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Dear Sir or Madam:

Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (Entergy) as holder of License No. DPR-26 is providing in the Enclosure a copy of the Core Operating Limits Report (COLR) for Indian Point Nuclear Generating Unit No. 2 Cycle 24. This report is submitted in accordance with Technical Specification 5.6.5.d.

There are no new commitments being made in this submittal. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Mr. Robert W. Walpole, Regulatory Assurance Manager at (914) 254-6710.

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CORE OPERATING LIMITS REPORT (COLR)



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REVISION SUMMARY

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1.0 REASON FOR REVISION

1.1 Incorporate EC-70606 changes for LBDCR # U2-COLR-2018-01 as directed by LR-LAR-2014-00082 CA-9.

2.0 SUMMARY OF CHANGES

2.1 Editorial and Formatting changes (no rev bars).

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NOTE

The data presented in this report applies to Cycle 24 ONLY and may NOT be used for other cycles of operation. Changes to the following sections, attachments, and figures are administratively controlled in accordance with Technical Specifications Section 5.6.5. Any technical change to this document may require an evaluation to be performed in accordance with 10CFR 50.59.

TS 2.1.1 Reactor Core SLs

In MODES 1 and 2, the combination of thermal power level, pressurizer pressure, and highest loop average coolant temperature SHALL NOT exceed the limits shown in Figure 1. The safety limit is exceeded if the point defined by the combination of Reactor Coolant System average temperature and power level is at any time above the appropriate pressure line.

TS 3.1.1 SHUTDOWN MARGIN (SDM)

The shutdown margin SHALL be greater than or equal to 1.3% $\Delta k/k$.

TS 3.1.3 Moderator Temperature Coefficient (MTC)

The MTC upper limit SHALL be $\leq 0.0 \Delta k/k/^\circ F$ at hot zero power.

The MTC lower limit SHALL be less negative than or equal to:

-36.5 pcm/ $^\circ F$ @ 300 ppm

-43.0 pcm/ $^\circ F$ @ 60 ppm

-45.5 pcm/ $^\circ F$ @ 0 ppm

The Revised Predicted near EOL 300 ppm MTC SHALL be calculated using the algorithm contained in WCAP-13749-P-A:

Revised Predicted MTC = Predicted MTC + AFD Correction + -3 pcm/ $^\circ F$

If the Revised Predicted MTC is less negative than the SR 3.1.3.2 300 ppm surveillance limit and all benchmark data contained in the surveillance procedure are met, then an MTC measurement in accordance with SR 3.1.3.2 is not required to be performed.

TS 3.1.5 Shutdown Bank Insertion Limits

The Shutdown Banks SHALL be fully withdrawn when the reactor is in MODE 1 and MODE 2. Shutdown Banks with a group step counter demand position ≥ 223 steps are considered fully withdrawn because the bank demand position is above the top of the active fuel.

TS 3.1.6 Control Bank Insertion Limits

The Control Bank Insertion Limits for MODE 1 and MODE 2 with $k_{\text{eff}} \geq 1.0$ are as indicated in Figure 2. Control Bank Insertion Limits apply to the step counter demand position.

Each Control Bank shall be considered fully withdrawn at ≥ 223 steps.

TS 3.2.1 Heat Flux Hot Channel Factor ($F_Q(Z)$)**NOTE**

P is the fraction of Rated Thermal Power (RTP) at which the core is operating.
K(Z) is the fraction given in Figure 3 and Z is the core height location of F_Q .

IF $P > .5$, $F_Q(Z) \leq (2.30/P) \times K(Z)$

IF $P \leq .5$, $F_Q(Z) \leq (4.60) \times K(Z)$

TS 3.2.2 Nuclear Enthalpy Rise Hot Channel Factor ($F_{\Delta H}^N$)**NOTE**

P is the fraction of Rated Thermal Power (RTP) at which the core is operating.

