

3/4.6 CONTAINMENT SYSTEMS

3/4.6.1 PRIMARY CONTAINMENT

CONTAINMENT INTEGRITY

LIMITING CONDITION FOR OPERATION

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APPLICABILITY: MODES 1, 2, 3 and 4. **

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Without primary CONTAINMENT INTEGRITY, restore CONTAINMENT INTEGRITY within one hour or be in at least HOT STANDBY within the next 6 hours and in COLD SHUTDOWN within the following 30 hours.

SURVEILLANCE REQUIREMENTS

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4.6.1.1 Primary CONTAINMENT INTEGRITY shall be demonstrated:

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- a. At least once per 31 days by verifying that:
 - 1. All penetrations* not capable of being closed by OPERABLE containment automatic isolation valves and required to be closed during accident conditions are closed by valves, blind flanges, or deactivated automatic valves secured in their positions, except for valves that are opened under administrative control as permitted by Specification 3.6.3.1., and
 - 2. All equipment hatches are closed and sealed.
 - b. By verifying that each containment air lock is OPERABLE per Specification 3.6.1.3.
 - c. At least once per 12 hours by verifying that the surveillance requirements of 4.6.2.3.a are met for penetrations associated with the containment fan coil units.
 - d. At least once per 18 months by verifying that the surveillance requirements of 4.6.2.3.d are met for penetrations associated with the containment fan coil units.

*Except vents, drains, test connections, etc. which are (1) one inch nominal pipe diameter or less, (2) located inside the containment, and (3) locked, sealed, or otherwise secured in the closed position. These penetrations shall be verified closed at least once per 92 days.

** A one-time change is granted to have the containment purge supply and/or exhaust isolation valves open in Modes 3 and 4 following the steam generator replacement outage (1R13). The cumulative time for having the valves open in Modes 3 and 4 is limited to fourteen (14) days. Each valve will be immobilized in the shut position prior to initial entry into Mode 2. The one-time exemption expires with initial entry into Mode 2 following 1R13.

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 - b. By verifying that each containment air lock is OPERABLE per Specification 3.6.1.3.
 - c. After each closing of a penetration subject to Type B testing, except containment air locks, if opened following a Type A or B test, by leak rate testing in accordance with the Containment Leakage Rate Testing Program.
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INSERT B →

The service water accumulator vessel and discharge valves function to maintain water filled, subcooled fluid conditions in the containment fan coil unit (CFCU) cooling loops during accident conditions. The service water accumulator vessel and discharge valves were installed to address the Generic Letter 96-06 issues of column separation waterhammer and two phase flow during an accident involving a loss of offsite power. The operability of each service water accumulator vessel and discharge valve is required to ensure the integrity of containment penetrations associated with the containment fan coil units during accident conditions. If a service water accumulator vessel does not meet the vessel surveillance requirements, or if the discharge valve response time does not meet design acceptance criteria when tested in accordance with procedures, the containment integrity requirements of the CFCU cooling loops exclusively supplied by the inoperable accumulator vessel or discharge valve are not met. Limiting Condition for Operation 3.6.1.1 is applicable, and the cooling loops for the two CFCU's exclusively supplied by the inoperable accumulator are to be removed from service and isolated to maintain containment integrity.

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The limitations on containment leakage rates ensure that the total containment leakage volume will not exceed the value assumed in the accident analyses at the accident pressure P_a . As an added conservatism, the measured overall integrated leakage rate (Type A test) is further limited to less than or equal to $0.75 L_a$ or less than or equal to $0.75 L_r$, as applicable, during performance of the periodic test to account for possible degradation of the containment leakage barriers between leakage tests.

The surveillance testing for measuring leakage rates are consistent with the Containment Leakage Rate Testing Program.

3/4.6.1.3 CONTAINMENT AIR LOCKS

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Each air lock is nominally a right circular cylinder, 10 feet in diameter, with a door at each end. The doors are interlocked during normal operation to prevent simultaneous opening. During periods when containment is not required to be OPERABLE, the door interlock mechanism may be disabled, allowing both doors of an air lock to remain open for extended periods when frequent containment entry is necessary. Each air lock door has been designed and tested to certify its ability to withstand a pressure in excess of the maximum expected pressure following a Design Basis Accident (DBA) in containment. As such, closure of a single door supports containment OPERABILITY. Each of the doors contains double gasketed seals and local leakage rate testing capability to ensure pressure integrity. To effect a leak tight seal, the air lock design uses pressure-seated doors (i.e., an

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