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Docket No. 50-220

LICENSEE: Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation
FACILITY: Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station Unit No. 1
SUBJECT: MEETING SUMMARY REGARDING THE JULY 15, 1991, MEETING TO DISCUSS
LICENSEE'S MAY 14, 1991, SUBMITTAL REGARDING TORUS WALL THINNING
AT NINE MILE POINT 1

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Enclosures:

1. List of Attendees
2. Staff Questions
3. Licensee Handout Material

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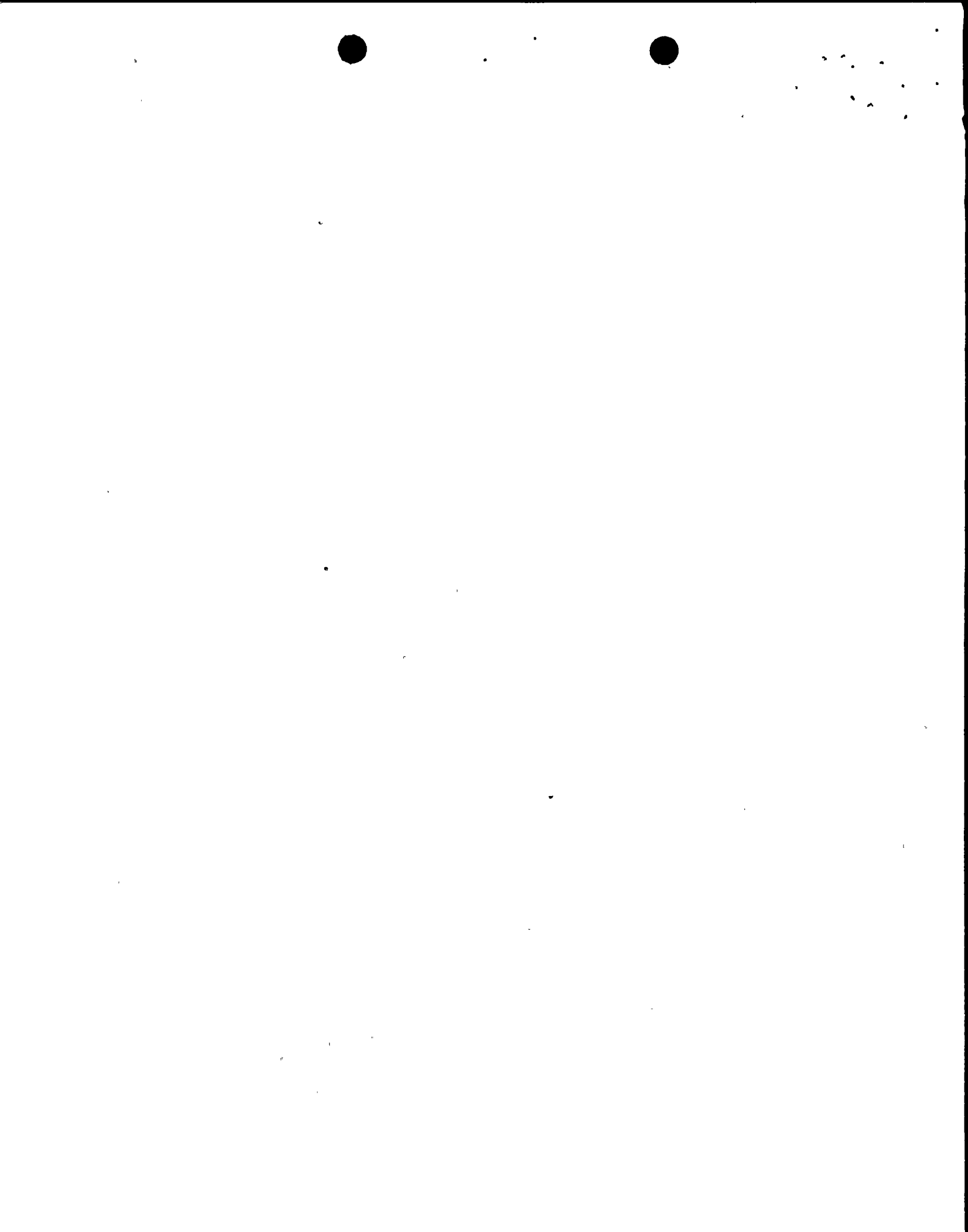
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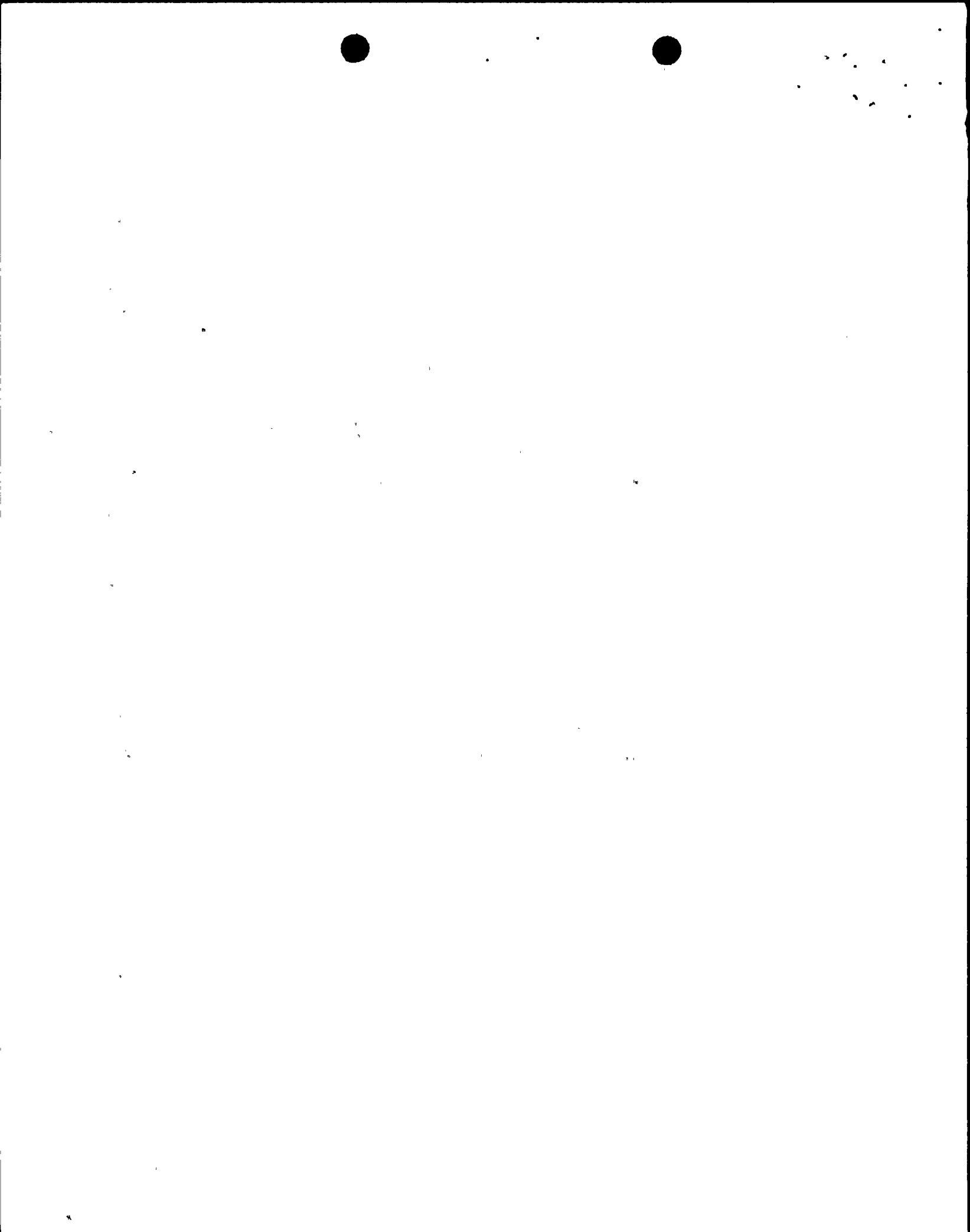
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ATTENDANCE LIST

