

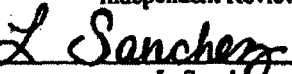





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**UNIT 2 COLR FOR CYCLE 13 REV. 8**  
**WITH APPENDIX A**  
**PROPRIETARY CLASS I (PUBLIC)**

**CORE OPERATING LIMITS REPORT**  
**FOR**  
**LIMERICK GENERATING STATION UNIT 2**  
**RELOAD 12, CYCLE 13**

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## 1.0 Terms and Definitions

ARTS	APRM, RBM, and Technical Specification Improvement Program
BASE	A case analyzed with Turbine Bypass System in service and Recirculation Pump Trip in service and Feedwater Temperature Reduction allowed (FFWTR includes FWHOOS or final feedwater temperature reduction) and PLUOOS allowed at any point during the cycle in Dual Loop mode.
DLO	Dual Loop Operation
DTSP	Rod Block Monitor Downscale Trip Setpoint
EOOS	Equipment Out of Service
EOR	End of Rated, the cycle exposure at which reactor power is equal to rated thermal power with recirculation system flow equal to 100%, all control rods fully withdrawn, all feedwater heating in service and equilibrium Xenon.
FFWTR	Final Feedwater Temperature Reduction
FWHOOS	Feedwater Heaters Out of Service
HTSP	Rod Block Monitor High Trip Setpoint
ICF	Increased Core Flow
ITSP	Rod Block Monitor Intermediate Trip Setpoint
Kp	Off-rated power dependent OLMCPR multiplier
LHGR	Linear Heat Generation Rate
LHGRFAC(F)	ARTS LHGR thermal limit flow dependent multipliers
LHGRFAC(P)	ARTS LHGR thermal limit power dependent multipliers
LTSP	Rod Block Monitor Low Trip Setpoint
MAPFAC(F)	Off-rated flow dependent MAPLHGR multiplier
MAPFAC(P)	Off-rated power dependent MAPLHGR multiplier
MAPLHGR	Maximum Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate
MCPR	Minimum Critical Power Ratio
MCPR(F)	Off-rated flow dependent OLMCPR multiplier
MCPR(P)	Off-rated power dependent OLMCPR multiplier

MELLLA	Maximum Extended Load Line Limit Analysis
OLMCPR	Operating Limit Minimum Critical Power Ratio
OPRM	Oscillation Power Range Monitor
PBDA	Period Based Detection Algorithm
PLUOOS	Power Load Unbalance Out of Service
RBM	Rod Block Monitor
RPTIS	Recirculation Pump Trip in Service
RPTOOS	Recirculation Pump Trip Out of Service
SLO	Single Loop Operation
TBVIS	Turbine Bypass Valves in Service
TBVOOS	Turbine Bypass Valves Out of Service

## 2.0 General Information

This report provides the following cycle-specific parameter limits for Limerick Generating Station Unit 2 Cycle 13:

- Maximum Average Planar Linear Heat Generation Rate (MAPLHGR)
- Minimum Critical Power Ratio (MCPR)
- Single Loop Operation (SLO) OLMCPR adjustment
- Off-rated OLMCPR adjustments (MCPR(P) or MCPR(F))
- Off-rated OLMCPR multipliers (K(P))
- Off-rated LHGR multipliers (LHGRFAC(P) or LHGRFAC(F))
- Rod Block Monitor (RBM) setpoints
- MAPLHGR single loop operation multiplier
- LHGR single loop operation multiplier
- Linear Heat Generation Rate (LHGR)
- Turbine Bypass Valve parameters
- Reactor Coolant System Recirculation Flow Upscale Trips
- Oscillation Power Range Monitor Period Based Detection Algorithm (OPRM PBDA) Trip Setpoints

This report is prepared in accordance with Technical Specification 6.9.1.9 of Reference 1. Preparation of this report was performed in accordance with Exelon Nuclear, Nuclear Fuels T&RM NF-AB-120-3600.

