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QUESTIONS

15.04.06-8

10 CFR Part 50 Appendix A, GDC 10 requires that the reactor core and associated coolant, control and protection systems shall be designed with appropriate margin to assure that specified acceptable fuel design limits are not exceeded during any condition of normal operation, including the effects of anticipated operational occurrences. The inadvertent reactor coolant system (RCS) boron dilution event is classified as anticipated operational occurrence per Standard Review Plan (SRP) 15.4.6. SRP 15.4.6 states the minimum departure from nucleate boiling ratio (DNBR) should be above the safety analysis DNBR limit for at power operations.

In response to RAI 8221, Question 15.4.6-5, the applicant stated that the reactivity insertion rate due to an at power boron dilution event is bounded by the control element assembly (CEA) withdrawal analyses of DCD Sections 15.4.1 and 15.4.2. The staff notes that the CEA withdrawal analyses do not violate the minimum DNBR limit as the variable overpower trip occurs limiting the power excursion. It is unclear to the staff that a slow reactivity insertion transient such as a boron dilution at power would be protected by the variable overpower trip. Therefore, please describe and update DCD section 15.4.6 with the reactor trip that would occur for an at power boron dilution event, and the technical basis why that reactor trip would prevent violating the minimum DNBR.



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