

# Final ASP Program Analysis – Precursor

Accident Sequence Precursor Program – Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research			
<b>Perry Nuclear Power Plant</b>	Loss of Safety-Related Electrical Bus Results in a Loss of Shutdown Cooling		
<b>Event Date:</b> 2/11/2016	<b>LER:</b> <a href="#">440-2016-003-01</a> <b>IRs:</b> <a href="#">05000440/2016008</a> and <a href="#">05000440/2016002</a>	<b>CCDP=</b> 2×10 <sup>-6</sup>	
<b>Plant Type:</b>	Boiling-Water Reactor (BWR); General Electric 6 with a Mark III Containment		
<b>Plant Operating Mode (Reactor Power Level):</b>	Mode 4 (0% Reactor Power); Reactor Coolant Temperature at 87°F; Reactor Water Level at 200 inches		
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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On February 11, 2016, at 3:05 p.m. with the plant in mode 4 (i.e., cold shutdown), the phase ‘A’ potential transformer secondary fuse on 4.16 kilovolt (kV) safety-related bus EH11 failed, resulting in its supply breaker tripping open due to an invalid undervoltage signal. The bus EH11 loads were shed as designed, including residual heat removal (RHR) pump ‘A’, which was supplying shutdown cooling (SDC) at the time. The invalid EH11 undervoltage signal resulted in the start of the division 1 emergency diesel generator (EDG), which connected to bus EH11 with proper three-phase bus voltage levels present. However, the EDG did not receive cooling water from emergency service water (ESW) pump ‘A’ because pump breaker trip logic was locked in due to EH11 undervoltage sensing logic incorrectly indicating that the bus was not at the rated voltage on all phases. Operators manually secured the division 1 EDG due to the lack of cooling water.

Operators subsequently started RHR pump ‘B’ and reestablished SDC at 3:47 p.m. SDC did not operate for 42 minutes, which resulted in reactor coolant temperature increasing from 87°F to 115°F during this period. The plant had been shut down for 3 days after a reactor scram on February 8<sup>th</sup> due to the spurious opening of two safety relief valves (SRVs).

This event was modeled as a loss of SDC initiating event with recoverable failure of the safety-related bus EH11, which resulted in a conditional core damage probability (CCDP) of 2×10<sup>-6</sup>. According to the risk analysis modeling assumptions used in this accident sequence precursor (ASP) analysis, the most likely core damage sequence is a loss of SDC initiating event with operators failing to restore SDC prior to RHR system isolation (dominated by postulated common-cause failure (CCF) of safety-related buses) and all sources of high- and low-pressure injection failing (dominated by failure of operators to initiate injection). This accident sequence accounts for approximately 98 percent of the CCDP for the event.

In response to this event, Region III performed a special inspection, which identified a concern associated with the adequacy of Perry’s 4.16 kV bus undervoltage protection scheme. This issue was subsequently referred to the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) for assistance in determining whether the licensee was in compliance with the current licensing basis. NRR staff determined that the existing bus undervoltage protection scheme complies with its licensing basis; however, a design vulnerability was identified that can defeat coincident

logic. The licensee committed to modify the design of the bus undervoltage protection scheme to address this vulnerability.

## EVENT DETAILS

**Event Description.** On February 11, 2016, at 3:05 p.m. with the plant in mode 4, the phase 'A' potential transformer secondary fuse on 4.16 kV safety-related bus EH11 failed.<sup>1</sup> Because of this failure, the bus EH11 supply breaker (EH1115) tripped open due to an invalid undervoltage signal. The bus EH11 loads were shed as designed, including RHR pump 'A', which was supplying SDC at the time.<sup>2</sup> The invalid EH11 undervoltage signal resulted in the start of the division 1 EDG. However, the EDG did not receive cooling water from ESW pump 'A'. The pump did not start because the pump breaker (EH1106) logic sensed an undervoltage condition on bus EH11. The ESW pump 'A' breaker trip signal was locked in because the bus EH11 undervoltage sensing logic indicated that the bus was not at the rated voltage on all phases due to the failed fuse, even though proper three-phase voltage levels were provided by both offsite power and the division 1 EDG. Operators manually secured the division 1 EDG due to the lack of cooling water.

Without the division 1 EDG, all division 1 equipment was de-energized, with RHR pump 'A' no longer available to provide SDC. The plant entered several technical specifications (TS) due to the loss of bus EH11, including:

- TS 3.4.10, "RHR Shutdown Cooling System—Cold Shutdown"
- TS 3.8.2, "AC Sources—Shutdown"
- TS 3.8.5, "DC Sources—Shutdown"
- TS 3.8.8, "Distribution Systems—Shutdown"

To comply with action 1 of TS 3.4.10, the alternate decay heat removal (ADHR) system was credited as the alternate method of decay heat removal for the inoperable SDC system; however, in order to credit ADHR as available the system needed to be filled and vented.<sup>3</sup>

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The licensee performed troubleshooting to identify the issue associated with the loss of bus EH11 and determined that phase 'A' of the potential transformer secondary fuse was exhibiting intermittent continuity. The defective fuse was replaced and bus EH11 was

<sup>1</sup> This fuse supplies the undervoltage and degraded voltage circuitry for the bus.

