

## CHAPTER 9<sup>†</sup>: ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

### 9.0 INTRODUCTION

This chapter identifies the fabrication, inspection, test, and maintenance programs to be conducted on the HI-STORM 100 System, including the HI-TRAC transfer cask to verify that the structures, systems and components (SSCs) classified as important to safety have been fabricated, assembled, inspected, tested, accepted, and maintained in accordance with the requirements set forth in this FSAR, the applicable regulatory requirements, and the Certificate of Compliance (CoC). The acceptance criteria and maintenance program requirements specified in this chapter apply to each HI-STORM 100 System fabricated, assembled, inspected, tested, and accepted for use under the scope of the HI-STORM 100 System CoC, except as noted herein.

The controls, inspections, and tests set forth in this chapter, in conjunction with the design requirements described in previous chapters ensure that the HI-STORM 100 System will maintain confinement of radioactive material under normal, off-normal, and hypothetical accident conditions; will maintain subcriticality control; will properly transfer the decay heat of the stored radioactive materials; and that radiation doses will meet regulatory requirements.

Both pre-operational and operational tests and inspections are performed throughout HI-STORM 100 System operations to assure that the HI-STORM 100 System is functioning within its design parameters. These include receipt inspections, nondestructive weld examinations, pressure tests, radiation shielding tests, thermal performance tests, dryness tests, and others. Chapter 8 identifies the tests and inspections. "Pre-operation", as referred to in this section, defines that period of time from receipt inspection of a HI-STORM 100 System until the empty MPC is loaded into a HI-TRAC transfer cask for fuel assembly loading.

The HI-STORM 100 System is classified as important to safety. Therefore, the individual structures, systems, and components (SSCs) that make up the HI-STORM 100 System shall be designed, fabricated, assembled, inspected, tested, accepted, and maintained in accordance with a quality program commensurate with the particular SSC's graded quality category. Tables 2.2.6 and 8.1.6 provide the quality category for each major item or component of the HI-STORM 100 System and its ancillary equipment, respectively.

The acceptance criteria and maintenance program described in this chapter fully comply with the requirements of 10CFR72 [9.0.1] and NUREG-1536 [9.0.2], except as clarified in Table 1.0.3.

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<sup>†</sup> This chapter has been prepared in the format and section organization set forth in Regulatory Guide 3.61. However, the material content of this chapter also fulfills the requirements of NUREG-1536. Pagination and numbering of sections, figures, and tables are consistent with the convention set down in Chapter 1, Section 1.0, herein. Finally, all terms-of-art used in this chapter are consistent with the terminology of the glossary (Table 1.0.1) and component nomenclature of the Bill-of-Materials (Section 1.5).

## 9.1 ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

This section provides the workmanship inspections and acceptance tests to be performed on the HI-STORM 100 System prior to and during loading of the system. These inspections and tests provide assurance that the HI-STORM 100 System has been fabricated, assembled, inspected, tested, and accepted for use under the conditions specified in this FSAR and the Certificate of Compliance issued by the NRC in accordance with the requirements of 10CFR72 [9.0.1].

Identification and resolution of noncompliances shall be performed in accordance with the Holtec International Quality Assurance Program as described in Chapter 13 of this FSAR, or the licensee's NRC-approved Quality Assurance Program.

The testing and inspection acceptance criteria applicable to the MPCs, the HI-STORM 100 overpack, and the 100-ton HI-TRAC and 125-ton HI-TRAC transfer casks are listed in Tables 9.1.1, 9.1.2, and 9.1.3, respectively, and discussed in more detail in the sections that follow. Chapters 8 and 12 provide operating guidance and the bases for the Technical Specifications, respectively. These inspections and tests are intended to demonstrate that the HI-STORM 100 System has been fabricated, assembled, and examined in accordance with the design criteria contained in Chapter 2 of this FSAR.

This section summarizes the test program required for the HI-STORM 100 System.

### 9.1.1 Fabrication and Nondestructive Examination (NDE)

The design, fabrication, inspection, and testing of the HI-STORM 100 System is performed in accordance with the applicable codes and standards specified in Tables 2.2.6 and 2.2.7 and on the Design Drawings. Additional details on specific codes used are provided below.

The following fabrication controls and required inspections shall be performed on the HI-STORM 100 System, including the MPCs, overpacks, and HI-TRAC transfer casks, in order to assure compliance with this FSAR and the Certificate of Compliance.

1. Materials of construction specified for the HI-STORM 100 System are identified in the drawings in Chapter 1 and shall be procured with certification and supporting documentation as required by ASME Code [9.1.1] Section II (when applicable); the requirements of ASME Section III (when applicable); Holtec procurement specifications; and 10CFR72, Subpart G. Materials and components shall be receipt inspected for visual and dimensional acceptability, material conformance to specification requirements, and traceability markings, as applicable. Controls shall be in place to assure material traceability is maintained throughout fabrication. Materials for the confinement boundary (MPC baseplate, lid, closure ring, port cover plates and shell) shall also be inspected per the requirements of ASME Section III, Article NB-2500.

2. The MPC confinement boundary shall be fabricated and inspected in accordance with ASME Code, Section III, Subsection NB, with alternatives as noted below. The MPC basket and basket supports shall be fabricated and inspected in accordance with ASME Code, Section III, Subsection NG, with alternatives as noted below. Metal components of the HI-TRAC transfer cask and the HI-STORM overpack, as applicable, shall be fabricated and inspected in accordance with ASME Code, Section III, Subsection NF, Class 3 or AWS D1.1, as shown on the design drawings, with alternatives as noted below.

NOTE: NRC-approved alternatives to these Code requirements are discussed in FSAR Section 2.2.4.

3. ASME Code welding shall be performed using welders and weld procedures that have been qualified in accordance with ASME Code Section IX and the applicable ASME Section III Subsections (e.g., NB, NG, or NF, as applicable to the SSC). AWS code welding may be performed using welders and weld procedures that have been qualified in accordance with applicable AWS requirements or in accordance with ASME Code Section IX
4. Welds shall be visually examined in accordance with ASME Code, Section V, Article 9 with acceptance criteria per ASME Code, Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5360, except the MPC fuel basket cell plate-to-cell plate welds and fuel basket support-to-canister welds which shall have acceptance criteria to ASME Code Section III, Subsection NG, Article NG-5360, (as modified by the design drawings). Table 9.1.4 identifies additional nondestructive examination (NDE) requirements to be performed on specific welds, and the applicable codes and acceptance criteria to be used in order to meet the inspection requirements of the applicable ASME Code, Section III. Acceptance criteria for NDE shall be in accordance with the applicable Code for which the item was fabricated. These additional NDE criteria are also specified on the design drawings for the specific welds. Weld inspections shall be detailed in a weld inspection plan which shall identify the weld and the examination requirements, the sequence of examination, and the acceptance criteria. The inspection plan shall be reviewed and approved by Holtec in accordance with its QA program. NDE inspections shall be performed in accordance with written and approved procedures by personnel qualified in accordance with SNT-TC-1A [9.1.2] or other site-specific, NRC-approved program for personnel qualification.

