5.4.1. Electronic Dosimeters

Electronic dosimeters equipped with an audible alarm feature to alert the wearer of unanticipated conditions will be worn by all personnel performing characterization within the process buildings. The alarm may also serve as an alert in the event of a criticality accident so that appropriate corrective actions can be taken to limit their exposure to radiation. Personnel wearing the electronic dosimeters will be trained on the use of the dosimeters and the response actions in the event of an alarm prior to building entry.

The electronic dosimeter alarm set-point for exposure rate will be set at 5 mrem per hour (mrem/hr), and the accumulated exposure alarm will be set at 25 mrem. These set-points are high enough to avoid false alarms, yet sufficiently low to provide an early warning of an unanticipated condition. In the event of an electronic dosimeter alarm, personnel will exit the process buildings, and notify HP Supervision. HP Supervision will document the cause of the alarm, and determine any associated occupational exposure.

6.0 Occupational Safety

Survey activities in the process building will be performed per the HDP Health and

Safety Plan (PO-EHS-001), associated procedures, and applicable Activity Hazard Analysis (AHAs).

6.1. Potential Hazards

The following potential hazards exist during the survey activities in the process building:

- Exposure to chemicals used onsite (e.g., propane, liquid nitrogen)
- Lifting/moving equipment ≥ 50 lbs (e.g., ISOCS)
- Exposure to temperature extremes (e.g., cold stress)
- Physical hazards (e.g., trip/fall)
- Biological hazards (e.g., venomous spiders)
- Struck by moving equipment (e.g., forklift, scissor lift)
- Falls from elevated surfaces
- Overhead hazards
- Fire

To perform ISOCS measurements of items such as pipes located near the ceiling, the ISOCS may need to be positioned in areas above ground level. In addition, the ISOCS may need to be moved to floors above ground level (e.g., mezzanines in Building 254). To move or position the ISOCS, the forklift will be used. An AHA was written for this activity and will be included with the work package. The AHA includes critical actions for loading and securing the ISOCS onto a pallet, raising the forklift, and positioning the ISOCS. The AHA also includes critical actions for filling the ISOCS with liquid nitrogen.

The process buildings have areas that may be overhead hazards during a seismic event. These areas have been identified with caution tape and postings. Personnel should only enter these areas as necessary to perform survey and inspection activities.

In the event of an emergency, HDP Security must be contacted (e.g., by radio or personal contact). HDP Security will make required emergency notifications and requests for assistance.

6.2. PPE Requirements

PPE requirements will be specified in the RWP and the PPE Hazard Assessment. The RWP and PPE Hazard Assessment will be included in the work package. At a minimum, the following items will be required: safety glasses, steel-toed shoes, and hard-hat. Additional items may be worn for radiological protection as specified in the RWP (e.g., gloves, booties) or for non-radiological protection as specified in the PPE Hazard Assessment.

7.0 Training

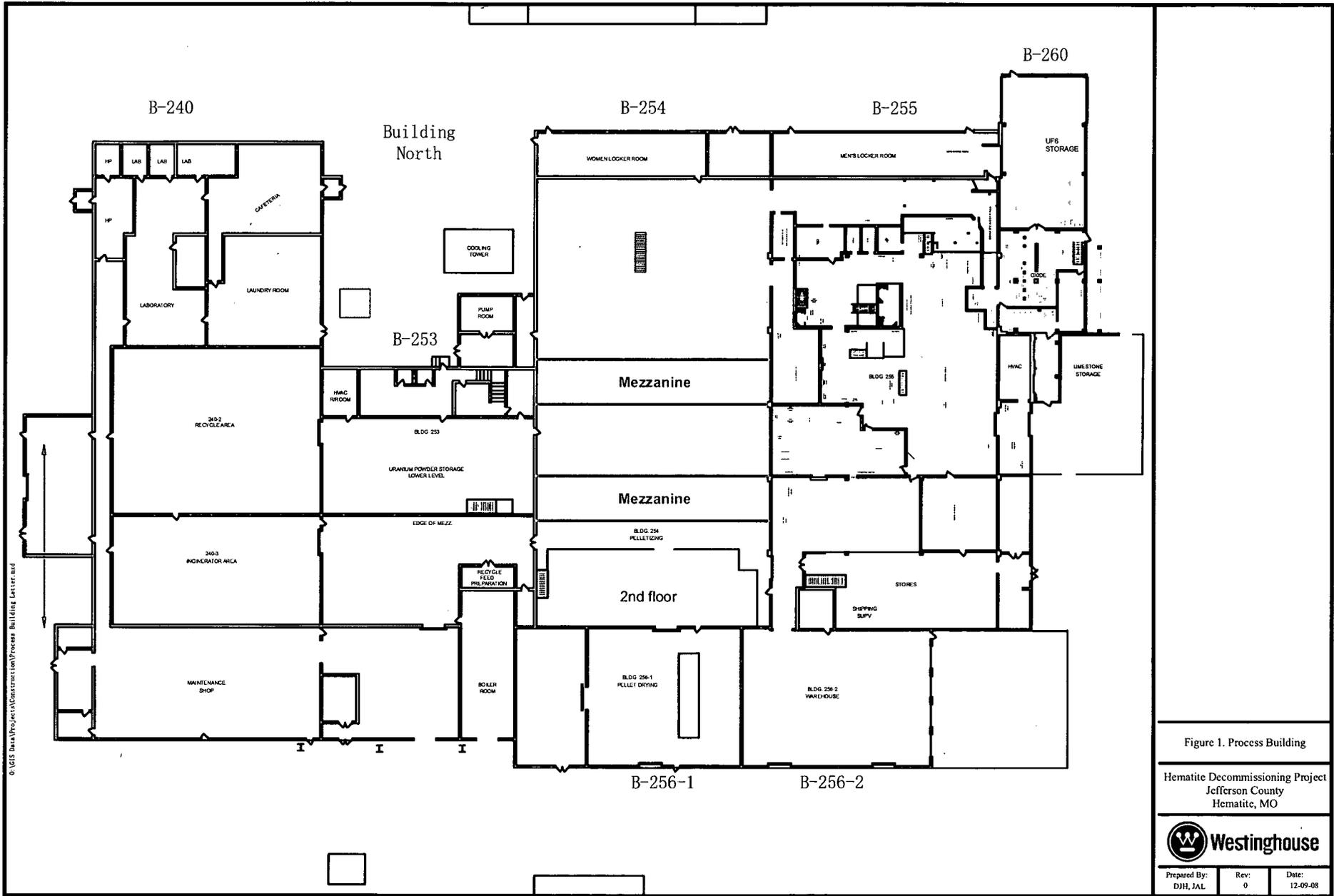
Personnel participating in this activity must be up-to-date on their training required per the HDP Training Plan and the associated procedures. Prior to implementing this plan, the Training Manager will conduct a review of the training matrix to ensure personnel are up-to-date on their required training.

Personnel will be trained on any recent revisions to procedures, and on the additional procedure that has been developed for the use of electronic dosimetry. The training lesson plan for the use of electronic dosimetry will be approved by the RSO and Training Manager per HDP training procedures.

Personnel will be trained on the requirements of this characterization plan. The training lesson plan for characterization will be approved by the RSO and Training Manager per HDP training procedures.

A work package will be developed to implement this plan. The work package will include steps for performing radiological measurements, visual inspections and sampling, if directed by the Criticality Safety Engineer. Additionally, the work package will include the RWP, PPE Hazard Assessment, and applicable AHAs. A pre-job briefing for this activity will be performed. The pre-job briefing will include a review of the work package, including the RWP, PPE Hazard Assessment, and applicable AHAs.

All training related to this characterization, whether formal (classroom/briefings) or informal (tailgate/job side), will be documented using the approved forms found in the HDP procedures and reviewed by the Training Manager. Following Training Manager review and approval, training records will be maintained per site procedural requirements.



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Figure 1. Process Building

Hematite Decommissioning Project
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APPENDIX B

Using Electronic Dosimeters as Alarming
Personal Criticality Detectors at Westinghouse Facilities

NSA-TR-08-27

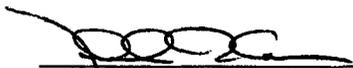


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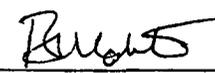
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Introduction

Criticality Accident Alarm Systems (CAAS) are used to alert personnel in affected areas to a criticality accident so that appropriate protective measures can be taken to limit their exposure to radiation. Permanent CAAS installations are used to provide coverage for site areas in which fissile material is handled, used or stored. CAAS radiation monitoring detectors are deployed and placed in accordance with the guidance of 10CFR70.24 and ANSI/ANS-8.3(1997)¹, as modified by Regulatory Guide 3.71.²

Discussion

ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997, paragraph 4.4.2 states:

Portable instruments may be used in special situations to augment an installed criticality accident alarm system. Examples of such situations include alarm system maintenance or testing, evacuation drills, activities in areas not normally occupied by personnel, or other special operations. Where portable instruments are used to meet the intent of this standard, the usage shall be evaluated to determine appropriate criteria of this standard. Criteria for use of portable instruments shall be specified in procedures.

