

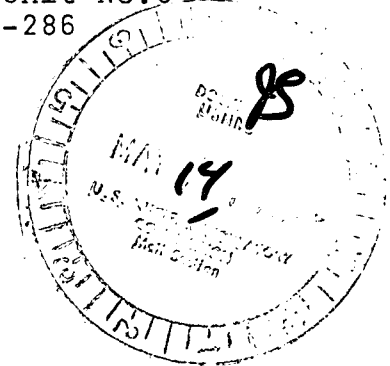
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Re Indian Point Unit No. 3  
Docket No. 50-286

Mr. A. Giambusso, Director  
Division of Reactor Licensing  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D. C. 20555



Dear Mr. Giambusso

In a March 27, 1975 submittal to your office, we transmitted forty (40) copies of the report entitled, "Preoperational Integrated Leak Rate Test of the Reactor Containment Building; Consolidated Edison Corporation, Indian Point Unit 3", dated March 19, 1975.

Review of the report revealed a typographical error and minor discrepancies in data reduction. The appropriate changes have been made to the report. Enclosed are forty (40) copies of revised pages, together with an instruction sheet outlining the method of incorporating the revised pages into the original report.

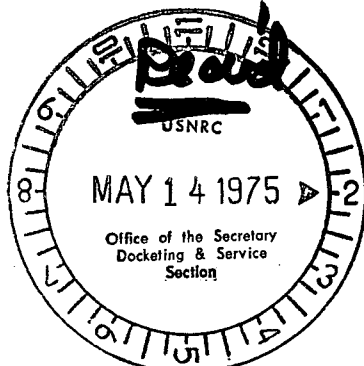
It should be noted that the reported leak rates have changed only slightly. For the test at peak accident pressure, the reported leak rate has changed from 0.023%/day to 0.027%/day. For the reduced pressure test, the reported leak rate has changed from 0.006%/day to 0.005%/day.

Very truly yours

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William J. Cahill, Jr.".

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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(Indian Point Station, )  
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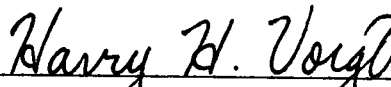
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1.0

SYNOPSIS

The Indian Point Nuclear Station Unit 3 reactor containment building was subjected to a preoperational integrated leak rate test during the period from January 15, 1975 to January 19, 1975. The purpose of this test was to demonstrate the acceptability of building leakage rates at internal pressures of 41 psig ( $P_a$ ) and 21 psig ( $P_t$ ). Testing was performed in conformance with the requirements of 10 CFR 50, Appendix J, ANSI N45.4-1972 and Indian Point Nuclear Station Unit 3 FSAR.

Leakage rates based on the point-to-point method of analysis were found to be 0.027 percent by weight per day at 41 psig and 0.005 percent by weight per day at 21 psig. These leakage rates are well below the acceptable test leakage rates of 0.075 percent per day at 41 psig and 0.014 percent per day at 21 psig.

$L_{tm}/L_{am}$  is therefore established at 0.185. In accordance with 10 CFR 50, Appendix J and the Indian Point Nuclear Station Unit 3 FSAR, Section 15.4.4, Revision 10 (Technical Specifications), subsequent integrated leakage rate tests may be performed at  $P_t$  with a maximum allowable leakage value of 0.019%/day based on an  $L_t$  value of  $L_a (L_{tm}/L_{am})$ , since  $L_{tm}/L_{am}$  is less than 0.7. Therefore, the acceptable leakage ( $L_{tm}$ ) for subsequent test should be less than the  $0.75 L_t$  value which is 0.014 percent per day.

Since several penetrations were being used to conduct the leakage rate tests, the addition of the local leakage rate of penetrations YY, XX and RR to the measured values of  $L_{am}$  and  $L_{tm}$  was warranted. However, subsequent to the leak rate test the combined local leakage rate of these penetrations was measured and found to be zero.

The supplemental instrumentation verification at  $P_a$  and  $P_t$  was 16 percent and 15.8 percent, respectively; well within the 25 percent requirement of 10 CFR 50, Appendix J, Section III A.3.b.