<sup>2</sup> SDC is a phase of RHR system operation in which reactor decay heat is removed from the core following a reactor shutdown. One of the two RHR pumps able to provide SDC is aligned to take suction from a recirculation loop. The heat sink is provided by the applicable RHR heat exchanger. The cooled reactor water is then discharged back to the recirculation line.

<sup>3</sup> An exact time estimate for filling and venting the ADHR system was not available. However, conversations with cognizant NRC staff indicate that it will likely take several hours to complete.

<sup>4</sup> The opening of the SRVs resulted in the suppression pool temperature increasing to 95°F, at which point plant procedures direct operators to initiate a manually scram. See [LER 440-2016-002](#) for additional information.

re-energized at 12:32 a.m. on February 12<sup>th</sup>. Additional information regarding this event can be found in [licensee event report \(LER\) 440-2016-003-01](#) (Ref. 1) and [inspection report \(IR\) 05000440/2016008](#) (Ref. 2).

**Cause.** The failure analysis performed by the licensee revealed that the failed fuse's internals were not soldered correctly during the manufacturing process. The licensee determined that the bus EH11 undervoltage relay logic functioned as designed given the failed phase 'A' secondary potential transformer fuse. In addition, the licensee determined that the division 1 ESW system logic functioned as designed because the pump trip signal was locked in based on indications that the bus EH11 voltage was not at the rated values for all three phases.

## MODELING

**Basis for ASP Analysis/SDP Results.** The ASP Program performs independent analyses for initiating events. In addition, ASP analyses of initiating events account for all failures/degraded conditions and unavailabilities (e.g., equipment out for test/maintenance) that occurred during the event, regardless of licensee performance.<sup>5</sup> Performance deficiencies associated with shutdown events are evaluated by the Significance Determination Process (SDP) in a similar manner to that of an ASP analysis (i.e., an initiating event assessment is performed). In these cases, the SDP evaluation results are adopted if the analysis meets the needs of the ASP Program.

The NRC conducted a special inspection for the event associated with [LER 440-2016-003-01](#) in accordance with [Management Directive 8.3](#), "NRC Incident Investigation Program."<sup>6</sup> NRC inspectors identified an unresolved issue 05000440/201608-01 associated with the design basis of the 4.16 kV bus undervoltage protection scheme. See [IR 05000440/2016008](#) for additional information. This issue was subsequently referred to NRR for assistance in determining whether the licensee was in compliance with the current licensing basis. NRR staff determined that the existing bus undervoltage protection scheme complies with its licensing basis; however, a design vulnerability was identified, which can defeat coincident logic. The licensee committed to modify the design of the bus undervoltage protection scheme to address this vulnerability. See "[Perry Nuclear Power Plant - Final Response to Task Interface Agreement 2016-01 Regarding Adequacy of the Design and Licensing Bases for the Undervoltage Protection Scheme \(TIA 2016-01; CAC No. MF8266, EPID L-2016-LRA-0001\)](#)," (Ref. 3) for additional information.

[LER 440-2016-003-01](#) was subsequently closed in [IR 05000440/2016002](#) (Ref. 4). Since no licensee performance deficiency was identified, an independent ASP analysis is required for this event.

<sup>5</sup> ASP analyses also account for any degraded condition(s) identified after the initiating event occurred, if the failure/degradation exposure period(s) overlaps the initiating event date.

<sup>6</sup> This evaluation covered two events: (1) the spurious opening of two SRVs that led to a manual reactor scram on February 8<sup>th</sup> and (2) the loss of SDC event caused by the loss of safety-related bus EH11 on February 11<sup>th</sup>. The first event met two deterministic criteria in that the event "involved a major deficiency in design, construction, or operation having potential generic safety implications," and "involved possible adverse generic implications." The risk evaluation for this first event resulted in a CCDP of approximately  $5 \times 10^{-8}$  to  $4 \times 10^{-6}$ . The second also met two deterministic criteria in that the event "led to the loss of a safety function or multiple failures in systems used to mitigate an actual event," and "involved repetitive failures or events involving safety-related equipment or deficiencies in operations." The risk evaluation for this second event resulted in a CCDP of  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ . Based on the deterministic criteria met and the results of the risk evaluations, a special inspection was performed.

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**Analysis Type.** An initiating event analysis was performed using a test/limited use (TLU) version of the Perry standardized plant analysis risk (SPAR) model, created on March 20, 2018. The model was created because the Perry SPAR model of record does not contain modeling for shutdown scenarios. The loss of SDC (mode 4) event tree used in this model was based on a similar tree contained in the Grand Gulf SPAR model. In addition, the TLU model contains CCF modeling of the safety-related buses with revised rate-based alpha factors developed by Idaho National Laboratory (INL). The alpha factors used for the common cause component group (CCCG) comprised of the three 4.16 kV safety-related buses are:

- $\alpha_1 = 0.99$
- $\alpha_2 = 8.4 \times 10^{-3}$
- $\alpha_3 = 2.7 \times 10^{-3}$

**SPAR Model Modifications.** The following modifications were made to the SPAR model used for this initiating event analysis:

- The revised loss of SDC event tree (SD-M4E-LOSDC) is shown in [Figure A-1](#) of Appendix A, and includes modified top events and system descriptions. The SD-M4E-LOSDC event tree was revised (from the TLU model) to use the following logical progression after the initiating event occurs:
  - Operators need to understand that a loss of SDC occurred.
  - If a loss of SDC is correctly diagnosed, operators will attempt to align the other SDC train. If successful, a safe/stable end state is assumed. A failure to align the other SDC train results in system isolation due to high pressure after the reactor coolant begins to boil.
    - Other potential sources of early decay heat removal exist, such as the ADHR or reactor water cleanup (RWCU) systems. However, it would take operators several hours to fill and vent the ADHR system for use and the heat removal capability of the RWCU system was not sufficient given the number of days after shutdown. Therefore, these systems were not credited in the event tree for early decay heat removal. Decay heat removal by steaming to the condenser is normally possible; however, it was not initially available during this event because the condenser mechanical vacuum was lost when the bus EH11 failed. This strategy could be pursued after bus EH11 was repaired and subsequently reenergized.
  - If operators fail to align the other SDC train for any reason (e.g., failed diagnosis of loss of SDC or hardware failure), procedures direct operators to provide inventory makeup to the reactor. Feedwater from the reactor feed booster pumps or motor feedwater pump will be pursued first. At a reactor water level of 130 inches (level 2), the high-pressure core spray (HPCS) is expected to inject (if available). Control-rod drive (CRD) injection could also be used. If high-pressure sources are unavailable, the operators would manually depressurize the reactor and inject using an available low-pressure system, such as low-pressure coolant injection (LPCI), low-pressure core spray (LPCS), firewater, condensate transfer injection, etc.
  - Late recovery of SDC is credited for sequences with successful reactor injection and reactor depressurization. In addition, the ADHR system is credited for late decay heat removal. If SDC or ADHR is successfully initiated, decay heat will stop being

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- rejected to the suppression pool/containment and, therefore, containment temperature/pressure control is not queried to achieve a safe/stable end state.
- Containment temperature and pressure control is needed for scenarios where decay heat is being rejected to the suppression pool via the SRVs. Containment temperature/pressure control is normally provided by the suppression pool cooling (SPC) function of the RHR system. If normal suppression pool cooling is unavailable, RWCU, ADHR, or suppression pool cleanup systems can provide an alternate source of containment temperature/pressure control. If normal or alternate SPC fails, operators have the ability to vent containment to prevent containment failure due to over pressure.
  - The top event fault trees contained in the SD-M4E-LOSDC event tree were modified. Existing system logic (HPCS, CRD, LPCI, LPCS, etc.) was used if already available in the base SPAR model. However, the TLU SPAR model does not contain fault tree logic for many systems available for reactor decay heat removal and inventory control while the plant is in mode 4. This is also the case for containment temperature/pressure control. No attempt was made to include all potentially available systems because preliminary insights showed that CCF of the 4.16 kV safety-related buses dominates the risk of this event. Therefore, the focus of adding systems to the applicable top event fault tree was limited to those that were not dependent on electrical power from the safety-related 4.16 kV buses. An undeveloped basic event with a conservative screening probability of 0.1 was used for each missing system/function. These modeling simplifications have minimal impact on the analysis results because the results are often dominated by human error probabilities (HEPs) for the applicable function. The HEPs for the human failure events (HFEs) used in applicable systems fault trees were calculated using the SPAR-H method ([Ref. 5](#)). A brief description of the top event fault trees in the SD-M4E-LOSDC event tree, along with any important notes, are provided in the following:
    - The SD-XD-SDC (*fail to diagnose loss of SDC before system isolation*) fault tree (shown in [Figure B-1](#)) only contains the basic event SD-XHE-XD-SDC (*operators fail to diagnose loss of SDC before system isolation*). The HEP for this HFE is  $1 \times 10^{-5}$ ; see [Appendix C](#) for additional information. The operators successfully diagnosed the loss of SDC during the event.
    - The SD-SDC-EARLY (*heat removal using SDC (early)*) fault tree (shown in [Figure B-2](#)) contains the system logic for SDC already contained in the base SPAR model. Changes made included removing the electrical dependency of the SDC suction valves because they were already open during the event. In addition, logic was added to ensure that alignment of the SDC before system isolation is failed given the postulated CCF of the safety-related 4.16 kV buses EH11 and EH12. Credit for recovery of these buses is provided in other (later) system functions given successful troubleshooting and repair activities. The HFE for this function is SD-XHE-XM-SDC-EARLY (*operators fail to establish SDC prior to system isolation*). The HEP for this HFE is  $1 \times 10^{-3}$ ; see [Appendix C](#) for additional information. The operators successfully realigned the SDC train B in approximately 42 minutes after train 'A' failed to initiate during the event.
    - The SD-HPI (*high pressure injection systems (normal and alternate)*) fault tree (shown in [Figure B-3](#)) contains the system logic for HPCS and CRD injection already contained in the base SPAR model. In addition, feedwater via either reactor feed booster pumps or motor feedwater pump is credited via basic event
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- SD-MFW-SYS-HW (*feedwater fails*), which has a conservative failure probability of 0.1.<sup>7</sup> The system-specific HFEs for HPCS and CRD were eliminated and are represented by a single HFE, SD-XHE-XM-INJECTION (*operators fail to establish an injection source*). The HEP for this HFE is  $2 \times 10^{-4}$ ; see [Appendix C](#) for additional information.
- The SD-DEP (manual reactor depressurization) fault tree (shown in [Figure B-4](#)) structure is the same as that contained in the TLU SPAR model except that unneeded seismic logic was eliminated. The HFE for this fault tree is ADS-XHE-XM-MDEPR (*operators fail to initiate reactor depressurization*). The base SPAR model HEP of  $5 \times 10^{-4}$  was used for this HFE.
  - The SD-LPI (*low-pressure coolant injection (normal and alternate)*) fault tree (shown in [Figure B-5](#)) contains the system logic for LPCI and LPCS already contained in the base SPAR model. In addition, ADHR injection, firewater, and condensate transfer injection are credited via basic events SD-ADHR-SYS-HW (*alternate decay heat removal and/or injection*), SD-FWS-SYS-HW (*firewater injection*), and SD-CTS-SYS-HW (*condensate transfer injection*), respectively. A conservative failure probability of 0.1 was used for these basic events.<sup>8</sup> The system-specific HFEs for LPCI and LPCS were eliminated and SD-XHE-XM-INJECTION, the same HFE used SD-HPI fault tree, is used to represent to the overall HFE to initiate low-pressure injection.<sup>9</sup>
  - The SD-SDC-LATE (*heat removal using SDC (late)*) fault tree (shown in [Figure B-6](#)) contains similar system logic as the SD-SDC-EARLY fault tree. Credit for the initiation of ADHR after the system is filled and vented is provided via basic event SD-ADHR-SYS-HW. The HFE for this function is SD-XHE-XM-SDC-LATE (*operators fail to establish late decay heat removal (SDC or ADHR)*). The HEP for this HFE is  $2 \times 10^{-3}$ ; see [Appendix C](#) for additional information.
  - The SD-SPC (*heat removal using suppression pool (normal and alternate)*) fault tree (shown in [Figure B-7](#)) structure is the same as that contained in the TLU SPAR model except that alternate sources of cooling were added. The HFE for this fault tree is SD-XHE-XM-SPC (*operators fail to establish SPC (normal or alternate)*). The RWCU, ADHR, or suppression pool cleanup systems are credited via basic events SD-RWC-SYS-HW (*RWCU system*), SD-ADHR-SYS-HW, and SD-SPCU-SYS-HW (*suppression pool cleanup system*), respectively. A conservative failure probability of 0.1 was used for these basic events. The HFE for this function is SD-XHE-XM-SPC (*operators fail to establish SPC (normal or alternate)*). The HEP for this HFE is  $2 \times 10^{-3}$ ; see [Appendix C](#) for additional information.
  - The SD-CVS (containment venting) fault tree (shown in [Figure B-8](#)) structure is the same as that contained in the TLU SPAR model with a few exceptions. First, unneeded seismic logic was eliminated. Second, logic was moved from a transfer

