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Purpose of Meeting



- During March 2011, a number of significant changes in seismic analysis were implemented, including changing from a Lumped Mass Stick Model (LMSM) to Finite Element (FE) Model for the R/B Complex SSI Analysis and performing bounding analyses with respect to cracked and uncracked concrete conditions
- During implementation of this new methodology, a number of design challenges arose which have been tracked back to unique details in soil profiles and the original time history input



Purpose of Meeting



- Today we are presenting changes and enhancements to the design inputs to mitigate these design challenges and continue to maintain required safety margins of the US-APWR Standard Plant
- We are also presenting changes to the plant layout to address issues associated with the original 4 inch gap between structures
- Stability analyses are ongoing, but indications are that foundations of Standard Plant structures will require shear keys



Introduction



- On March 31, 2011 the seismic task force held a public meeting with the NRC to identify twelve major topics and an associated path forward for each reflecting the current status
- During June 2011, the first stage of Technical Reports identifying methodology changes was submitted to the staff for review
- On June 15, 2011 and in subsequent conference calls, a path forward for the Containment Internal Structure (CIS) was established



Introduction



- The comprehensive path forward beginning on March 31, 2011 involved employing a conservative methodology with respect to concrete cracking considerations for SSI analyses:
 - ✓ Full stiffness with OBE damping
 - ✓ Reduced stiffness (up to 50% of gross cross section properties considered) with SSE damping
 - Envelope of responses for the two stiffness cases and for all generic soil profiles used to develop in-structure response spectra (ISRS) results



Issue Statement



- The SSI analyses challenges which occurred as a result of the conservative path forward include:
 - ✓ Unfavorable ISRS results at critical component locations which are pronounced for soil profiles 560-100 and 560-200
 - ✓ Sliding stability challenges for standard plant structures
 - High bearing pressure demands (low contact ratio due to foundation uplift)
 - Calculations indicate a required increase in the existing gap between structures





- The SSI analyses used in DCD Rev. 3 considered the following inputs:
 - ✓ 8 generic soil profiles (developed using unpublished rock degradation curves)
 - Acceleration time histories of input design ground motion based on Northridge seismic event
 - ✓ 4 inch gap between all standard plant structures
- Due in part to changes in design basis methodology that were presented in March 2011, certain inputs have been identified which impact the standard design





- The basic SSI analyses inputs used in DCD Rev. 3 shall be modified as follows:
 - ✓ Modification to generic soil profiles: a revision to the database of US-APWR standard plant generic profiles will be performed to eliminate excessive peaks in design ISRS and address staff concerns noted in RAI's 821-5984 and 559-5133





- The basic SSI analyses inputs used in DCD Rev. 3 shall be modified as follows (continued):
 - Modification to input ground motion acceleration time history: the current time histories that are based on the Northridge earthquake seed do not provide as good a fit to the CSDRS as the revised acceleration time histories based on Nahanni earthquake seed; changing the input ground motion time histories resolves challenges associated with contact ratio and subsequent bearing pressures





- The basic SSI analyses inputs used in DCD Rev. 3 shall be modified as follows (continued):
 - Modification to plant layout: since the 4" gap is being challenged by recent results of analyses, a larger 16" gap between all standard plant structures and foundations will be established; this change will resolve the negative cumulative effects of gap closure including seismic structural displacement, settlement/tilt, and sliding displacement (shear key engagement)





- The basic SSI analyses inputs used in DCD Rev. 3 shall be modified as follows (continued):
 - ✓ Modification to foundations: since sliding stability challenges occur despite the above input modifications, shear keys will be introduced within the standard plant structural stability calculations to ensure a factor of safety against sliding of 1.1; standard plant structures described in the DCD will feature shear keys





	Resolution Proposal: Benefit and Effects of Modifications					
Design Challenges	Modification to Generic Soil Profiles	Modification to Acceleration Time History	Modification to Plant Layout	Modification to Foundations - Shear Keys		
Sliding Stability	Minor Benefit	Minor Benefit	N/A	Major Benefit		
Contact Area / Bearing Pressure	Major Benefit	Major Benefit	N/A	N/A		
Address RAI concerns	Major Benefit	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Gap Between Structures	N/A	N/A	Major Benefit	N/A		
ISRS at Critical Locations	Major Benefit	Minor Benefit	N/A	N/A		



