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## VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY SURRY POWER STATION UNITS 1 AND 2 ANNUAL SUBMITTAL OF TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS BASES CHANGES PURSUANT TO TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION 6.4.J

Pursuant to Technical Specification 6.4.J, "Technical Specifications (TS) Bases Control Program," Dominion hereby submits a change to the Bases of the Surry TS implemented between October 1, 2012 and September 30, 2013.

A TS Bases change that was submitted to the NRC for information along with an associated License Amendment Request transmittal, submitted pursuant to 10CFR50.90, was reviewed and approved by the Facility Safety Review Committee. This change was implemented with the respective License Amendment. A summary of this change is provided in Attachment 1.

Current TS Bases pages reflecting the change discussed in Attachment 1 are provided in Attachment 2.

If you have any questions regarding this transmittal, please contact Mrs. Candee G. Lovett at (757) 365-2178.

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Attachments:

- 1. Summary of TS Bases Change Associated with License Amendments
- 2. Current TS Bases Pages

Commitments made in this letter: None.

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### Attachment 1 Serial No. 13-548

Summary of TS Bases Change Associated with License Amendments

Surry Power Station Units 1 and 2 Virginia Electric and Power Company (Dominion) .

#### SUMMARY OF TS BASES CHANGE ASSOCIATED WITH LICENSE AMENDMENTS

## Revision of Steam Generator Program to Adopt TSTF-510, Revision 2 (TS Bases Pages TS 3.1-28, TS 3.1-30, TS 4.19-1, TS 4.19-2, and TS 4.19-2a)

These amendments revised Limiting Condition for Operation (LCO) 3.1.H, "Steam Generator (SG) Tube Integrity," TS 6.4.Q, "Steam Generator (SG) Program," and TS 6.6.A.3, "Steam Generator Tube Inspection Report." These TS changes and associated TS Bases changes summarize and clarify the purpose of the TS in accordance with TS Task Force Traveler (TSTF) 510, Revision 2, "Revision to Steam Generator Program Inspection Frequencies and Tube Sample Selection."

The associated Bases changes were included for information in a July 31, 2012 letter (Serial No. 12-487). These changes were incorporated into the Bases as part of the March 20, 2013 implementation of License Amendments 278/278 issued on January 28, 2013.

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Current TS Bases Pages

Surry Power Station Units 1 and 2 Virginia Electric and Power Company (Dominion)

#### Steam generator tube integrity satisfies Criterion 2 of 10 CFR 50.36(c)(2)(ii).

<u>LIMITING CONDITIONS FOR OPERATION</u> - The LCO requires that SG tube integrity be maintained. The LCO also requires that all SG tubes that satisfy the plugging criteria be plugged in accordance with the Steam Generator Program.

During an SG inspection, any inspected tube that satisfies the Steam Generator Program plugging criteria is removed from service by plugging. If a tube was determined to satisfy the plugging criteria but was not plugged, the tube may still have tube integrity.

In the context of this Specification, a SG tube is defined as the entire length of the tube, including the tube wall between the tube-to-tubesheet weld at the tube inlet and the tube-to-tubesheet weld at the tube outlet. The tube-to-tubesheet weld is not considered part of the tube.

A SG tube has tube integrity when it satisfies the SG performance criteria. The SG performance criteria are defined in Specification 6.4.Q, "Steam Generator Program," and describe acceptable SG tube performance. The Steam Generator Program also provides the evaluation process for determining conformance with the SG performance criteria.

There are three SG performance criteria: structural integrity, accident induced leakage, and operational LEAKAGE. Failure to meet any one of these criteria is considered failure to meet the LCO.

The structural integrity performance criterion provides a margin of safety against tube burst or collapse under normal and accident conditions, and ensures structural integrity of the SG tubes under all anticipated transients included in the design specification. Tube burst is defined as, "The gross structural failure of the tube wall. The condition typically corresponds to an unstable opening displacement (e.g., opening area increased in response to constant pressure) accompanied by ductile (plastic) tearing of the tube material at the ends of the degradation." Tube collapse is defined as, "For the load displacement curve for a given structure, collapse occurs at the top of the load versus displacement curve where the slope of the curve becomes zero." The structural integrity performance criterion provides guidance on assessing loads that significantly affect burst or collapse. In that context, the term "significantly" is defined as "An accident loading condition other than differential pressure is considered significant when the addition of such loads in the assessment of the structural integrity performance criterion could cause a lower structural limit or limiting burst/collapse condition to be established." For tube integrity evaluations, except for circumferential degradation, axial thermal loads are classified as secondary loads. For circumferential degradation, the classification of axial thermal loads as primary or secondary loads will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. The division between primary and secondary classifications will be based on detailed analysis and/or testing.

