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## 19. ALTERATION OF THE REACTOR CORE (CORE ALTERATION)

The addition, removal, relocation or movement of fuel, sources, incore instruments or reactivity controls within the reactor pressure vessel with the vessel head removed and fuel in the vessel. Suspension of CORE ALTERATIONS shall not preclude completion of the movement of a component to a safe conservative position.

## 20. REACTOR VESSEL PRESSURE

Unless otherwise indicated, reactor vessel pressures listed in the Technical Specifications are those measured by the reactor vessel steam space detectors.

## 21. THERMAL PARAMETERS

- a. Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR) - The value of critical power ratio (CPR) for that fuel bundle having the lowest CPR.
- b. Critical Power Ratio (CPR) - The ratio of that fuel bundle power which would produce boiling transition to the actual fuel bundle power.
- c. Transition Boiling - Transition boiling means the boiling regime between nucleate and film boiling. Transition boiling is the regime in which both nucleate and film boiling occur intermittently with neither type being completely stable.
- d. Deleted
- e. Linear Heat Generation Rate - the heat output per unit length of fuel pin.
- f. Fraction of Limiting Power Density (FLPD) - The fraction of limiting power density is the ratio of the linear heat generation rate (LHGR) existing at a given location to the design LHGR for that bundle type.
- g. Maximum Fraction of Limiting Power Density (MFLPD) - The maximum fraction of limiting power density is the highest value existing in the core of the fraction of limiting power density (FLPD).
- h. Fraction of Rated Power (FRP) - The fraction of rated power is the ratio of core thermal power to rated thermal power of 1593 MWth.
- i. Total Peaking Factor (TPF) - The ratio of local LHGR for any specific location on a fuel rod divided by the core average LHGR associated with the fuel bundles of the same type operating at the core average bundle power.
- j. Maximum Total Peaking Factor (MTPF) - The largest TPF which exists in the core for a given class of fuel for a given operating condition.

SAFETY LIMIT	LIMITING SAFETY SYSTEM SETTING
<p>C. <u>Power Transient</u></p> <p>To ensure that the Safety Limits established in Specification 1.1.A and 1.1.B are not exceeded, each required scram shall be initiated by its primary source signal. A Safety Limit shall be assumed to be exceeded when scram is accomplished by a means other than the Primary Source Signal.</p> <p>D. With irradiated fuel in the reactor vessel, the water level shall not be less than 12 in. above the top of the normal active fuel zone. Top of the active fuel zone is defined to be 344.5 inches above vessel zero (see Bases 3.2).</p>	<p>Where: S = Setting in percent of rated power (1,593 MWt)</p> <p>W = Recirculation loop flow in percent of rated flow. Rated recirculation loop flow is that recirculation loop flow which corresponds to <math>49 \times 10^6</math> lb/hr core flow.</p> <p>For a MFLPD greater than FRP, the APRM scram setpoint shall be:</p> $S \leq (0.66 W + 54) \frac{\text{FRP}}{\text{MFLPD}}$ <p>NOTE: These settings assume operation within the basic thermal design criteria. These criteria are LHGR <math>&lt; 13.4</math> KW/ft (8x8 array) and MCPR <math>&gt;</math> values as indicated in Table 3.12-2 times <math>K_f</math>, where <math>K_f</math> is defined by Figure 3.12-1. Therefore, at full power, operation is not allowed with MFLPD greater than unity even if the scram setting is reduced. If it is determined that either of these design criteria is being violated during operation, action must be taken immediately to return to operation within these criteria.</p> <p>2. APRM High Flux Scram</p> <p>When in the REFUEL or STARTUP and HOT STANDBY MODE, the APRM scram shall be set at less than or equal to 15 percent of rated power.</p>

### 3.5 BASES

#### A. Core Spray and LPCI Subsystems

This specification assures that adequate emergency cooling capability is available whenever irradiated fuel is in the reactor vessel.