All testing was performed by Wedco Corporation for Consolidated Edison Corporation with the technical assistance of Gilbert Associates, Inc. and Energy Incorporated. Calculations were checked by Gilbert Associates, Inc.

$$2) \quad L_t = L_a (P_t/P_a)^{1/2} \text{ if } L_{tm}/L_{am} > .7$$

Based on the test results (Section 3.2),  $L_t$  was determined using criterion 1) above, as follows:

$$L_t = L_a (L_{tm}/L_{am})$$

$$L_t = 0.1 (.005/.027)$$

$$L_t = 0.019\%/day$$

The acceptance criterion for the leakage rate at  $P_t$  was then determined, as follows:

$$L_t = 0.019\%/day$$

$$0.75L_t = 0.014\%/day$$

- c. The acceptance criterion that the test instrumentation be verified by means of a supplemental test within 25 percent  $L_a$  (or  $L_t$ ) was established in accordance with 10 CFR 50, Appendix J.

### 3.2 Conclusions

- a. The measured leakage rate ( $L_{tm}$ ) at a containment internal pressure of 21 psig ( $P_t$ ) was 0.005 percent per day. This value is well below the above stated acceptance criterion of 0.014 percent per day. Therefore, reactor containment building leakage at reduced pressure ( $P_t$ ) of 21 psig is considered to be acceptable.

b. The measured leakage rate ( $L_{am}$ ) at a containment internal pressure of 40.6 psig ( $P_a$ ) was 0.027 percent per day. This value is well below the above stated acceptance criterion of 0.075 percent per day. Therefore, reactor containment building leakage at design basis accident pressure ( $P_a$ ) of 40.6 psig is considered to be acceptable.

c. Verification of test accuracy at  $P_t$  and  $P_a$  was accomplished by means of a supplemental test in each case, during which a superimposed, controlled leakage rate from the containment was instituted. Appendix J of 10 CFR 50 requires that the difference between the supplemental test results and type A test results be within 25 percent of  $L_a$  at peak pressure ( $P_a$ ) and within 25 percent of  $L_t$  at reduced pressure ( $P_t$ ).

The following summary indicates values for these tests:

	24 Hour Leakage Rate (%/day)	Supplemental Test Leakage Rate (%/day)	Difference (%/day)
$P_a$	0.027	0.011	0.016
$P_t$	0.005	0.002	0.003

A comparison of these results yields the following:

$$\text{At } P_a: \frac{|L_{am} - L'_{am}|}{L_a} = \frac{|0.027 - 0.011|}{0.10\%/day} = 0.16, \text{ or } 16\% \text{ of } L_a$$

$$\text{At } P_t: \frac{|L_{tm} - L'_{tm}|}{L_t} = \frac{|0.005 - 0.002|}{0.019\%/day} =$$

0.158, or 15.8% of  $L_t$

These comparisons are both well below the 25 percent limit specified by Appendix J of 10 CFR 50. Therefore, the supplemental tests are considered to have satisfactorily verified the acceptability of the test instrumentation.

- d. In accordance with 10 CFR 50, Appendix J, the following conclusion was reached concerning the value of  $L_t$  to be used for subsequent reactor containment building integrated leak rate tests:

$$L_t = L_a (L_{tm}/L_{am})$$

$$L_t = 0.1 (0.005/0.027)$$

$$L_t = 0.019\%/day$$

This determination of  $L_t$  was used since  $(L_{tm}/L_{am})$  was less than 0.7 (i.e.,  $L_{tm}/L_{am} = 0.19$ ).