July 15, 1991 Meeting to Discuss Licensee's May 14, 1991 Submittal
Regarding Torus Wall Thinning at NMP-1

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NMP1 TORUS QUESTIONS FOR
JULY 15, 1991 NRC MEETING

1. Tabulate the stresses resulting from each of the loads in the load combination which gives the controlling membrane stress for loads which consist of more than one component such as the seismic load which consists of two horizontal and one vertical components. Indicate the stresses due to these components and the manner in which these stresses are considered in the load combination. Indicate how the stresses from different dynamic loads are combined. The stresses for each of the loads in the same load combination from the original analysis are to be provided in the table for ease of comparison.
2. In the summary of controlling shell stresses on page 13, stresses for membrane and bending are listed. Indicate if the stresses for bending are from the bending of the torus as a beam or from the bending of the torus shell. If it is the bending of the torus as a beam, the stresses for bending should be considered as primary membrane stresses.
3. Are there any Appendix J implications associated with new analysis?
4. The letters dated 5/14/91, 4/23/91 do not describe the cause of the wall thinning. Is there another submittal? If not please provide a presentation on:
 1. The cause of the corrosion?
 2. The mechanism of the corrosion?
 3. Plans to mitigate the corrosion?
5. The 4/23/91 letter provides Torus Wall Thickness Measurement data. However, no Min Wall is identified in the data table? Also average thickness measurements fluctuate because instruments are sensitive to the amount of pressure placed on the metal? Please explain.
6. The location of the wall thickness measuring and the significance of where the data was taken needs to be defined from the 4/23/91 letter.
7. The presentation of 4/24/91 by NMP in the "Status of Corrosion" by L. McNeer reports trending of corrosion indicators - consistent results obtained from 1979 ? Please explain this point. Corrosion Rate - How does the UT data/C.R. compare with C.R. for the same material in same environment done in lab conditions?
8. Review of the conclusions in the 4/24/91 presentation indicates that NMP will not use a method to control the corrosion but will use a strengthening technique to allow continued operation.



July 15, 1991
Overview of NMPC
April 24, 1991 Presentation
And
May 14, 1991 Submittal

- Generic Mark I Program And NMP1 Modifications
- Torus Wall Thickness Program & Corrosion Monitoring
- Torus CO Load Reduction
- Submittal Overview
- NMPC Proposal



TORUS SHELL ANALYSIS

MARK I PROGRAM EVENT COMBINATIONS

- 27 Mark I Event Combinations Reduced to 4 bounding Event Combinations
- Bounding Event Combinations

<u>Number</u>	<u>Title</u>
14	Chug, O.B.E., S.B.A., S.R.V. (C.O.)
18	Pool Swell, O.B.E., D.B.A.
20	C.O., O.B.E., D.B.A. (Chug)
25	Pool Swell, S.S.E., D.B.A., S.R.V.

CO	▪ Condensation Oscillation Loads
Chug	▪ Chugging Loads
SBA	▪ Small Break Accident (Smaller Diameter Pipe Break)
DBA	▪ Design Basis Accident
SRV	▪ Safety Relief Valve Actuation
OBE	▪ Operating Basis Earthquake
SSE	▪ Safe Shutdown Earthquake



SUMMARY

MARK I MODIFICATIONS @ NINE MILE POINT UNIT 1

Y - Quenchers

Vent Head Deflectors

Downcomer Tie Straps

Saddles

Catwalk Removal

Relief Valve Vacuum Breakers

Torus Attached Piping

Resupport Of Relief Valve Discharge Lines



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TORUS WALL THICKNESS PROGRAM

I. HISTORY/BACKGROUND

- C.B.I. (1/16" Corrosion)
- Torus: ISI 1975-1988
6x6 12x12
- Mark I Program 1975-1984
- T.E.S. ---- Report 9/87 - 1/88
Established Minimum Wall Thickness
Requirements
- Further Evaluations - Weld Repair,
Proposal For Long Term Fix 2/5/88
- 1988 ISI/NRC Readings (UT) - April 1988



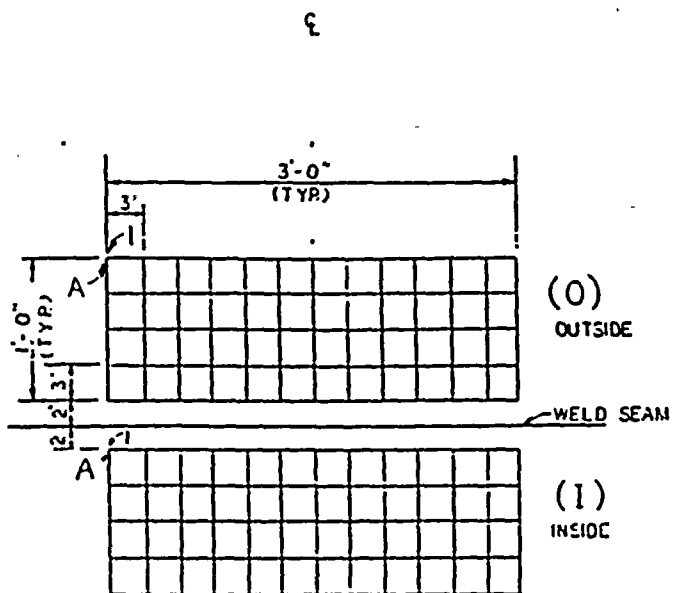
BACKGROUND (CONT'D)