Based on the loss-of-coolant accident (LOCA) evaluation models described in General Electric Topical Report NEDO-20566 (Ref. 2), the results of the LOCA analysis given in Reference 3 and Subsection 6.3 of the Updated FSAR and in accordance with the acceptance criteria of 10CFR50.46, any of the following cooling systems provides sufficient cooling to the core to dissipate the energy associated with the loss-of-coolant accident, to limit calculated fuel clad temperature to less than 2200°F to assure that core geometry remains intact, and to limit clad metal-water reaction to less than 1%; either of the two core spray subsystems and the LPCI subsystem.

The limiting conditions of operation in Specification 3.5.A.1 through 3.5.A.6 specify the combinations of operable subsystems to assure the availability of the minimum cooling systems noted above.

## 3.5 REFERENCES

1. Jacobs, I.M., "Guidelines for Determining Safe Test Intervals and Repair Times for Engineered Safeguards", General Electric Company, APED, April 1968 (APED 5736).
2. General Electric Company, General Electric Company Analytical Model for Loss-of-Coolant Analysis in Accordance with 10CFR50, Appendix K, NEDO-20566, 1974, and letter MFN-255-77 from Darrell G. Eisenhut, NRC, to E.D. Fuller, GE, Documentation of the Reanalysis Results for the Loss-of-Coolant Accident (LOCA) of Lead and Non-lead Plants, dated June 30, 1977.
3. General Electric, Loss-of-Coolant Accident Analysis Report for Duane Arnold Energy Center (Lead Plant), NEDO-21082-02-1A, Rev. 2, June 1982.

LIMITING CONDITIONS FOR OPERATION	SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS
3.12 <u>CORE THERMAL LIMITS</u>	4.12 <u>CORE THERMAL LIMITS</u>
<u>Applicability</u>	<u>Applicability</u>
The Limited Conditions for Operation associated with the fuel rods apply to those parameters which monitor the fuel rod operating conditions.	The Surveillance Requirements apply to the parameters which monitor the fuel rod operating conditions.
<u>Objective</u>	<u>Objective</u>
The Objective of the Limiting Conditions for Operation is to assure the performance of the fuel rods.	The Objective of the Surveillance Requirements is to specify the type and frequency of surveillance to be applied to the fuel rods.
<u>Specifications</u>	<u>Specifications</u>
A. <u>Maximum Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (MAPLHGR)</u>	A. <u>Maximum Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (MAPLHGR)</u>
During reactor power operation, the actual MAPLHGR for each type of fuel as a function of average planar exposure shall not exceed the limiting value shown in Figs. 3.12-5, -6, -7, -8 and -9. If at any time during reactor power operation it is determined by normal surveillance that the limiting value for MAPLHGR (LAPLHGR) is being exceeded, action shall then be initiated within 15 minutes to restore operation to within the prescribed limits. If the MAPLHGR (LAPLHGR) is not returned to within the prescribed limits within 2 hours, reduce reactor power to < 25% of Rated Thermal Power within the next 4 hours. Surveillance and corresponding action shall continue until the prescribed limits are again being met.	The MAPLHGR for each type of fuel as a function of average planar exposure shall be determined daily during reactor operation at > 25% rated thermal power and following any change in power level or distribution that would cause operation with a limiting control rod pattern as described in the bases for Specification 3.3.2. During operation with a limiting control rod pattern, the MAPLHGR shall be determined at least once per 12 hours.

LIMITING CONDITIONS FOR OPERATIONB. Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)

1. During reactor power operation the linear heat generation rate (LHGR) of any rod in any 8x8 fuel assembly shall not exceed 13.4 KW/ft.

If at any time during reactor power operation it is determined by normal surveillance that the limiting value for LHGR is being exceeded, action shall then be initiated within 15 minutes to restore operation to within the prescribed limits. If the LHGR is not returned to within the prescribed limits within 2 hours, reduce reactor power to  $\leq 25\%$  of Rated Thermal Power within the next 4 hours. Surveillance and corresponding action shall continue until the prescribed limits are again being met.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTB. Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)

The LHGR as a function of core height shall be checked daily during reactor operation at  $\geq 25\%$  thermal power and following any change in power level or distribution that would cause operation with a limiting control rod pattern as described in the bases for Specification 3.3.2. During operation with a limiting control rod pattern the LHGR shall be determined at least once per 12 hours.

