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**Subject: Watts Bar Nuclear Plant (WBN) Unit 2 – Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR) – Response to Requests for Additional Information**

This letter responds to requests for additional information (RAIs) regarding the Unit 2 FSAR concerning Auxiliary Feedwater.

Enclosure 2 contains the commitment contained in this letter. If you have any questions, please contact Bill Crouch at (423) 365-2004.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of February 2011.

Respectfully,

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**Enclosures:**

1. Responses to RAIs Regarding Unit 2 FSAR
2. Commitment Contained in Letter

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## ENCLOSURE 1

### Response to RAIs Regarding Unit 2 FSAR

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#### AFW RAIs (NRC verbal request of 01/12/2011)

**AFW - 1** What is the basis for the value in the Tech Specs for CST level?

**Response:** Unit 2 Technical Specifications Limiting Condition for Operation (TS LCO) 3.7.6 states, "The CST level shall be  $\geq 200,000$  gal."

As described in the TS Bases for LCO 3.7.6, the CST level required is equivalent to a usable volume of  $\geq 200,000$  gallons, which is based on holding the unit in MODE 3 for 2 hours, followed by a cooldown to RHR entry conditions at  $50^{\circ}\text{F}/\text{hour}$ . This basis is established in the CST level calculation and exceeds the volume required by the accident analysis.

The quantity of feedwater required to bring the plant down to RHR cut-in conditions is 196,112 gallons, including a 3,000 gallon allowance to account for AFW Pump Heat described in Westinghouse Technical Bulletin TB-09-4, "Impact of Auxiliary Pump Heat on Westinghouse and Combustion Engineering Analyses / Methodologies."

There is 2,851 gallons of water unavailable due to vortexing / air injection, which results in a minimum required volume of CST water of 198,963 gallons. This is less than the TS requirement of  $\geq 200,000$  gallons.

See Figure on next page.

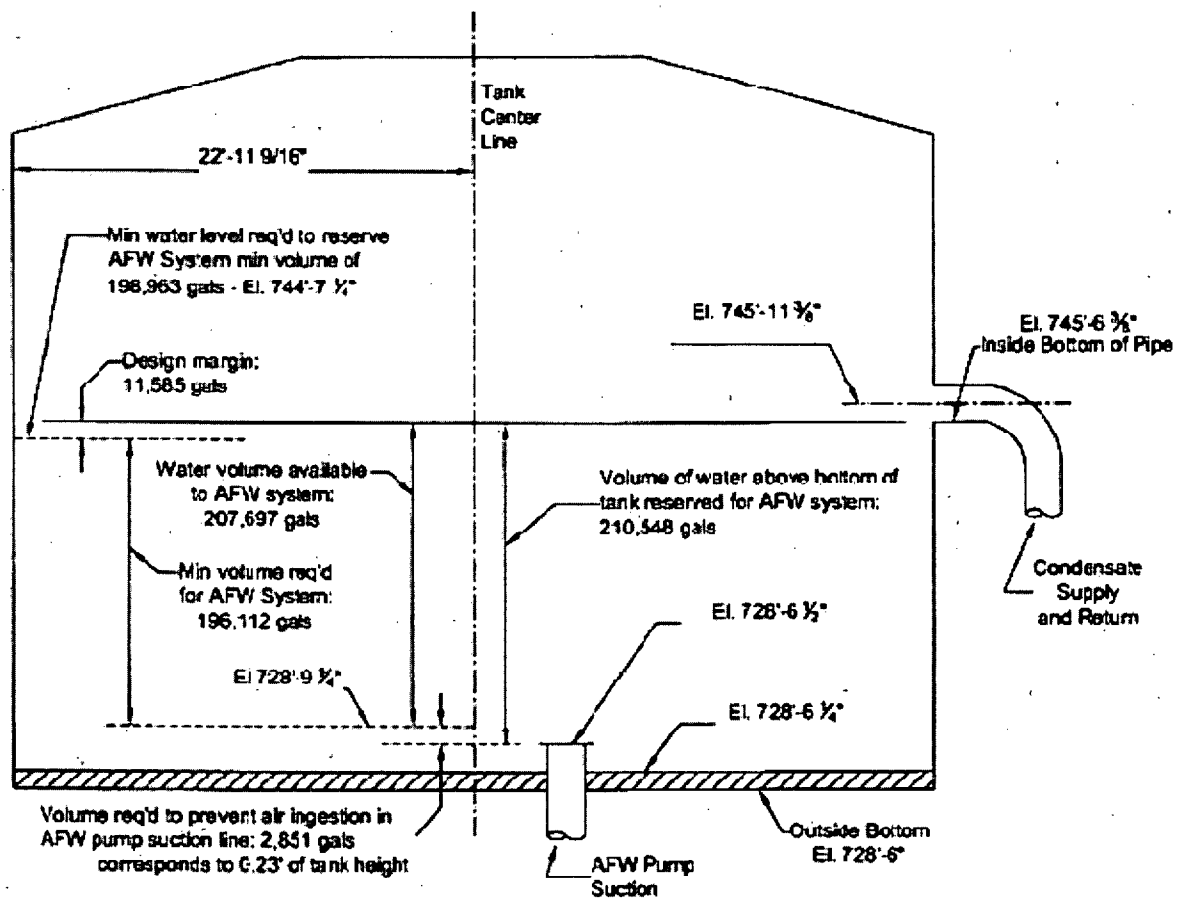
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## Condensate Storage Tank (CST)

(Sketch not to scale)



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## **ENCLOSURE 1**

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**AFW - 2** The FSAR says the tanks are separate. How is this controlled procedurally since they can be cross tied?

**Response:** Unit 1 System Operating Instruction SOI-2&3.01, "Condensate and Feedwater System," Section 8.4, "Transfer Water between CSTs," provides procedural guidance for control of the valves which connect the two tanks. The procedure specifies the opening and closing of specific valves and after completion of the transfer activities, it requires independent verification that the valves are re-closed. The Unit 2 procedure will be similar.

Additionally, TS LCO 3.7.6, "Condensate Storage Tank," provides required actions and corresponding completion times if a CST tank level is below the 200,000 gallons minimum.

**AFW - 3** Need to make a statement in the FSAR that we take no credit for the CSTs supplying water to the opposite unit.

**Response:** Amendment 103 to the Unit 2 FSAR will revise Section 10.4.9.2, "System Description," by adding the following sentence after the second sentence of the second paragraph:

"The two CSTs are normally isolated from each other, with one CST dedicated to each unit. The AFW safety analyses take no credit for the ability to cross-tie the CSTs."

## **ENCLOSURE 2**

### **Commitment Contained in Letter**

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