The objective of this report specifically deals with Westinghouse augmentation of permanent CAAS systems by the use of portable instruments in areas in which alarm system maintenance is required, or in areas not normally occupied by personnel. The report is taken from one established at the Savannah River Site (SRS) and modified for use at Westinghouse facilities.³

The term “portable instrument” is considered to include electronic dosimeters that are used as alarming personal criticality detector instruments worn by the protected worker, and containing sufficient audible volume to provide adequate annunciation, and supplemented with vibrators or earpieces.

The objectives of this report include:

- Establishing the technical basis and minimum requirements for Electronic Dosimeter use as Alarming Personal Criticality Detectors (APCD) to be defined as “portable instruments” (as used in ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997) to augment permanent CAAS installations in facility areas in which alarm system maintenance is required, or facility areas not normally occupied;
- Providing specific APCD design criteria and document how specific Electronic Dosimeters meet the criteria;
- Providing administrative requirements for APCD usage.

APCD Design Criteria

1. APCDs shall resist radio frequency interference.
2. APCDs shall be capable of alarming on cumulative dose.
3. APCDs shall provide an audible signal that is recognized as requiring prompt evacuation.
4. Documented test results shall demonstrate prompt and automatic APCD alarm response to a simulated criticality accident, capability to alarm in radiation fields typical of a criticality accident, and that the APCDs produce an alarm when exposed to a short duration radiation transient (approx. 1 msec).
5. APCDs shall provide a signal that is sufficiently long to get the attention of the individual wearing the device.
6. APCD audio alarm shall have sufficient intensity to be heard by the individual wearing the device, without causing hearing damage.
7. APCDs should provide the ability to use earpieces or provide vibration alarms.
8. APCDs should not require frequent servicing, lubrication, or cleaning.
9. APCD design should minimize effects of non-use, deterioration, and other conditions (e.g., RF interference).
10. APCD design should be as simple as is consistent with the objectives of ensuring actuation of the criticality alarm and avoidance of false alarms.
11. APCDs should be designed to minimize the potential for failure, including deactivation and false alarms, due to human error.
12. APCDs shall be capable of alerting the user to device malfunction conditions, including a low battery condition.

Administrative Requirements for APCD Use

1. APCD cumulative dose alarm activation threshold shall be set sufficiently high to avoid false alarms while retaining the capability to detect unsafe dose to workers.
2. APCD dose alarm set points should be set sufficiently above background to minimize false alarms.
3. Facilities/projects using APCDs shall have an approved training program/procedure on APCD use, including response to low battery condition or device malfunction, available functions, and actions to avoid false alarms.
4. If protective actions other than evacuation are necessary, they shall also be specified in training.
5. Personnel shall be capable of distinguishing the APCD alarm from other alarms.
6. Personnel shall be trained and have a means to contact the appropriate control room after evacuation so that the event is logged and other facility emergency actions can be taken as necessary.
7. When using APCDs in high noise areas, the APCDs shall be equipped with earpieces and/or vibration alarms.
8. APCDs must respond to a step increase in radiation in a time frame similar to that of regular CAAS instruments in the periodic CAAS response test.
9. An APCD shall be calibrated and tested prior to being returned to service following any modifications, repairs or events that call APCD performance into question. It shall not be re-used after exposure to excessive radiation fields.

10. APCDs shall be calibrated and functionally tested once every 6 months to ensure continued instrument response to radiation.
11. APCDs with self-checking features (if available) shall be tested periodically in conjunction with other testing.
12. If an APCD fails any test, recalibration, or if a system fault is received, then it shall not be used until corrective action has been completed and the APCD has passed all necessary tests.
13. The records of tests, calibrations and maintenance for each APCD shall be maintained until tests, calibrations, or maintenance are re-accomplished.
14. Following APCD alarm activation in facility areas in which alarm system maintenance is ongoing, or facility areas not normally occupied, regular facility CAAS evacuation routes shall be followed.

Results

The bases for the selection and use of alarming personal criticality detectors for specific application to facility areas in which alarm system maintenance is required, or facility areas that are not normally occupied are established at Westinghouse consistent with ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997, as modified by Regulatory Guide 3.71. The Thermo Fisher Scientific EPD[®] Mk2[™] device is qualified as meeting the design criteria.⁴ Instruments other than the EPD[®] Mk2[™] may be qualified in the future provided they meet the functional requirements outlined in this report.

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APPENDIX C

Technical Basis for the Use of Alarming Personal Criticality Detectors to Augment Permanent Nuclear Incident Monitor (NIM) Systems in Areas Not Normally Occupied

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**Technical Basis for the Use of
Alarming Personal Criticality Detectors
to Augment Permanent Nuclear Incident Monitor (NIM) Systems in
Areas Not Normally Occupied**

Abstract

The technical basis for the use of alarming personal criticality detectors (APCDs) to augment permanent Nuclear Incident Monitor (NIM) Systems in areas not normally occupied is evaluated. All applicable DOE O 420.1A and ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997 criticality alarm system requirements and recommendations are evaluated for applicability to APCDs. Based on this evaluation, design criteria and administrative requirements are presented for APCDs. Siemens EPD/Mk-2 and EPD-N devices are shown to meet the design criteria. A definition of not normally occupied is also presented.

1.0 Introduction

Criticality Accident Alarm Systems (CAAS), designated Nuclear Incident Monitors (NIM) at Savannah River Site, are used to alert personnel in affected areas (12 rad zone) to a criticality accident so that appropriate protective measures can be taken to limit their exposure to radiation. In accordance with DOE O 420.1A¹, which is incorporated into the WSRC S/RID, permanent NIM installations are used to provide coverage for site areas that are within the 12 rad zone of potential criticality accident locations.

DOE O 420.1A also mandates the use of ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997, Criticality Accident Alarm System,² which is also incorporated into the WSRC S/RID. ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997, para. 4.4.2 states:

Portable instruments may be used in special situations to augment an installed criticality accident alarm system. Examples of such situations include alarm system maintenance or testing, evacuation drills, activities in areas not normally occupied by personnel, or other special operations. Where portable instruments are used to meet the intent of this standard, the usage shall be evaluated to determine appropriate criteria of this standard. Criteria for use of portable instruments shall be specified in procedures.

This report specifically deals with augmentation of permanent NIM systems by the use of portable instruments in areas not normally occupied by personnel. That is, in areas defined as “not normally occupied”, a portable instrument could be used instead of expanding the permanent NIM system into the area not normally occupied. A Group to Recommend Alternatives to NIM Detectors (GRAND) was formed in early 2003 to examine this specific form of NIM system augmentation. Members included:

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Other situations given as examples in ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997, para. 4.4.2, were not examined by the group and are not dealt with in this report.

The purpose of this document is:

- to establish the technical basis and minimum requirements for Alarming Personal Criticality Detectors (APCD) to be defined as “portable instruments” (as used in ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997) to augment permanent NIM installations in facility areas not normally occupied;
- to define the term “not normally occupied”;
- to provide specific APCD design criteria and document how specific APCDs meet the criteria;
- to provide administrative requirements for APCD usage in WSRC facilities;

Subsequent sections of the report deal with each of the aforementioned items.

2.0 Technical Basis & Minimum DOE O 420.1A and ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997 Requirements for APCDs Defined as Portable Instruments

DOE O 420.1A and ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997 requirements were reviewed for applicability for the use of APCDs as portable instruments as used in ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997, para. 4.4.2. Based on the review, compliance with all applicable requirements for portable criticality accident alarm systems is demonstrated. The review results are used in Section 4.0 of this report to establish APCD design criteria and to document how Siemens EPD/MK2 and EPD-N devices meet the criteria. The review results are also used in Section 5.0 to establish administrative requirements for APCD usage as portable instruments in areas not normally occupied in SRS Facilities.

Criticality accident alarm system requirements contained within DOE O 420.1A and ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997 are compiled in Table 1 and reviewed for their applicability to the use of APCDs as portable instruments. The first column of Table 1, labeled "Source", identifies the source document of each requirement. Column 2, labeled "Section", shows the section of the source document in which each requirement is located. Column 3 labeled "Requirement/Recommendation" contains each definition, requirement (shall), recommendation (should), and permission statement (may) from DOE O 420.1A and ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997 that is applicable to a criticality accident alarm systems in general. Each definition, requirement, recommendation and permission statement is reviewed in column 4 labeled "APCD Requirement Applicability" for applicability to APCD usage as portable instruments. Columns 5 and 6, labeled "D" and "Ad" respectively, designates specific definitions, requirements, recommendations or permission statements as Design or Aministrative requirements for APCDs used as portable instruments in areas not normally occupied. Column 7 contains the appropriate design criterion or administrative requirement statement as it pertains to APCDs.