Deliverables



- Relevant deliverables will be identified in each presentation segment with additional detail regarding the design input modifications
 - ✓ Modification to generic soil profiles
 - ✓ Modification to acceleration time history
 - Modification to plant layout
- The need to perform modifications to foundations including the introduction of shear keys will be assessed for each standard plant structure
- Impacts on existing technical reports, calculation reports available for audit, and DCD chapters will be presented in the afternoon session



Summary



- Results from SSI and stability analyses of standard plant structures have led to modifications to generic soil profiles, input ground motion acceleration time histories, plant layout, and foundations
- Methodology remains unchanged
- Re-performing analyses cases with input changes identified earlier in the presentation
- Results in updates to Technical Reports, Calculation Reports, and the DCD





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Modifications to Standard Plant: Generic Soil Profiles

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Issue Statement



Changes made in design basis structural models and methodology for development of seismic design basis resulted in amplification of the seismic responses for some generic soil profiles thus impacting the available design margins for some critical standard plant components.





Issue Statement



- In RAI's 821-5984 and 559-5133, NRC noted the following concerns regarding the generic soil profiles used for site-independent soilstructure interaction (SSI) analyses of US-APWR standard plant Category I and II buildings are as follows:
 - There is significant decrease of strain compatible stiffness properties of some of generic profiles with depth.
 - Site response analyses used unpublished degradation curves to represent strain compatible properties of rock materials
 - Selection of base line profiles of small strain soil properties may not provide adequate representation of variety of geological conditions within continental U.S.
 - Demonstrate that selected generic profiles provide a sufficiently wide range of possible SSI responses to ensure wide applicability of US-APWR standard design





- In MUAP 10006(R1), site independent SSI analyses are performed for eight generic soil profiles developed as documented in MUAP 10001(R2):
 - 270-200 (Top Strata Nominal Vs =270 m/s with 200 ft depth to baserock)
 - 270-500 (Top Strata Nominal Vs =270 m/s with 500 ft depth to baserock)
 - 560-100 (Top Strata Nominal Vs = 560 m/s with 100 ft depth to baserock)
 - 560-200 (Top Strata Nominal Vs = 560 m/s with 200 ft depth to baserock)
 - 560-500 (Top Strata Nominal Vs = 560 m/s with 500 ft depth to baserock)
 - 900-100 (Top Strata Nominal Vs =900 m/s with 100 ft depth to baserock)
 - 900-200 (Top Strata Nominal Vs =900 m/s with 200 ft depth to baserock)
 - 2032-100 (Top Strata Nominal Vs =2032 m/s with 100 ft depth to baserock)
- Generic soil profiles represent strain compatible properties of submerged soil, i.e. location of water table is set at plant grade elevation
- Generic soil profiles are truncated (≈ 40 ft) to remove the embedment soil





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> Development of Generic Profiles

- ✓ Generic profiles developed from CENA database of profiles
- ✓ Base profiles are selected with top strata nominal S wave velocities of 270 m/s, 560 m/s, 900 m/s and 2032 m/s
- ✓ Baserock set at depths of 100 ft, 200 ft or 500 ft
- ✓ Baserock model for softer profiles with nominal Vs ≤ 560 m/s represented by 1000 ft thick layer of soft rock resting on hard basement rock with Vs = 2.83 km/s



S-WAVE:2032 N/SEC (FIRM ROCK) S-WAVE:2830 N/SEC (HARD ROCK)







Top Soil Strain Compatible S-Wave Velocities per MUAP 10001(R3) and MUAP 10006(R1)



Top Soil Strain Compatible P-Wave Velocities per MUAP 10001(R3) and MUAP 10006(R1)



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Top Soil Strain Compatible Damping per MUAP 10001(R3) and MUAP 10006(R1)





- Modifications of standard design basis database of generic site profiles for site-independent SSI analyses are:
 - Soil Profiles 560-100 and 560-200 are removed from the standard seismic design database
 - EPRI soil degradation curves are used instead of unpublished rock degradation curves
 - Hard rock base is replaced with sedimentary rock type of profile with gradual increase of stiffness
 - Profiles with nominal S-wave velocity of 900 m/sec are modified by introducing steeper increase of rock stiffness with depth.