5. The MPC confinement boundary shall be examined and tested by a combination of methods (including helium leak test, pressure test, UT, MT and/or PT, as applicable) to verify that it is free of cracks, pinholes, uncontrolled voids or other defects that could significantly reduce its confinement effectiveness.
6. ASME Code welds requiring weld repair shall be repaired in accordance with the requirements of the ASME Code, Section III, Article NB-4450, NG-4450, or NF-4450, as applicable to the SSC, and examined after repair in the same manner as the original weld.
7. Base metal repairs shall be performed and examined in accordance with the applicable fabrication Code.
8. Grinding and machining operations on the MPC confinement boundary shall be controlled through written and approved procedures and quality assurance oversight to ensure grinding and machining operations do not reduce base metal wall thicknesses of the confinement boundary beyond that allowed per the design drawings. The thicknesses of base metals shall be ultrasonically tested, as necessary, in accordance with written and approved procedures to verify base metal thickness meets Design Drawing requirements. A nonconformance shall be written for areas found to be below allowable base metal thickness and shall be evaluated and repaired per the applicable ASME Code, Subsection NB requirements.
9. Dimensional inspections of the HI-STORM 100 System shall be performed in accordance with written and approved procedures in order to verify compliance to design drawings and fit-up of individual components. All dimensional inspections and functional fit-up tests shall be documented.
10. Required inspections shall be documented. The inspection documentation shall become part of the final quality documentation package.
11. The HI-STORM 100 System shall be inspected for cleanliness and proper packaging for shipping in accordance with written and approved procedures.
12. Each cask shall be durably marked with the appropriate model number, a unique identification number, and its empty weight per 10CFR72.236(k) at the completion of the acceptance test program.

13. A documentation package shall be prepared and maintained during fabrication of each HI-STORM 100 System to include detailed records and evidence that the required inspections and tests have been performed. The completed documentation package shall be reviewed to verify that the HI-STORM 100 System or component has been properly fabricated and inspected in accordance with the design and Code construction requirements. The documentation package shall include, but not be limited to:

- Completed Shop Weld Records
- Inspection Records
- Nonconformance Reports
- Material Test Reports
- NDE Reports
- Dimensional Inspection Report

#### 9.1.1.1 MPC Lid-to-Shell Weld Volumetric Inspection

1. The MPC lid-to-shell (LTS) weld shall be volumetrically or multi-layer liquid penetrant (PT) examined following completion of welding. If volumetric examination is used, the ultrasonic testing (UT) method shall be employed. Ultrasonic techniques (including, as appropriate, Time-of-Flight Diffraction, Focussed Phased Array, and conventional pulse-echo) shall be supplemented, as necessary, to ensure substantially complete coverage of the examination volume.
2. If volumetric examination is used, then a PT examination of the root and final pass of the LTS weld shall also be performed and unacceptable indications shall be documented, repaired and re-examined.
3. If volumetric examination is not used, a multi-layer PT examination shall be employed. The multi-layer PT must, at a minimum, include the root and final weld layers and one intermediate PT after each approximately 3/8 inch weld depth has been completed. The 3/8 inch weld depth corresponds to the maximum allowable flaw size determined in Holtec Position Paper DS-213 [9.1.6].
4. The overall minimum thickness of the LTS weld has been increased by 0.125 inch over the size credited in the structural analyses, to provide additional structural capacity. A 0.625-inch J-groove weld was assumed in structural analyses in Chapter 3.
5. For either UT or PT, the maximum undetectable flaw size must be demonstrated to be less than the critical flaw size. The critical flaw size must be determined in accordance with ASME Section XI methods. The critical flaw size shall not cause the primary stress limits of NB-3000 to be exceeded. The inspection results,

including relevant findings (indications) shall be made a permanent part of the cask user's records by video, photographic, or other means which provide an equivalent retrievable record of weld integrity. The video or photographic records should be taken during the final interpretation period described in ASME Section V, Article 6, T-676. The inspection of the weld shall be performed by qualified personnel and shall meet the acceptance requirements of ASME Section III, NB-5350 for PT and NB-5332 for UT.

6. Evaluation of any indications shall include consideration of any active flaw mechanisms. However, cyclic loading on the LTS weld is not significant, so fatigue is not a factor. The LTS weld is protected from the external environment by the closure ring and the root of the LTS weld is dry and inert (He atmosphere), so stress corrosion cracking is not a concern for the LTS weld.
7. The volumetric or multi-layer PT examination of the LTS weld, in conjunction with other examinations and tests performed on this weld (PT of root and final layer, and pressure test); the use of ASME Section III acceptance criteria, and the additional weld material added to account for potential defects in the root pass of the weld, in total, provide reasonable assurance that the LTS weld is sound and will perform its design function under all loading conditions. The volumetric (or multi-layer PT) examination and evaluation of indications provides reasonable assurance that leakage of the weld or structural failure under the design basis normal, off-normal, and accident loading conditions will not occur.

#### 9.1.2 Structural and Pressure Tests

##### 9.1.2.1 Lifting Trunnions

Two trunnions (located near the top of the HI-TRAC transfer cask) are provided for vertical lifting and handling. The trunnions are designed in accordance with ANSI N14.6 [9.1.3] using a high-strength and high-ductility material (see Chapter 1). The trunnions contain no welded components. The maximum design lifting load of 250,000 pounds for the HI-TRAC 125 and HI-TRAC 125D and 200,000 pounds for the HI-TRAC 100 and HI-TRAC 100D will occur during the removal of the HI-TRAC from the spent fuel pool after the MPC has been loaded, flooded with water, and the MPC lid is installed. The high-material ductility, absence of materials vulnerable to brittle fracture, large stress margins, and a carefully engineered design to eliminate local stress risers in the highly-stressed regions (during the lift operations) ensure that the lifting trunnions will work reliably. However, pursuant to the defense-in-depth approach of NUREG-0612 [9.1.4], the acceptance criteria for the lifting trunnions must be established in conjunction with other considerations applicable to heavy load handling.

Section 5 of NUREG-0612 calls for measures to "provide an adequate defense-in-depth for handling of heavy loads...". The NUREG-0612 guidelines cite four major causes of load handling accidents, of which rigging failure (including trunnion failure) is one:

- i. operator errors
- ii. rigging failure
- iii. lack of adequate inspection
- iv. inadequate procedures

The cask loading and handling operations program shall ensure maximum emphasis to mitigate the potential load drop accidents by implementing measures to eliminate shortcomings in all aspects of the operation including the four aforementioned areas.

In order to ensure that the lifting trunnions do not have any hidden material flaws, the trunnions shall be tested at 300% of the maximum design (service) lifting load. The load (750,000 lbs for the HI-TRAC 125 and HI-TRAC 125D and 600,000 lbs for the HI-TRAC 100 and 100D) shall be applied for a minimum of 10 minutes. The accessible parts of the trunnions (areas outside the HI-TRAC cask), and the adjacent HI-TRAC cask trunnion attachment area shall then be visually examined to verify no deformation, distortion, or cracking occurred. Any evidence of deformation, distortion or cracking of the trunnion or adjacent HI-TRAC cask trunnion attachment areas shall require replacement of the trunnion and/or repair of the HI-TRAC cask. Following any replacements and/or repair, the load testing shall be performed and the components re-examined in accordance with the original procedure and acceptance criteria. Testing shall be performed in accordance with written and approved procedures. Certified material test reports verifying trunnion material mechanical properties meet ASME Code Section II requirements will provide further verification of the trunnion load capabilities. Test results shall be documented. The documentation shall become part of the final quality documentation package.

The acceptance testing of the trunnions in the manner described above will provide adequate assurance against handling accidents.