Table 1. Requirements and APCD Applicability

Source	Section	Requirement / Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	1	Where a criticality accident may lead to an excessive radiation dose, it is important to provide a means of alerting personnel and a procedure for their prompt evacuation, or other protective actions to limit their exposure.	This statement is an introduction to discuss the purpose of the standard. While applicable, it does not contain specific requirements for the use of APCD as portable instruments in areas not normally occupied by personnel.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	2, part 1	This standard is applicable to all operations involving fissionable materials in which inadvertent criticality can occur and cause personnel to receive unacceptable exposure to radiation.	This is a general scope statement and is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. While applicable, it does not contain specific requirements.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	2, part 2	This standard is not applicable to detection of criticality events where no excessive exposure to personnel is credible, nor to nuclear reactors or critical experiments. This standard does not include details of administrative actions or of emergency response actions that occur after alarm activation.	This statement discusses the general scope of the standard, is applicable to facilities in which APCDs are used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied, but does not contain any requirements. An explicit definition for "excessive exposure" is not provided, therefore it is presumed that "excessive exposure" and "excessive radiation dose" are equivalent (i.e., 12 rad in free air).	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	3.2, part 1	The word " shall " is used to denote a requirement, the word " should " is used to denote a recommendation, and the word " may " to denote permission, neither a requirement nor a recommendation.	This statement discusses the general scope of the standard, is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied, but does not contain any requirements. Each "shall", "should", and "may" annotations are provided in this table and examined for their applicability and influence on the use of APCDs to augment NIMs.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	3.2, part 2	To conform with this standard, all operations shall be performed in accordance with its requirements but not necessarily its recommendations.	This statement discusses the general scope of the standard, is applicable to APCDs, but does not contain any requirements. Each "shall", "should", and "may" annotations are provided in this table and examined for their applicability on the use of APCDs to augment NIMs.	N/A	N/A	N/A
DOE O 420.1A	4.3.3.c	All recommendations in the ANSI/ANS standards (ANSI/ANS-8.3) shall be addressed. When recommendations are not implemented, justification shall be documented in a manner described in the Implementation Plan.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs. Recommendations are either implemented or justification is provided in this document. Each specific recommendation associated with ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997 is individually addressed in this document.	N/A	N/A	N/A

Source	Section	Requirement / Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	3.3, part 1	Definition: criticality accident The release of energy as a result of accidental production of a self-sustaining or divergent neutron chain reaction.	This definition is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs, but does not contain specific requirements.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	3.3, part 2	Definition: excessive radiation dose Any dose to personnel corresponding to an absorbed dose from neutrons and gamma rays equal to or greater than 0.12 Gy (12 rad) in free air.	This definition is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs, but does not contain specific requirements. The 12 rad boundary is determined for a postulated criticality accident corresponding to the maximum fission yield. This boundary is not determined by this document.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	3.3, part 3	Definition: minimum accident of concern The smallest accident, in terms of fission yield and dose rate, that a criticality alarm system is required to detect.	This definition is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied, but only in a limited sense. The minimum accident of concern in terms of fission yield and translated into a constant dose rate is important to fixed NIM detectors that cover a large area. However, APCDs are worn on the individual and are only required to cover the individual. By setting the APCD cumulative dose alarm only high enough above background to prevent false alarms, it will (by definition) detect what amounts to a minimum accident of concern.	N/A	Ad	The APCD cumulative dose alarm shall be set high enough to avoid false alarms while retaining the capability to detect unsafe doses to workers
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.1.1	Installation of an alarm system implies a nontrivial risk of criticality. Where alarm systems are installed, emergency procedures shall be maintained.	This requirement is applicable to installed NIM systems and indirectly to APCDs. Since APCDs are only used to augment installed NIM systems in areas not normally occupied, emergency procedures will be maintained because of the regular installed NIM system	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.1.2	Process equipment used in areas from which immediate evacuation is required should be so designed that leaving the equipment will not introduce significant risk.	This recommendation was reviewed during the 5480.24 compliance assessment performed in 1993. No process equipment was identified at that time that would result in significant risk if left unattended due to immediate facility evacuation, and no new equipment has been introduced since that time that would change the 1993 assessment; hence this requirement is not applicable to APCDs.	N/A	N/A	N/A

Source	Section	Requirement / Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
DOE O 420.1A	4.3.3.c	ANSI/ANS-8.3-1986, paragraph 4.1.2, the second sentence of which becomes for this Order, "Where alarm systems are installed, emergency plans shall be maintained."	This requirement was addressed in ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997, Section 4.1.1, above.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.1.3, part 1	The purpose of an alarm system is to reduce risk to personnel.	This "purpose" statement is applicable to APCDs, but does not contain specific requirements.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.1.3, part 2	Evaluation of the overall risk should recognize that hazards may result from false alarms and subsequent sudden interruption of operations and relocation of personnel.	This recommendation is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIM systems in areas not normally occupied. The APCD alarm setpoints for dose and dose rate must be established in a manner that minimizes false alarms. The APCD itself must also resist other causes of false alarms such as radio frequency or electrostatic interference.	N/A	Ad	The APCD alarm setpoints should be set sufficiently above background to minimize false alarms.
				D	N/A	APCD should resist radio frequency or electrostatic interference.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.2.1, part 1	The need for criticality alarm systems shall be evaluated for all activities in which the inventory of fissionable materials in individual unrelated areas exceeds 700 g of U-235, 500 g of U-233, 450 g of Pu-239, or 450 g of any combination of these three isotopes.	The mass values cited in paragraph 4.2.1 of ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997 are treated under DOE O 420.1A with additional specifications. Refer to the requirements of Section 4.3.3.e of DOE O 420.1A, below. If a criticality accident alarm system is needed, an APCD may be used in areas not normally occupied to augment the regular NIM system.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.2.1, part 2	For operations involving significant quantities of other fissionable isotopes, this evaluation shall be made whenever quantities exceed the subcritical mass limits specified in American National Standard Nuclear Criticality Control of Special Actinide Elements, ANSI/ANS-8.15-1981 (R1995).	The mass values cited in paragraph 4.2.1 of ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997 are applicable under DOE O 420.1A with additional specifications. If a criticality accident alarm system is needed, an APCD may be used in areas not normally occupied to augment the regular NIM system.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.2.1, part 3	Also, this evaluation shall be made for all processes in which neutron moderators or reflectors more effective than water are present, or unique material configurations exist such that critical mass requirements may be less than the typical subcritical mass limits noted above.	Paragraph 4.2.1 of ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997 is applicable under DOE O 420.1A with additional specifications. If a criticality accident alarm system is needed because moderators more effective than water are in use, an APCD may be used in areas not normally occupied to augment the regular NIM system.	N/A	N/A	N/A

Source	Section	Requirement / Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.2.1, part 4	For this evaluation, individual areas may be considered unrelated when the boundaries between the areas are such that there can be no uncontrolled transfer of materials between areas, the minimum separation between material in adjacent areas is 10 cm, and the areal density of fissile material averaged over each individual area is less than 50 g/m ² . This stipulation is applicable only to the three specific isotopes noted above (U-235, U-233 and Pu-239).	Paragraph 4.2.1 part 4 of ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997 is applicable under DOE O 420.1A with additional specifications. Refer to the requirements of Section 4.3.3.e of DOE O 420.1A, below. If a criticality accident alarm system is needed, an APCD may be used in areas not normally occupied to augment the regular NIM system.	N/A	N/A	N/A
DOE O 420.1A	4.3.3.e	The requirements in ANSI/ANS-8.3-1986 relating to the needs for an alarm system (paragraphs 4.2.1 and 4.2.2), are not applicable to this Order. For the purpose of this Order, Criticality Accident Alarm Systems (CAS) and Criticality Detection Systems (CDS) shall be required as follows: In what follows, 10 ⁻⁶ per year is used as a measure of credibility, and does not mean that probabilistic risk assessment (PRA) has to be performed. Reasonable grounds for incredibility may be presented on the basis of commonly accepted engineering judgment.	This DOE O 420.1A requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied, but no specific requirements for APCDs are required.	N/A	N/A	N/A

Source	Section	Requirement/Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
DOE O 420.1A	4.3.3.e (1)	In those facilities where the mass of fissionable material exceeds the limits established in paragraph 4.2.1 of ANSI/ANS-8.3 and the probability of a criticality accident is greater than 10^{-6} per year (as documented in a DOE-approved Safety Analysis Report (SAR) or in the supporting analysis for an SAR), a CAS [Criticality Alarm System] conforming to ANSI/ANS-8.3 shall be provided to cover occupied areas in which the expected dose exceeds 12 rads in free air, where a CAS is defined to include a criticality accident detection device and a personnel evacuation alarm.	This DOE O 420.1A requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied, but no specific requirements for APCDs are required. APCDs used to augment NIM systems in areas not normally occupied conform to ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997.	N/A	N/A	N/A
DOE O 420.1A	4.3.3.e (2)	In those facilities where the mass of fissionable material exceeds the limits established in paragraph 4.2.1 of ANSI/ANS-8.3 and the probability of criticality accident is greater than 10^{-6} per year (as documented in a DOE-approved Safety Analysis Report (SAR) or in the supporting analysis for an SAR), but there are no occupied areas in which the expected dose exceeds 12 rads in free air, a CDS [Criticality Detection System] shall be provided, where a CDS is defined to be an appropriate criticality accident detection device but without an immediate evacuation alarm. The CDS response time should be sufficient to allow for appropriate process-related mitigation and recovery actions. DOE Elements shall ensure that appropriate response guidance to minimize personnel exposure shall be provided by the contractor.	This DOE O 420.1A requirement is not applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. Thus, the APCD functions as an alarm system, not a CDS.	N/A	N/A	N/A

