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**SUBJECT: Annual Report for University of Florida Training Reactor, License R-56,  
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Please find enclosed the 2006-07 annual report for University of Florida Training Reactor (UFTR), Docket No. 50-83. This report is being submitted as required by our Technical Specifications, Section 6.6.1.

If you have questions on the content of this report, please contact Dr. Alireza Haghighat, Interim Director of the UFTR, at 352-392-1401, x306.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 16, 2009.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alireza Haghighat'.

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**UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA  
TRAINING REACTOR  
ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT**

**SEPTEMBER 1, 2006 – AUGUST 31, 2007**

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## Introduction

As stated in the University of Florida Training Reactor (UFTR) Technical Specifications, Section 6.7.1 Operating Report, routine annual reports covering the activities of the reactor facility during the previous calendar year shall be submitted to the Commission within nine (9) months following the end of each prescribed year. The prescribed year ends August 31 for the UFTR. This annual operating report includes 7 sections:

- (1) a narrative summary of reactor operating experience including the energy produced by the reactor and the hours the reactor was critical;
- (2) the unscheduled shutdowns including, where applicable, corrective actions taken to preclude recurrence;
- (3) tabulation of major preventive and corrective maintenance operations having safety significance;
- (4) tabulation of major changes in the reactor facility and procedures, and a tabulation of new tests or experiments, that are significantly different from those performed previously and are not described in the Safety Analysis Report, including conclusions that no unreviewed safety questions were involved;
- (5) A summary of the nature and amount of radioactive effluents released or discharged to the environs beyond the effective control of the facility operators as determined at or before the point of such release or discharge. (The summary shall include to the extent practicable an estimate of individual radionuclides present in the effluent. If the estimated average release after dilution or diffusion is less than 25% of the concentration allowed, a statement to this effect is sufficient.);
- (6) A summarized result of environmental surveys performed outside the facility;
- (7) A summary of exposure received by facility personnel and visitors where such exposures are greater than 25% of that allowed.

The following discussion on the above seven sections covers the period from September 1, 2006 to August 31, 2007, except as noted otherwise.

## 1. Summary of Operation Experience

In the past reporting year, UFTR continues to function as a reliable and productive facility with a broad range of research and educational utilizations by users within University of Florida as well as researchers and educators around the State of Florida.

The generated energy and operation hours in this year are given as follows:

Energy generated: 4801.040 KWH

Reactor Run Time : 202.50 hrs

## 2. Unscheduled Shutdowns

From September 1, 2006 to August 31, 2007 there were 3 unplanned shutdowns, each one summarized in the table below.

Reason	Corrective Action
11/21/06: Coolant flow trip, accidental due to nitrogen insertion.*	Performed ½ hour of nitrogen flow without trip indication at shutdown, and performed daily satisfactory checks.
5/30/07: Safety 2 power channel – apparent high voltage trip, S2 HV apparent drop below 10% set point (Occurred 3 times, 6/8/07 and 7/26/07). *	Troubleshoot, repaired safety 2 HV system.
8/13/07: NE Fuel box high temperature.*	Completed successful daily checks.

\*NOTE: Filed as an Unscheduled Reactor Trip

## 3. Safety Related Maintenance Operations

- 1) 6/07: Dilution fan motor is replaced and the dilution fan is cleaned upon observing reduced dilution fan RPM

## 4. Major Changes in Reactor Facility, Procedures and Experiments

None

## 5. Radioactive Effluents

Liquid release:

UFTR is equipped with a waste water holdup tank. The tank is released two or three times per year. The radioactivity in the released water is measured.

Time period (mm.dd.yyyy)	Water released (Gallon)	Radioactivity released (uCi)
08.21.2006– 05.18.2007	816.2	1.54E-03

**Argon-41 Release:**

The Argon-41 release concentration is measured about every six months. The annual Argon-41 release is estimated by the measurement and operation hours. The Argon-41 release is ~24.3 mCi for FY 06 – 07.

**6. Environmental Surveys**

The firm maintaining radiation records for the University of Florida keeps a year to date record, therefore it is easier to report radiation exposure by the nearest completed calendar year. The following film badge exposures are for the period January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2006. Thirteen areas (Numbered from 1 to 13) were monitored for the entire calendar year. A list of these numbered areas can be found in UFTR SOP. Among them, Area No. 2, which is the stack area, has the highest dose record. 3 separate areas in the reactor building were also monitored during the same time period. The area radiation exposures are tabulated below. All doses are in unit of mrem.

Area No.	DDE	LDE	SDE, WB	TEDE
1	378	392	390	378
2	1799	1831	1935	1799
3	128	128	126	128
4	151	151	149	151
5	288	293	304	288
6	127	128	139	127
7	220	226	281	220
8	178	178	238	178
9	181	182	184	181
10	252	262	271	252
11	164	167	190	164
12	223	241	280	223
13	48	52	50	48

*\* low activity, mostly in the limit  
 given period  
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 which is given report to...*

<b>Area</b>	<b>DDE</b>	<b>LDE</b>	<b>SDE, WB</b>	<b>TEDE</b>
Reactor C	610	611	613	610
Room 101C	4	4	7	4
Room 103	37	59	65	37

## 7. Radiation Exposures

Note that UFTR TechSpecs requires only a summary of exposure received by facility personnel and visitors where such exposures are greater than 25% of that allowed. Since all personnel exposures during this period are below the limits, we provide an exposure summary for the UFTR staff.

The following table illustrates the radiation dosages of 4 workers for the period September 1, 2006 to August 31, 2007. All the dosages are in mrem.

<b>Individual</b>	<b>DDE</b>	<b>LDE</b>	<b>SDE</b>
Berglund, M.	1	3	33
Holman, M.	<1	2	7
Vernetson, W.	<1	16	41
Yenatskyy, M.	<1	<1	2