$F_{\Delta H}^N \leq 1.65 \{ 1 + 0.3 (1 - P) \}$

TS 3.2.3 AXIAL FLUX DIFFERENCE (AFD) (Constant Axial Offset Control (CAOC) Methodology)

The indicated limit is the Target Band; i.e., the Target \pm 5%.

The AFD SHALL be maintained within the ACCEPTABLE OPERATION portion of Figure 4, as required by TS 3.2.3.

TS 3.3.1 Reactor Protection System (RPS) Instrumentation

1. Overtemperature ΔT Allowable Value as referenced in Technical Specifications Table 3.3.1-1, Function 5, Note 1.
Refer to Attachment 1.
2. Overpower ΔT Allowable Value as referenced in Technical Specifications Table 3.3.1-1, Function 6, Note 2.
Refer to Attachment 2.

TS 3.4.1 RCS Pressure, Temperature, and Flow Departure from Nucleate Boiling (DNB) Limits

The following DNB related parameters are applicable in MODE 1:

CAUTION

The following RCS T_{AVG} limits SHALL be decreased one degree for each degree that the full power T_{AVG} is less than 565°F. For example, if the full power T_{AVG} is equal to 562°F, then the RCS average T_{AVG} limit is \leq 565.1°F and the highest loop T_{AVG} limit is \leq 568.1°F.

- a. Pressurizer Pressure \geq 2216 psia
- b. Reactor Coolant System average loop $T_{AVG} \leq$ 568.1°F and highest loop $T_{AVG} \leq$ 571.1°F for full power T_{AVG} of 565.0°F
- c. Reactor Coolant System Total Flow Rate \geq 348,300 gpm

TS 3.9.1 Boron Concentration

When required by Technical Specification 3.9.1, the minimum boron concentration in the RCS, Refueling Canal, and Reactor Cavity SHALL be the more restrictive of either \geq 2050 ppm or that which is sufficient to provide a shutdown margin \geq 5% $\Delta k/k$.

**Attachment 1
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Overtemperature ΔT Allowable Value

The Overtemperature ΔT Function Allowable Value SHALL NOT exceed the Technical Specification Table 3.3.1-1, Note 1 value.

The following provides the computed value:

$$\Delta T \leq \Delta T_0 \left\{ K_1 - K_2 \frac{(1 + \tau_1 s)}{(1 + \tau_2 s)} [T - T'] + K_3 (P - P') - f_1(\Delta I) \right\}$$

Where: ΔT is measured RCS ΔT , °F (measured by hot leg and cold leg RTDs).

ΔT_0 is the loop specific indicated ΔT at RTP, °F.

s is the Laplace transform operator, sec^{-1} .

T is the measured RCS average temperature, °F.

T' is the loop specific indicated T_{avg} at RTP, ≤ 572 °F.

P is the measured pressurizer pressure, psig.

P' is the nominal RCS operating pressure, ≥ 2235 psig.

$K_1 \leq 1.22$

$K_2 \geq 0.020/\text{°F}$

$K_3 \geq 0.00070/\text{psig}$

$\tau_1 \geq 25 \text{ sec}$

$\tau_2 \leq 3 \text{ sec}$

$f_1(\Delta I) = -1.97 \{30 + (q_t - q_b)\}$

0% of RTP

$2.25 \{(q_t - q_b) - 7\}$

when $q_t - q_b \leq -30\%$ RTP

when -30% RTP $< q_t - q_b \leq 7\%$ RTP

when $q_t - q_b > 7\%$ RTP

Where q_t and q_b are percent RTP in the upper and lower halves of the core, respectively, and $q_t + q_b$ is the total THERMAL POWER in percent RTP.