Source	Section	Requirement/Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
DOE O 420.1A	4.3.3.e (3)	<p>In those facilities where the mass of fissionable material exceeds the limits established in paragraph 4.2.1 of ANSI/ANS-8.3, but a criticality accident is determined to be impossible due to the physical form of the fissionable material, or the probability of occurrence is determined to be less than 10^{-6} per year (as documented in a DOE-approved Safety Analysis Report (SAR) or in the supporting analysis for an SAR, or in other appropriate documentation), neither a CAS nor a CDS is required.</p> <p>Neither a CAS nor a CDS is required for fissionable material during shipment when packaged in approved shipping containers, or when packaged in approved shipping containers awaiting transport provided that no other operation involving fissionable material not so packaged is permitted on the shipping dock or in the shipment area.</p>	This DOE O 420.1A statement is not applicable to APCDs. If a NIM system is not necessary, APCD use is not necessary.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.2.2, part 1	A criticality alarm system meeting the requirements of this standard shall be installed in areas where personnel would be subject to an excessive radiation dose.	Paragraph 4.2.2 of ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997 is not applicable under DOE O 420.1A. Refer to the requirements of Section 4.3.3.e of DOE O 420.1A instead.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.2.2, part 2	For this purpose, the maximum fission yield integrated over the duration of the accident may be assumed not to exceed 2.0×10^{19} fissions. The basis for a different maximum fission yield shall be documented.	Paragraph 4.2.2 of ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997 is not applicable under DOE O 420.1A. However, this permission and requirement statement provides a reasonable basis for evaluating the need for a NIM, and hence APCDs used to augment NIMs. There are no specific requirements relative to APCDs. Determination of the maximum fission yield and corresponding 12 rad boundary defines the area where personnel may be subject to an excessive radiation dose.	N/A	N/A	N/A

Source	Section	Requirement/Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.2.2, part 3	If criticality accidents of lesser magnitude than the minimum accident of concern given in 5.6 (ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997) are of concern, then other detection methods (e.g., audible personnel dosimetry) should be considered. These other detection methods are not considered as criticality accident alarm systems and are not covered by this standard.	Paragraph 4.2.2 of ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997 is not applicable under DOE O 420.1A. APCDs will function as alarm systems. As explained in ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997, para. 3.3, part 3, above, the cumulative dose alarm will be set low enough to detect what amounts to the minimum accident of concern to workers.	N/A	N/A	N/A
DOE O 420.1A	4.3.3.e (4)	If a criticality accident is possible wherein a slow (i.e. quasistatic) increase in reactivity could occur leading from subcriticality to supercriticality to self-shutdown without setting off emplaced criticality alarms, then a CAS might not be adequate for protection against the consequences of such an accident.	This DOE O 420.1A statement is applicable to APCD usage in areas not normally occupied, if an APCD is used in an area subject to a slow criticality event. A slow criticality accident would lead to higher than expected dose over time in an area not normally occupied. APCD must be capable of alarming on total dose.	D	N/A	The APCD must be capable of alarming on total dose.
DOE O 420.1A	4.3.3.e (4) (continued)	To aid in protecting workers against the consequences of slow criticality accidents in facilities where analysis has shown that slow criticality accidents are credible, CASs should be supplemented by warning devices such as audible personnel dosimeters (e.g. pocket chirpers/flashers, or their equivalents), area radiation monitors, area dosimeters, or integrating CASs. If these devices are used solely as criticality warning devices in accordance with this Section, the calibration provisions required for personal protection do not apply (10CFR835, 401(b)).	This DOE O 420.1A recommendation is applicable to APCDs in areas not normally occupied since APCDs are used as alarm systems. However, an APCD will alarm on cumulative dose (as well as dose rate); therefore it meets the requirement. Since an APCD will be used as an alarm device (i.e., just like a NIM) and not as a warning device, the statement regarding calibration is not applicable.	D	Ad	The APCD must be capable of alarming on total dose. Normal Radcon calibration procedures applicable to electronic personal dosimeters will be applied to APCDs.

Source	Section	Requirement/Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.3.1, part 1	Criticality alarm signals shall be for prompt evacuation or other protective actions.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. APCDs provide a local alarm signal to the wearer. Upon APCD alarm, prompt evacuation will be required.	D	N/A	APCDs shall provide a signal to the individual carrying the instrument that is recognizable as one that requires prompt evacuation.
				N/A	Ad	Facilities/projects utilizing APCDs shall have an approved training program/procedure on APCD use.
				N/A	Ad	Personnel wearing APCDs shall be trained in their use and in evacuation.
				N/A	Ad	If protective actions in addition to evacuation are necessary, they also shall be specified in training.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.3.1, part 2	The criticality alarm signals should be uniform throughout the system.	This recommendation is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIM systems in areas not normally occupied. However, by design, the APCDs provide a local audio signal to the wearer different than installed NIM units. Personnel training on the APCD alarm sound must be provided.	D	N/A	APCDs shall provide a signal to the individual carrying the instrument that is recognizable as a criticality alarm requiring prompt evacuation.
				N/A	Ad	Personnel wearing APCDs shall be trained in their use.

Source	Section	Requirement/Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.3.1, part 3	The signals shall be distinctive from other signals or alarms that require a response different from that necessary in the event of a criticality accident.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs. APCDs provide a local alarm signal to the wearer that is distinctive from non-NIM signals that may be present in the work area.	D	N/A	APCDs shall provide a signal to the individual carrying the instrument that is recognizable as criticality alarm requiring prompt evacuation.
				N/A	Ad	Personnel wearing APCDs shall be trained in their use.
				N/A	Ad	Personnel shall be capable of distinguishing the APCD alarm from other alarms.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.3.2	The signal generators shall be automatically and promptly actuated upon detection of a criticality accident.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. Tests shall confirm that APCDs alarm promptly in dose rate and cumulative dose modes.	D	N/A	APCDs shall be tested to alarm promptly and automatically to a simulated criticality accident
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.3.3, part 1	After actuation, the signal generators shall continue to function as required by emergency procedures, even if the radiation falls below the alarm point.	<p>This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied, but only in a limited sense. The continuous alarm signal generation function is for regular NIMs to alert personnel in the area of the alarm signal and to help preclude inadvertent entry of personnel into a building shortly after the onset of an accident. By maintaining the alarm condition, all personnel (by training and evacuation procedures) are kept at a safe distance until the source of the alarm is confirmed.</p> <p>APCDs are local units worn only by personnel in areas not normally occupied. Therefore, the APCD must alarm long enough to clearly alert the user of the alarm condition. Upon APCD alarm, personnel will be trained to immediately evacuate the area not normally occupied and then contact the appropriate control room. The control room can then order any other emergency actions</p>	D	N/A	APCDs shall provide a signal to the individual carrying the instrument that is sufficiently long to get their attention
				N/A	Ad	Personnel wearing APCDs shall be trained in their use, including the need and method to contact the appropriate control room after evacuation.
				N/A	Ad	All individuals entering an area not normally occupied shall be equipped with an APCD. If only one person enters such area, that person shall be equipped with two APCDs

Source	Section	Requirement/Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.3.3, part 2	Manual resets, with limited access, should be provided outside areas that require evacuation.	This recommendation is not applicable to APCD, but is for the remote re-setting of fixed instruments.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.3.4	A means for manual activation of the alarm may be provided.	This permission statement is not applicable to APCDs, but is for fixed instrument testing purposes.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.3.5	For all occupied areas where personnel protective action is required in the event of criticality accident detection, the number and placement of criticality alarm signal generators shall be such that the signals are adequate to notify personnel promptly throughout those areas.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. When APCDs are used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied, each individual within the required coverage area will be required to wear an APCD. Additionally, APCD users will be required and trained to contact the appropriate control room after evacuation. The control room can then notify all necessary personnel.	N/A	Ad	All individuals entering an area not normally occupied shall be equipped with an APCD. If only one person enters such area, that person shall be equipped with two APCDs
				N/A	Ad	APCD users shall contact the appropriate control room after evacuation so that the event is logged and other emergency actions taken as necessary.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.3.6	The audio generators should produce an overall sound pressure level of at least 75 dB, but not less than 10 dB above the maximum ambient noise level typical of each area for which audio coverage is to be provided.	This recommendation is applicable to APCDs in a limited sense. APCDs are worn by individuals. Therefore, general area sound pressure levels are not applicable. The APCD audio alarm must be loud enough to be heard by the person wearing the APCD.	D	N/A	The APCD audio alarm shall be loud enough to be heard by the individual wearing the device.