The acceptance criterion for subsequent integrated leak rate tests then becomes 0.014 percent per day. This value was determined as follows:

$$L_t = 0.019\%/day$$

$$0.75 L_t = 0.014\%/day$$



7.0 DISCUSSION OF RESULTS7.1 Results at  $P_t$ 

Data obtained during the leak rate test at  $P_t$  indicated the following changes during the 24 hour test period:

<u>Variable</u>	<u>Maximum Change</u>
$P_T$	0.013 psia
$P_{wv}$	0.008 psia
T	0.220°F

The methods used in calculating the leakage rate are as defined in Section 6.0. The results of the calculations are as follows:

<u>Method</u>	<u>Leakage Rate (%/Day)</u>	<u>Corrected Leakage Rate (%/Day)</u>
Point-to-Point	0.004	0.005

In accordance with Indian Point Nuclear Station Unit 3 FSAR, Section 15.4.4, Revision 10, leakage rates have been corrected from test conditions to design basis accident conditions. Therefore, these values are more conservative than normally required.

Based upon the point-to-point method of calculation, the leakage rate ( $L_{tm}$ ) was 0.005%/day. (see Appendix D)

The confidence limit associated with this leakage rate derived from a least squares fit of the data is 0.041 percent per day. Correcting for systematic error ( $e_{L_t} = 0.011\%/day$ ), this value reduces to 0.030 percent per day. The random error introduced is

three times less than the maximum allowable leakage rate value of 0.10 percent per day and therefore it may be concluded that random error was not of any major significance.

## 7.2 Results at $P_a$

Data obtained during the leak rate test of  $P_a$  indicated the following changes during the 24 hour test period:

<u>Variable</u>	<u>Maximum Change</u>
$P_T$	0.025 psia
$P_{wv}$	0.009 psia
T	0.290°F

The methods used in calculating the leakage rate are defined in Section 6.0. Results of these calculations are as follows:

<u>Method</u>	<u>Leakage Rate (%/Day)</u>	<u>Corrected Leakage Rate (%/Day)</u>
Point-to-Point	0.023	0.027

In accordance with Indian Point Nuclear Station Unit 3 FSAR, Section 15.44, Revision 10, leakage rates have been corrected from test conditions to design basis accident conditions. Therefore, these values are more conservative than normally required.

Based upon the point-to-point method of calculation, the leakage rate ( $L_{am}$ ) was 0.027%/day. (see Appendix D)

The confidence limit associated with this leakage rate derived from a least squares fit of the data is 0.046 percent per day. Correcting for systematic error ( $e_{L_a} = 0.010\%/day$ ), this value reduces to 0.036 percent per day. The random error introduced is approximately two and one-half to three times less than the maximum allowable leakage rate value of 0.10 percent per day and therefore it may be concluded that random error was not of any major significance.

## 7.3

## Supplemental Test Results

The results of the supplemental test at pressure  $P_t$  are as follows:

$$L'_{tm} = L_c - L_o$$

$$L'_{tm} = 0.036 - 0.034$$

$$L'_{tm} = 0.002\%/day$$

This value compares favorably with the measured leakage rate  $L_{tm}$  of 0.005 percent per day. This agreement is 15.8 percent of  $L_t$ , well below the 25 percent of  $L_t$  which is allowable.

The results of the supplemental test at pressure  $P_a$  are as follows:

$$L'_{am} = L_c - L_o$$

$$L'_{am} = 0.063 - 0.052$$

$$L'_{am} = 0.011\%/day$$

This value compares favorably with the measured leakage rate of 0.027 percent per day. This agreement is 16 percent of  $L_a$ , well below the 25 percent of  $L_a$  which is allowable.

This verification, through supplemental tests, clearly established the acceptability of the test instrumentation.

The two measured leakage rates values ( $L_c$ ), mentioned above, are  $L_{\text{mean}}$  as determined by the point-to-point method.