<sup>7</sup> The feedwater fault tree contained in the at-power Perry SPAR model was solved to determine the system failure probability due to hardware failures. This probability was shown to be less than 0.1.

<sup>8</sup> The firewater and condensate transfer system fault trees contained in the at-power Perry SPAR model were solved to determine the system failure probabilities due to hardware failures. These probabilities were shown to be less than 0.1. No ADHR fault tree exists in the Perry SPAR model; however, a review of the current reliability of motor-driven pumps, valves, etc., indicates that the system failure probability is likely less than 0.1.

<sup>9</sup> The high- and low-pressure systems are provided within the same procedure steps of the reactor pressure vessel (RPV) control flowchart.

gate to directly under the top gate. Third, the electrical dependencies for motor-operated valves (MOVs) 140 and 145 were removed because these valves can be opened locally without power. The HFE for this fault tree is SD-XHE-XM-CVS (*operators fail to vent containment*). The HEP for this HFE is  $2 \times 10^{-3}$ ; see [Appendix C](#) for additional information.

- Dependency.** A review of the key HFE combinations for dependency was performed. It is typical SPAR model practice to leverage the licensee probabilistic risk assessment (PRA) results for dependency considerations between HFEs. Specifically, dependency between applicable HFEs in the SPAR model is only considered if licensee PRA cut sets indicate that some level of dependency exists. However, no such dependency comparison with the licensee PRA could be performed for shutdown scenarios for Perry because there was no shutdown SPAR model. Therefore, a dependency analysis was completed as part of this analysis. To identify the HFE combinations for loss of SDC scenarios modeled as part of this analysis, the applicable HFE probabilities were set to 0.99 and the SD-M4E-LOSDC event tree was resolved.<sup>10</sup> The following HFE combinations were identified that could potentially affect the analysis results in a significant manner (i.e., combinations that could contribute at least  $1 \times 10^{-7}$  given a loss of SDC event occurs):