## 3.12 BASES: CORE THERMAL LIMITS

A. Maximum Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (MAPLHGR)

This specification assures that the peak cladding temperature following the postulated design basis loss-of-coolant accident will not exceed the limit specified in 10CFR50.46. |

The peak cladding temperature following a postulated loss-of-coolant accident is primarily a function of the average heat generation rate of all rods of a fuel assembly at any axial location and is only dependent secondarily on the rod to rod power distribution within an assembly. Since expected local variations in power distribution within a fuel assembly affect the calculated peak clad temperature by less than  $\pm 20^{\circ}\text{F}$  relative to the peak temperature for a typical fuel design, the limit on the average linear heat generation rate is sufficient to assure that calculated temperatures are within the 10CFR50.46 limit. |

The calculational procedure used to establish the MAPLHGRs is based on a loss-of-coolant accident analysis. The analysis was performed using General Electric (GE) calculational models which are consistent with the requirements of Appendix K to 10CFR Part 50.

B. Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)

This specification assures that the linear heat generation rate in any rod is less than the design linear heat generation rate and that the fuel cladding 1% plastic diametral strain linear heat generation rate is not exceeded during any abnormal operating transient if fuel pellet densification is postulated. The power spike penalty specified is based on the analysis presented in Section 3.2.1 of Reference 3 and in References 4 and 5, and assumes a linearly increasing variation in axial gaps between core bottom and top, and assures with a 95% confidence, that no more than one fuel rod exceeds the design linear heat generation rate due to power spiking. The LHGR as a function of core height shall be checked daily during reactor operation at  $\geq 25\%$  power to determine if fuel burnup, or control rod movement has caused changes in power distribution. For LHGR to be a limiting value below 25% rated thermal power, the Maximum Total Peaking Factor (MTPF) would have to be greater than 10 which is precluded by a considerable margin when employing any permissible control rod pattern.

C. Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)

1. Operating Limit MCPR

The required operating limit MCPR's at steady state operating conditions as specified in Specification 3.12.C are

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derived from the established fuel cladding integrity Safety Limit MCPR value, and an analysis of abnormal operational transients (2). For any abnormal operating transient analysis evaluation with the initial condition of the reactor being at the steady state operating limit it is required that the resulting MCPR does not decrease below the Safety Limit MCPR a any time during the transient assuming instrument trip settings given in Specification 2.1.

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TABLE 3.12-2

MCPR LIMITS

Fuel Type

8 x 8	1.25
8 x 8R/P8 x 8R	1.27

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## 3.12 REFERENCES

1. Duane Arnold Energy Center Loss-of-Coolant Accident Analysis Report, NEDO-21082-02-1A, Rev.2, June 1982.
2. "Generic Reload Fuel Application," NEDE-24011-P-A\*\*.
3. "Fuel Densification Effects on General Electric Boiling Water Reactor Fuel," Supplements 6, 7 and 8, NEDM-19735, August 1973.
4. Supplement 1 to Technical Reports on Densifications of General Electric Reactor Fuels, December 14, 1973 (AEC Regulatory Staff).
5. Communication: V.A. Moore to I.S. Mitchell, "Modified GE Model for Fuel Densification," Docket 50-321, March 27, 1974.
6. R.B. Linford, Analytical Methods of Plant Transient Evaluations for the GE BWR, February 1973 (NEDO-10802).
7. General Electric Company Analytical Model for Loss-of-Coolant Analysis in Accordance with 10CFR50, Appendix K, NEDE-20566, August 1974.
8. Boiling Water Reactor Reload-3 Licensing Amendment for Duane Arnold Energy Center, NEDO-24087, 77 NED 359, Class 1, December 1977.
9. Boiling Water Reactor Reload-3 Licensing Amendment for Duane Arnold Energy Center, Supplement 2: Revised Fuel Loading Accident Analysis, NEDO-24087-2.
10. Boiling Water Reactor Reload-3 Licensing Amendment for Duane Arnold Energy Center, Supplement 5: Revised Operating Limits for Loss of Feedwater Heating, NEDO-24987-5.

\*\*Approved revision number at time reload fuel analyses are performed.