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## 3.1.H.2.a and b

Specification 3.1.H.2 applies if it is discovered that one or more SG tubes examined in an inservice inspection satisfy the tube plugging criteria but were not plugged in accordance with the Steam Generator Program as required by SR 4.19. An evaluation of SG tube integrity of the affected tube(s) must be made. Steam generator tube integrity is based on meeting the SG performance criteria described in the Steam Generator Program. The SG plugging criteria define limits on SG tube degradation that allow for flaw growth between inspections while still providing assurance that the SG performance criteria will continue to be met. In order to determine if a SG tube that should have been plugged has tube integrity, an evaluation must be completed that demonstrates that the SG performance criteria will continue to be met until the next refueling outage or SG tube inspection. The tube integrity determination is based on the estimated condition of the tube at the time the situation is discovered and the estimated growth of the degradation prior to the next SG tube inspection. If it is determined that tube integrity is not being maintained, Specification 3.1.H.3 applies.

A completion time of 7 days is sufficient to complete the evaluation while minimizing the risk of unit operation with a SG tube that may not have tube integrity.

If the evaluation determines that the affected tube(s) have tube integrity, required action 3.1.H.2.b allows unit operation to continue until the next refueling outage or SG inspection provided the inspection interval continues to be supported by an operational assessment that reflects the affected tubes. However, the affected tube(s) must be plugged prior to Tavg exceeding 200°F following the next refueling outage or SG inspection. This completion time is acceptable since operation until the next inspection is supported by the operational assessment.

## <u>3.1.H.3</u>

If the required actions and associated completion times of Specification 3.1.H.2 are not met or if SG tube integrity is not being maintained, the reactor must be brought to HOT SHUTDOWN within 6 hours and COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours.

The allowed completion times are reasonable, based on operating experience, to reach the desired unit conditions from full power conditions in an orderly manner and without challenging plant systems.

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#### 4.19 STEAM GENERATOR (SG) TUBE INTEGRITY

## Applicability

Applies to the verification of SG tube integrity in accordance with the Steam Generator Program.

#### **Objective**

To provide assurance of SG tube integrity.

## **Specifications**

- A. Verify SG tube integrity in accordance with the Steam Generator Program.
- B. Verify that each inspected SG tube that satisfies the tube plugging criteria is plugged in accordance with the Steam Generator Program prior to  $T_{avg}$  exceeding 200°F following a SG tube inspection.

## **BASES**

# SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS (SR)

## <u>SR 4.19.A</u>

During shutdown periods the SGs are inspected as required by this SR and the Steam Generator Program. NEI 97-06, Steam Generator Program Guidelines (Ref. 1), and its referenced EPRI Guidelines, establish the content of the Steam Generator Program. Use of the Steam Generator Program ensures that the inspection is appropriate and consistent with accepted industry practices.

During SG inspections a condition monitoring assessment of the SG tubes is performed. The condition monitoring assessment determines the "as found" condition of the SG tubes. The purpose of the condition monitoring assessment is to ensure that the SG performance criteria have been met for the previous operating period.

The Steam Generator Program determines the scope of the inspection and the methods used to determine whether the tubes contain flaws satisfying the tube plugging criteria. Inspection scope (i.e., which tubes or areas of tubing within the SG are to be inspected) is a function of existing and potential degradation locations. The Steam Generator Program also specifies the inspection methods to be used to find potential degradation. Inspection methods are a function of degradation morphology, non-destructive examination (NDE) technique capabilities, and inspection locations.

The Steam Generator Program defines the frequency of SR 4.19.A. The frequency is determined by the operational assessment and other limits in the SG examination guidelines (Ref. 7). The Steam Generator Program uses information on existing degradations and growth rates to determine an inspection frequency that provides reasonable assurance that the tubing will meet the SG performance criteria at the next scheduled inspection. In addition, Specification 6.4.Q contains prescriptive requirements concerning inspection intervals to provide added assurance that the SG performance criteria will be met between scheduled inspections. If crack indications are found in any SG tube, the maximum inspection interval for all affected and potentially affected SGs is restricted by Specification 6.4.Q until subsequent inspections support extending the inspection interval.

#### SR 4.19.B

During an SG inspection, any inspected tube that satisfies the Steam Generator Program plugging criteria is removed from service by plugging. The tube plugging criteria delineated in Specification 6.4.Q are intended to ensure that tubes accepted for continued service satisfy the SG performance criteria with allowance for error in the flaw size measurement and for future flaw growth. In addition, the tube plugging criteria, in conjunction with other elements of the Steam Generator Program, ensure that the SG performance criteria will continue to be met until the next inspection of the subject tube(s). Reference 1 and Reference 7 provide guidance for performing operational assessments to verify that the tubes remaining in service will continue to meet the SG performance criteria.

The frequency of prior to  $T_{avg}$  exceeding 200°F following a SG inspection ensures that the Surveillance has been completed and all tubes meeting the plugging criteria are plugged prior to subjecting the SG tubes to significant primary to secondary pressure differential.

#### **REFERENCES**

- 1. NEI 97-06, "Steam Generator Program Guidelines."
- 2. 10 CFR 50 Appendix A, GDC 19.
- 3. 10 CFR 50.67.
- 4. Regulatory Guide 1.183, "Alternative Radiological Source Terms for Evaluating Design Basis Accidents at Nuclear Power Reactors," July 2000.
- 5. ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section III, Subsection NB.
- 6. Draft Regulatory Guide 1.121, "Basis for Plugging Degraded Steam Generator Tubes," August 1976.
- 7. EPRI, "Pressurized Water Reactor Steam Generator Examination Guidelines."

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