#### 9.1.2.2 Pressure Testing

##### 9.1.2.2.1 HI-TRAC Transfer Cask Water Jacket

All HI-TRAC transfer cask water jackets shall be hydrostatically tested to 75 psig +3,-0 psig, and 71 psig +3, -0 psig, respectively, in accordance with written and approved procedures. The water jacket fill port will be used for filling the cavity with water and the vent port for venting the cavity. The approved test procedure shall clearly define the test equipment arrangement.

The hydrostatic test shall be performed after the water jacket has been welded together. The test pressure gage installed on the water jacket shall have an upper limit of approximately twice that of the test pressure. The hydrostatic test pressure shall be maintained for ten minutes. During this time period, the pressure gage shall not fall below the applicable minimum test pressure. At the end of ten

minutes, and while the pressure is being maintained at the minimum pressure, weld joints shall be visually examined for leakage. If a leak is discovered, the cavity shall be emptied and an examination to determine the cause of the leakage shall be made. Repairs and retest shall be performed until the hydrostatic test criteria are met.

After completion of the hydrostatic testing, the water jacket exterior surfaces shall be visually examined for cracking or deformation. Evidence of cracking or deformation shall be cause for rejection, or repair and retest, as applicable. Liquid penetrant (PT) or magnetic particle (MT) examination of accessible welds shall be performed in accordance with ASME Code, Section V, Articles 6 and 7, respectively, with acceptance criteria per ASME Code, Section III, Subsection NF, Articles NF-5350 and NF-5340, respectively. Unacceptable areas shall require repair and re-examination per the applicable ASME Code. The HI-TRAC water jacket hydrostatic test shall be repeated until all examinations are found to be acceptable.

If a hydrostatic retest is required and fails, a nonconformance report shall be issued and a root cause evaluation and appropriate corrective actions taken before further repairs and retests are performed.

Test results shall be documented. The documentation shall become part of the final quality documentation package.

#### 9.1.2.2.2 MPC Confinement Boundary

Pressure testing (hydrostatic or pneumatic) of the MPC confinement boundary shall be performed in accordance with the requirements of the ASME Code Section III, Subsection NB, Article NB-6000 and applicable sub-articles, when field welding of the MPC lid-to-shell weld is completed. If hydrostatic testing is used, the MPC shall be pressure tested to 125% of design pressure. If pneumatic testing is used, the MPC shall be pressure tested to 120% of design pressure. The MPC vent and drain ports will be used for pressurizing the MPC cavity. The loading procedures in FSAR Chapter 8 define the test equipment arrangement. The calibrated test pressure gage installed on the MPC confinement boundary shall have an upper limit of approximately twice that of the test pressure. Following completion of the required hold period at the test pressure, the surface of the MPC lid-to-shell weld shall be re-examined by liquid penetrant examination in accordance with ASME Code, Section III, Subsection NB, Article NB-5350 acceptance criteria. Any evidence of cracking or deformation shall be cause for rejection, or repair and retest, as applicable. The performance and sequence of the test is described in FSAR Section 8.1 (loading procedures).

If a leak is discovered, the test pressure shall be reduced, the MPC cavity water level lowered, if applicable, the MPC cavity vented, and the weld shall be examined to determine the cause of the leakage and/or cracking. Repairs to the weld shall be performed in accordance with written and approved procedures prepared in accordance with the ASME Code, Section III, Article NB-4450.

The MPC confinement boundary pressure test shall be repeated until all required examinations are found to be acceptable. Test results shall be documented and maintained as part of the loaded MPC quality documentation package.

#### 9.1.2.3 Materials Testing

The majority of materials used in the HI-TRAC transfer cask and a portion of the material in the HI-STORM overpack are ferritic steels. ASME Code, Section II and Section III require that certain materials be tested in order to assure that these materials are not subject to brittle fracture failures.

Materials of the HI-TRAC transfer cask and HI-STORM overpack, as required, shall be Charpy V-notch tested in accordance with ASME Section IIA and/or ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Articles NF-2300, and NF-2430. The materials to be tested include the components identified in Table 3.1.18 and applicable weld materials. Table 3.1.18 provides the test temperatures and test acceptance criteria to be used when performing the material testing specified above.

The concrete utilized in the construction of the HI-STORM overpack shall be mixed, poured, and tested as described in FSAR Appendix 1.D in accordance with written and approved procedures. Testing shall verify the composition, compressive strength, and density meet design requirements.

Concrete testing shall be performed for each lot of concrete. Concrete testing shall comply with Appendix 1.D.

Test results shall be documented and become part of the final quality documentation package.

#### 9.1.3 Leakage Testing

Leakage testing shall be performed in accordance with the requirements of ANSI N14.5 [9.1.5]. Testing shall be performed in accordance with written and approved procedures.

Helium leakage testing of the MPC shell and MPC shell to baseplate welds is performed on the unloaded MPC.

The helium leakage test of the vent and drain port cover plate welds shall be performed using a helium mass spectrometer leak detector (MSLD). If a leakage rate exceeding the acceptance criterion is detected, then the area of leakage shall be determined and the area repaired per ASME Code Section III, Subsection NB, Article NB-4450 requirements. Re-testing shall be performed until the leakage rate acceptance criteria is met.

Leakage testing of the field welded MPC lid-to-shell weld and closure ring welds are not required.

Leak testing results for the MPC shall be documented and shall become part of the quality record documentation package.

Leakage testing of the vent and drain port cover plates shall be performed after welding of the cover plates and subsequent NDE. The description and procedures for these field leakage tests are provided in FSAR Section 8.1 and the acceptance criteria are defined in the Technical Specifications in Appendix A to CoC 72-1014

#### 9.1.4 Component Tests

##### 9.1.4.1 Valves, Rupture Discs, and Fluid Transport Devices

There are no fluid transport devices or rupture discs associated with the HI-STORM 100 System. The only valve-like components in the HI-STORM 100 System are the specially designed caps installed in the MPC lid for the drain and vent ports. These caps are recessed inside the MPC lid and covered by the fully-welded vent and drain port cover plates. No credit is taken for the caps' ability to confine helium or radioactivity. After completion of drying and backfill operations, the drain and vent port cover plates are welded in place on the MPC lid and are liquid penetrant examined and leakage tested to verify the MPC confinement boundary.

There are two pressure relief valves installed in the upper ledge surface of the HI-TRAC transfer cask water jacket. These pressure relief valves are provided for venting of the neutron shield jacket fluid under hypothetical fire accident conditions in which the design pressure of the water jacket may be exceeded. The pressure relief valves shall relieve at 60 psig and 65 psig.

##### 9.1.4.2 Seals and Gaskets

There are no confinement seals or gaskets included in the HI-STORM 100 System.

#### 9.1.5 Shielding Integrity

The HI-STORM overpack and MPC have two designed shields for neutron and gamma ray attenuation. The HI-STORM overpack concrete provides both neutron and gamma shielding. Additional neutron shielding is provided by the encased neutron absorber attached to the fuel basket cell surfaces inside the MPCs. The overpack's inner and outer steel shells, and the steel shield shell<sup>†</sup> provide radial gamma shielding. Concrete and steel plates provide axial neutron and gamma shielding. A concrete ring attached to the top of the overpack lid provides additional gamma and neutron shielding in the axial direction. Steel gamma shield cross plates, installed in the overpack air inlet and outlet vents, provide additional shielding for radiation through the vent openings.