Source	Section	Requirement/Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.3.7	Because excessive noise levels can be injurious to personnel, the audio generators should not produce an A-weighted sound level in excess of 115 dB at the ear of an individual.	This recommendation is applicable to APCDs in the sense that the audio alarm should not cause hearing damage.	D	N/A	APCD audio generator sound level should not be loud enough to cause hearing damage.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.3.8	In areas with very high audio background or mandatory hearing protection, visual signals or other alarm means should be considered.	This recommendation is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in area not normally occupied. If APCDs are used in areas of such high background noise that the alarm cannot adequately be heard, they should be equipped with an earpiece or vibration alarm.	N/A	Ad	When using APCDs in high noise areas, they should be equipped with earpieces or vibration alarms.
				D	N/A	APCDs should include the ability to use earpieces or provide vibrations alarms.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.4.1, part 1	Consideration shall be given to the avoidance of false alarms. This may be accomplished by providing reliable single detector channels or by requiring concurrent response of two or more detectors to initiate the alarm.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMS in areas not normally occupied. Alarm setpoints shall be chosen to minimize false alarms. If APCDs include pre-alarms, they should be disabled.	N/A	Ad	The APCD alarm setpoint should be set sufficiently above background to minimize false alarms.
				N/A	Ad	APCD pre-alarms, if provided, should be disabled.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.4.1, part 2	In redundant systems, failure of any single channel shall not prevent compliance with the detection criterion specified in 5.6.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs, but only in a limited sense. APCDs are not redundant systems; however, the intent of the standard is met by requiring a minimum of 2 APCDs in any area not normally occupied.	N/A	Ad	All individuals entering an area not normally occupied shall be equipped with an APCD. If only one person enters such area, that person shall be equipped with two APCDs
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.4.2, part 1	Portable instruments may be used in special situations to augment an installed criticality accident alarm system. Examples of such situations include alarm system maintenance or testing, evacuation drills, activities in areas not normally occupied by personnel, or other special operations.	This permission allows the use of APCDs for special situations and is applicable to APCDs. This document provides the technical basis to allow APCDs to specifically augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied.	N/A	Ad	Documentation (this report) will be prepared to justify the use of APCDs to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.4.2, part 2	Where portable instruments are used to meet the intent of this standard, the usage shall be evaluated to determine appropriate criteria of this standard.	This requirement allows the use of APCDs for specific situations. This document provides the technical basis for using APCDs to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied and identifies the criteria appropriate for such use.	N/A	Ad	Documentation (this report) will be prepared to justify the use of APCDs to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied.

Source	Section	Requirement/Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.4.2, part 3	Criteria for such use of portable instruments shall be specified in procedures.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied.	N/A	Ad	Facilities/Projects shall develop procedures to ensure that the requirements specified in this document are met.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.4.3	Process areas in which activities will continue during power outages shall have emergency power supplies for alarm systems, or such activities shall be monitored continuously with portable instruments.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. APCDs are battery powered and not susceptible to facility power outages. In the event of low battery condition, personnel are trained to evacuate the area. Batteries shall be changed or re-charged on a regular basis.	D	N/A	APCDs shall be capable of alerting the user to a low battery condition.
				N/A	Ad	Personnel shall be trained to evacuate the area upon low battery condition.
				N/A	Ad	Batteries shall be changed or re-charged on a regular basis as determined by the life of the battery.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	4.4.4	The alarm system shall be sufficiently robust as to actuate the alarm signal when exposed to the maximum radiation expected.	This requirement is applicable APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. Previous testing of various devices has demonstrated that some will not alarm if within a few feet of a criticality accident. Tests shall determine if there is some minimum APCD offset distance from the edge of a criticality accident.	D	N/A	APCDs shall be of a type that has been tested to establish their capability to alarm in radiation fields typical of a criticality accident.
				N/A	Ad	A minimum offset distance from the edge of a criticality accident shall be established as necessary to ensure functionality of the APCD.
				N/A	Ad	All individuals entering an area not normally occupied shall be equipped with an APCD. If only one person enters such area, that person shall be equipped with two APCDs
				N/A	Ad	APCDs shall not be reused after exposure to excessive radiation fields.

Source	Section	Requirement/Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	5.1, part 1	The system shall be designed for high reliability.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied.	D	N/A	APCDs shall be of a type that has been tested to establish their capability to alarm in radiation fields typical of a criticality accident.
				NA	Ad	APCDs shall be periodically calibrated and tested to ensure functionality and reliability.
				N/A	Ad	APCDs shall not be reused after exposure to excessive radiation fields.
				N/A	Ad	All individuals entering an area not normally occupied shall be equipped with an APCD. If only one person enters such area, that person shall be equipped with two APCDs
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	5.1, part 2	The system should utilize components that do not require frequent servicing, such as lubrication or cleaning.	This recommendation is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied.	D	N/A	APCDs should be of a type that does not require frequent servicing, lubrication, or cleaning.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	5.1, part 3	The system should be designed to minimize the effects of non-use, deterioration, power surges, and other adverse conditions.	This recommendation is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. Since APCDs are battery powered, power surges are not a problem.	D	N/A	APCDs should be designed to minimize the effects of non-use, deterioration, and other adverse conditions (e.g., RF interference).
				NA	Ad	APCDs shall be calibrated and tested periodically to ensure functionality and reliability.

Source	Section	Requirement/Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	5.1, part 4	The design of the system should be as simple as is consistent with the objectives of ensuring reliable actuation of the criticality alarm signal and avoidance of false alarms.	This recommendation is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied.	D	N/A	The APCD design should be as simple as is consistent with the objectives of ensuring reliable actuation of the criticality alarm signal and avoidance of false alarms.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	5.2, part 1	All components of the system should be located or protected to minimize damage in case of fire, explosion, corrosive atmosphere, or other extreme conditions.	This recommendation has limited applicability to APCDs used to augment NIMs in area not normally occupied. An APCD will be worn by personnel and is not expected to survive excessively high temperature, explosion, severe corrosive atmosphere or other extreme conditions. Personnel entering environments involving extreme conditions (e.g., corrosive atmosphere) will wear protective clothing and must wear the APCD in a manner that protects it from such conditions.	N/A	Ad	The APCD shall be worn in a manner that protects it from extreme conditions.
				D	N/A	The APCD should be designed to be durable under normal conditions of use.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	5.2, part 2	The system should be designed to minimize the potential for failure, including false alarms, due to human error.	This recommendation is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied.	D	N/A	APCDs should be designed to minimize the potential for failure, including deactivation and false alarms, due to human error.
				N/A	Ad	Personnel shall be instructed in proper APCD use, available functions, and actions to avoid false alarms.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	5.2, part 3	Major system components should be labeled.	This recommendation is not applicable to APCDs, but to fixed NIM systems.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	5.3	The system should remain operational in the event of seismic shock equivalent to the site-specific design basis earthquake, or to the equivalent value specified by the Uniform Building Code that applies to the structure.	This recommendation is not applicable to APCDs, but to fixed NIM systems. In the event of seismic events, personnel are trained to evacuate facility areas.	N/A	N/A	N/A

Source	Section	Requirement/Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	5.4	The system should be designed to provide a visible or audible warning signal at some normally occupied location to indicate system malfunction or the loss of primary power.	<p>This recommendation is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. APCDs are worn by the user and are generally equipped with a detector failure, component failure, and low battery condition alarm.</p> <p>APCDs are local and not remote units. When APCDs are used to augment criticality accident alarm systems, each individual within the area will be wearing at least one APCD.</p> <p>A minimum of two APCDs will be required in the area requiring coverage.</p>	D	N/A	APCDs should be designed to provide an indication of system malfunction, including a low battery condition.
				N/A	Ad	APCD users in areas not normally occupied shall be trained to evacuate upon indication of system alarm, system malfunction, or low battery condition.
				N/A	Ad	All individuals entering an area not normally occupied shall be equipped with an APCD. If only one person enters such area, that person shall be equipped with two APCDs.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	5.5	The system shall be designed to produce the criticality alarm signal within one-half second of detector recognition of a criticality accident.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. APCDs must respond to a step increase in radiation in a time frame similar to that of regular NIM instruments in the annual NIM response test.	N/A	Ad	APCDs must respond to a step increase in radiation in a time frame similar to that of regular NIM instruments in the annual NIM response test.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	5.6	Criticality alarm systems shall be designed to respond immediately to the minimum accident of concern. For this purpose, in areas where material is handled or processed with only nominal shielding, the minimum accident may be assumed to deliver the equivalent of an absorbed dose rate in free air of 0.2 Gy/min (20 rad/min) at 2 meters from the reacting material. The basis for a different minimum accident of concern shall be documented.	This requirement is applicable in a limited sense to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. The minimum accident of concern is used in establishing fixed NIM instrument placement. Since APCDs are worn by an individual, fixed placement consideration is not required. However, the alarm setpoint should be set low enough to detect doses of concern to workers from a criticality accident.	N/A	Ad	APCD alarm setpoints should be set high enough above background to minimize false alarms yet low enough to detect doses of concern from criticality accidents.