## APPENDIX C

## REDUCED TEST DATA

## LEAKAGE RATE AT 21 PSIG

Time	Average Containment Pressure (psia)	Partial Pressure of Containment Water Vapor (psia)	Partial Pressure of Containment Air (psia)	Average Containment Temperature (°R)	Superimposed Flow Rate (lbm/hr)
1/16/75 1300	35.775	.171	35.604	535.95	-
1400	35.777	.173	35.604	535.98	-
1500	35.775	.174	35.601	535.92	-
1600	35.773	.175	35.597	535.90	-
1700	35.770	.176	35.594	535.83	-
1800	35.766	.175	35.591	535.78	-
1900	35.765	.176	35.589	535.76	-
2000	35.765	.175	35.590	535.79	-
2100	35.767	.176	35.591	535.78	-
2200	35.768	.176	35.592	535.81	-
2300	35.770	.176	35.594	535.83	-
2400	35.772	.176	35.596	535.83	-
1/17/75 0100	35.773	.176	35.597	535.87	-
0200	35.777	.176	35.601	535.93	-
0300	35.777	.177	35.601	535.91	-
0400	35.777	.177	35.600	535.91	-
0500	35.777	.177	35.600	535.92	-
0600	35.776	.177	35.599	535.89	-
0700	35.776	.176	35.600	535.90	-
0800	35.773	.177	35.596	535.84	-

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0900	35.772	.177	35.595	535.83	-
1000	35.772	.177	35.595	535.80	-
1100	35.773	.179	35.594	535.81	-
1200	35.773	.177	35.596	535.83	-
1300	35.772	.179	35.593	535.81	-
1400	35.776	.180	35.596	535.86	-
1500	35.779	.180	35.599	535.91	5.75
1600	35.781	.179	35.602	535.94	5.79
1700	35.778	.180	35.598	535.89	5.79
1800	35.773	.178	35.595	535.84	5.76
1900	35.772	.179	35.593	535.83	5.76
2000	35.774	.181	35.593	535.85	5.76
2100	35.772	.181	35.591	535.84	5.76
2200	35.770	.181	35.589	535.81	5.75

