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Mr. Lake and others,

Attached for your review is the draft of FM 5.3 and its exhibits. If you have any questions, please contact Charles Williams or myself.

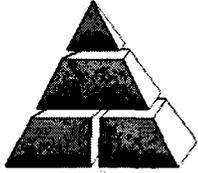
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To Charles and Craig, Failure Mode 5.3 has been approved by Dr Chiu and is provided for Progress Energy review...dave



## 5.3 Chemicals Introduced During Routine Maintenance

### Description:

Routine maintenance of industrial structures can involve the application of deleterious materials, including solvents, cleaning agents, or aggressive water.

ACI committee 515 compiled a list of potential deleterious materials, most of which are either harmless to good quality concrete, require high concentrations, will only attack porous concrete, and/or must be dissolved in water in order to penetrate the concrete.

The issue of chemical attack is addressed in another Failure Mode (FM 5.8).

This document is intended to identify any materials used in maintenance of the concrete shell and determine if these materials could have damaged the concrete.

### Data to be collected and Analyzed:

1. Interview maintenance personnel regarding practices that might affect the concrete (FM 5.3 Exhibit 1 and 3).
2. Review and analyze information regarding possible deleterious materials (FM 5.3 Exhibit 2 is the comprehensive list of potential harmful chemicals compiled by ACI 515).

Verified Supporting Evidence: None

### Verified Refuting Evidence:

- a. Interviews with personnel of Crystal River 3 (CR3) reveal that no chemicals were applied to the concrete during regular maintenance.

Conclusion: Maintenance did not involve application of any chemicals to the concrete and was not a contributing factor to the delamination.

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**Item 101 – Water purity during pressure washing**

Per discussion with Tommie Sassard (Maintenance/Facilities Supervisor), CR3 does not/has not pressure washed the outside of the reactor building.

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1/20/2010 Interview with Richard Portmann( Tendon Engineer) and Richard Pipin(Maintenance Manager)

Interviewer: Gary Hughes PII

### Maintenance Issues

- Added Linseed oil to the Dome when damaged in 1976(Documents provided to Dr. Avi Mor)
- Have grease leaching out under equipment hatch- no idea where coming from and have not treated it- pictures in Concrete- tendon Interaction #74 Grease below equipment hatch.
- Wax initially in sleeves
- Do not power wash per PII information request 101 from Tommie Sassard.
- No PMs to do any cleaning of the containment

### Grease Issues

- Add Visconorust 2090-p4 grease to tendons per F&Q 17.0 'Grease Replacement'
- F&Q 17.0 has provisions to report to the NRC if specifically add more grease than take out.
- Have grease leaching out under equipment hatch- no idea where coming from and have not treated it- pictures in Concrete- tendon Interaction #74 Grease below equipment hatch-work order has been written and will be worked soon
- Over the years adding higher density grease to reduce grease loss. Added more to vertical tendons a few years ago to make up for losses. Thought losses were grease settling at the bottom or oil separating from the grease

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(Revised 1985)

# A Guide to the Use of Waterproofing, Dampproofing, Protective, and Decorative Barrier Systems for Concrete

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This Guide updates and expands the scope of the committee report "Guide for the Protection of Concrete Against Chemical Attack by Means of Coatings and Other Corrosion Resistant Materials," which appeared in the December 1966 ACI JOURNAL. The previous Guide has been revised and is found in Chapter 6 of this Guide entitled "Protective Barrier Systems." In addition, there are new chapters on "Waterproofing Barrier Systems," "Dampproofing Barrier Systems," and "Decorative Barrier Systems." A separate chapter on conditioning and surface preparation of concrete is included because it is relevant to all the other chapters.

This Guide is not to be referenced as a complete unit.

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## Foreword

ACI Committee 515 was organized in 1936 and published a report "Guide for the Protection of Concrete Against Chemical Attack by Means of Coatings and Other Corrosion Resistant Materials," in the De-

cember 1966 ACI JOURNAL. William H. Kuenning was chairman when this Guide was published. Albert M. Levy was chairman from 1974 to 1977 when some of the information, found in the chapters on "Waterproofing Barrier Systems" and "Dampproofing Barrier Systems," was developed.