The HI-TRAC transfer cask uses three different materials for primary shielding. All HI-TRAC

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<sup>†</sup> The shield shell design feature was deleted in June, 2001 after overpack serial number 7 was fabricated. Those overpacks without the shield shell are required to have a higher concrete density in the overpack body to provide compensatory shielding. See Table I.D.1.

transfer cask designs include a radial steel-lead-steel shield and a steel-lead-steel pool lid design. The top lid in the HI-TRAC 125 and HI-TRAC 125D designs includes Holtite neutron shielding inside a steel enclosure. The HI-TRAC 100 and 100D top lids include only steel shielding. The HI-TRAC 125 transfer lid includes steel, lead, and Holtite, while the HI-TRAC 100 includes only steel and lead. The HI-TRAC 100D and 125D designs do not include a transfer lid. The water jacket, included in all transfer cask designs, provides radial neutron shielding. Testing requirements for the shielding items are described below.

#### 9.1.5.1 Fabrication Testing and Control

Holtite-A:

Neutron shield properties of Holtite-A are provided in Chapter 1, Section 1.2.1.3.2. Each manufactured lot of neutron shield material shall be tested to verify the material composition (aluminum and hydrogen), boron concentration and neutron shield density (or specific gravity) meet the requirements specified in Chapter 1 and the Bill-of-Material. A manufactured lot is defined as the total amount of material used to make any number of mixed batches comprised of constituent ingredients from the same lot/batch identification numbers supplied by the constituent manufacturer. Testing shall be performed in accordance with written and approved procedures and/or standards. Material composition, boron concentration and density (or specific gravity) data for each manufactured lot of neutron shield material shall become part of the quality documentation package.

The installation of the neutron shielding material shall be performed in accordance with written and qualified procedures. The procedures shall ensure that mix ratios and mixing methods are controlled in order to achieve proper material composition, boron concentration and distribution, and that pours are controlled in order to prevent gaps from occurring in the material. Samples of each manufactured lot of neutron shield material shall be maintained by Holtec International as part of the quality record documentation package.

Concrete:

The dimensions of the HI-STORM overpack steel shells and the density of the concrete shall be verified to be in accordance with FSAR Appendix 1.D and the design drawings prior to concrete installation. The dimensional inspection and density measurements shall be documented. Also, see Subsection 9.1.2.3 for concrete material testing requirements.

Lead:

The installation of the lead in the HI-TRAC transfer cask shall be performed using written and qualified procedures in order to ensure voids are minimized. The lead shall be tested for chemical composition.

As an alternative to pouring molten lead, the HI-TRAC lead shielding may be installed as pre-cast sections, or lead sheets. If pre-cast sections or sheets are used, the design of the sections and the

installations instructions shall minimize the gaps between adjacent lead sections and between the lead and the transfer cask walls to the extent practicable.

Steel:

Steel plates utilized in the construction of the HI-STORM 100 System shall be dimensionally inspected to assure compliance with the requirements specified on the Design Drawings.

General Requirements for Shield Materials:

1. Test results shall be documented and become part of the quality documentation package.
2. Dimensional inspections of the cavities containing the shielding materials shall assure that the design required amount of shielding material is being incorporated into the fabricated item.

Shielding effectiveness tests shall be performed during fabrication and again after initial loading operations in accordance with Section 9.1.5.2 below and the operating procedures in Chapter 8.

#### 9.1.5.2 Shielding Effectiveness Tests

The effectiveness of the lead pours in the HI-TRAC transfer cask body shall be verified during fabrication by performing gamma scanning on all accessible surfaces of the cask in the lead pour region. The gamma scanning may be performed prior to, or after installation of the water jacket. The purpose of the gamma scanning test is to demonstrate that the gamma shielding of the transfer cask body is at least as effective as that of a lead and steel test block. For the test block, the steel thickness shall be equivalent to the minimum design thickness of steel in the transfer cask component and the lead thickness shall be 5 percent lower than the minimum design thickness of lead in the transfer cask component (see the Design Drawings for the design values). Data shall be recorded on a 6-inch by 6-inch (nominal) grid pattern over the surfaces to be scanned. Should the measured gamma dose rates exceed those established with the test block, the shielding of that transfer cask component shall be deemed unacceptable. Corrective actions should be taken, if practicable, and the testing re-performed until successful results are achieved. If physical corrective actions are not practicable, the degraded condition may be dispositioned with a written evaluation in accordance with applicable procedures to determine the acceptability of the transfer cask for service. Gamma scanning shall be performed in accordance with written and approved procedures. Dose rate measurements shall be documented and shall become part of the quality documentation package.

As an alternative to poured lead, the lead shielding inside the HI-TRAC 125D transfer cask body may be made of individual lead sheets layered together. All sheets regardless of thickness shall be measured for thickness in at least four corner locations, at a minimum of two inches from any edge. The effectiveness of each lead sheet shall be verified by visual examination. The visual examination includes absence of cracks, pores, inclusions, scratches, grooves, or other types of defects that could

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impair the gamma shielding function of the lead. Defects which exceed a depth of 10% of the plate thickness and an area greater than one square inch shall be rejected. Lead sheets thicker than 3/16" (nominal) shall be subject to UT testing. The UT testing will take place before the installation of the plates. The UT testing ensures that the plates are uniform internally. This is an accepted industry procedure for locating voids within the lead sheets in order to verify the shielding effectiveness of the sheets.

The effectiveness of the lead plates in the HI-TRAC pool lid (all transfer cask designs) and transfer lid (HI-TRAC 125 and 100 only) shall be verified during fabrication by performing a UT test of the lead plates. The UT testing will take place before the installation of the plates. The UT testing ensures that the plates are uniform internally. This is an accepted industry procedure for locating voids within the lead plate in order to verify the shielding effectiveness of the plate.

Following the first fuel loading of each HI-STORM 100 System (HI-TRAC transfer cask and HI-STORM storage overpack), a shielding effectiveness test shall be performed at the loading facility site to verify the effectiveness of the radiation shield. This test shall be performed after the HI-STORM overpack and HI-TRAC transfer cask have been loaded with an MPC containing spent fuel assemblies and the MPC has been drained, moisture removed, and backfilled with helium.

Operational neutron and gamma shielding effectiveness tests shall be performed after fuel loading using written and approved procedures. Calibrated neutron and gamma dose rate meters shall be used to measure the actual neutron and gamma dose rates at the surface of the HI-STORM overpack and HI-TRAC. Measurements shall be taken at the locations specified in the Radiation Protection Program for comparison against the prescribed limits. The test is considered acceptable if the dose rate readings are less than or equal to the calculated limits. If dose rates are higher than the limits, the required actions provided in the Radiation Protection Program shall be completed. Dose rate measurements shall be documented and shall become part of the quality documentation package.

NOTE

Section 9.1.5.3 below (including Subsections 9.1.5.3.1 through 9.1.5.3.3) is incorporated into the HI-STORM 100 CoC by reference (CoC Appendix B, Section 3.2.8) and may not be deleted or altered in any way without prior NRC approval via CoC amendment. The text of this section is, therefore, shown in bold type to distinguish it from other text.