#### Key HFE Combinations

1 <sup>st</sup> HFE	2 <sup>nd</sup> HFE	3 <sup>rd</sup> HFE	4 <sup>th</sup> HFE	5 <sup>th</sup> HFE
SD-XHE-XM-INJECTION;	ADS-XHE-XM-MDEPR;			
ADS-XHE-XM-MDEPR;	SD-XHE-XM-SPC;	SD-XHE-XM-CVS;		
SD-XHE-XD-SDC;	SD-XHE-XM-INJECTION;			
SD-XHE-XD-SDC;	SD-XHE-XM-INJECTION;	ADS-XHE-XM-MDEPR;		
SD-XHE-XD-SDC;	SD-XHE-XM-SPC;	SD-XHE-XM-CVS;		
SD-XHE-XM-SDC-LATE;	SD-XHE-XM-SPC;	SD-XHE-XM-CVS;		
SD-XHE-XM-SPC;	SD-XHE-XM-CVS;			
DCP-XHE-XL-U2XTIE;	SD-XHE-XM-CVS;	SD-XHE-XM-SPC;		
SD-XHE-XM-INJECTION;	DCP-XHE-XL-U2XTIE;			
ECW-XHE-XL-F665A;	ECW-XHE-XL-F665B;	SD-XHE-XM-CVS;	SD-XHE-XM-SDC-LATE;	SD-XHE-XM-SPC;
ECW-XHE-XL-F665A;	ECW-XHE-XL-F665B;	SD-XHE-XM-INJECTION;		
ECW-XHE-XL-F665A;	ECW-XHE-XL-F665B;	ADS-XHE-XM-MDEPR;	SD-XHE-XM-CVS;	SD-XHE-XM-SPC;
ECW-XHE-XL-F665A;	ECW-XHE-XL-F665B;	SD-XHE-XM-INJECTION;	ADS-XHE-XM-MDEPR;	
EPS-XHE-XM-DGXTIE2;	SD-XHE-XM-SDC-LATE;	SD-XHE-XM-SPC;		
EPS-XHE-XM-DGXTIE2;	ADS-XHE-XM-MDEPR;	SD-XHE-XM-SPC;		

Upon review, combinations associated with basic events DCP-XHE-XL-U2XTIE (*operators fail to align Unit 2 DC power to Unit 1*), ECW-XHE-XL-F665A (*operators fail to control TCVP42-F665A*), ECW-XHE-XL-F665B (*operators fail to control*

<sup>10</sup> Exceptions include pre-initiator HFEs (e.g., failures to restore components after testing/maintenance), along with basic events SD-XHE-XD-SDC, ACP-XHE-XL-EBUS (*failure to recover failed 'E' bus*), and SD-XHE-XM-SDC-EARLY. Basic event SD-XHE-XD-SDC was not adjusted because it is queried first in the SD-M4E-LOSDC event tree and, therefore, is always independent. Basic event ACP-XHE-XL-EBUS was not adjusted because this HFE represents repair of safety-related bus failures and it not expected to influence the main control room operators. Basic event SD-XHE-XM-SDC-EARLY was not adjusted because it only contains action (i.e., execution) activities and, therefore, is not expected to affect the diagnosis portions of other HFEs.

TCV1P42-F665B), and EPS-XHE-XM-DGXTIE2 (*operators fail to cross-tie HPCS diesel*) would not significantly affect the analysis results even if complete dependence was assumed.<sup>11</sup> Therefore, these HFE combinations were not evaluated further. From the remaining HFE combinations, the HFE pairs shown in the following sections were identified.<sup>12</sup>

While the identification of HFE pairs is not an area of disagreement with the PRA community, the evaluation of whether dependency exists and, if so, the appropriate level of dependency can have considerable variability depending on the method used and different analyst assumptions. INL/EXT-10-18533, "SPAR-H Step-by-Step Guidance," ([Ref. 6](#)) states that:

*Simply having two or more HFEs together in a sequence or cut set does not make them dependent. A psychological basis must exist (the HFEs must be psychologically connected). Analysts should review the situation and context carefully and consider, for example, the following factors:*

- *Time (to allow forgetting and emptying of working memory),*
- *Location (introducing new information, potentially interrupting the script),*
- *Same person or crew (allows for mindset to develop), and*
- *Cues (stimulate the human to think differently).*

*All these aspects should be considered within the framework of the accident scenario context (e.g., simply having the same person, close in time, no additional cues, etc., does not necessarily mean dependence is present).*

*Also, analysts should be alert to a situation that produces a cut set with two HFEs, which are separated by a success. The success will not be evident in the cut set but will be seen by following the sequence in the event tree. The presence of the success could indicate a break in the mindset of the operators.*

*In a normal or familiar situation, with good procedures, no compelling reason for dependence exists.*

The SPAR-H method ([Ref. 5](#)) adopted the Technique for Human Error-Rate Prediction (THERP) dependency model, which was designed for dependency considerations at the sub-task level (i.e., tasks within the same HFE). Both NUREG/CR-6883, "The SPAR-H Human Reliability Analysis Method," and INL/EXT-10-18533 direct that the THERP dependency table should not be directly applied without performing an initial evaluation on whether dependence is likely. Unfortunately, explicit guidance on how to perform this initial evaluation does not currently exist.

The Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) developed a separate dependency method that is used heavily within industry. The EPRI dependency tree is also largely based on the THERP dependency method; however, the dependency level when using the

<sup>11</sup> These basic events at their elevated probabilities (0.99) have a combined contribution CCDF of approximately  $1 \times 10^{-6}$ . At a minimum, the first HFE in these combinations is independent. Therefore, the total CCDF contribution would be at least an order of magnitude lower. Consequently, any dependency consideration for these HFE combinations has a negligible effect on the analysis results. However, some HFE pairs of these HFE combinations are evaluated because the applicable HFE pairs are part of more significant HFE combinations.

<sup>12</sup> Current dependency methodologies are limited to evaluating HFE pairs.

SPAR-H and EPRI methods can differ significantly. For example, as long as two operator actions do not share a common cognitive function (i.e., identical cues, procedures, etc.) and there is at least 60 minutes between the HFEs, then zero dependence is determined using the EPRI dependency tree.<sup>13</sup> Whereas, the same operator action pair could have up to high dependence when using the SPAR-H method (depending on the evaluation of other factors).

Given the current state of dependence modeling and current dependence guidance provided for SPAR-H, the key factors are evaluated for the applicable HFE pairs and if no readily apparent reason for dependency exists, independence will be assumed.<sup>14</sup> This assumption is in agreement with the SPAR-H step-by-step guidance, which states that “independence is more likely; dependence is the exception rather than the rule.” A sensitivity analysis was performed assuming a direct application of the SPAR-H/THERP dependency table (see Key Modeling Uncertainties for additional information).

– ***HFE Pair 1: SD-XHE-XM-INJECTION and ADS-XHE-XM-MDEPR***

Applicable Sequence Information. Loss of SDC initiating event occurs and operators cannot restore SDC prior to RHR system isolation. As the reactor begins to boil, reactor level will decrease, requiring a source of either high- or low-pressure injection to provide inventory makeup. If all sources of high-pressure injection fail, manual reactor depressurization is required to allow for low-pressure injection.

Summary. Because the HFE SD-XHE-XM-INJECTION is used for both high- and low-pressure injection, dependency concerns for this HFE combination are rendered moot. In other words, if operators fail to initiate high-pressure injection, the current modeling assumes that they will fail to initiate low-pressure injection as well. Therefore, dependency is already considered for HFE pair 1 via this separate modeling assumption.

– ***HFE Pair 2: ADS-XHE-XM-MDEPR and SD-XHE-XM-SPC***

Applicable Sequence Information. Loss of SDC initiating event occurs and operators cannot restore SDC prior to RHR system isolation. As the reactor begins to boil, reactor level will decrease, requiring a source of either high- or low-pressure injection to provide inventory makeup. For this sequence, high-pressure injection is successful. However, containment heat removal is required because the decay heat is rejected to the suppression pool via the SRVs. If operators fail to depressurize the reactor, SDC cannot be restored. Normal or alternate SPC can be aligned to provide containment temperature/pressure control.

Cues and Procedures. Primary Containment Control EOP-02 Flowchart directs operators to initiate SPC when pool temperature reaches 95°F. The Reactor Pressure Vessel Control EOP-01 Flowchart directs operators depressurize the reactor to less than 135 psig before aligning SDC. These HFEs are determined to not share a common cognitive function.

<sup>13</sup> The 60-minute threshold between HFEs was extrapolated from THERP, which assumed zero dependence between subtasks that are at least 60 seconds apart.

<sup>14</sup> This evaluation assumed (for all HFE pairs) that all needed cues/indications are available/accurate and no concurrent activities are ongoing that could “mask” indications needed for the operator actions modeled.

Timing Information. The suppression pool is expected to reach 95°F within the first hour after reactor boiling begins (i.e., 3–4 hours after loss of SDC occurs). However, there are potential delays in initiating SPC, depending on the availability of safety-related alternating current (AC) power or other systems (such as ADHR). There is a lot of variability on when operators would depressurize the reactor and it is dependent on how quickly they are able to initiate a source of high-pressure injection. In addition, for the dominant scenario of postulated CCF of the safety-related buses, both trains of SDC would be unavailable for several hours until repairs are completed. A time gap of at least a few hours is likely between the cues for these operator actions during the postulated dominant scenario. It is conservatively assumed that these operator actions will be performed by the same crew (12-hour shifts); however, the total time window for the applicable accident sequence will likely cross over to another crew.

Adequate Resources. There are adequate resources to perform both of these operator actions.

Location. Manual reactor depressurization is performed from the main control room (MCR). The initiation of SPC could be performed from the MCR if using RHR, but would involve effort outside the control room from some or all of the alternative systems.

Summary. These operator actions were determined to be independent due the following considerations:

- Given the time between cues (at least a few hours) and the overall time window for the applicable accident sequence, additional personnel are expected to be involved in event response (e.g., technical support center, other crew) resulting in additional opportunities to break an incorrect operational picture/mindset.
- The cues and procedure guidance are diverse. In addition, the suppression pool temperature and containment pressure signals provide continuous feedback throughout the postulated accident sequence.