The data presented in this report is valid for all licensed operating domains on the operating map, including:

- Maximum Extended Load Line Limit down to 82.9% of rated core flow during full power operation
- Increased Core Flow (ICF) up to 110% of rated core flow
- Final Feedwater Temperature Reduction (FFWTR) up to 105°F during cycle extension operation
- Feedwater Heater Out of Service (FWHOOS) up to 60°F feedwater temperature reduction at any time during the cycle prior to cycle extension.

Further information on the cycle specific analyses for Limerick 2 Cycle 13 and the associated operating domains discussed above is available in Reference 2.

**3.0 MAPLHGR Limits**

**3.1 Technical Specification**

Section 3.2.1

**3.2 Description**

The limiting MAPLHGR value for the most limiting lattice (excluding natural uranium) of each fuel type as a function of average planar exposure is given in Tables 3-1 and 3-2. For single loop operation, a multiplier is used, which is shown in Table 3-3. The power and flow dependent multipliers for MAPLHGR have been removed and replaced with LHGRFAC(P) and LHGRFAC(F); therefore, MAPFAC(P) and MAPFAC(F) are equal to 1.0 for all power and flow conditions (Reference 2). LHGRFAC(P) and LHGRFAC(F) are addressed in Section 5.0.

**TABLE 3-1  
 MAPLHGR versus Average Planar Exposure – GE14  
 (Reference 2)**

Average Planar Exposure (GWD/ST)	MAPLHGR Limit (kW/ft)
0.0	12.82
14.51	12.82
19.13	12.82
57.61	8.00
63.50	5.00

**TABLE 3-2  
 MAPLHGR versus Average Planar Exposure – GNF2  
 (Reference 2)**

Average Planar Exposure (GWD/ST)	MAPLHGR Limit (kW/ft)
0.0	13.78
17.52	13.78
60.78	7.50
63.50	6.69

**TABLE 3-3  
 MAPLHGR Single Loop Operation (SLO) Multiplier – All Fuel Types  
 (Reference 2)**

SLO Multiplier	0.80
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## 4.0 MCPR Limits

### 4.1 Technical Specification

#### Section 3.2.3

### 4.2 Description

Table 4-1 is derived from Reference 2 and is valid for all fuel types and all operating domains. Table 4-1 includes treatment of these MCPR limits for all conditions listed in Section 9.0, Modes of Operation.

ARTS provides for power and flow dependent thermal limit adjustments and multipliers, which allow for a more reliable administration of the MCPR thermal limit. The flow dependent adjustment MCPR(F) is sufficiently generic to apply to all fuel types and operating domains. The power dependent adjustment MCPR(P) is independent of recirculation pump trip operability. MCPR(P) and MCPR(F) are independent of Scram Time Option. In addition, there are six sets of power dependent MCPR multipliers ( $K_p$ ) for use with BASE, TBVOOS, RPTOOS, DLO and SLO conditions. The PLUOOS condition is included in the BASE MCPR(P) and MCPR(F) limits and  $K_p$  multipliers and is bounded by the TBVOOS limits and multipliers; therefore, no additional adjustments are required for PLUOOS in those operating conditions. The PLUOOS condition has **not** been analyzed concurrent with the RPTOOS operating condition. Operation in the PLUOOS condition concurrent with the RPTOOS condition requires core thermal power < 55% of rated (Reference 3). Section 7.0 contains the conditions for Turbine Bypass Valve Operability. MCPR(P) and MCPR(F) adjustments are provided in Tables 4-2 and 4-3. The OLMCPR is determined for a given power and flow condition by evaluating the power dependent MCPR and the flow dependent MCPR and selecting the greater of the two.