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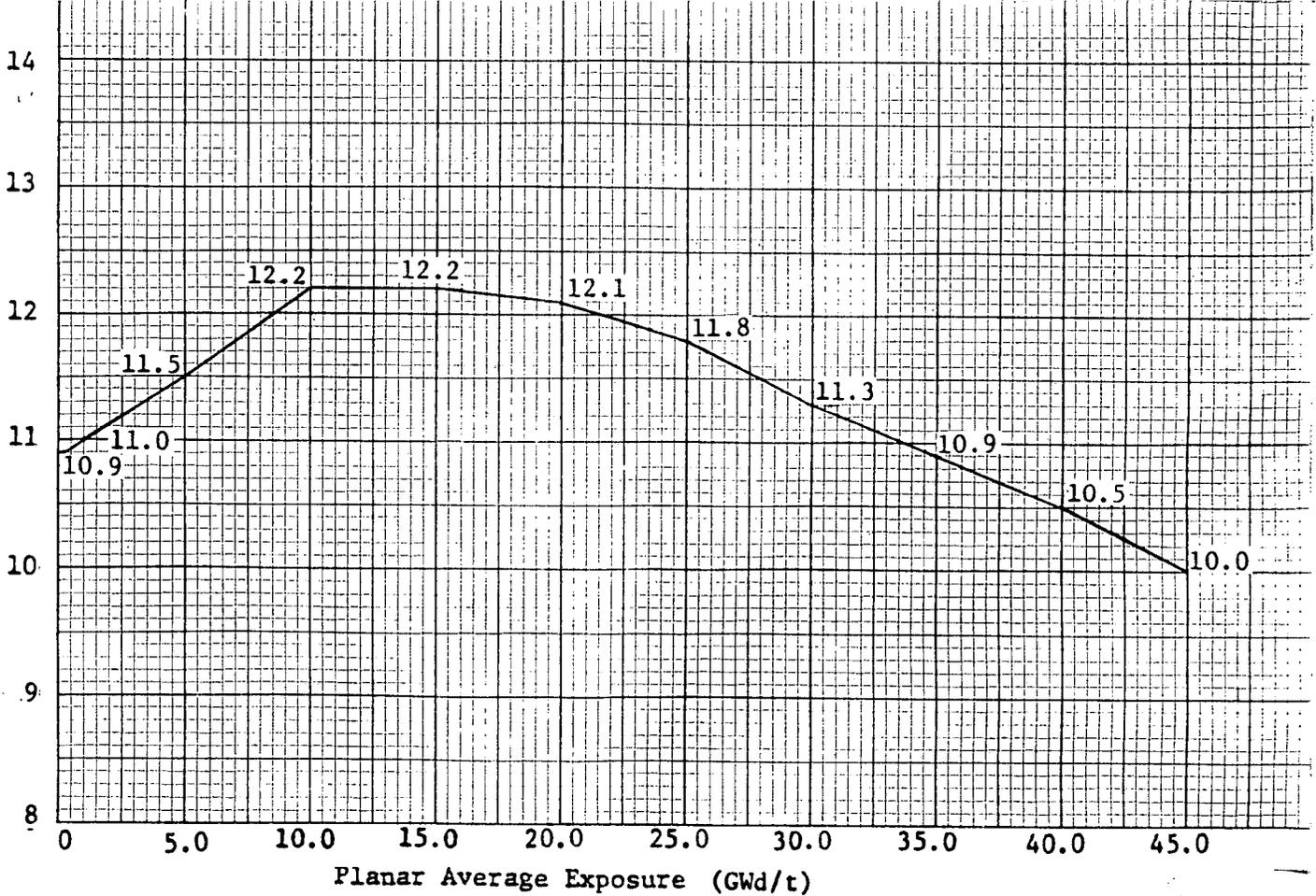
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Limiting Average Planar  
Linear Heat Generation Rate (KW/ft.) 1/



1/ When core flow is equal to or less than 70% of rated, the MAPLHGR shall not exceed 95% of the limiting values shown.