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**Table 2.5.2-Effect of chemicals on concrete (see end of Table 2.5.2 for special notations)**

| Material                            | Effect   | Material                                | Effect   |
|-------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| *Acetic acid, all concentrations    | Disintegrates slowly   | Ashes                                   | Harmful if wet, when sulfides and sulfates leach out (see sodium sulfate)                                |
| Acetone                             | Liquid loss by penetration. May contain acetic acid as impurity (which see)                | Ashes, hot                              | Cause thermal expansion  |
| Acid waters (pH of 6.5 or less) (a) | Disintegrates slowly. In porous or cracked concrete, attacks steel                         | Automobile and diesel exhaust gases (n) | May disintegrate moist concrete by action of carbonic, nitric, or sulfurous acid                         |
| *Alcohol                            | See ethyl alcohol, methyl alcohol  | *Baking soda                            | See sodium bicarbonate   |
| Alizarin                            | Not harmful  | Barium hydroxide                        | Not harmful  |
| *Almond oil                         | Disintegrates slowly   | Bark                                    | See tanning bark   |
| *Alum                               | See potassium aluminum sulfate   | *Beef fat                               | Solid fat disintegrates slowly, melted fat more rapidly  |
| Aluminum chloride                   | Disintegrates rapidly. In porous or cracked concrete, attacks steel                        | *Beer                                   | May contain, as fermentation products, acetic, carbonic, lactic, or tannic acids (which see)             |
| *Aluminum sulfate                   | Disintegrates. In porous or cracked concrete, attacks steel                                | Benzol (benzene)                        | Liquid loss by penetration   |
| *Ammonia, liquid                    | Harmful only if it contains harmful ammonium salts (see below)                             | Bleaching solution                      | See specific chemical, such as hypochlorous acid, sodium hypochlorite, sulfurous acid, etc.              |
| Ammonia vapors                      | May disintegrate moist concrete slowly or attack steel in porous or cracked moist concrete | *Borax                                  | Not harmful  |
| Ammonium bisulfate                  | Disintegrates. In porous or cracked concrete, attacks steel                                | *Boric acid                             | Negligible effect  |
| Ammonium carbonate                  | Not harmful  | *Brine                                  | See sodium chloride or other salt  |
| *Ammonium chloride                  | Disintegrates slowly. In porous or cracked concrete, attacks steel                         | Bromine                                 | Gaseous bromine disintegrates. Liquid bromine disintegrates if it contains hydrobromic acid and moisture |
| Ammonium cyanide                    | Disintegrates slowly   | *Buttermilk                             | Disintegrates slowly   |
| Ammonium fluoride                   | Disintegrates slowly   | Butyl stearate                          | Disintegrates slowly   |
| Ammonium hydroxide                  | Not harmful  | Calcium bisulfite                       | Disintegrates rapidly  |
| Ammonium nitrate                    | Disintegrates. In porous or cracked concrete, attacks steel                                | *Calcium chloride                       | In porous or cracked concrete, attacks steel. (b) Steel corrosion may cause concrete to spall            |
| Ammonium oxalate                    | Not harmful  | *Calcium hydroxide                      | Not harmful  |
| *Ammonium sulfate                   | Disintegrates. In porous or cracked concrete, attacks steel                                | Calcium nitrate                         | Not harmful  |
| Ammonium sulfide                    | Disintegrates  | *Calcium sulfate                        | Disintegrates concrete of inadequate sulfate resistance  |
| Ammonium sulfite                    | Disintegrates  | Carbazole                               | Not harmful  |
| Ammonium superphosphate             | Disintegrates. In porous or cracked concrete, attacks steel                                | Carbolic acid                           | See phenol   |
| Ammonium thiosulfate                | Disintegrates  | *Carbon dioxide                         | Gas may cause permanent shrinkage (see also carbonic acid)   |
| Animal wastes                       | See slaughter house wastes   | *Carbon disulfide                       | May disintegrate slowly  |
| Anthracene                          | Not harmful  | *Carbon tetrachloride                   | Liquid loss by penetration of concrete   |
| Arsenious acid                      | Not harmful  | *Carbonic acid                          | Disintegrates slowly (c)   |