**9.1.5.3        Neutron Absorber Tests**

**Each plate of neutron absorber shall be visually inspected for damage such as scratches, cracks, burrs, peeled cladding, foreign material embedded in the surfaces, voids, delamination, and surface finish, as applicable.**

**9.1.5.3.1      Boral (75% Credit)**

**After manufacturing, a statistical sample of each lot of neutron absorber shall be tested using**

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wet chemistry and/or neutron attenuation testing to verify a minimum  $^{10}\text{B}$  content (areal density) in samples taken from the ends of the panel. The minimum  $^{10}\text{B}$  loading of the neutron absorber panels for each MPC model is provided in Table 2.1.15. Any panel in which  $^{10}\text{B}$  loading is less than the minimum allowed shall be rejected. Testing shall be performed using written and approved procedures. Results shall be documented and become part of the cask quality records documentation package.

#### 9.1.5.3.2 METAMIC<sup>®</sup> (90% Credit)

NUREG/CR-5661 identifies the main reason for a penalty in the neutron absorber B-10 density as the potential of neutron streaming due to non-uniformities in the neutron absorber, and recommends comprehensive acceptance tests to verify the presence and uniformity of the neutron absorber for credits more than 75%. Since a 90% credit is taken for METAMIC<sup>®</sup>, the following criteria must be satisfied:

- The boron carbide powder used in the manufacturing of METAMIC<sup>®</sup> must have small particle sizes to preclude neutron streaming
- The  $^{10}\text{B}$  areal density must comply with the limits of Table 2.1.15.
- The  $\text{B}_4\text{C}$  powder must be uniformly dispersed locally, i.e. must not show any particle agglomeration. This precludes neutron streaming.
- The  $\text{B}_4\text{C}$  powder must be uniformly dispersed macroscopically, i.e. must have a consistent concentration throughout the entire neutron absorber panel.
- The maximum  $\text{B}_4\text{C}$  content in METAMIC<sup>®</sup> shall be less than or equal to 33.0 weight percent.

To ensure that the above requirements are met the following tests shall be performed:

- All lots of boron carbide powder are analyzed to meet particle size distribution requirements.
- The following qualification testing shall be performed on the first production run of METAMIC<sup>®</sup> panels for the MPCs in order to validate the acceptability and consistency of the manufacturing process and verify the acceptability of the METAMIC<sup>®</sup> panels for neutron absorbing capabilities:
  - 1) The boron carbide powder weight percent shall be verified by testing a sample from forty different mixed batches. (A mixed batch is defined as a single mixture of aluminum powder and boron carbide powder used to make one or more billets. Each billet will produce several panels.) The samples shall be drawn from the mixing

containers after mixing operations have been completed. Testing shall be performed using the wet chemistry method.

- 2) The  $^{10}\text{B}$  areal density shall be verified by testing a sample from one panel from each of forty different mixed batches. The samples shall be drawn from areas contiguous to the manufactured panels of METAMIC<sup>®</sup> and shall be tested using the wet chemistry method. Alternatively, or in addition to the wet chemistry tests, neutron attenuation tests on the samples may be performed to quantify the actual  $^{10}\text{B}$  areal density.
  - 3) To verify the local uniformity of the boron particle dispersal, neutron attenuation measurements of random test coupons shall be performed. These test coupons may come from the production run or from pre-production trial runs.
  - 4) To verify the macroscopic uniformity of the boron particle distribution, test samples shall be taken from the sides of one panel from five different mixed batches before the panels are cut to their final sizes. The sample locations shall be chosen to be representative of the final product. Wet chemistry or neutron attenuation shall be performed on each of the samples.
- During production runs, testing of mixed batches shall be performed on a statistical basis to verify the correct boron carbide weight percent is being mixed.
  - During production runs, samples from random METAMIC<sup>®</sup> panels taken from areas contiguous to the manufactured panels shall be tested via wet chemistry and/or neutron attenuation testing to verify the  $^{10}\text{B}$  areal density. This test shall be performed to verify the continued acceptability of the manufacturing process.

The measurements of  $\text{B}_4\text{C}$  particle size,  $^{10}\text{B}$  isotopic assay, uniformity of  $\text{B}_4\text{C}$  distribution and  $^{10}\text{B}$  areal density shall be made using written and approved procedures. Results shall be documented.

#### 9.1.5.3.3 Installation of the Neutron Absorber Panels

Installation of neutron absorber panels into the fuel basket shall be performed in accordance with written and approved instructions. Travelers and quality control procedures shall be in place to assure each required cell wall of the MPC basket contains a neutron absorber panel in accordance with drawings in Chapter 1. These quality control processes, in conjunction with in-process manufacturing testing, provide the necessary assurances that the neutron absorber will perform its intended function. No additional testing or in-service monitoring of the neutron absorber material will be required.

#### 9.1.6 Thermal Acceptance Tests

The thermal performance of the HI-STORM 100 System, including the MPCs and HI-TRAC transfer casks, is demonstrated through analysis in Chapter 4 of the FSAR. Dimensional inspections to verify the item has been fabricated to the dimensions provided in the drawings shall be performed prior to system loading. Following the loading and placement on the storage pad of the first HI-STORM System placed in service, the operability of the natural convective cooling of the HI-STORM 100 System shall be verified by the performance of an air temperature rise test. A description of the test is described in FSAR Chapter 8.

In addition, the technical specifications require periodic surveillance of the overpack air inlet and outlet vents or, optionally, implementation of an overpack air temperature monitoring program to provide continued assurance of the operability of the HI-STORM 100 heat removal system.

#### 9.1.7 Cask Identification

Each MPC, HI-STORM overpack, and HI-TRAC transfer cask shall be marked with a model number, identification number (to provide traceability back to documentation), and the empty weight of the item in accordance with the marking requirements specified in 10 CFR 72.236(k).

Table 9.1.1 MPC INSPECTION AND TEST ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA			
Function	Fabrication	Pre-operation	Maintenance and Operations
Visual Inspection and Nondestructive Examination (NDE)	<p>a) Examination of MPC components per ASME Code Section III, Subsections NB and NG, as defined on design drawings, per NB-5300 and NG-5300, as applicable.</p> <p>b) A dimensional inspection of the internal basket assembly and canister shall be performed to verify compliance with design requirements.</p> <p>c) A dimensional inspection of the MPC lid and MPC closure ring shall be performed prior to inserting into the canister shell to verify compliance with design requirements.</p> <p>d) NDE of weldments are defined on the design drawings using standard American Welding Society NDE symbols and/or notations.</p> <p>e) Cleanliness of the MPC shall be verified upon completion of fabrication.</p> <p>f) The packaging of the MPC at the completion of fabrication shall be verified prior to shipment.</p>	<p>a) The MPC shall be visually inspected prior to placement in service at the licensee's facility.</p> <p>b) MPC protection at the licensee's facility shall be verified.</p> <p>c) MPC cleanliness and exclusion of foreign material shall be verified prior to placing in the spent fuel pool.</p>	<p>a) None.</p>

Table 9.1.1 (continued)  
MPC INSPECTION AND TEST ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

Function	Fabrication	Pre-operation	Maintenance and Operations
Structural	<p>a) Assembly and welding of MPC components shall be performed per ASME Code Section IX and III, Subsections NB and NG, as applicable.</p> <p>b) Materials analysis (steel, neutron absorber, etc.), shall be performed and records shall be kept in a manner commensurate with "important to safety" classifications.</p>	a) None.	<p>a) An ultrasonic (UT) examination or multi-layer liquid penetrant (PT) examination of the MPC lid-to-shell weld shall be performed per ASME Section V, Article 5 (or ASME Section V, Article 2). Acceptance criteria for the examination are defined in Subsection 9.1.1.1 and in the Design Drawings.</p> <p>b) ASME Code NB-6000 pressure test shall be performed after MPC closure welding. Acceptance criteria are defined in the Code.</p>
Leak Tests	a) Helium leakage testing of the MPC shell and MPC shell to baseplate welds is performed on the unloaded MPC.	a) None.	a) Helium leak rate testing shall be performed on the vent and drain port cover plate to MPC lid field welds. See Technical Specification Bases in Chapter 12 for guidance on acceptance criteria.