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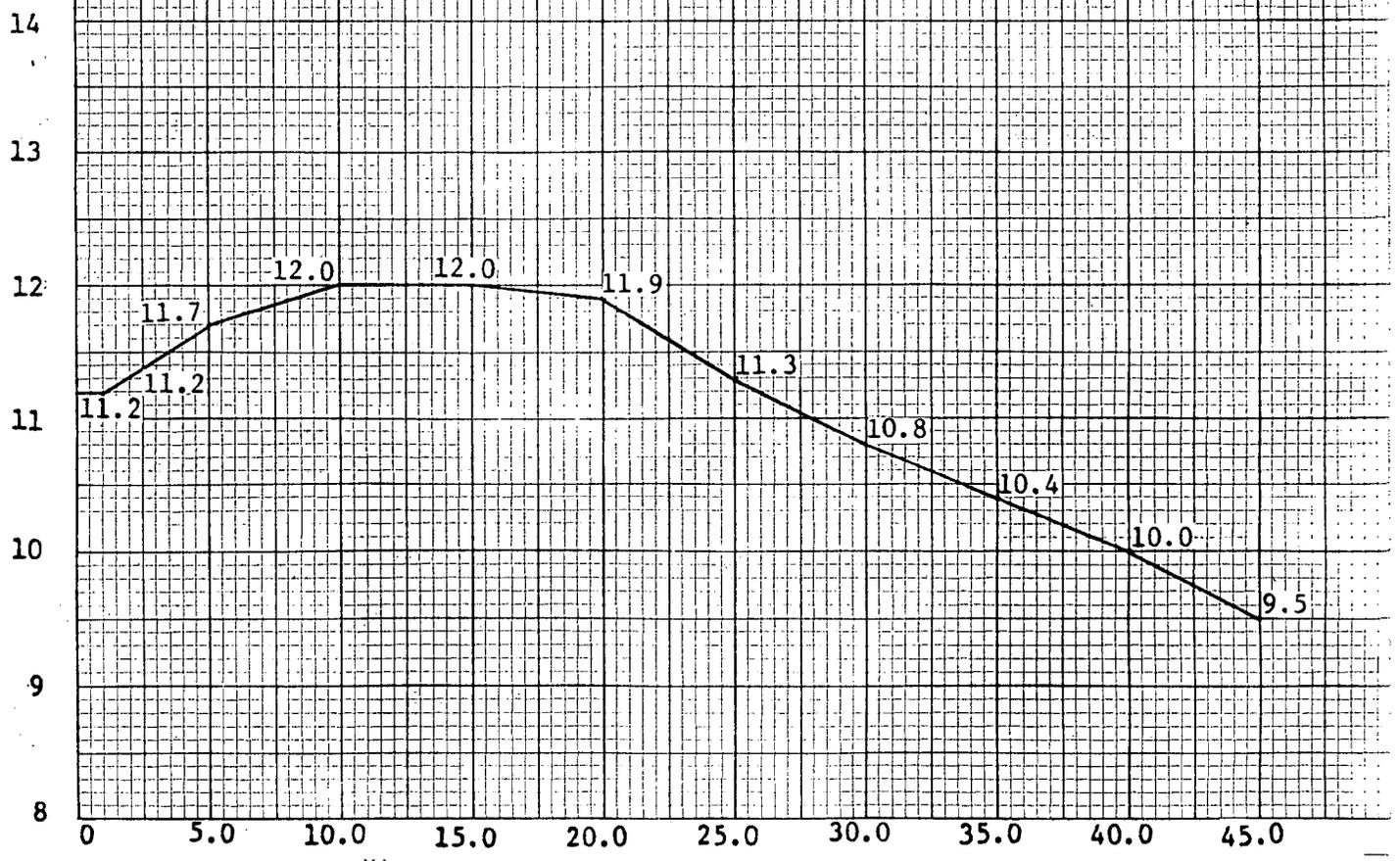
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LIMITING AVERAGE PLANAR LINEAR HEAT  
GENERATION RATE AS A FUNCTION OF PLANAR  
AVERAGE EXPOSURE

FUEL TYPE: P8DRB299

FIGURE 3.12-8

Limiting Average Planar  
Linear Heat Generation Rate (KW/ft.) 1/



Planar Average Exposure (GWd/t)

1/ When core flow is equal to or less than 70% of rated, the MAPLHGR shall not exceed 95% of the limiting values shown.

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AVERAGE EXPOSURE  
FUEL TYPE: P8DRB284H  
FIGURE 3.12-9