RAP ISSUE: 1988 - 1989

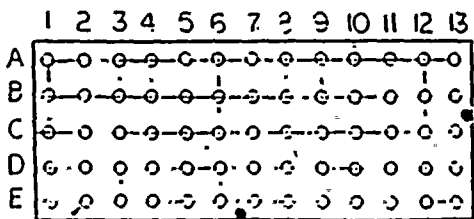
- NMPC Internal Review Of Torus Inspection Program
 - Established One-Time Sample Of All Bottom Mid Bay Areas - Aug 1989
 - Corrosion Rate Re-evaluated On Plate By-Plate Basis
 - Established Thinnest One-Time Sample Areas To Revisit Each 6 Mo.



UT MEASUREMENT LOCATIONS

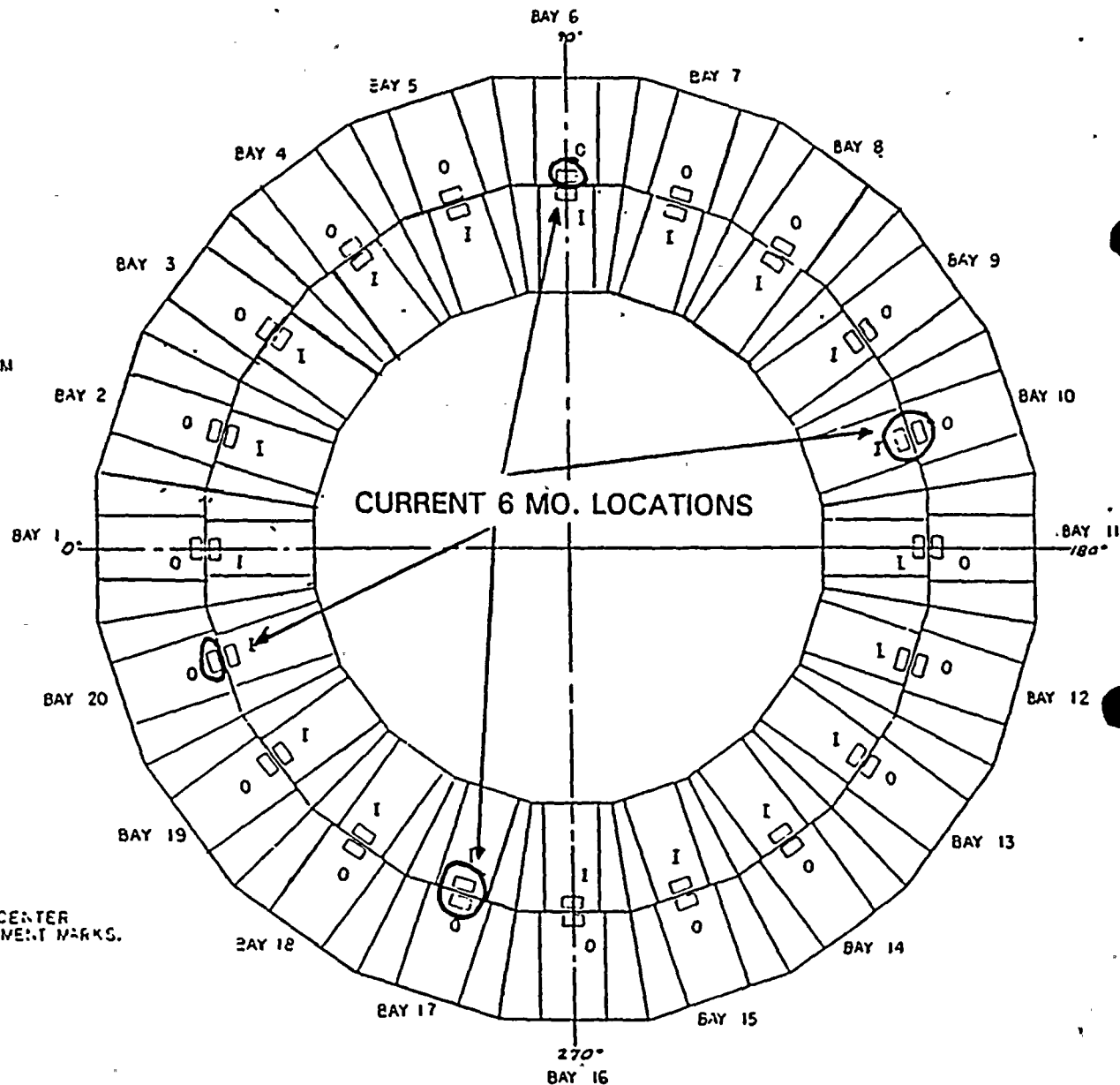


DETAIL
(TYPICAL OF BAYS 1 THRU 20)
SCALE: $\frac{3}{32}'' = 1'-0''$



NOMINAL 1" HOLES CENTERED AT GRID INTERSECTION LINES.

TEMPLATE



PLAN OF BOTTOM PLATES FOR SUPPRESSION CHAMBERS



- HIGH CONFIDENCE IN PREDICTED CORROSION RATE

- Avg. Corrosion Rate Based On UT Measurements On Plates Identifiable To Orig. Mil. Certs
- Includes 22 Yrs. Of Corrosion From Initial Torus Fill
- Correlates To Predicted Rate From 1979 Sludge Samples
- Predicted Rate Is Avg. Rate (0.8 Mils/Yr.) + Std. Deviation (0.2 Mils/Yr.)



DECISION NOT TO USE COATING

- Based On Following:
 - Effectiveness of Coatings In Industry (I.E., Useful Life, Problems)
 - ALARA Impact
 - Maintenance (Inspection, Repairs)
 - Outage Impact (140 Days Critical Path)
 - Cost 8-10M + Outage Critical Impact (20M)
- K-T Analysis Considered Above and Evaluated As Less Desirable Than Stiffening Rings