– ***HFE Pair 3: SD-XHE-XD-SDC and SD-XHE-XM-INJECTION***

Applicable Sequence Information. Loss of SDC initiating event occurs and operators fail to diagnose that a loss of SDC occurred prior to RHR system isolation. As the reactor begins to boil, reactor level will decrease requiring a source of either high- or low-pressure injection to provide inventory makeup. For this sequence, operators fail to initiate either high- or low-pressure injection resulting in core uncover and subsequent core damage.

Cues and Procedures. Operators will enter ONI-E12-2, “Loss of Decay Heat Removal” on a loss of SDC. Examples of key cues include trip of the running SDC pump and safety-related 4.16 kV bus undervoltage. The Reactor Pressure Vessel Control EOP-01 Flowchart directs operators to initiate a source of high-pressure injection when the reactor water level is less than 130 inches (Level 2). However, operators are likely to initiate feedwater and/or condensate prior to reactor water level reaching the prescribed level band before the loss of SDC. These HFEs are determined to not share a common cognitive function.

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Timing Information. The cues for loss of SDC occur immediately (i.e.,  $T_0$ ). Reactor water level will not start until boiling begins (i.e., 2–3 hours after  $T_0$ ). It will take an additional few hours to decrease the reactor water level to 130 inches (from an initial water level 200 inches). A likely time gap of 4–6 hours exists between the cues for these operator actions during the postulated dominant scenario and, therefore, it is expected that these operator actions will be performed by the same crew (12-hour shifts).

Adequate Resources. There are adequate resources to perform both of these operator actions.

Location. Diagnosis of a loss of SDC is performed from the MCR. The initiation of high- and/or low-pressure injection is typically performed from the MCR. However, some of the alternate systems may require some alignment activities outside the MCR.

Summary. These operator actions were determined to be independent due the following considerations:

- Given the time between cues (at least a few hours) and the overall time window for the applicable accident sequence, additional personnel are expected to be involved in event response (e.g., technical support center) resulting in additional opportunities to break an incorrect operational picture/mindset.
- The cues and procedure guidance are diverse. In addition, the suppression pool temperature and containment pressure signals provide continuous feedback throughout the postulated accident sequence.

– ***HFE Pair 4: SD-XHE-XD-SDC and SD-XHE-XM-SPC***

Applicable Sequence Information. Loss of SDC initiating event occurs and operators fail to diagnose that a loss of SDC occurred prior to RHR system isolation. As the reactor begins to boil, reactor level will decrease requiring a source of either high- or low-pressure injection to provide inventory makeup. For this sequence, high-pressure injection is successful. However, containment heat removal is required because the decay heat is rejected to the suppression pool via the SRVs. Operators have a few options to provide containment temperature and pressure control. Operators can manually depressurize the reactor to align SDC (if available). Another option available to operators is to align SPC.

Cues and Procedures. Operators will enter ONI-E12-2, “Loss of Decay Heat Removal” on a loss of SDC. Examples of key cues include trip of the running SDC pump and safety-related 4.16 kV bus undervoltage. Primary Containment Control EOP-02 Flowchart directs operators to initiate SPC when pool temperature reaches 95°F. These HFEs are determined to not share a common cognitive function.

Timing Information. The cues for loss of SDC occur immediately (i.e.,  $T_0$ ). The suppression pool is expected to reach 95°F within the first hour after reactor boiling begins (i.e., 3–4 hours after loss of SDC occurs). However, there are potential delays in initiating SPC depending on the availability of safety-related AC power or other systems (such as ADHR). A minimum time gap of 3–4 hours exists between these operator actions during the postulated dominant scenarios and, therefore, it is

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expected that these operator actions will be performed by the same crew (12-hour shifts).

Adequate Resources. There are adequate resources to perform both of these operator actions.

Location. Diagnosis of a loss of SDC is performed from the MCR. The initiation of SPC could be performed from the MCR if using RHR, but would involve some effort outside the control room from some or all of the alternative systems.

Summary. These operator actions were determined to be independent because there is an intervening success (high-pressure injection).

– ***HFE Pair 5: SD-XHE-XM-SDC-LATE and SD-XHE-XM-SPC***

Applicable Sequence Information. Loss of SDC initiating event occurs and operators cannot restore SDC prior to RHR system isolation. As the reactor begins to boil, reactor level will decrease requiring a source of either high- or low-pressure injection to provide inventory makeup. For this sequence, high-pressure injection is successful. However, containment heat removal is required because the decay heat is rejected to the suppression pool via the SRVs. If operators cannot restore SDC, containment temperature/pressure control can be provided by normal or alternate SPC.

Cues and Procedures. Primary Containment Control EOP-02 Flowchart directs operators to initiate SPC when pool temperature reaches 95°F. The Reactor Pressure Vessel Control EOP-01 Flowchart directs operators to align SDC if reactor pressure is less than 135 psig. These HFEs are determined to not share a common cognitive function.

Timing Information. The suppression pool is expected to reach 95°F within the first hour after reactor boiling begins (i.e., 3–4 hours after loss of SDC occurs). However, there are potential delays in restoring normal or alternate SDC depending the availability of safety-related AC power or other systems (such as ADHR). There is a lot of variability on when operators would restore SDC after RHR system isolation. For the dominant scenario of postulated CCF of the safety-related buses, both trains of SDC would be unavailable for several hours until repairs are completed. A time gap of at least a few hours is likely between the cues for these operator actions during the postulated dominant scenario. It is conservatively assumed that these operator actions will be performed by the same crew (12-hour shifts); however, the total time window for the applicable accident sequence will likely cross over to another crew.