**TABLE 4-1**  
**Operating Limit Minimum Critical Power Ratio (OLMCPR) – All Fuel Types**  
**(Reference 2)**

EOOS Combination	SCRAM Time Option <sup>(1)</sup>	Cycle Exposure	
		< EOR – 4827 MWd/ST	≥ EOR – 4827 MWd/ST
BASE	B	1.47 <sup>(2)</sup>	1.47 <sup>(2)</sup>
	A	1.47 <sup>(2)</sup>	1.47 <sup>(2)</sup>
BASE SLO <sup>(3)</sup>	B	1.58	1.58
	A	1.58	1.58
TBVOOS	B	1.47 <sup>(2)</sup>	1.47 <sup>(2)</sup>
	A	1.47 <sup>(2)</sup>	1.48
TBVOOS SLO <sup>(3)</sup>	B	1.58	1.58
	A	1.58	1.58
RPTOOS	B	1.47 <sup>(2)</sup>	1.47 <sup>(2)</sup>
	A	1.55	1.58
RPTOOS SLO <sup>(3)</sup>	B	1.58	1.58
	A	1.58	1.61

<sup>1</sup> When Tau does not equal 0 or 1, determine OLMCPR via linear interpolation.

<sup>2</sup> Value is set by the Loss of Stator Cooling (LOSC) event.

<sup>3</sup> For single-loop operation, the MCPR operating limit is 0.03 greater than the analyzed two loop value. However, a minimum value of 1.58 is required to obtain an OLMCPR limit set by the Single Loop Operation Recirculation Pump Seizure Event.

**TABLE 4-2**  
**Power Dependent MCPR Limits and Multipliers MCPR(P) and Kp – All Fuel Types**  
**(Reference 2)**

EOOS Combination	Core Flow (% of rated)	Core Thermal Power (% of Rated)						
		0	25	< 30	≥ 30	65	85	100
		MCPR(P)			Operating Limit MCPR Multiplier, Kp			
Base	≤ 60	2.50	2.50	2.40	1.340	1.131	1.067	1.000
	> 60	2.75	2.75	2.55				
Base SLO	≤ 60	2.53	2.53	2.43	1.340	1.131	1.067	1.000
	> 60	2.78	2.78	2.58				
TBVOOS	≤ 60	3.25	3.25	2.75	1.340	1.131	1.067	1.000
	> 60	3.75	3.75	3.25				
TBVOOS SLO	≤ 60	3.28	3.28	2.78	1.340	1.131	1.067	1.000
	> 60	3.78	3.78	3.28				
RPTOOS	≤ 60	2.50	2.50	2.40	1.340	1.131	1.067	1.000
	> 60	2.75	2.75	2.55				
RPTOOS SLO	≤ 60	2.53	2.53	2.43	1.340	1.131	1.067	1.000
	> 60	2.78	2.78	2.58				

**TABLE 4-3**  
**Flow Dependent MCPR Limits MCPR(F) – All Fuel Types**  
**(Reference 2)**

Flow (% rated)	MCPR(F) Limit
0.0	1.70
30.0	1.53
79.0	1.25
110.0	1.25

**5.0 LHGR Limits**

5.1 Technical Specification

Section 3.2.4

5.2 Description

The LHGR limit is the product of the exposure dependent LHGR limit (from Table 5-1 for UO<sub>2</sub> fuel rods and Table 5-2 for Gadolinia fuel rods) and the minimum of: the power dependent LHGR Factor, LHGRFAC(P), and the flow dependent LHGR Factor, LHGRFAC(F). For single loop operation, a multiplier is used, which is shown in Table 5-3 and applied in Table 5-5. No further Single Loop Operating multipliers need to be applied to the values in Tables 5-4 and 5-5.

ARTS provides for power and flow dependent thermal limit multipliers, which allow for a more reliable administration of the LHGR thermal limits. There are two sets of flow dependent LHGR multipliers for dual-loop and single-loop operation. In addition, there are six sets of power dependent LHGR multipliers for use with the BASE, TBVOOS, RPTOOS, DLO and SLO conditions. The PLUOOS condition is included in the BASE LHGRFAC(P) and LHGRFAC(F) multipliers and is bounded by the TBVOOS multipliers; therefore, no additional adjustments are required for PLUOOS in those operating conditions. The PLUOOS condition has **not** been analyzed concurrent with the RPTOOS operating condition. Operation in the PLUOOS condition concurrent with the RPTOOS condition requires core thermal power < 55% of rated (Reference 3). Section 7.0 contains the conditions for Turbine Bypass Valve Operability. The LHGR multipliers are shown in Tables 5-4 and 5-5. Linear interpolation should be used for points not listed in Appendix A.