Table 9.1.1 (continued)  
MPC INSPECTION AND TEST ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

Function	Fabrication	Pre-operation	Maintenance and Operations
Criticality Safety	<p>a) The boron content shall be verified at the time of neutron absorber material manufacture.</p> <p>b) The installation of neutron absorber panels into MPC basket plates shall be verified by inspection.</p>	a) None.	a) None.
Shielding Integrity	<p>a) Material compliance shall be verified through CMTRs.</p> <p>b) Dimensional verification of MPC lid thickness shall be performed.</p>	a) None.	a) None.
Thermal Acceptance	a) None.	a) None.	a) None.
Fit-Up Tests	<p>a) Fit-up of the following components is to be tested during fabrication.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- MPC lid</li> <li>- vent/drain port cover plates</li> <li>- MPC closure ring</li> </ul> <p>b) A gauge test of all basket fuel compartments.</p>	<p>a) Fit-up of the following components shall be verified during pre-operation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- MPC lid</li> <li>- MPC closure ring</li> <li>- vent/drain cover plates</li> </ul>	a) None.
Canister Identification Inspections	a) Verification of identification marking applied at completion of fabrication.	a) Identification marking shall be checked for legibility during pre-operation.	a) None.

Table 9.1.2  
HI-STORM STORAGE OVERPACK INSPECTION AND TEST ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

Function	Fabrication	Pre-operation	Maintenance and Operations
Visual Inspection and Nondestructive Examination (NDE)	<p>Structural Steel Components:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) All ASME and AWS welds shall be visually examined per ASME Section V, Article 9 with acceptance criteria per ASME Section III, Subsection NF, NF-5360.</li> <li>b) All welds requiring PT examination as shown on the Design Drawings shall be PT examined per ASME Section V, Article 6 with acceptance criteria per ASME Section III, Subsection NF, NF-5350.</li> <li>c) All welds requiring MT examination as shown on the drawings shall be MT examined per ASME Section V, Article 7 with acceptance criteria per ASME Section III, Subsection NF, NF-5340.</li> <li>d) NDE of weldments shall be defined on design drawings using standard AWS NDE symbols and/or notations.</li> </ul> <p>Concrete Components: The following processes related to concrete components shall be implemented per ACI 349 as clarified in FSAR Appendix 1.D. Concrete testing shall be in accordance with Table 1.D.2. Activities shall be conducted in accordance with written and approved procedures.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Assembly and examination.</li> <li>b) Materials verification.</li> <li>c) Mixing, pouring, and testing.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The overpack shall be visually inspected prior to placement in service.</li> <li>b) Fit-up with mating components (e.g., lid) shall be performed directly whenever practical or using templates or other means.</li> <li>c) Overpack protection at the licensee's facility shall be verified.</li> <li>d) Exclusion of foreign material shall be verified prior to placing the overpack in service at the licensee's facility.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Indications identified during visual inspection shall be corrected, reconciled, or otherwise dispositioned.</li> <li>b) Exposed surfaces shall be monitored for coating deterioration and repair/recoat as necessary.</li> </ul>

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Table 9.1.2 (continued)			
HI-STORM STORAGE OVERPACK INSPECTION AND TEST ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA			
Function	Fabrication	Pre-operation	Maintenance and Operations
Visual Inspection and Nondestructive Examination (NDE) (continued)	General: a) Cleanliness of the overpack shall be verified upon completion of fabrication. b) Packaging of the overpack at the completion of shop fabrication shall be verified prior to shipment.		
Structural	a) No structural or pressure tests are required for the overpack during fabrication. b) Concrete compressive strength tests shall be performed per Appendix I.D.	a) No structural or pressure tests are required for the overpack during pre-operation.	a) No structural or pressure tests are required for the overpack during operation.
Leak Tests	a) None.	a) None.	a) None.
Criticality Safety	a) No neutron absorber tests of the overpack are required for criticality safety during fabrication.	a) None.	a) None.
Shielding Integrity	a) Concrete density shall be verified per ACI-349 as clarified by FSAR Appendix I.D, at time of placement. b) Shell thicknesses and dimensions between inner and outer shells shall be verified as conforming to design drawings prior to concrete placement. c) Verification of material composition shall be performed.	a) None	a) A shielding effectiveness test shall be performed after the initial fuel loading.

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Table 9.1.2 (continued)  
**HI-STORM STORAGE OVERPACK INSPECTION AND TEST ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA**

Function	Fabrication	Pre-operation	Maintenance and Operations
Thermal Acceptance	a) Inner shell I.D. and vent size, configuration and placement shall be verified.	a) No pre-operational testing related to the thermal characteristics of the overpack is required.	a) Air temperature rise test(s) shall be performed after initial loading of the first HI-STORM 100 System in accordance with the operating procedures in Chapter 8.  b) Periodic surveillance shall be performed by either (1) or (2) below, at the licensee's discretion.  (1) Inspection of overpack inlet and outlet air vent openings for debris and other obstructions. (2) Temperature monitoring.
Cask Identification	a) Verification that the overpack identification is present in accordance with the drawings shall be performed upon completion of assembly.	a) The overpack identification shall be checked prior to loading.	a) The overpack identification shall be periodically inspected per licensee procedures and repaired or replaced if damaged.
Fit-up Tests	a) Lid fit-up with the overpack shall be verified following fabrication.	a) None.	a) None.

Table 9.1.3  
HI-TRAC TRANSFER CASK INSPECTION AND TEST ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

Function	Fabrication	Pre-operation	Maintenance and Operations
Visual Inspection and Nondestructive Examination (NDE)	<p>a) All ASME and AWS welds shall be visually examined per ASME Section V, Article 9 with acceptance criteria per ASME Section III, Subsection NF, NF-5360.</p> <p>b) All welds requiring PT examination as shown on the Design Drawings shall be PT examined per ASME Section V, Article 6 with acceptance criteria per ASME Section III, Subsection NF, NF-5350.</p> <p>c) All welds requiring MT examination as shown on the Design Drawings shall be MT examined per ASME Section V, Article 7 with acceptance criteria per ASME Section III, Subsection NF, NF-5340.</p> <p>d) NDE of weldments shall be defined on design drawings using standard AWS NDE symbols and/or notations</p> <p>e) Cleanliness of the transfer cask shall be verified upon completion of fabrication.</p> <p>f) Packaging of the transfer cask at the completion of fabrication shall be verified prior to shipment.</p>	<p>a) The transfer cask shall be visually inspected prior to placement in service.</p> <p>b) Transfer cask protection at the licensee's facility shall be verified.</p> <p>c) Transfer cask cleanliness and exclusion of foreign material shall be verified prior to use.</p>	<p>a) Annual visual inspections of the transfer cask shall be performed to assure continued compliance with drawing requirements. (See footnote for Table 9.2.1).</p>

Table 9.1.3 (continued)			
HI-TRAC TRANSFER CASK INSPECTION AND TEST ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA			
Function	Fabrication	Pre-operation	Maintenance and Operations
Structural	a) Verification of structural materials shall be performed through receipt inspection and review of certified material test reports (CMTRs) obtained in accordance with the item's quality category.	a) None.	a) Annual load testing of the lifting trunnions shall be performed per ANSI N14.6. (See footnote to Table 9.2.1).
	a) A load test of the lifting trunnions shall be performed during fabrication per ANSI N14.6.		b) The set pressure of the relief valve on the neutron shield water jacket shall be verified by calibration annually. (See footnote to Table 9.2.1)
	b) A pressure test of the neutron shield water jacket shall be performed during fabrication.		
Leak Tests	a) None.	a) None.	a) None.
Criticality Safety	a) None.	a) None.	a) None.