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## LEAKAGE RATE AT 41 PSIG

Time	Average Containment Pressure (psia)	Partial Pressure of Containment Water Vapor (psia)	Partial Pressure of Containment Air (psia)	Average Containment Temperature (°R)	Superimposed Flow Rate (lbm/hr)
1/18/75 1400	55.785	.208	55.577	538.00	-
1500	55.788	.206	55.582	538.03	-
1600	55.790	.204	55.586	538.05	-
1700	55.788	.205	55.583	538.05	-
1800	55.773	.206	55.567	537.88	-
1900	55.769	.205	55.564	537.88	-
2000	55.773	.206	55.567	537.94	-
2100	55.779	.207	55.572	538.02	-
2200	55.778	.206	55.572	538.00	-
2300	55.778	.205	55.573	538.00	-
2400	55.778	.205	55.573	538.03	-
1/19/75 0100	55.778	.203	55.575	538.04	-
0200	55.779	.206	55.573	538.03	-
0300	55.780	.204	55.576	538.07	-
0400	55.786	.203	55.583	538.13	-
0500	55.788	.201	55.587	538.17	-
0600	55.778	.203	55.575	538.06	-
0700	55.769	.203	55.566	538.00	-
0800	55.770	.200	55.570	538.00	-
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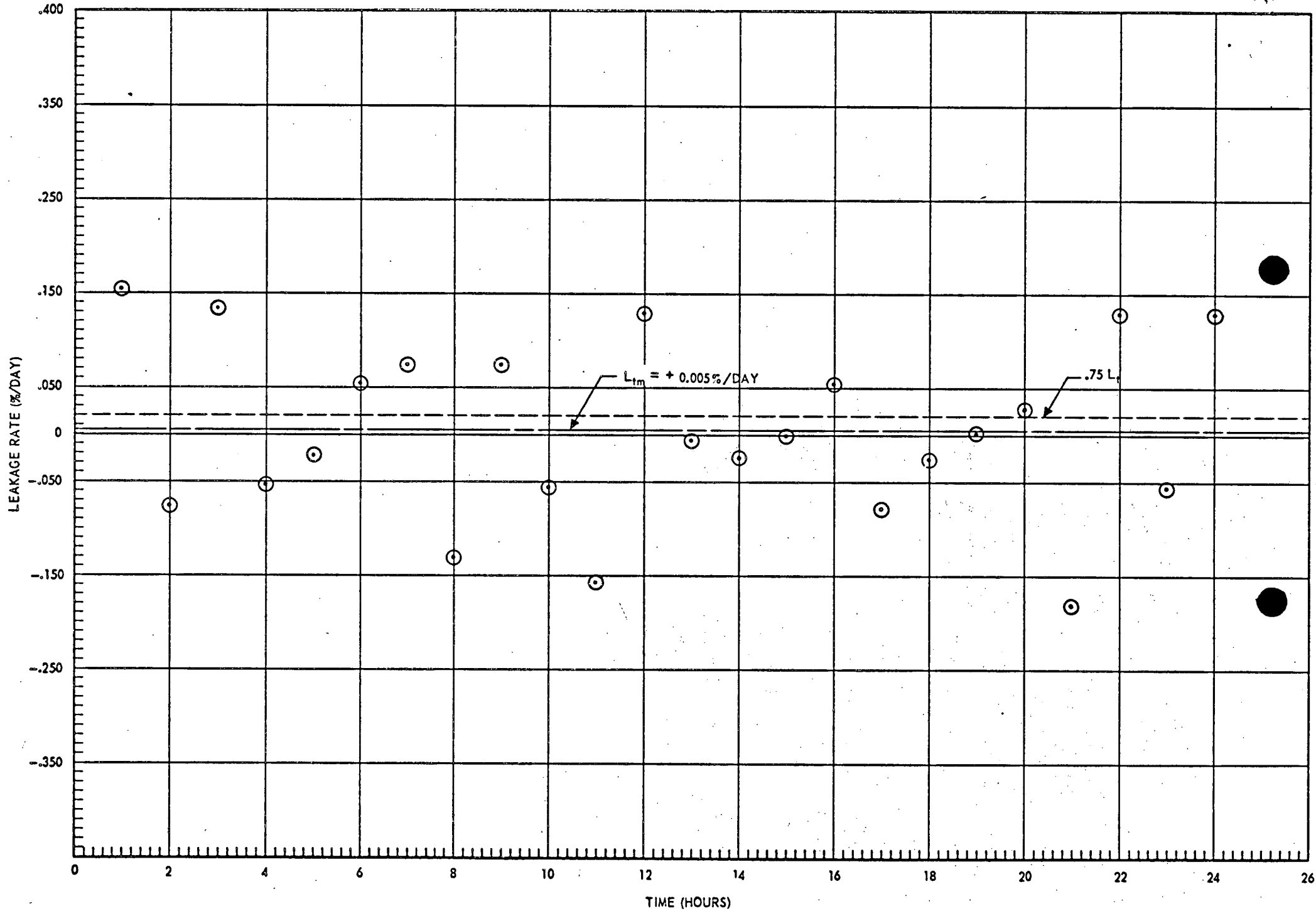
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1000	55.768	.201	55.567	538.00	-
1100	55.766	.199	55.567	537.98	-
1200	55.765	.199	55.566	537.98	-
1300	55.767	.202	55.565	537.99	-
1400	55.767	.201	55.566	538.02	-
1500	55.769	.203	55.566	538.09	13.59
1600	55.777	.200	55.577	538.13	13.55
1700	55.779	.202	55.577	538.17	13.58
1800	55.771	.199	55.572	538.08	13.55
1900	55.765	.199	55.566	538.06	13.55
2000	55.763	.198	55.565	538.04	13.53
2100	55.762	.203	55.559	538.06	13.54
2200	55.760	.200	55.560	538.06	13.54