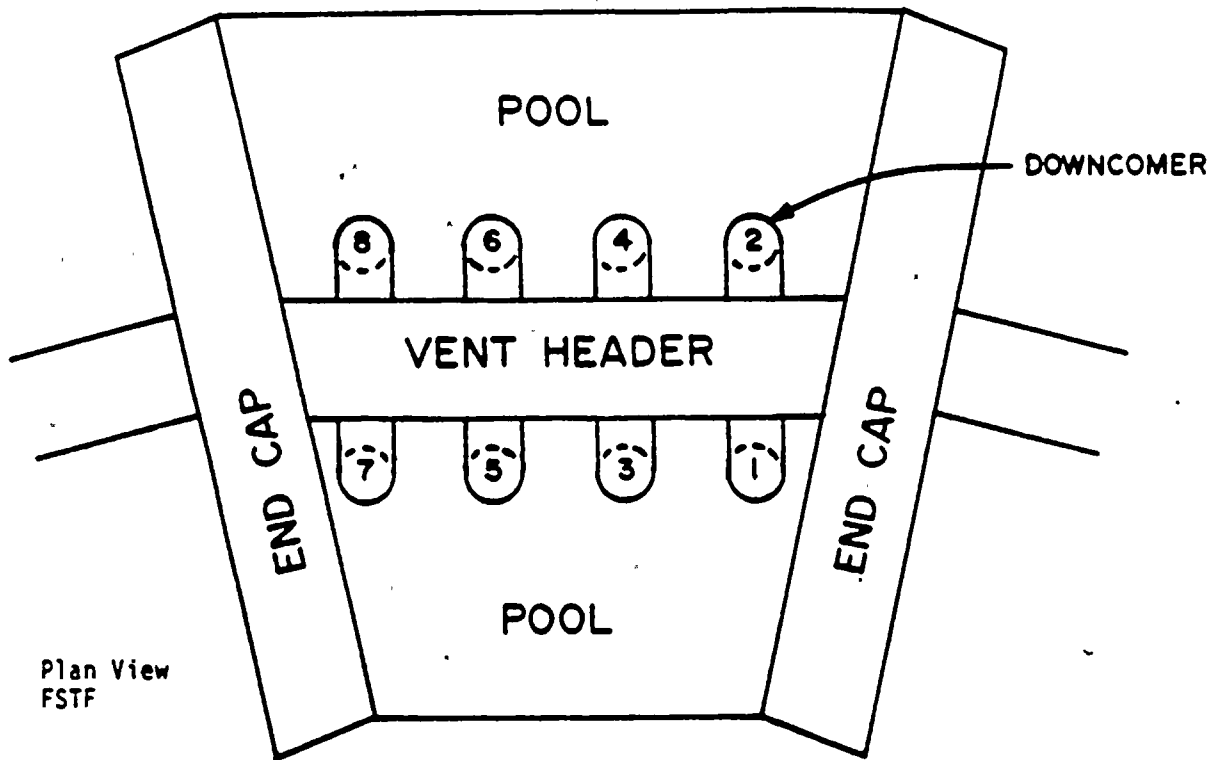


TORUS CO LOAD REDUCTION OBJECTIVE

- To Re-Examine The Mark I Torus Shell Condensation Oscillation Hydrodynamic Load By Using A Multi-Bay Hydrodynamic Model That Takes Into Account
 - Uncorrelated Steam Condensation
 - Nine Mile Point Unit 1 Downcomer Configuration
- To Show How This Provides For.
 - A More Realistic Torus Shell Load
 - An Increase In Corrosion Allowance
 - Postponement Of Modifications

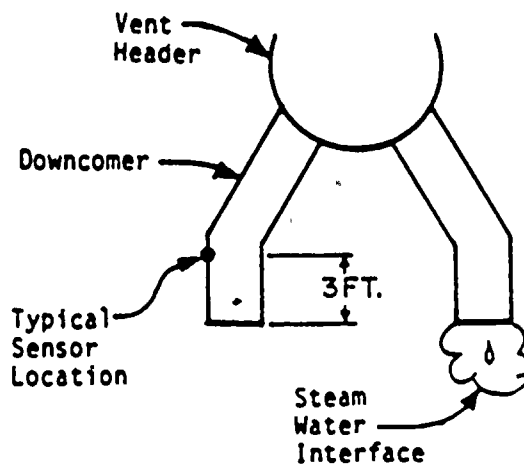


TORUS CO LOAD REDUCTION FULL SCALE TEST FACILITY (FSTF)



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Downcomer exit pressure transducers in FSTF.