Table 9.1.3 (continued)  
TRANSFER CASK INSPECTION AND TEST ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

Function	Fabrication	Pre-operation	Maintenance and Operations
Thermal Acceptance	a) The thermal properties of the transfer cask are established by calculation and inspection, and are not tested during fabrication.	a) None.	a) None
Cask Identification	a) Verification that the transfer cask identification is present in accordance with the drawings shall be performed upon completion of assembly.	a) The transfer cask identification shall be checked prior to loading..	a) The transfer cask identification shall be periodically inspected per licensee procedures and repaired or replaced if damaged.
Fit-up Tests	a) Fit-up tests of the transfer cask components (top, in-pool, and transfer lids) shall be performed during fabrication.	a) Fit-up test of the transfer cask lifting trunnions with the transfer cask lifting yoke shall be performed.  b) Fit-up test of the transfer cask pocket trunnions with the horizontal transfer skid shall be performed.	a) Fit-up of the top, in-pool, and transfer lids shall be verified prior to use.

Table 9.1.4  
HI-STORM 100 NDE REQUIREMENTS

MPC			
Weld Location	NDE Requirement	Applicable Code	Acceptance Criteria (Applicable Code)
Shell longitudinal seam	RT	ASME Section V, Article 2 (RT)	RT: ASME Section III, Subsection NB, Article NB-5320
	PT (surface)	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NB, Article NB-5350
Shell circumferential seam	RT	ASME Section V, Article 2 (RT)	RT: ASME Section III, Subsection NB, Article NB-5320
	PT (surface)	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NB, Article NB-5350
Baseplate-to-shell	RT or UT	ASME Section V, Article 2 (RT) ASME Section V, Article 5 (UT)	RT: ASME Section III, Subsection NB, Article NB-5320 UT: ASME Section III, Subsection NB, Article NB-5330
	PT (surface)	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NB, Article NB-5350

Table 9.1.4 (continued)  
HI-STORM 100 NDE REQUIREMENTS

MPC			
Weld Location	NDE Requirement	Applicable Code	Acceptance Criteria (Applicable Code)
Lid-to-shell	PT (root and final pass) and multi-layer PT (if UT is not performed).	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NB, Article NB-5350
	PT (surface following pressure test)  UT (if multi-layer PT is not performed)	ASME Section V, Article 5 (UT)	UT: ASME Section III, Subsection NB, Article NB-5332
Closure ring-to-shell	PT (final pass)	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NB, Article NB-5350
Closure ring-to-lid	PT (final pass)	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NB, Article NB-5350
Closure ring radial welds	PT (final pass)	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NB, Article NB-5350
Port cover plates-to-lid	PT (root and final pass)	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NB, Article NB-5350
Lift lug and lift lug baseplate	PT (surface)	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NG, Article NG-5350
Vent and drain port cover plate plug welds	PT (surface)	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NG, Article NG-5350

Table 9.1.4 (continued)  
HI-STORM 100 NDE REQUIREMENTS

HI-STORM OVERPACK			
Weld Location	NDE Requirement	Applicable Code	Acceptance Criteria (Applicable Code)
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
HI-TRAC TRANSFER CASK			
Weld Location	NDE Requirement	Applicable Code	Acceptance Criteria (Applicable Code)
HI-TRAC Body: Radial ribs and short ribs to outer shell	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
HI-TRAC Body: Water jacket end plate-to-radial channel or enclosure shell panel	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
Pool Lid: Pool lid top plate-to-pool lid outer ring	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
Pool Lid: Pool lid bottom plate-to-pool lid outer ring	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340

Table 9.1.4 (continued)  
 HI-STORM 100 NDE REQUIREMENTS  
 HI-TRAC TRANSFER CASK

Weld Location	NDE Requirement	Applicable Code	Acceptance Criteria (Applicable Code)
HI-TRAC Body: Water jacket end plate-to-outer shell	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
HI-TRAC Body: Outer shell-to-outer shell longitudinal and circumferential welds	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
HI-TRAC Body: Radial ribs and short ribs -to-enclosure shell panel	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
HI-TRAC Body: Jacket drain pipe and couplings	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
HI-TRAC Body: Outer shell-to-bottom flange	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340

Table 9.1.4 (continued)  
HI-STORM 100 NDE REQUIREMENTS

<b>HI-TRAC TRANSFER CASK</b>			
<b>Weld Location</b>	<b>NDE Requirement</b>	<b>Applicable Code</b>	<b>Acceptance Criteria (Applicable Code)</b>
HI-TRAC Body: Outer shell-to-top flange	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
HI-TRAC Body: Lifting trunnion block-to-top flange	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
HI-TRAC Body: Lifting trunnion block-to-outer and inner shells	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
HI-TRAC Body: Pocket trunnion-to-outer shell (HI-TRAC 125 and 100 only)	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
HI-TRAC Body: Top lid welds except as noted on applicable drawings	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
HI-TRAC Body: Pocket trunnion-to-enclosure shell panel and radial rib (HI-TRAC 125 and 100 only)	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340

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Table 9.1.4 (continued)  
HI-STORM 100 NDE REQUIREMENTS

HI-TRAC TRANSFER CASK			
Weld Location	NDE Requirement	Applicable Code	Acceptance Criteria (Applicable Code)
HI-TRAC Body: Lower water jacket welds	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
HI-TRAC Body: Gusset-to-baseplate, outer shell and water jacket bottom plate (HI-TRAC 100D and 125D only)	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
Transfer Lid: Lid intermediate plate and lead cover plate-to-lid top plate & lid bottom plate	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
Transfer Lid: Door top plate-to-door wheel housing	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
Transfer Lid: Door side plate-to-door wheel housing	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
Transfer Lid: Door side plate-to-door end plate	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340
Transfer Lid: Lead cover plate-to-lead cover side plate	PT (surface) or MT	ASME Section V, Article 6 (PT) ASME Section V, Article 7 (MT)	PT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5350 MT: ASME Section III, Subsection NF, Article NF-5340

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## 9.2 MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

An ongoing maintenance program shall be defined and incorporated into the HI-STORM 100 System Operations Manual, which shall be prepared and issued prior to the delivery and first use of the system to each user. This document shall delineate the detailed inspections, testing, and parts replacement necessary to ensure continued structural, thermal, and confinement performance; radiological safety, and proper handling of the system in accordance with 10CFR72 regulations, the conditions in the Certificate of Compliance, and the design requirements and criteria contained in this FSAR.

The HI-STORM 100 System is totally passive by design. There are no active components or monitoring systems required to assure the performance of its safety functions. As a result, only minimal maintenance will be required over its lifetime, and this maintenance would primarily result from weathering effects in storage. Typical of such maintenance would be the reapplication of corrosion inhibiting materials on accessible external surfaces. Visual inspection of the vent screens is required to ensure the air inlets and outlets are free from obstruction (or alternatively, temperature monitoring may be utilized). Such maintenance requires methods and procedures no more demanding than those currently in use at power plants.