Source	Section	Requirement/Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	5.7.1	Criticality alarm systems shall be designed so that alarm actuation shall occur as a result of the minimum duration transient. It may be assumed that the minimum duration of the radiation transient is 1 msec.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. Testing shall demonstrate that APCDs are capable of detecting short duration transients (approx. 1 msec).	D	N/A	Test results shall be available to demonstrate that APCDs produce an alarm when exposed to a short duration radiation transient (approx. 1 msec).
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	5.7.2, part 1	The alarm trip point should be set high enough to minimize the probability of an alarm from sources other than criticality.	This recommendation is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied.	N/A	Ad	The APCD alarm setpoint should be set sufficiently above background to minimize false alarms.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	5.7.2, part 2	The level shall be set low enough to detect the minimum accident of concern.	This requirement is applicable in a limited sense to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. The minimum accident of concern is used in establishing fixed NIM placement. Since APCDs are worn by the user, fixed placement consideration is not required. However, the alarm setpoint should be set low enough to detect doses of concern from criticality accidents.	N/A	Ad	APCD alarm setpoints should be set high enough above background to minimize false alarms yet low enough to detect doses of concern from criticality accidents.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	5.8, part 1	The spacing of detectors shall be consistent with the selected alarm trip point and with the detection criterion.	This requirement is not applicable to APCDs. This requirement is applicable to fixed NIM installations.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	5.8, part 2	The location and spacing of detectors should be chosen to minimize the effect of shielding by massive equipment or materials. Shielding from low-density materials of construction, such as wood framing, thin interior walls, hollow brick tiles, etc., may be disregarded.	This requirement is not applicable to APCDs. This requirement is applicable to fixed NIM installations.	N/A	N/A	N/A

Source	Section	Requirement/Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	6.1	Initial tests, inspections and checks of the system shall verify that the fabrication and installation were made in accordance with design plans and specifications.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs. APCDs shall be inspected when received from offsite to ensure that the correct APCD has been received and fabricated correctly.	N/A	Ad	APCDs shall be inspected when received from offsite to ensure that the correct APCD has been received and that it is fabricated correctly.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	6.2	Following modifications or repairs, or events that call the system performance into question, there shall be tests and inspections adequate to demonstrate system operability.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied.	N/A	Ad	APCDs shall be calibrated and tested prior to being returned to service following any modifications, repairs or events that call the APCD's performance into question.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	6.3, part 1	System response to radiation shall be measured periodically to confirm continuing instrument performance.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. Periodically tests shall ensure continued instrument performance.	N/A	Ad	APCDs shall be periodically tested to ensure continued instrument response to radiation.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	6.3, part 2	The test interval should be determined on the basis of experience. In the absence of experience, tests should be performed at least monthly.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. APCDs shall be tested monthly unless historical data suggests that less frequent testing is sufficient.	N/A	Ad	APCDs shall be tested monthly unless historical data suggests that less frequent testing is sufficient.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	6.3, part 3	Records of tests shall be maintained.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied.	N/A	Ad	The records of tests, calibrations and maintenance for each APCD shall be maintained.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	6.3, part 4	System designs may incorporate self-checking features to automate portions of this testing.	This permission statement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. APCDs may be equipped with self-checking features such as component testing, low battery condition, etc.	N/A	Ad	APCDs with self-checking features (if applicable) shall be tested periodically in conjunction with other testing.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	6.4, part 1	The entire alarm system shall be tested periodically.	This requirement is not applicable to APCDs. This requirement is applicable to fixed NIM systems to ensure that all components of the overall system (e.g., remote bells) are functional.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	6.4, part 2	Each signal generator should be tested at least annually.	This recommendation is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. APCDs shall be tested at least annually to ensure audible alarm function.	N/A	Ad	APCDs shall be tested at least annually to ensure that the audible alarm is functional.

Source	Section	Requirement/Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	6.4, part 3	Field observations shall establish that criticality alarm signals are functional throughout all areas where personnel could be subject to an excessive radiation dose.	This requirement is not applicable to APCDs, but is required for fixed NIM installations instead.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	6.4, part 4	All personnel in affected areas shall be notified before testing of the criticality alarm signals.	This requirement is not applicable to APCDs, but is required for fixed NIM installations instead.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	6.5, part 1	When tests reveal inadequate performance, corrective action shall be taken without unnecessary delay.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. If an APCD fails any test, recalibration, or if a system fault alarm is received, then it shall not be used until corrective action has been completed and the APCD has passed all necessary tests.	N/A	Ad	If an APCD fails any test, recalibration, or if a system fault alarm is received, then it shall not be used until corrective action has been completed and the APCD has passed all necessary tests.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	6.5, part 2	If portable instrument use is required, the criteria of 4.4.2, above, shall be met.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. Applicable APCD requirements are presented in this analysis.	N/A	Ad	Applicable APCD requirements are presented in this analysis.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	6.6, part 1	Procedures for system testing shall minimize both false alarms and inadvertent initiation of emergency response.	This requirement is not applicable to APCDs, but is applicable to fixed NIM installations instead. APCDs are not tested in the field.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	6.6, part 2	The (Test) procedures shall also require that the systems be returned to normal operation immediately following tests.	This requirement is not applicable to APCDs, but is applicable to fixed NIM installations instead.	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	6.7	Records of tests and corrective actions for each system shall be maintained.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. This section is applicable in the sense that records of APCD calibration, tests and maintenance shall be maintained.	N/A	Ad	The records of tests, calibrations and maintenance for each APCD shall be maintained.

Source	Section	Requirement/Recommendation	APCD Requirement Applicability	D	Ad	APCD Requirement
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	7.1	Instructions regarding response to criticality alarm signals shall be posted at strategic locations within areas requiring alarm coverage.	This requirement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. However, instructions are typically included in training and documented in procedures	N/A	Ad	Personnel shall be trained in the proper response to APCD alarms. Upon exiting areas not normally occupied, regular facility evacuation routes shall be followed.
ANSI/ANS-8.3 (1997)	7.2	Guidance for training of employees and visitors, and for conduct of criticality alarm drills, is provided in ANSI/ANS-8.19-1996.	This statement is applicable to APCDs used to augment NIMs in areas not normally occupied. Employees and visitors who utilize APCDs shall be trained in their use and in protective actions to be taken upon alarm.	N/A	Ad	Employees and visitors who utilize APCDs shall be trained in their use and in protective actions to be taken upon alarm.

3.0 Definition of Not Normally Occupied

As indicated in Section 1.0, and in compliance with ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997, the objective of this report is to provide a basis for the use of APCDs as portable instruments to augment facility NIM systems in areas not normally occupied by personnel. However, the term “not normally occupied” is not defined in ANSI/ANS-8.3-1997. Therefore, other Standards in which occupancy is a concern were searched for uses of “not normally occupied” and other associated terms.

Several National Fire Protection Association Standards (NFPA) contain information related to “not normally occupied”, “occupied”, “occupiable stories”, and “unmanned space” that may be used to develop a definition of “not normally occupied” applicable to the use of APCDs to augment facility NIM systems.³ The NFPA 301 definition of “unmanned space” best fits the concept of not normally occupied as intended to be used by WSRC. Such unmanned spaces are only occupied for limited periods, on the order of seven days per year. The “occupiable story” concept in *The Life Safety Code*, NFPA 101, provides similar guidance. Occupiable stories, which are dedicated to mechanical equipment, may require entry about seven days per year to perform maintenance. The inherent assumption for either the unmanned space or the occupiable story is that entry into such areas is infrequent and is of relatively short duration. In addition, the NFPA definition of “occupied” (i.e., > 10 occupants) suggests a general upper limit of occupants for areas designated as not normally occupied (i.e., < 10 occupants).

Using the information above from the NFPA Standards, the Group to Recommend Alternatives to NIM Detectors (see section 1.0) developed the following definition:

Not Normally Occupied – An area for which entry is controlled and recommended occupancy is limited to 168 hours per year, not to exceed 40 hours per month, and the number of occupants is limited to 10 at any given time. Facility management may request an extension of occupancy time and/or number of occupants, subject to local Criticality Safety Committee concurrence.

The use of APCDs to augment facility NIM systems in areas not normally occupied by personnel shall be subject to the definition above.

4.0 APCD Design Criteria and APCDs That Meet the Criteria

Table 2 contains a compilation of all APCD design criteria identified from the Table 1 analysis. Table 2 also documents the compliance of Siemens EPD/Mk2 and EPD-N devices in meeting the design criteria.