TORUS CO LOAD REDUCTION NMP1 TORUS PLAN VIEW

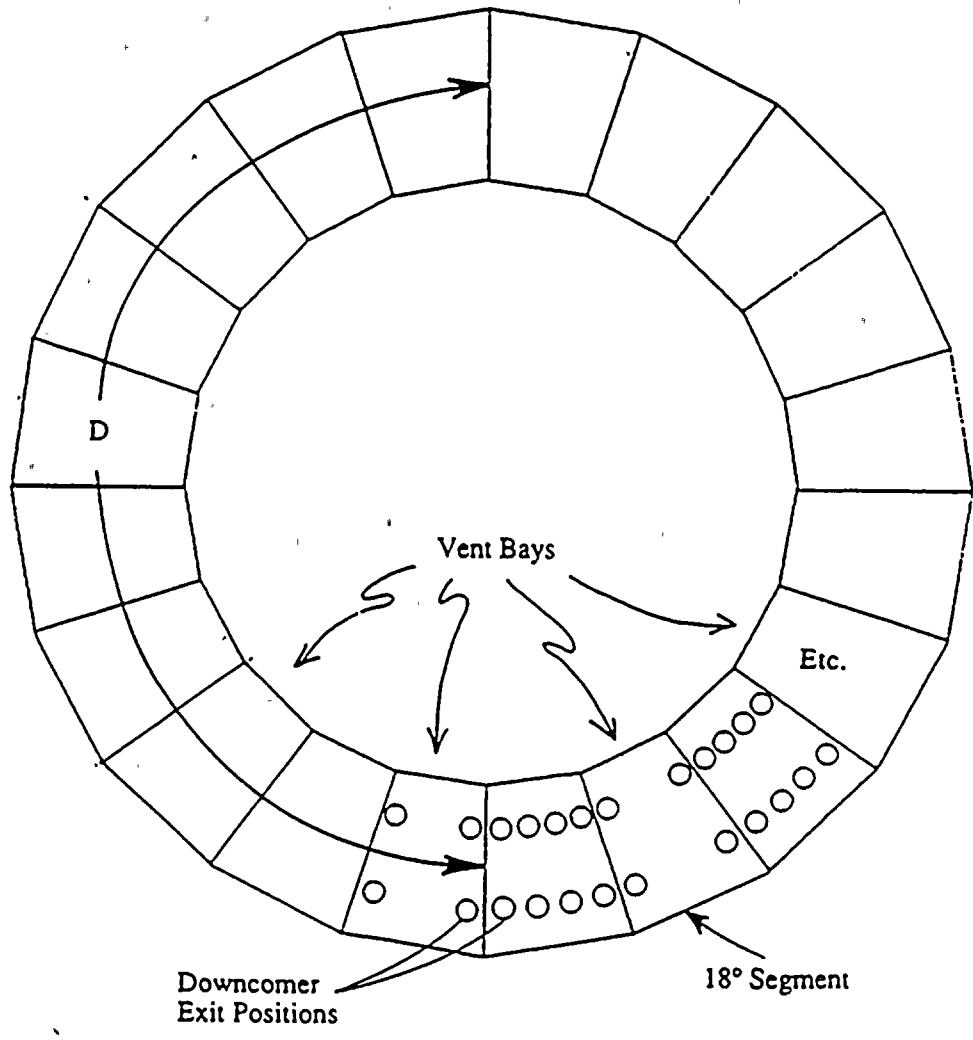


Figure 3. Plan view of Nine Mile Point suppression pool showing 8-4-8-4 downcomer/bay geometry. (Not to Scale)



TORUS CO LOAD REDUCTION

- Conservatism In Torus Shell
 - Mill Certifications
 - Acoustic Speed
 - Damping
- Conservatism In Corrosion Program
 - Extensive Data Collection
 - Long Term Monitoring And Trending Program Established
 - Average Corrosion Rate .83 Mil/Yr
 - Conservative Prediction Of Corrosion Rate 1.26 Mil/Yr
 - Estimated Stress In Most Limiting Plate - 9/94
 - 16381 PSI - Based On .83 Mil/Yr
 - 16528 PSI - Based On 1.26 Mil/Yr



TORUS CO LOAD REDUCTION

CORROSION ALLOWANCE

<u>CONDITION</u>	<u>CORROSION ALLOWANCE, IN.</u>	<u>APPROXIMATE YEAR AVERAGE CORROSION ALLOWANCE WILL BE CONSUMED*</u>
ORIGINAL ANALYSIS	.0132	1994
REDUCED C.O. 8 D.C. BAY	.0292	$\frac{.0292 - .0132}{.00126} + 1994 = 2007$
REDUCED C.O. 4 D.C. BAY	.0569	$\frac{.0569 - .0132}{.00126} + 1994 = 2029$

***AT A CORROSION RATE OF .00126" PER YEAR**

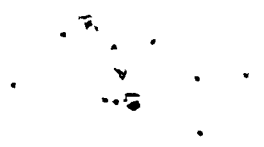