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| Material                         | Effect   | Material  | Effect   |
|----------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Castor oil                       | Disintegrates, especially in presence of air   | *Cottonseed oil                                     | Disintegrates, especially in presence of air   |
| Chile saltpeter                  | See sodium nitrate   | Creosote  | Phenol present disintegrates slowly  |
| China wood oil                   | Liquid disintegrates slowly.   | Cresol  | Phenol present disintegrates slowly  |
| Chlorine gas                     | Slowly disintegrates moist concrete  | Cumol   | Liquid loss by penetration   |
| Chrome plating solutions (o)     | Disintegrates slowly   | Deicing salts                                       | Scaling of non-air-entrained or insufficiently aged concrete (b)   |
| Chromic acid, all concentrations | Attacks steel in porous or cracked concrete  | Diesel gases  | See automobile and diesel exhaust gases  |
| Chrysen                          | Not harmful  | Dinitrophenol                                       | Disintegrates slowly   |
| *Cider                           | Disintegrates slowly (see acetic acid)   | Distiller's slop                                    | Lactic acid causes slow disintegration   |
| Cinders                          | Harmful if wet, when sulfides and sulfates leach out (see, for example, sodium sulfate)                            | Epsom salt  | See magnesium sulfate  |
| Cinders, hot                     | Cause thermal expansion  | *Ethyl alcohol                                      | Liquid loss by penetration   |
| Coal                             | Sulfides leaching from damp coal may oxidize to sulfurous or sulfuric acid, or ferrous sulfate (which see)         | *Ethyl ether  | Liquid loss by penetration   |
| Coal tar oils                    | See anthracene, benzol, carbazole, chrysen; creosote, cresol, cumol, paraffin, phenanthrene, phenol, toluol, xylol | *Ethylene glycol                                    | Disintegrates slowly (d)   |
| Cobalt sulfate                   | Disintegrates concrete of inadequate sulfate resistance  | Feces   | See manure   |
| *Cocoa bean oil                  | Disintegrates, especially in presence of air   | *Fermenting fruits, grains, vegetables, or extracts | Industrial fermentation processes produce lactic acid. (e) Disintegrates slowly (see lactic acid)                  |
| *Cocoa butter                    | Disintegrates, especially in presence of air   | Ferric chloride                                     | Disintegrates slowly   |
| Coconut oil                      | Disintegrates, especially in presence of air   | Ferric nitrate                                      | Not harmful  |
| *Cod liver oil                   | Disintegrates slowly   | Ferric sulfate                                      | Disintegrates concrete of inadequate quality   |
| Coke                             | Sulfides leaching from damp coke may oxidize to sulfurous or sulfuric acid (which see)                             | Ferric sulfide                                      | Harmful if it contains ferric sulfate (which see)  |
| Copper chloride                  | Disintegrates slowly   | Ferrous chloride                                    | Disintegrates slowly   |
| Copper plating solutions (p)     | Not harmful  | Ferrous sulfate                                     | Disintegrates concrete of inadequate sulfate resistance  |
| Copper sulfate                   | Disintegrates concrete of inadequate sulfate resistance  | Fertilizer  | See ammonium sulfate, ammonium superphosphate, manure, potassium, nitrate, sodium nitrate                          |
| Copper sulfide                   | Harmful if it contains copper sulfate (which see)  | Fish liquor   | Disintegrates (f)  |
| *Corn syrup                      | Disintegrates slowly   | *Fish oil   | Disintegrates slowly   |
| Corrosive sublimate              | See mercuric chloride  | Flue gases  | Hot gases (400-1100 F) cause thermal stresses. Cooled, condensed sulfurous, hydrochloric acids disintegrate slowly |
|                                  |  | Foot oil  | Disintegrates slowly   |
|                                  |  | *Formaldehyde, 37 percent                           | Formic acid, formed in solution, disintegrates slowly  |
|                                  |  | Formalin  | See formaldehyde   |

Table 2.5.2-(Continued)