- Degradation curves published in EPRI TR-102293 are used for development of strain compatible properties of generic profiles with nominal Vs of 560 m/s and 900 m/s
- These curves represent strain dependent properties of generic soils with more linear (less strain dependent) behavior than the previously used rock degradation curves



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- Rock base is replaced by sedimentary or weather rock section overlying Precambrian basement material that is appropriate for both in Eastern and Western US



Revised degradation curves and rock base yield strain compatible properties of generic profile 560-500 do not exhibit significant decrease in stiffness with depth



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Generic Profile 900-100 is modified by introducing steeper increase of top strata stiffness with depth



Generic Profile 900-200 is modified by introducing steeper increase of top >strata stiffness with depth





Generic Soil Profiles 560-100 and 560-200 are removed from the standard design basis database:

- The reflection of seismic waves at interface between the top softer soil strata and the baserock reduces SSI geometric damping resulting in sharp peak responses at resonant frequencies
- US-APWR DCD COL Item 3.7(25) requires site-specific SSI evaluation for every COL application to ensure safety of the plant for any sitespecific condition
- Removal of Soil Profiles 560-100 and 560-200 does not significantly affect the applicability of US-APWR standard design because:
 - COL applicants with similar site conditions can undertake remediation measures of top soil if necessary to mitigate the impact on design from SSI response amplifications
 - Removal of 560-100 and 560-200 profiles has a minor effect on the frequency distribution of SSI responses considered by US-APWR standard design





> Shear Column Frequencies of Top Soil Strata

Profile	Depth	Revised	Profiles	Current Profiles	
		Truncated	Full	Truncated	Full
270-500	500	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.8
270-200	200	2.2	1.7	2.2	1.7
560-500	500	1.4	1.2	1.3	1.2
560-200	200	Demoved		3.0	2.2
560-100	100	nemu	ived	7.7	4.2
900-200	200	8.3	5.1	7.5	5.0
900-100	100	17.8	7.7	17.3	8.2
2032-100	100	28.1	16.8	28.1	16.8





> Shear Column Frequencies of Top Soil Strata





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Peak Frequencies of Response at SSI Interface

 For each of the current and revised generic profiles, acceleration transfer functions (ATF's) are calculated at center of basemat bottom using the R/B Complex Finite Element Model with full (uncracked concrete) properties and reduced (cracked concrete) properties








Peak Frequencies of Response at SSI Interface Preliminary Results

	Current Profiles			Revised Profiles		
Soil Profile	Peak Frequency (Hz)			Peak Frequency (Hz)		
	NS	EW	Vertical	NS	EW	Vertical
270-500 Cracked	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.5	2.2
270-500 Uncracked	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	2.2
270-200 Cracked	1.8	1.7	2.9	1.7	1.6	2.4
270-200 Uncracked	1.8	1.8	2.9	1.8	1.7	2.4
560-500 Cracked	2.1	2.0	3.2	2.4	2.3	3.7
560-500 Uncracked	2.3	2.2	3.3	2.2	2.1	3.7
560-200 Cracked	2.1	2.0	3.3	Removed		
560-200 Uncracked	2.2	2.1	3.4			
560-100 Cracked	2.3	2.2	4.5	Removed		
560-100 Uncracked	2.7	2.6	4.5			
900-200 Cracked	2.8	2.8	7.0	2.8	2.8	7.0
900-200 Uncracked	3.8	3.8	8.3	3.9	3.8	8.5
900-100 Cracked	2.9	2.9	7.3	2.9	2.9	7.2
900-100 Uncracked	3.9	3.9	9.3	3.9	3.9	9.0
2032-100 Cracked	2.9	2.9	7.3	2.9	2.9	7.3
2032-100 Uncracked	4.1	4.0	9.4	4.1	4.0	9.6





Peak Frequencies of NS Response at SSI Interface





Peak Frequencies of EW Response at SSI Interface





Peak Frequencies of Vertical Response at SSI Interface



Revised Profiles of Strain Compatible S and P Wave Velocities





Top Soil Strain Compatible S-Wave Velocities of Revised Generic Profiles





Top Soil Strain Compatible P-Wave Velocities of Revised Generic Profiles





> Top Soil Strain Compatible Damping of Revised Soil Profiles



Deliverables



- Technical Reports
 - ✓ MUAP-10001 Rev. 4
 - ✓ MUAP-10006 Rev. 2
 - ✓ MUAP-11001 Rev. 2
 - ✓ MUAP-11002 Rev. 1
- DCD Mark-up