Figure 1
Reactor Core Safety Limit – Four Loops in Operation
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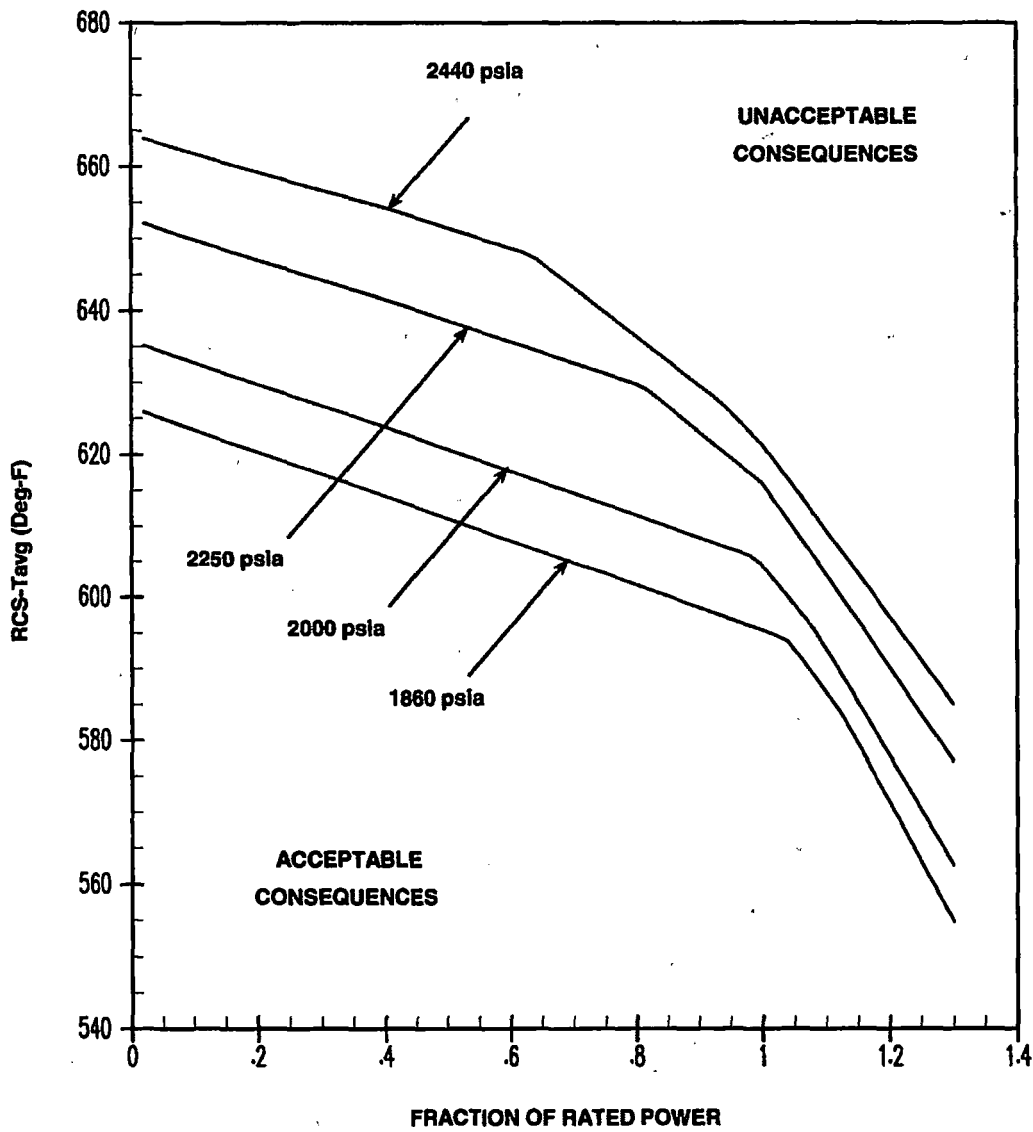