| Material                               | Effect   | Material                     | Effect  |
|--|--|------------------------------|---|
| *Formic acid, 10 percent               | Disintegrates slowly   | Lignite oils                 | If fatty oils are present, disintegrates slowly   |
| *Formic acid, 30 percent               | Disintegrates slowly   | *Linseed oils                | Liquid disintegrates slowly. Dried or drying films are harmless   |
| *Formic acid, 90 percent               | Disintegrates slowly   | Locomotive gases (r)         | May disintegrate moist concrete by action of carbonic, nitric or sulfurous acids (see also automobile and diesel exhaust gases) |
| *Fruit juices                          | Hydrofluoric, other acids, and sugar cause disintegration (see also fermenting fruits, grains, vegetables, extracts) | Lubricating oil              | Fatty oils, if present, disintegrate slowly   |
| Gas water (g)                          | Ammonium salts seldom present in sufficient quantity to disintegrate   | Lye                          | See sodium hydroxide  |
| Gasoline                               | Liquid loss by penetration   | Machine oil                  | Fatty oils, if present, disintegrate slowly   |
| *Glucose                               | Disintegrates slowly   | *Magnesium chloride          | Disintegrates slowly. In porous or cracked concrete, attacks steel  |
| *Glycerine                             | Disintegrates slowly   | Magnesium nitrate            | Disintegrates slowly  |
| *Grain                                 | See fermenting fruits, grains, vegetables, extracts  | *Magnesium sulfate           | Disintegrates concrete of inadequate sulfate resistance   |
| *Honey                                 | Not harmful  | Manganese sulfate            | Disintegrates concrete of inadequate sulfate resistance   |
| Horse fat                              | Solid fat disintegrates slowly, melted fat more rapidly  | Manure                       | Disintegrates slowly  |
| Humic acid                             | Disintegrates slowly   | *Margarine                   | Solid margarine disintegrates slowly, melted margarine more rapidly   |
| *Hydrochloric acid, all concentrations | Disintegrates rapidly, including steel   | Mash, fermenting             | Acetic and lactic acids, and sugar disintegrate slowly  |
| Hydrofluoric acid, all concentrations  | Disintegrates rapidly, including steel   | Mercuric chloride            | Disintegrates slowly  |
| Hydrogen sulfide                       | Not harmful dry. In moist, oxidizing environments converts to sulfurous acid and disintegrates slowly                | Mercurous chloride           | Disintegrates slowly  |
| Hypochlorous acid, 10 percent          | Disintegrates slowly   | Methyl alcohol               | Liquid loss by penetration  |
| Iodine                                 | Disintegrates slowly   | Methyl ethyl ketone          | Liquid loss by penetration  |
| Kerosene                               | Liquid loss by penetration of concrete   | Methyl isobutyl ketone       | Liquid loss by penetration  |
| *Lactic acid, 5-25 percent             | Disintegrates slowly   | *Milk                        | Not harmful. However, see sour milk   |
| *Lamb fat                              | Solid fat disintegrates slowly, melted fat more rapidly  | Mine water, waste            | Sulfides, sulfates, or acids present disintegrate concrete and attack steel in porous-or cracked concrete                       |
| *Lard and lard oil                     | Lard disintegrates slowly, lard oil more rapidly   | *Mineral oil                 | Fatty oils, if present, disintegrate slowly   |
| Lead nitrate                           | Disintegrates slowly   | Mineral spirits              | Liquid loss by penetration  |
| Lead refining solutions (q)            | Disintegrates slowly   | *Molasses                    | At temperatures $\geq 120$ F, disintegrates slowly  |
| Leuna saltpeter                        | See ammonium nitrate and ammonium sulfate  | Muriatic acid                | See hydrochloric acid   |
|  |  | *Mustard oil                 | Disintegrates, especially in presence of air  |
|  |  | Nickel plating solutions (v) | Nickel ammonium sulfate disintegrates slowly  |