Summary



- The current standard design database of generic soil profiles is revised and total number of generic soil profiles is reduced from 8 to 6
- Revisions help address some of the NRC concerns noted in RAI's 821-5984 and 559-5133
- US-APWR DCD COL Item 3.7(25) requires site-specific SSI evaluation for every COL application to ensure safety of the plant for any specific site condition
- The revised generic profiles provide a sufficiently wide range of possible SSI responses to ensure wide applicability of US-APWR standard design





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Issue Statement



- March 2011 changes made in methodology for seismic analyses resulted in amplification of building base shear and overturning moment response due to the DCD Time History thus impacting sliding stability and soil bearing pressures
- US-APWR DCD Time Histories based on the Northridge earthquake do not provide as good a fit to the CSDRS as the Time Histories developed from the Nahanni earthquake



Current Status



Existing time history seeds are time histories from the BAL (Mt. Baldy) recording of the January 24, 1994 Northridge Earthquake







- Replace the current seed records with the December 23, 1985 Nahanni Canada earthquake recorded at Site 3
- Develop three time histories from these seed records to match the CSDRS in accordance with NUREG 0800, Section 3.7.1, March 2007
- Use NUREG 0800 methodology compliant with Subsection 3.7.1.II.1B, Option 1, Approach 2.
- > Analysis methodology is unchanged
- Nahanni Epicenter is > 600 miles from the fault line between the North American Plate and the Pacific Plate





- The revised time histories resolve challenges associated with contact area ratio and subsequent bearing pressures
- The revised time histories help resolve sliding stability challenges

















DCD and Modified Nahanni Vertical Spectra - Component Z







NUREG 0800 3.7.1.II.1B, Option 1, Approach 2 Requirements for Nahanni Revised Time Histories

Requirement	X	Y	Z	
Nyquist Frequency is 100 Hz. Time step is 0.005 seconds				
Damping is 5%. Frequency scale is 0.10 to100.0 Hz				
Average all points	1.009	1.015	1.009	
Total Duration (GE 20 Sec.)	20.000	20.000	20.000	
Rise Time: Arias' Intensity (GE 1 Sec)	2.845	2.729	3.026	
Strong Motion: Arias' 5% to 75% (GE 7 S.)	7.795	8.286	7.165	
Decay Time: Arias' 75% to 100% (GE 5 S.)	9.360	8.985	9.809	





NUREG 0800 3.7.1.II.1B, Option 1, Approach 2 Requirements for Nahanni Revised Time Histories

Requirement	Х	Y	Z
	-0.0327		
Statistical Independence (ABS < 0.16)	0.1390		0.1390
		0.1170	
Number of points with acc. ratio > 1.3 (if 0 OK)	0	0	0
Number of points with acc. ratio < 0.9 (if 0 OK)	0	0	0
Number of windows wider than 9 points below target spectra (if 0 OK)	0	0	0

The revised time histories comply with all the NUREG 0800 3.7.1.II.1B, Option 1, Approach 2 requirements



Arias Intensity plots showing % Intensity Vs Time

Arias Intensity - Modified Nahanni Earthquake Station 3 to Fit CSDRS



Plot demonstrates reasonable intensity input with time.



Deliverables



- Technical Reports
 - ✓ MUAP-10001 Rev. 4
 - ✓ MUAP-10006 Rev. 2
 - ✓ MUAP-11001 Rev. 2
 - ✓ MUAP-11002 Rev. 1
 - ✓ MUAP-11011 Rev. 1

DCD Mark-up





Summary



- MHI will document methodology and results for revised time histories in the October revision of Technical Reports
- DCD will be updated to include the revised time histories in MUAP-10001 Rev. 4







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Modifications to Standard Plant: Gap Between Structures and Foundation Enhancements

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Issue Statement



- Results of analyses indicate the current gap between standard plant structures of 4" is insufficient, which could impact the structural integrity of adjacent Seismic Category I structures
- Stability evaluations based on current design inputs indicate that maintaining a margin of 1.1 against sliding presents a challenge for Standard Plant Structures