Table 2. APCD Design Criteria and Siemens EPD/Mk2 and EPD-N Compliance	
Design Criterion	Siemens EPD/Mk2 and EPD-N Compliance
1. APCDs shall resist radio frequency and electrostatic interference	Yes – Reference 4
2. APCDs shall be capable of alarming on cumulative dose	Yes – Reference 5 & 6
3. APCDs shall provide an audible signal that is recognized as requiring prompt evacuation.	Yes – Reference 5 & 6
4. Documented test results shall demonstrate prompt and automatic APCD alarm response to a simulated criticality accident.	Yes – Reference 7
5. APCDs shall provide a signal to the individual carrying the instrument that is sufficiently long to get their attention.	Yes – See Appendix A

Table 2. APCD Design Criteria and Siemens EPD/Mk2 and EPD-N Compliance	
6. APCD audio alarm shall be loud enough to be heard by the individual wearing the device	Yes – Reference 5, 6, & Appendix A
7. APCD audio alarm sound level should not be loud enough to cause hearing damage.	Yes – Reference 5, 6, & Appendix A
8. APCDs should include the ability to use earpieces or provide vibration alarms.	Yes – Reference 5 & 6
9. APCDs shall be capable of alerting the user to a low battery condition.	Yes – Reference 5 & 6
10. Documented tests shall demonstrate APCD capability to alarm in radiation fields typical of a criticality accident.	Yes - Reference 7
11. APCDs should not require frequent servicing, lubrication, or cleaning.	Yes – Reference 5 & 6; also, Siemens EPDs have been used at SRS for several years. Historical information verifies that these devices do not require frequent servicing, lubrication, or cleaning.
12. APCD design should minimize effects of non-use, deterioration, and other conditions (e.g., RF and electrostatic interference).	Yes – Reference 4; also, Siemens EPDs have been used at SRS for several years. Historical information verifies that these devices are not affected by non-use and have not deteriorated.
13. APCD design should be as simple as is consistent with the objectives of ensuring actuation of the criticality alarm and avoidance of false alarms.	Yes – Reference 5 and 6; also, Siemens EPDs have been used at SRS for several years. Historical information verifies that these devices are simple and straightforward to use.

Table 2 APCD Design Criteria and Siemens EPD/Mk2 and EPD-N Compliance

14. APCDs should be designed to minimize the potential for failure, including deactivation and false alarms, due to human error.	Yes – Reference 5 & 6; also, Siemens EPDs have been used at SRS for several years. Historical information verifies that these devices are designed to resist human failure.
15. APCDs shall provide an indication of system malfunction, including low battery condition.	Yes – Reference 5 & 6
16. Documented test results shall demonstrate that the APCDs produce an alarm when exposed to a short duration radiation transient (approx. 1 msec).	Yes – Reference 7
17. APCDs shall be designed to produce an alarm within 4 seconds of detector recognition of a step increase in dose rate greater than 10% over the setpoint.	Yes – Appendix A

5.0 Administrative Requirements for APCD Use

Table 3 contains a compilation of all APCD design criteria identified from the Table 1 analysis. These administrative requirements must be incorporated into Facility, Radcon, or site-level procedures as appropriate prior to the use of APCDs to augment facility NIM systems in areas not normally occupied.

Table 3. Administrative Requirements for APCD Use
1. APCD cumulative dose alarm shall be set high enough to avoid false alarms while retaining the capability to detect unsafe dose to workers. GRAND recommends that APCD cumulative dose alarm be set a 1 rem.
2. APCD alarm setpoints should be set sufficiently above background to minimize false alarms. GRAND recommends that the dose rate alarm be set a minimum of 30 mr/hr, or 10 %, above expected background, whichever is greater, and the APCD cumulative dose alarm be set a 1 rem.
3. Radcon procedures for calibration of Siemens EPDs used for dose logging shall be applied to Siemens EPD/MK-2 or EPD-N instruments used as APCDs to ensure functionality and reliability. Siemens EPD/MK-2 or EPD-N instruments used as APCDs should be marked in such a way that they can be distinguished from Siemens EPDs used for dose logging.
4. Facilities/projects using APCDs shall have an approved training program/procedure on APCD use.
5. Personnel wearing APCDs shall be trained in their use and in evacuation, including evacuation for instrument malfunction or a low battery condition.
6. If protective actions other than evacuation are necessary, they shall also be specified in training.
7. Personnel shall be capable of distinguishing the APCD alarm from other alarms.
8. Personnel shall be trained and have a means to contact the appropriate control room after evacuation so that the event is logged and other facility emergency actions can be taken as necessary.

Table 3. Administrative Requirements for APCD Use

9. When using APCDs in high noise areas, the APCDs shall be equipped with earpieces and/or vibration alarms.
10. APCD pre-alarms, if provided, should be disabled.
11. Facilities/projects shall develop the necessary procedures to ensure that these administrative requirements are met.
12. Personnel shall be trained to evacuate an area intended for APCD use upon APCD low battery condition or device malfunction.
13. APCD batteries shall be changed or re-charged on a regular basis.
14. A minimum offset distance from the edge of a designated potential criticality accident location (e.g., edge of tank) shall be established to ensure APCD functionality. GRAND recommends a minimum offset distance of 3 meters (10 feet).
15. APCDs shall not be re-used after exposure to excessive radiation fields, such as from a criticality accident or a simulated criticality test.
16. APCDs shall be worn in a manner that protects it from extreme environments (e.g., under protective clothing).
17. Personnel shall be instructed in proper APCD use, available functions, and actions to avoid false alarms.
18. APCDs must respond to a step increase in radiation in a time frame similar to that of regular NIM instruments in the annual NIM response test.
19. APCDs shall be calibrated and tested prior to being returned to service following any modifications, repairs or events that call APCD performance into question.
20. APCDs shall be periodically calibrated and tested to ensure continued appropriate instrument response to radiation. This test requirement and the test requirement in item 21 may be combined at the discretion of the testing organization(s).
21. APCD shall be tested monthly unless historical data suggests that less frequent testing is sufficient.
22. The records of tests, calibrations and maintenance for each APCD shall be maintained.
23. APCDs with self-checking features (if available) shall be tested periodically in conjunction with other testing.
24. APCDs shall be tested at least annually to ensure that the audible alarm is functional.
25. If an APCD fails any test, recalibration, or if a system fault is received, then it shall not be used until corrective action has been completed and the APCD has passed all necessary tests.
26. Upon exiting area not normally occupied in the event of an APCD alarm, regular facility NIM evacuation routes shall be followed.
27. Visitors who use APCDs shall be trained in their use.
28. All personnel entering a not normally occupied 12 rad zone area shall be equipped with an APCD. If only one person enters such area, that person shall be equipped with two APCDs.

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APPENDIX A
WSRC Testing of Siemens EPD-N APCDs

Test Details:

Date: 3/11/2003

Personnel Performing Test: J. W. McMahan (Maintenance Engineering, Site NIM Engineer) and T. R. Sullivan (Health Physics Technology)

Purpose of Test:

To test Siemens EPD-N MK 2 instruments to a step increase in dose rate greater than 10 % over the setpoint and observe response time to alarm signal;

To observe duration of audible alarm signal;

To qualitatively observe loudness of alarm signal;

Test Description:

Two Siemens EPD-N Mk 2 instruments with neutron detection capabilities were subjected to a step increase radiation from the Health Physics gamma irradiator. This facility exposes a Cs 137 source in a short time for evaluation of the speed of response a detector system exhibits. Using several repetitive exposures, the two samples responded similarly and repeatably to the source.

The reason for these tests was to evaluate the effect of data processing as described in the vendor literature, which suggested some time might be lost because a sampling scheme with an unacceptably long several second interval was in use to conserve power. However, the time from beginning of exposure to alarm sound was measured and resulted in consistent 2.5 to 3.5 second intervals, proving there was no meaningful sampling influence. The time response of the Siemens EPD-N Mk 2 was determined to be acceptable for personal criticality alarm application.

The audible alarm sounded for several seconds and it was noted that the instrument settings could be easily adjusted such that the alarm could be made to latch (i.e., sound continuously). Thus, the duration of the signal was judged acceptable.

The loudness of the audible alarm was qualitatively judged to be sufficiently loud to alert the wearer, yet without being loud enough to cause hearing damage.