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| Material                        | Effect   | Material                                | Effect  |
|---------------------------------|--|---|---|
| Nickel sulfate                  | Disintegrates concrete of inadequate sulfate resistance  | Potassium hydroxide, 25 percent or over | Disintegrates concrete  |
| Niter                           | See potassium nitrate  | *Potassium nitrate                      | Disintegrates slowly  |
| Nitric acid, all concentrations | Disintegrates rapidly  | Potassium permanganate                  | Harmless unless potassium sulfate present (which see)   |
| *Oleic acid, 100 percent        | Not harmful  | Potassium persulfate                    | Disintegrates concrete of inadequate sulfate resistance   |
| Oleum                           | See sulfuric acid, 110 percent   | Potassium sulfate                       | Disintegrates concrete of inadequate sulfate resistance   |
| *Olive oil                      | Disintegrates slowly   | Potassium sulfide                       | Harmless unless potassium sulfate present (which see)   |
| Ores                            | Sulfides leaching from damp ores may oxidize to sulfuric acid or ferrous sulfate (which see)                                   | Pyrites                                 | See ferric sulfide, copper sulfide  |
| Oxalic acid                     | Not harmful. Protects tanks against acetic acid, carbon dioxide, salt water. Poisonous. Do not use with food or drinking water | *Rapeseed oil                           | Disintegrates, especially in presence of air  |
| Paraffin                        | Shallow penetration not harmful, but should not be used on highly porous surfaces like concrete masonry (u)                    | Rock salt                               | See sodium chloride   |
| *Peanut oil                     | Disintegrates slowly   | Rosin                                   | Not harmful   |
| Perchloric acid, 10 percent     | Disintegrates  | Rosin oil                               | Not harmful   |
| Perchloroethylene               | Liquid loss by penetration   | Sal ammoniac                            | See ammonium chloride   |
| Petroleum oils                  | Liquid loss by penetration. Fatty oils, if present, disintegrate slowly  | Sal soda                                | See sodium carbonate  |
| Phenanthrene                    | Liquid loss by penetration   | Salt for deicing roads                  | See text. Also calcium chloride, magnesium chloride, sodium chloride  |
| Phenol, 5-25 percent            | Disintegrates slowly   | Saltpeter                               | See potassium nitrate   |
| *Phosphoric acid, 10-85 percent | Disintegrates slowly   | *Sauerkraut                             | Flavor impaired by concrete. Lactic acid may disintegrate slowly  |
| *Pickling brine                 | Attacks steel in porous or cracked concrete  | Sea water                               | Disintegrates concrete of inadequate sulfate resistance. Attacks steel in porous or cracked concrete                  |
| Pitch                           | Not harmful  | Sewage                                  | Usually not harmful (see hydrogen sulfide)  |
| *Poppy seed oil                 | Disintegrates slowly   | Silage                                  | Acetic, butyric, lactic acids (and sometimes fermenting agents of hydrochloric or sulfuric acids) disintegrate slowly |
| *Potassium aluminum sulfate     | Disintegrates concrete of inadequate sulfate resistance  | Slaughter house wastes (w)              | Organic acids disintegrate  |
| *Potassium carbonate            | Harmless unless potassium sulfate present (which see)  | Sludge                                  | See sewage, hydrogen sulfide  |
| *Potassium chloride             | Magnesium chloride, if present, attacks steel in porous or cracked concrete  | Soda water                              | See carbonic acid   |
| Potassium cyanide               | Disintegrates slowly   | *Sodium bicarbonate                     | Not harmful   |
| Potassium dichromate            | Disintegrates  | Sodium bisulfate                        | Disintegrates   |
| Potassium hydroxide, 15 percent | Not harmful (h)  | Sodium bisulfite                        | Disintegrates   |
|                                 |  | Sodium bromide                          | Disintegrates slowly  |

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| Material                              | Effect   | Material                    | Effect  |
|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|---|
| Sodium carbonate                      | Not harmful, except to calcium aluminate cement  | Sulfurous acid              | Disintegrates rapidly   |
| *Sodium chloride                      | Magnesium chloride, if present, attacks steel in porous or cracked concrete. (b) Steel corrosion may cause concrete to spall | Tallow and tallow oil       | Disintegrates slowly  |
| Sodium cyanide                        | Disintegrates slowly   | Tannic acid                 | Disintegrates slowly  |
| Sodium dichromate                     | Dilute solutions disintegrate slowly   | Tanning bark                | May disintegrate slowly if damp (see tanning liquor)              |
| *Sodium hydroxide, 1-10 percent       | Not harmful (h)  | Tanning liquor              | Disintegrates, if acid  |
| *Sodium hydroxide, 20 percent or over | Disintegrates concrete   | *Tartaric acid solution     | Not harmful   |
| Sodium hypochlorite                   | Disintegrates slowly   | Tobacco                     | Organic acids, if present, disintegrate slowly                    |
| *Sodium nitrate                       | Disintegrates slowly   | Toluol (toluene)            | Liquid loss by penetration  |
| Sodium nitrite                        | Disintegrates slowly   | *Trichloroethylene          | Liquid loss by penetration  |
| Sodium phosphate (monobasic)          | Disintegrates slowly   | *Trisodium phosphate        | Not harmful   |
| Sodium sulfate                        | Disintegrates concrete of inadequate sulfate resistance  | Tung oil                    | Liquid disintegrates slowly. Dried or drying films are harmless   |
| Sodium sulfide                        | Disintegrates slowly   | Turpentine                  | Mild attack. Liquid loss by penetration                           |
| *Sodium sulfite                       | Sodium sulfate, if present, disintegrates concrete of inadequate sulfate resistance  | *Urea                       | Not harmful   |
| Sodium thiosulfate                    | Slowly disintegrates concrete of inadequate sulfate resistance   | Urine                       | Attacks steel in porous or cracked concrete                       |
| *Sour milk                            | Lactic acid disintegrates slowly   | Vegetables                  | See fermenting fruits, grains, vegetables, extracts               |
| *Soybean oil                          | Liquid disintegrates slowly. Dried or drying films harmless  | Vinegar                     | Disintegrates slowly (see acetic acid)                            |
| Strontium chloride                    | Not harmful  | Walnut oil                  | Disintegrates slowly  |
| *Sugar                                | Disintegrates slowly   | *Whey                       | Disintegrates slowly (see lactic acid)                            |
| Sulfite liquor                        | Disintegrates  | *Wine                       | Not harmful. Necessary to prevent flavor contamination            |
| Sulfite solution                      | See calcium bisulfite  | Wood pulp                   | Not harmful   |
| *Sulfur dioxide                       | With moisture forms sulfurous acid (which see)   | Xylol (xylene)              | Liquid loss by penetration  |
| *Sulfuric acid, 10-80 percent         | Disintegrates rapidly  | *Zinc chloride              | Disintegrates slowly  |
| *Sulfuric acid, 80 percent oleum      | Disintegrates  | Zinc nitrate                | Not harmful   |
|                                       |  | Zinc refining solutions (x) | Hydrochloric or sulfuric acids, if present, disintegrate concrete |
|                                       |  | Zinc slag                   | Zinc sulfate (which see) sometimes formed by oxidation            |
|                                       |  | Zinc sulfate                | Disintegrates slowly  |