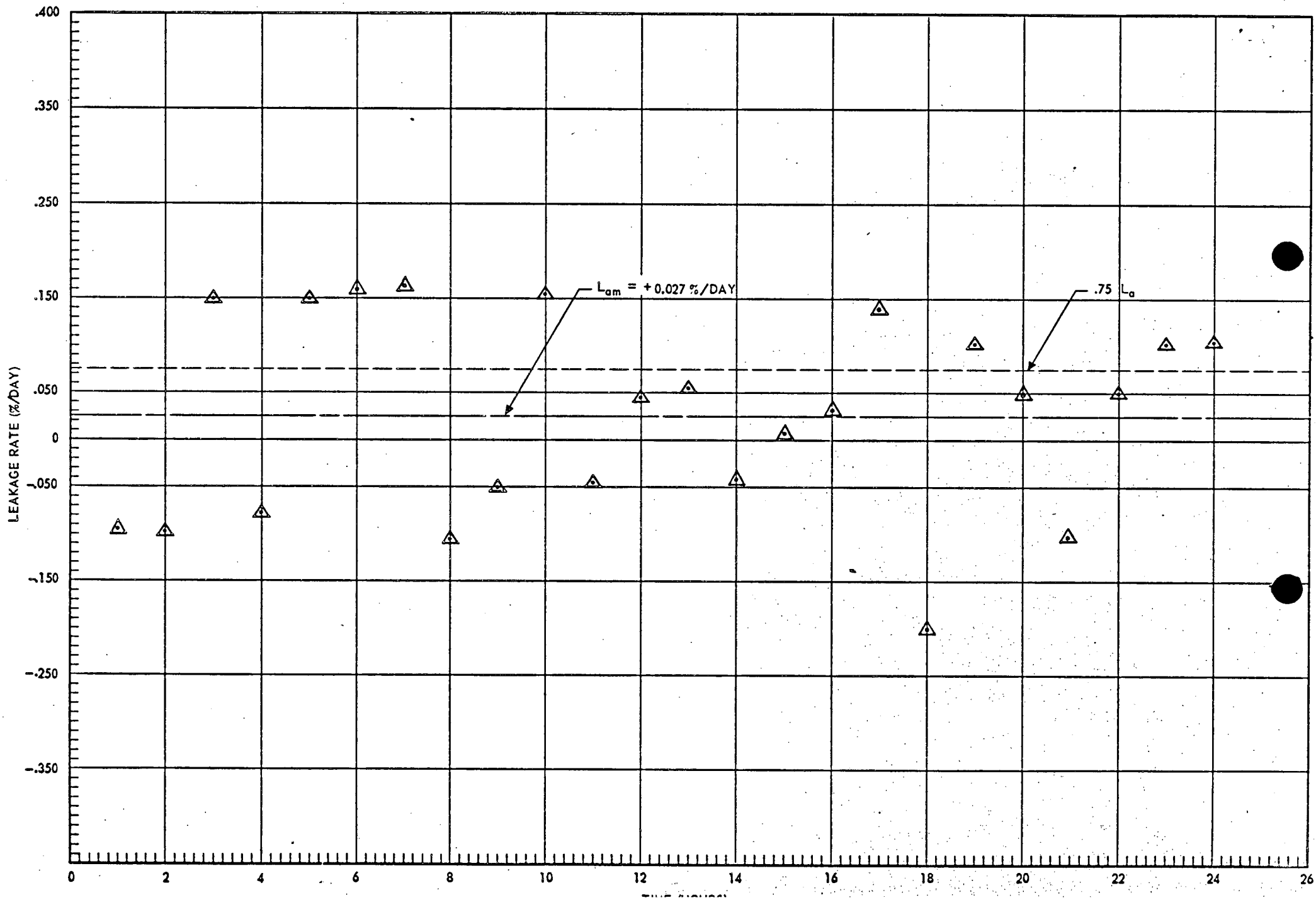
APPENDIX D

21 PSIG POINT-TO-POINT LEAKAGE RATE VERSUS TIME



APPENDIX D

41 PSIG POINT-TO-POINT LEAKAGE RATE VERSUS TIME



INSTRUCTION SHEET

Revised Pages for "Preoperational Leak Rate Test of the Reactor Con-  
tainment Building; Consolidated Edison Corporation, Indian Point Unit 3"

The attached revised pages contain certain changes made to the report subsequent to its submittal to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission on March 27, 1975.

The revised pages should be added to the report as noted below. This instruction sheet should be inserted in the report immediately following the title page.

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