Figure 2
Rod Bank Insertion Limits
(Four Loop Operation)
100 Step Overlap
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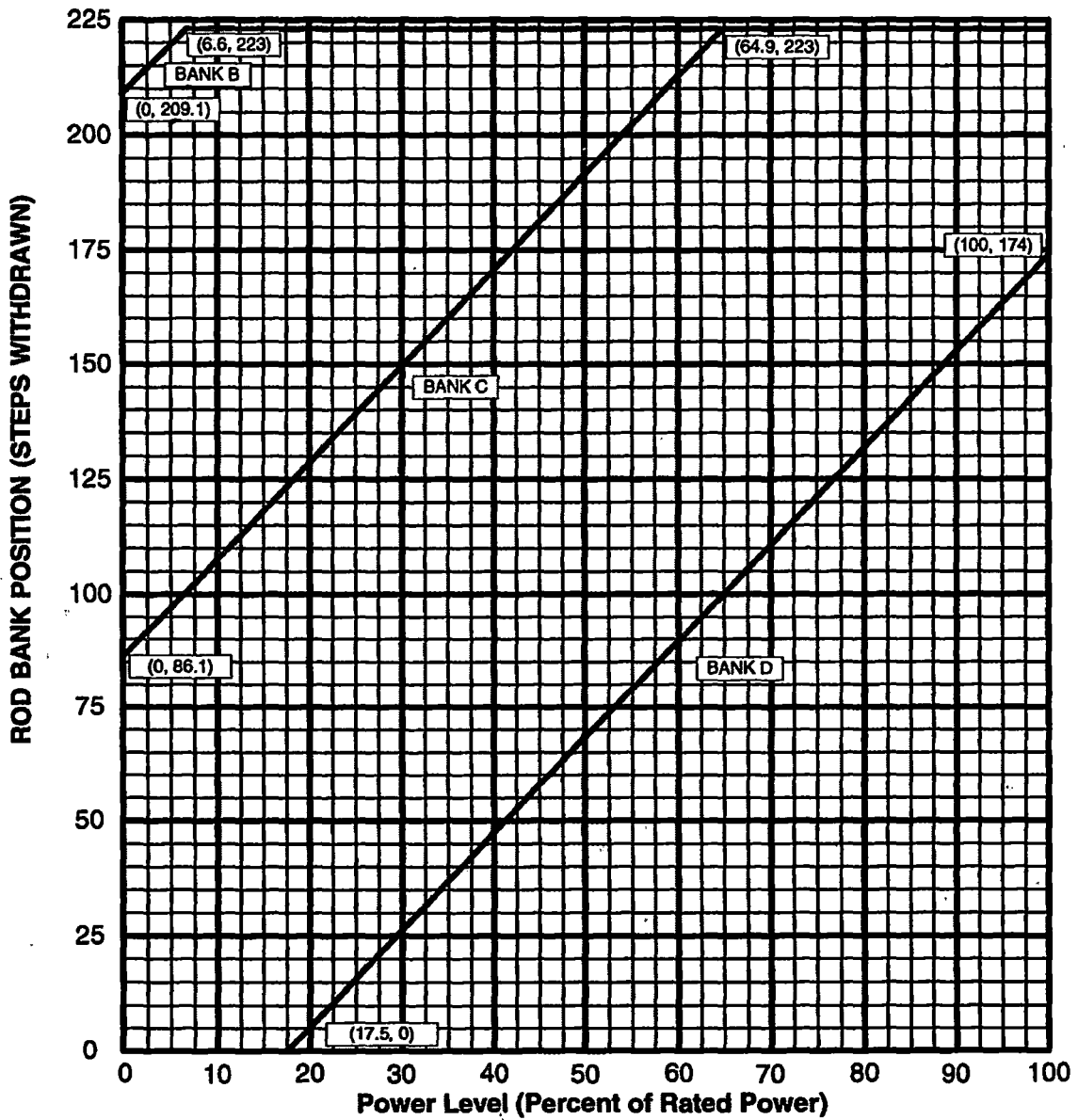