APPENDIX D

SCHEDULE

Activity ID	Activity Description	Orig Dur	Rem Dur	Early Start	Early Finish	FY09												FY10										
						DEC			JAN			FEB			MAR			APR			MAY							
						1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	4
14290	Onsite Review Draft Piping/Equip Summary Report	5	5	03/26/09	04/01/09																							Onsite Review Draft Piping/Equip Summary Report
14300	POC & Legal Review Piping/Equip Summary Report	7	7	04/01/09	04/09/09																							POC & Legal Review Piping/Equip Summary Report
14310	Finalize Package for Submittal	5	5	04/10/09	04/16/09																							Finalize Package for Submittal
14320	Submit Piping/Equip Summary Report to NRC	0	0		04/16/09																							Submit Piping/Equip Summary Report to NRC

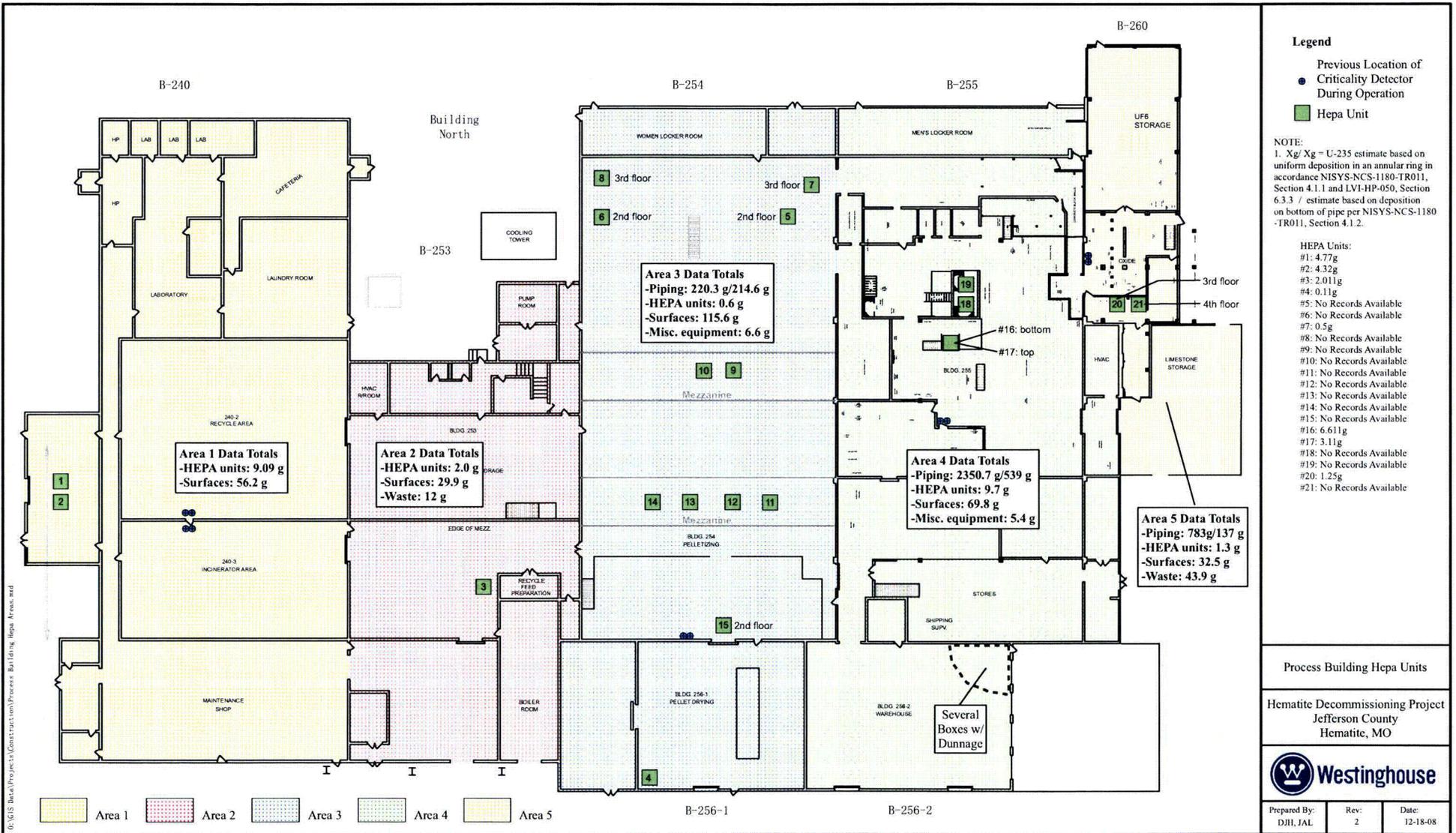
APPENDIX E

FACILITY MAPS

PROCESS BUILDING HEPA UNITS

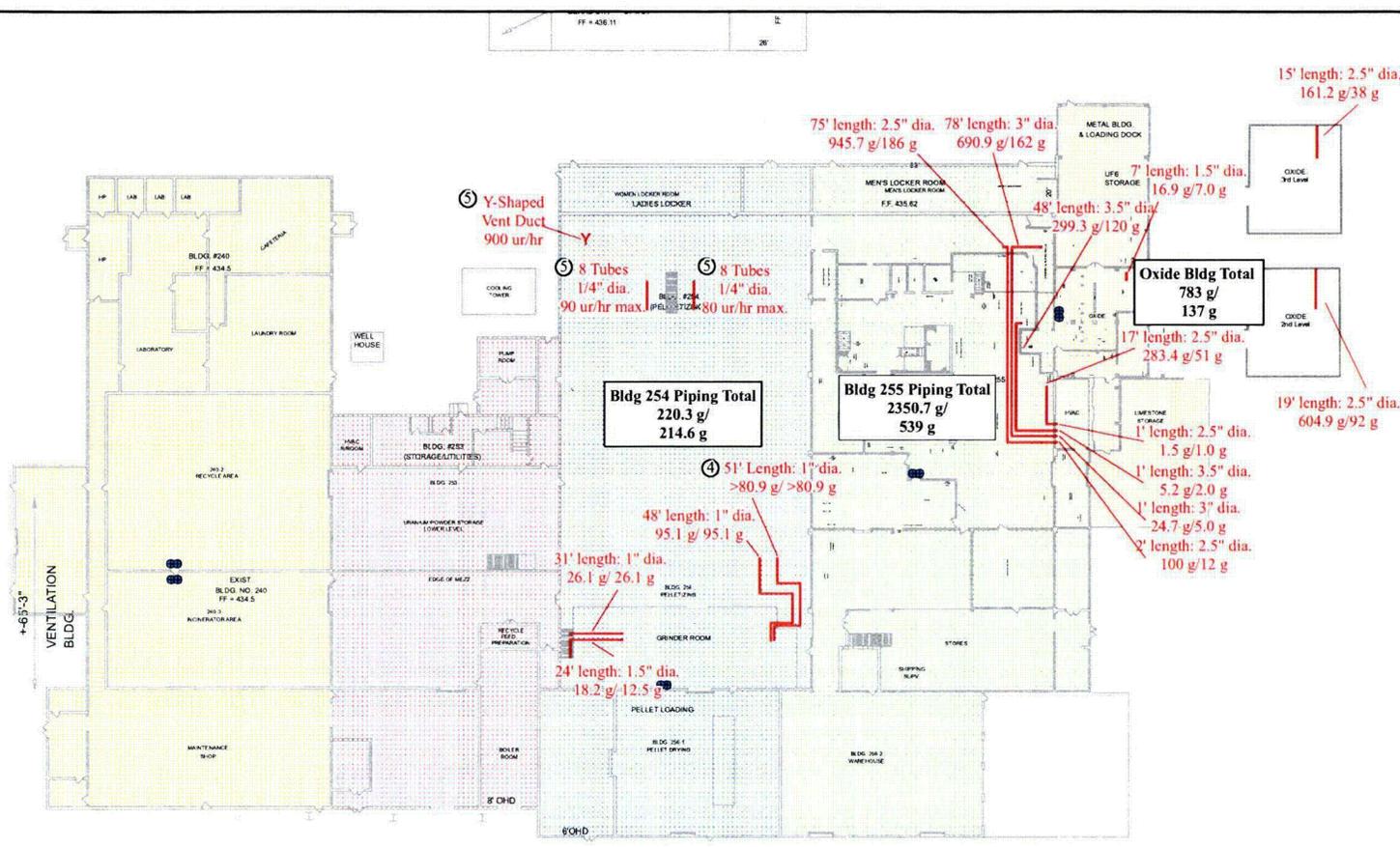
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PROCESS BUILDING PIPING



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LEGEND
 Previous Location of
 ● Criticality Detector
 During Operation

NOTES:
 1. Xg/ Xg = U-235 estimate based on uniform deposition in an annular ring in accordance NISYS-NCS-1180-TR011, Section 4.1.1 and LVI-HP-050, Section 6.3.3 / estimate based on deposition on bottom of pipe per NISYS-NCS-1180-TR011, Section 4.1.2.
 2. Piping curve currently not available for piping diameter less than two inches when material assumed to be deposited on the bottom of pipe. Instead, conservatively assumed amount of material present to be equal to the condition of uniform deposition for piping <1.5" in diameter.
 3. Curves for material on the bottom of the pipe (NISYS-NCS-1180-TR011, Section 4.1.2) currently not available for all piping diameters. Used piping curve values for next larger size pipe when curve for actual dimension not available. (e.g., actual 2.5 inches, used curve for 3.0 inches) This resulted in an over-estimate of the true amount of material present during the initial iteration to refine estimates.
 4. One measurement obtained from a series of measurements at one foot intervals along a pipe exceeded the upper range of the current piping curve. Listed the sum of this measurement, and the balance of the measurements from that pipe as being greater than 80.9 g. The actual total value is expected to be shown as less than 100 g based on additional data.
 5. Remains to be evaluated in accordance with LVI-HP-050, Section 6.3.9.



METAL BLDG.

SUMMARY DATA AS OF 11/25/2008 (grams U-235)	
- Building Surfaces:	250.0 g
- Building Piping:	890.6 g
Total:	1140.6 g

Process Building Piping

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 Hematite, MO

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