Thermal limit monitoring must be performed with the more limiting LHGR limit resulting from the power and flow biased calculation. The LHGRFAC(P) curves are independent of recirculation pump trip operability.

**TABLE 5-1  
 Linear Heat Generation Rate Limits – UO<sub>2</sub> Rods  
 (Reference 5)**

Fuel Type	LHGR
GE14	See Appendix A
GNF2	See Appendix A

**TABLE 5-2  
 Linear Heat Generation Rate Limits – Gad Rods  
 (Reference 5)**

Fuel Type	LHGR
GE14	See Appendix A
GNF2	See Appendix A

**TABLE 5-3**  
**LHGR Single Loop Operation (SLO) Multiplier – All Fuel Types**  
 (Reference 2)

SLO Multiplier <sup>1</sup>	0.80
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**TABLE 5-4**  
**Power Dependent LHGR Multiplier LHGRFAC(P) – All Fuel Types**  
 (Reference 2)

EOOS Combination	Core Flow (% of rated)	Core Thermal Power (% of rated)						
		0	25	< 30	≥ 30	65	85	100
		LHGRFAC(P) Multiplier						
BASE	≤ 60	0.485	0.485	0.490	0.750	0.817	0.922	1.000
	> 60	0.434	0.434	0.473				
BASE SLO	≤ 60	0.485	0.485	0.490	0.750	0.817	0.922	1.000
	> 60	0.434	0.434	0.473				
TBVOOS	≤ 60	0.463	0.463	0.490	0.750	0.817	0.922	1.000
	> 60	0.352	0.352	0.386				
TBVOOS SLO	≤ 60	0.463	0.463	0.490	0.750	0.817	0.922	1.000
	> 60	0.352	0.352	0.386				
RPTOOS	≤ 60	0.485	0.485	0.490	0.750	0.817	0.922	1.000
	> 60	0.434	0.434	0.473				
RPTOOS SLO	≤ 60	0.485	0.485	0.490	0.750	0.817	0.922	1.000
	> 60	0.434	0.434	0.473				

**TABLE 5-5**  
**Flow Dependent LHGR Multiplier LHGRFAC(F) – All Fuel Types**  
 (Reference 2)

EOOS Combination	Core Flow (% of rated)					
	0	30	44.082	70	80	110
	LHGRFAC(F) Multiplier					
Dual Loop	0.506	0.706		0.973	1.000	1.000
Single Loop	0.506	0.706	0.800			0.800

<sup>1</sup> Applied through Table 5-5

## 6.0 Control Rod Block Setpoints

### 6.1 Technical Specification

Sections 3.1.4.3 and 3.3.6

### 6.2 Description

The ARTS Rod Block Monitor provides for power-dependent RBM trips. Technical Specification 3.3.6 states control rod block instrumentation channels shall be OPERABLE with their trip setpoints consistent with the values shown in the Trip Setpoint column of Technical Specification Table 3.3.6-2. The trip setpoints/allowable values and applicable RBM signal filter time constant data are shown in Table 6-1. The Reactor Coolant System Recirculation Flow Upscale Trip is shown in Table 6-2. These setpoints are set high enough to allow full utilization of the enhanced ICF domain up to 110% of rated core flow.

**TABLE 6-1**  
**Rod Block Monitor Setpoints<sup>1</sup>**  
 (References 2 and 4)

Power Level	Analytical Limit	Allowable Value	Nominal Trip Setpoint
LTSP	123.0%	121.5%	121.5%
ITSP	118.0%	116.5%	116.5%
HTSP	113.2%	111.7%	111.0%
DTSP	No Limitation	2.0%	5.0%

**TABLE 6-2**  
**Reactor Coolant System Recirculation Flow Upscale Trip**  
 (Reference 4)

Analytical Limit	N/A
Allowable Value	115.6%
Nominal Trip Setpoint	113.4%

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<sup>1</sup> These setpoints (with Rod Block Monitor filter time constant between 0.1 seconds and 0.55 seconds) are based on a cycle-specific rated RWE MCPR limit of 1.32, which is less than the minimum cycle OLMCPR.