Figure 3
Hot Channel Factor Normalized Operating Envelope
(For S. G. Tube Plugging up to 5%)
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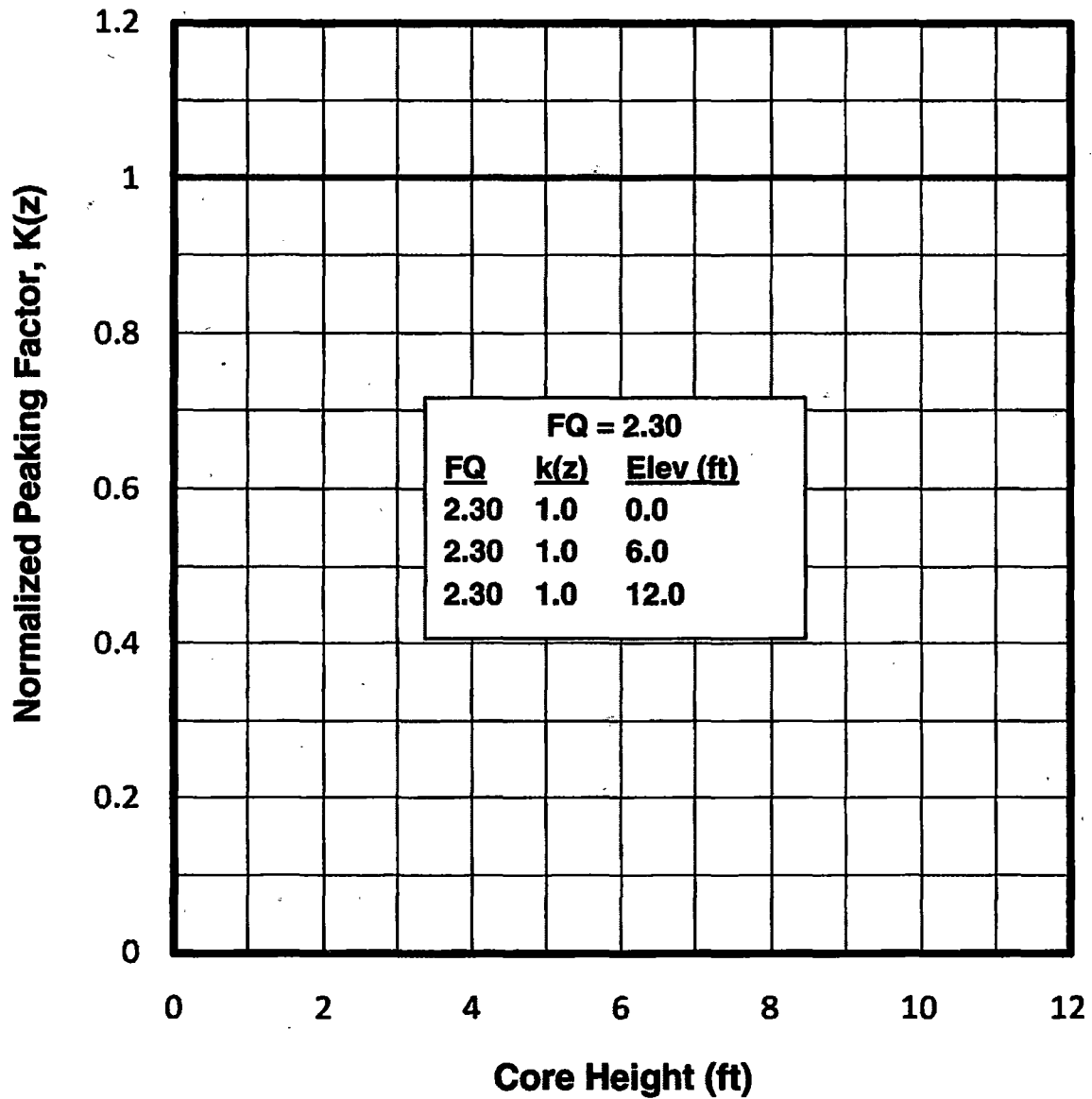


Figure 4
Axial Flux Difference Envelope Limits
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