Current Status



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> The calculated gap closure is based on:

- ✓ Seismic SSI Displacements
- ✓ Settlement/Tilt
- ✓ Sliding Displacement (Shear Key Engagement)
- The total gap closure is determined by an absolute summation of displacements
- Investigations are ongoing to confirm the following do not impact the required gap:
 - ✓ SSSI
 - ✓ Embedment
 - ✓ Overturning/Uplift



Current Status – Seismic SSI



- SSI displacements based on
 - ✓ Displacements are relative to center of basemat
 - Envelope of maximum displacements across interfacing wall
- Current SSI displacement values are based on analysis performed for previous soil cases and input motion
 - For R/B, PS/B, and A/B, displacements relative to basemat center are approximated by reducing the maximum displacement-relative-to-free-field at critical areas by 90% of the maximum displacement-relative-to-free-field of the basemat
 - ✓ For T/B, maximum displacements relative to free field are conservatively considered



Current Status – Settlement



- Settlement analysis was performed for softest soil condition (270-500) to determine reasonable relative tilt between structures during operation
 0.014% or 1/7,143 for a sand site
 0.068% or 1/1,471 for a remediated clay site
- Maximum allowable R/B tilt of 1/2,000 per DCD
- A maximum relative tilt between structures of 1/1,000 is considered.
 - Maximum relative tilt is multiplied by the height from basemat to maximum height of structure to determine tilt displacement



Current Status – Sliding



- A limit equilibrium analysis determined that shear keys may be required to ensure stability for all structures
- A required shear key depth of 15 ft is selected based on initial evaluations for purposes of the current gap closure estimate
- Sliding displacement conservatively considered as 1% of the required depth of the shear key for stability



Current Status – Displacement Results

		Displacement			
		Seismic SSI	Settlement/Tilt	Sliding	Total
R/B - A/B	R/B West Wall Col. Line AR – JR	1.259	1.647	1.8	7.470
Elev. Below 101'	A/B East Wall	0.964		1.8	
R/B - PS/B West	R/B West Wall Col. Line JR - LR	0.693	1.023	1.8	5.675
Elev. Below 49'	PS/B East Wall	0.359		1.8	
R/B - PS/B Fast	R/B East Wall Col. Line JR - LR	0.711	1.023	1.8	5.693
Elev. Below 49'	PS/B East Wall	0.359		1.8	
R/B - T/B	R/B South Wall	0.376	0.479	1.8	A 75A
Elev. Below 3'-7"	T/B North Wall	0.300	0.478	1.8	4.734
R/B - T/B	R/B South Wall	0.788		1.8	
Elev. Below 61' (25'' gap)	T/B North Wall	2.32	1.167	1.8	7.875
PS/B - A/B	PS/B North Wall	0.638	1.002	1.8	5.767
Elev. Below 49'	A/B South Wall	0.506	1.023	1.8	





- The gap between all standard plant structures will increase to 16 inches, which provides:
 - ✓ Allowance for gap closure
 - ✓ Allowance for construction tolerances and settlement
 - ✓ Additional margin for safety
- Refine seismic displacement values considering:
 - ✓ Plant configuration with 16" gaps
 - ✓ Modified soil cases
 - ✓ Modified time history input
 - ✓ Details of required shear keys





- SSI displacement determined as absolute summation of maximum displacement-relative-to-basemat of interfacing walls
- Rotation/tilt displacement considered as maximum allowable rotation/tilt allowed by DCD
 DCD requirements to be updated
- Sliding displacement conservatively considered as 1% of the required depth of the shear key for stability



Deliverables



- Technical Reports
 - ✓ MUAP-10001 Rev. 4
 - ✓ MUAP-10006 Rev. 2
 - ✓ MUAP-11001 Rev. 2
 - ✓ MUAP-11002 Rev. 1
 - ✓ UAP-SGI-08001 Rev. 4
 - ✓ UAP-SGI-08002 Rev. 3

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Summary



- The gap will increase to 16 inches between standard plant structures, allowing margin for construction tolerances and margin of safety
- Gap closure requirements based on current results √7.5 in. (R/B – A/B)