**7.0 Turbine Bypass Valve Parameters**

7.1 Technical Specification

Section 3.7.8 and 4.7.8.c

7.2 Description

The operability requirements for the steam bypass system are found in Tables 7-1 and 7-2. If these requirements cannot be met, the MCPR, MCPR(P) and LHGRFAC(P) limits for inoperable Steam Bypass System, known as Turbine Bypass Valve Out Of Service (TBVOOS), must be used. Additional information on the operability of the turbine bypass system can be found in Reference 6.

**TABLE 7-1  
 Turbine Bypass System Response Time  
 (Reference 3)**

Maximum delay time before start of bypass valve opening following generation of the turbine bypass valve flow signal	0.11 sec
Maximum time after generation of a turbine bypass valve flow signal for bypass valve position to reach 80% of full flow (includes the above delay time)	0.31 sec

**TABLE 7-2  
 Minimum Required Bypass Valves To Maintain System Operability  
 (Reference 3)**

Reactor Power	No. of Valves in Service
$P \geq 25\%$	7

**8.0 Stability Protection Setpoints**

8.1 Technical Specification

Section 2.2.1

8.2 Description

The Limerick 2 Cycle 13 OPRM PBDA Trip Setpoints for the OPRM System are found in Table 8-1. These values are based on the cycle specific analysis documented in Reference 2. The setpoints provided in Table 8-1 are bounding for all modes of operation shown in Table 9-1.

**TABLE 8-1  
 OPRM PBDA Trip Setpoints  
 (Reference 2)**

PBDA Trip Amplitude	Corresponding Maximum Confirmation Count Trip Setting
≤ 1.12	≤ 14

**9.0 Modes of Operation**

**TABLE 9-1  
 Modes of Operation  
 (Reference 2)**

EOOS Options	Operating Region <sup>1</sup>
BASE, Option A or B	Yes <sup>2</sup>
BASE SLO, Option A or B	Yes <sup>2</sup>
TBVOOS, Option A or B	Yes <sup>2</sup>
TBVOOS SLO, Option A or B	Yes <sup>2</sup>
RPTOOS, Option A or B	Yes <sup>3</sup>
RPTOOS SLO, Option A or B	Yes <sup>3</sup>
TBVOOS and RPTOOS, Option A or B	No
TBVOOS and RPTOOS SLO, Option A or B	No

<sup>1</sup> Operating Region refers to operation on the Power to Flow map with or without FFWTR/FWHOOS.

<sup>2</sup> The PLUOOS condition is supported in this mode of operation with no power reduction required.

<sup>3</sup> The PLUOOS condition requires core thermal power level < 55% of rated (Reference 3).



## 10.0 Methodology

The analytical methods used to determine the core operating limits shall be those previously reviewed and approved by the NRC, specifically those described in the following document:

1. "General Electric Standard Application for Reactor Fuel", Global Nuclear Fuel Document, NEDE-24011-P-A-19, May 2012 and the U.S. Supplement NEDE-24011-P-A-19-US, May 2012.
2. "Reactor Stability Detect and Suppress Solutions Licensing Basis Methodology for Reload Applications", GENE Document, NEDO-32465-A, August 1996.

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2. "Supplemental Reload Licensing Report for Limerick Unit 2 Reload 12 Cycle 13", Global Nuclear Fuel Document No. 0000-0157-6733-SRLR, Rev. 2, March 2013.
3. "Final Resolved OPL-3 Parameters for Limerick Unit 2 Cycle 13", Exelon TODI ES1200015 Rev. 0, November 7, 2012.
4. "GE NUMAC PRNM Setpoint Study", Exelon Design Analysis LE-0107, Rev. 2, February 23, 2012.
5. "Fuel Bundle Information Report for Limerick Unit 2 Reload 12 Cycle 13", Global Nuclear Fuel Document No. 0000-0157-6733-FBIR-NP, Rev. 0, February 2013.
6. "Tech Eval Stop Valve Load Limit Documentation", Exelon Document IR 917231 Assignment 7, November 11, 2009.

**Appendix A**  
**(38 pages)**