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Hakan:

I was looking at the validation report for Task P-10, which I believe David is now doing the technical review on, and I think I found an error in the assumptions and conclustions for Test 7. Test 7 is documented in Attachment G. The test was set up based on the assumption that the diffusive releases can be controlled by setting *tpa.inp* input parameters FractionOfWPsWithDiffusionTilt[] and FuelRodHalfLength[m] equal to 0. After looking at the draft user guide chapter, however, it appears that the FuelRodHalfLength parameter has nothing to do with the diffusive release. If the user guide is correct, the two length parameters that affect diffusive release are LengthOfFilmPathInsideWP[m] and WeldCrackLength[m]. David may want to note this as a technical review comment. I'm not sure whether the test needs to be repeated or not, but the part of the writeup beginning on page P10 G-6 should be revised. The existing test is useful for showing that turning on the diffusive release has essentiall no effect on results from the mean value case, which is useful because NRC has asked us to demonstrate somewhere in the validation that ignoring diffusive release will not bias results. Let me know what approach you will take. Sorry if this makes more work that you were not planning.

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