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SUBMITTAL OVERVIEW

- Mark I Program Summary & NMP1 Plant Specific Actions
- Torus Coating, Study Programs
- Torus Leakage/Surveillance Programs
- Latest Torus UT Measurements
- Structural Detail Drawings



NMPC PROPOSAL

- NRC Review Completed By 12/91 And Agrees With Analysis
 - NMPC Defer Structural Modification
- NRC Review Not Completed By 12/91 But Feel Analysis has Merit
 - NMPC Defer Initiation Of Modification Until 1994
 - NMPC Modify One Bay With Least Margin
 - NMPC Modify Only 8 Downcomer Bays
- NRC Disagrees With Analysis
 - Begin Full Torus Modification In 1992 And Complete in 1994



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CONTROLLING SHELL STRESSES - NINE MILE POINT U1

Event Combination 20, Element No. 19, Membrane Stress

<u>Load</u>	Shell Stresses, lbs./in. ²		
	<u>Original Analysis</u>	<u>Reduced CO 8D.C. Bay</u>	<u>Reduced CO. 4D.C. Bay</u>
Deadweight	1756	1756	1756
OBE Seismic	205	205	205
Internal Pres (DBA)	9219	9219	9219
Cond. Oscillation	<u>4970</u> 16,150 (16,025)	<u>4342</u> 15,522 (15,452)	<u>3349</u> 14,529 (14,460)