Maintenance activities shall be performed under the licensee's NRC-approved quality assurance program. Maintenance activities shall be administratively controlled and the results documented. The maintenance program schedule for the HI-STORM 100 System is provided in Table 9.2.1.

### 9.2.1 Structural and Pressure Parts

Prior to each fuel loading, a visual examination in accordance with a written procedure shall be required of the HI-TRAC lifting trunnions and pocket trunnion recesses. The examination shall inspect for indications of overstress such as cracking, deformation, or wear marks. Repairs or replacement in accordance with written and approved procedures shall be required if unacceptable conditions are identified.

A load test on the transfer cask trunnions shall be performed annually or prior to the next HI-TRAC use if the period the HI-TRAC is out of use exceeds one year. The requirements are specified in Section 9.1.2.1.

As described in FSAR Chapters 7 and 11, there are no credible normal, off-normal, or accident events which can cause the structural failure of the MPC. Therefore, periodic structural or pressure tests on the MPCs following the initial acceptance tests are not required as part of the storage maintenance program.

### 9.2.2 Leakage Tests

There are no seals or gaskets used on the fully-welded MPC confinement system. As described in Chapters 7 and 11, there are no credible normal, off-normal, or accident events which can cause the failure of the MPC confinement boundary welds. Therefore, leakage tests are not required as part of

the storage maintenance program.

### 9.2.3 Subsystem Maintenance

The HI-STORM 100 System does not include any subsystems, which provide auxiliary cooling. Normal maintenance and calibration testing will be required on the vacuum drying, helium backfill, and leakage testing systems. Rigging, remote welders, cranes, and lifting beams shall also be inspected prior to each loading campaign to ensure proper maintenance and continued performance is achieved. Auxiliary shielding provided during on-site transfer operations with the HI-STORM 100 require no maintenance. If the cask user chooses to use an air temperature monitoring system in lieu of visual inspection of the air inlet and outlet vents, the thermocouples and associated temperature monitoring instrumentation shall be maintained and calibrated in accordance with the user's QA program commensurate with the equipment's safety classification and designated QA category. See also FSAR Section 9.2.6.

### 9.2.4 Pressure Relief Valves

The pressure relief valves used on the water jackets for the HI-TRAC transfer cask shall be calibrated on an annual basis (or prior to the next HI-TRAC use if the period the HI-TRAC is out of use exceeds one year) to ensure pressure relief settings are 60 +2/-0 psig and 65 +2/-0 psig, or replaced with factory-set relief valves.

### 9.2.5 Shielding

The gamma and neutron shielding materials in the HI-STORM overpack, HI-TRAC, and MPC degrade negligibly over time or as a result of usage.

Radiation monitoring of the ISFSI by the licensee in accordance with 10CFR72.104(c) provides ongoing evidence and confirmation of shielding integrity and performance. If increased radiation doses are indicated by the facility monitoring program, additional surveys of overpacks shall be performed to determine the cause of the increased dose rates.

The water level in the HI-TRAC water jacket shall be verified during each loading campaign in accordance with the licensee's approved operations procedures.

The neutron absorber panels installed in the MPC baskets are not expected to degrade under normal long-term storage conditions. The use of Boral in similar nuclear applications is discussed in Chapter 1, and the long-term performance in a dry, inert gas atmosphere is evaluated in Chapter 3. A similar discussion is provided for METAMIC<sup>®</sup> neutron absorber material. Therefore, no periodic verification testing of neutron poison material is required on the HI-STORM 100 System.

9.2.6            Thermal

In order to assure that the HI-STORM 100 System continues to provide effective thermal performance during storage operations, surveillance of the air vents (or alternatively, by temperature monitoring) shall be performed in accordance with written procedures.

For those licensees choosing to implement temperature monitoring as the means to verify overpack heat transfer system operability, a maintenance and calibration program shall be established in accordance with the plant-specific Quality Assurance Program, the equipment's quality category, and manufacturer's recommendations.

Table 9.2.1

HI-STORM SYSTEM MAINTENANCE PROGRAM SCHEDULE

<b>Task</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
Overpack cavity visual inspection	Prior to fuel loading
Overpack bolt visual inspection	Prior to installation during each use
Overpack external surface (accessible) visual examination	Annually, during storage operation
Overpack vent screen visual inspection for damage, holes, etc.	Monthly
HI-STORM 100 Shielding Effectiveness Test	In accordance with Technical Specifications after initial fuel loading
HI-TRAC cavity visual inspection	Prior to each handling campaign
HI-TRAC lifting trunnion and pocket trunnion recess visual inspection	Prior to each handling campaign
Load Testing of HI-TRAC Lifting Trunnions	Annually <sup>†</sup>
HI-TRAC pressure relief valve calibration	Annually <sup>†</sup>
HI-TRAC internal and external visual inspection for compliance to design drawings	Annually <sup>†</sup>
HI-TRAC water jacket water level visual examination	During each handling campaign in accordance with licensee approved operations procedures
Overpack visual inspection of identification markings	Annually
Overpack Air Temperature Monitoring System	Per licensee's QA program and manufacturer's recommendations

<sup>†</sup> Or prior to next HI-TRAC use if the period the HI-TRAC is out of use exceeds one year.

### 9.3 REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

Chapter 9 of this FSAR has been prepared to summarize the commitments of Holtec International to design, construct, and test the HI-STORM 100 System in accordance with the Codes and Standards identified in Chapter 2. Completion of the defined acceptance test program for each HI-STORM 100 System will provide assurance that the SSCs important to safety will perform their design function. The performance of the maintenance program by the licensee for each loaded HI-STORM 100 System will provide assurance for the continued safe long-term storage of the stored SNF.

The described acceptance criteria and maintenance programs can be summarized in the following evaluation statements:

1. Section 9.1 of this FSAR describes Holtec International's proposed program for pre-operational testing and initial operations of the HI-STORM 100 System. Section 9.2 describes the proposed HI-STORM 100 maintenance program.
2. Structures, systems, and components (SSCs) of the HI-STORM 100 System designated as important to safety will be designed, fabricated, erected, assembled, inspected, tested, and maintained to quality standards commensurate with the importance to safety of the function they are intended to perform. Tables 2.2.6 and 8.1.6 of this FSAR identify the safety importance and quality classifications of SSCs of the HI-STORM 100 System and its ancillary equipment, respectively. Tables 2.2.6 and 2.2.7 present the applicable standards for their design, fabrication, and inspection of the HI-STORM 100 System components.
3. Holtec International will examine and test the HI-STORM 100 System to ensure that it does not exhibit any defects that could significantly reduce its confinement effectiveness. Section 9.1 of this FSAR describes the MPC confinement boundary assembly, inspection, and testing.
4. Holtec International will mark the cask with a data plate indicating its model number, unique identification number, and empty weight.
5. It can be concluded that the acceptance tests and maintenance program for the HI-STORM 100 System are in compliance with 10CFR72 [9.0.1], and that the applicable acceptance criteria have been satisfied. The acceptance tests and maintenance program will provide reasonable assurance that the HI-STORM 100 System will allow safe storage of spent fuel throughout its certified term. This can be concluded based on a review that considers the regulation itself, appropriate regulatory guides, applicable codes and standards, and accepted practices.

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