## Key to special notations-Table 2.5.2

|   |  |
|---|--|
| * | Sometimes used in food processing or as food or beverage ingredient. Ask for advisory opinion of Food and Drug Administration regarding coatings for use with food ingredients.  |
| a | Waters of pH higher than 6.5 may be aggressive if they also contain bicarbonates. (Natural waters are usually of pH higher than 7.0 and seldom lower than 6.0, though pH values as low as 0.4 have been reported. For pH values below 3, protect as for dilute acid.)  |
| b | Frequently used as a deicer for concrete pavements. If the concrete contains too little entrained air or has not been aged more than one month, repeated application may cause surface scaling. For protection under these conditions, see "deicing salts."  |
| c | Carbon dioxide dissolves in natural waters to form carbonic acid solutions. When it dissolves to extent of 0.9 to 3 parts per million it is destructive to concrete.   |
| d | Frequently used as deicer for airplanes. Heavy spillage on runway pavements containing too little entrained air may cause surface scaling.   |
| e | In addition to the intentional fermentation of many raw materials, much unwanted fermentation occurs in the spoiling of foods and food wastes, also producing lactic acid.   |
| f | Contains carbonic acid, fish oils, hydrogen sulfide, methyl amine, brine, other potentially reactive materials.  |
| g | Water used for cleaning coal gas.  |
| h | However, in those limited areas of the United States where concrete is made with reactive aggregates, disruptive expansion may be produced.  |
| n | Composed mostly of nitrogen, oxygen, carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, and water vapor. Also contains unburned hydrocarbons, partially burned hydrocarbons, oxides of nitrogen, and oxides of sulfur. Nitrogen dioxide and oxygen in sunlight may produce ozone, which reacts with some of the organics to produce formaldehyde, peracylnitrates, and other products. |
| o | These either contain chromium trioxide and a small amount of sulfate, or ammonium chromic sulfate [nearly saturated] and sodium sulfate.   |
| P | Many types of solutions are used, including<br>(a) Sulfate-Contain copper sulfate and sulfuric acid.<br>(b) Cyanide-Contain copper and sodium cyanides and sodium carbonate.<br>(c) Rochelle-Contain these cyanides, sodium carbonate, and potassium sodium tartrate.<br>(d) Others such as fluoborate, pyrophosphate, amine, or potassium cyanide.                  |
| q | Contains lead fluosilicates and fluosilicic acid.  |
| r | Reference here is to combustion of coal, which produces carbon dioxide, water vapor, nitrogen, hydrogen, carbon monoxide, carbohydrates, ammonia, nitric acid, sulfur dioxide, hydrogen sulfide, soot, and ashes.  |
| u | Porous concrete which has absorbed considerable molten paraffin and then been immersed in water after the paraffin has solidified has been known to disintegrate from sorptive forces.   |
| v | Contains nickelous chloride, nickelous sulfate, boric acid, and ammonium ion.  |
| w | May contain various mixtures of blood, fats and oils, bile and other digestive juices, partially digested vegetable matter, urine, and manure, with varying amounts of water.  |
| x | Usually contains zinc sulfate in sulfuric acid. Sulfuric acid concentration may be low (about 6 percent in "low current density" process) or higher (about 22-28 percent in "high current density" process).   |