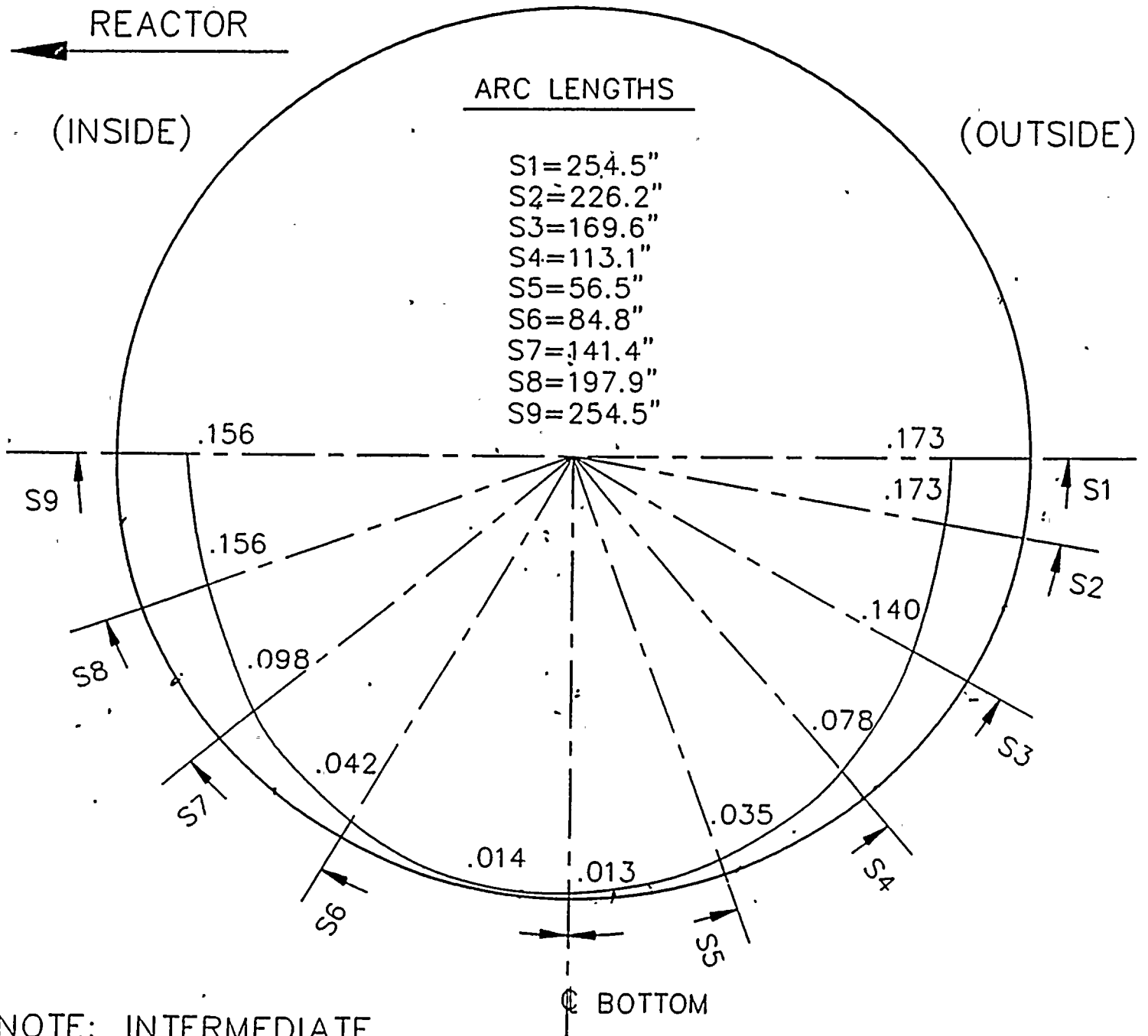
Seismic Acceleration Values (G's)

	<u>OBE</u>	<u>SSE</u>
Vertical	.05	.08
Horizontal	.06	.11

Note: The Stresses In Parentheses Are From The Report (TR-7353-1) And Are The Principal Stresses Calculated After All The Component Stresses From The 4 Load Cases Are Summed. These Are Lower Than The Totals Obtained By Adding The Principal Stresses From Each Load Case.

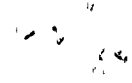
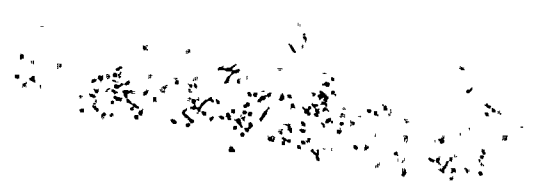


PERMISSIBLE CORRODED THICKNESS
FOR THE TORUS CROSS-SECTION AT MID-BAY
(FREE SHELL REGION)
NINE MILE POINT UNIT 1 NUCLEAR STATION



NOTE: INTERMEDIATE
VALUES MAY BE
SCALED

FIGURE 8



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