Adequate Resources. There are adequate resources to perform both of these operator actions.

Location. The initiation of SPC could be performed from the MCR if using RHR, but would involve some effort outside the control room from some or all of the alternative systems. The restoration of SDC after RHR system isolation would be performed from the MCR. However, if the ADHR system is used to provide decay heat

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removal, some of the execution steps (e.g., fill and venting the system) are performed outside the MCR.

Summary. These operator actions were determined to be independent due the following considerations:

- Given the time between cues (at least a few hours) and the overall time window for the applicable accident sequence, additional personnel are expected to be involved in event response (e.g., technical support center) resulting in additional opportunities to break an incorrect operational picture/mindset.
- The cues and procedure guidance are diverse. In addition, the suppression pool temperature and containment pressure signals provide continuous feedback throughout the postulate accident sequence.

– ***HFE Pair 6: SD-XHE-XM-SPC and SD-XHE-XM-CVS***

Applicable Sequence Information. Loss of SDC initiating event occurs and operators cannot restore SDC prior to RHR system isolation. As the reactor begins to boil, reactor level will decrease requiring a source of either high- or low-pressure injection to provide inventory makeup. For the applicable sequences, high- or low-pressure injection is successful. However, containment heat removal is required because the decay heat is rejected to the suppression pool via the SRVs. Operators have a few options to provide containment temperature and pressure control. If SDC or ADHR cannot be aligned, operators need to align normal or alternate SPC. If containment temperature control fails, operators will need to vent containment prior to reaching 40 psig to prevent over-pressure failure.

Cues and Procedures. Primary Containment Control EOP-02 Flowchart directs operators to initiate SPC when pool temperature reaches 95°F and to vent when containment pressure reaches 15 psig and prior to 40 psig. These HFEs are determined to not share a common cognitive function.

Timing Information. The suppression pool is expected to reach 95°F within the first hour after reactor boiling begins (i.e., 3–4 hours after loss of SDC occurs). However, there are potential delays in restoring normal or alternate SDC depending the availability of safety-related AC power or other systems (such as ADHR). Given the time to suppression pool boiling, containment pressure would reach its design limit of 40 psig in approximately 16 hours. An exact time for when containment pressure reaches 15 psig is not available. A time gap of at least 10 hours between the cues for these operator actions during the applicable sequences exists and, therefore, it is conservatively assumed that these operator actions will be performed by the same crew (12-hour shifts). However, the total time window for the applicable accident sequence will cross over to another crew.

Adequate Resources. There are adequate resources to perform both of these operator actions.

Location. The initiation of SPC could be performed from the MCR if using RHR, but would involve some effort outside the control room from some or all of the alternative systems. If safety-related AC power is available, containment venting can be performed from the MCR. If electrical power is unavailable, containment venting must be performed locally.

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Summary. These operator actions were determined to be independent due the following considerations:

- Given the time between cues (at least a few hours) and the overall time window for the applicable accident sequence, additional personnel are expected to be involved in event response (e.g., technical support center, other crew) resulting in additional opportunities to break an incorrect operational picture/mindset.
- The cues and procedure guidance are diverse. In addition, the suppression pool temperature and containment pressure signals provide continuous feedback throughout the postulate accident sequence.

**Key Modeling Assumptions.** The following modeling assumptions were determined to be significant to the modeling of this event analysis:

- The following timing assumptions were taken from licensee information:
  - Based on the heat-up rate experienced during the event, time-to-boil was estimated to be approximately 3 hours. Initial estimates performed during the event calculated 1.9 hours.
  - Assuming no reactor decay heat removal, inventory makeup, nor containment cooling, suppression pool temperature would reach 212°F approximately 9 hours after the loss of SDC occurred.
  - Given the time to suppression pool boiling, containment pressure would reach its design limit of 40 psig in approximately 16 hours.
- This analysis models the February 11, 2016, event at Perry Nuclear Power Plant as a loss of SDC initiating event with the plant in mode 4. Therefore, the probability for IE-LOSDC-M4 (*loss of shutdown cooling initiating event while in mode 4*) was set to 1.0.
- Basic event ACP-BAC-LP-D1 (*4160 V bus EH11 hardware failures*) was set to TRUE due the loss of safety-related 4.16 kV bus EH11 caused by the failure of the phase 'A' potential transformer secondary fuse.
  - *Bus Recovery.* After safety-related 4.16 kV bus EH11 failed on February 11<sup>th</sup>, the licensee was able to repair and reenergize the bus approximately 9.5 hours later. It is possible that, if needed, the repair/recovery of the failed bus could be accomplished in less time. However, no estimate is currently available to the analyst. Therefore, ACP-XHE-XL-EBUS was set to a screening value of 0.1.<sup>15</sup> Any further refinement is not expected to significantly affect the analysis result.
- Basic events ECW-MDP-TM-C001B (*ECC train 1B is in test or maintenance*), ESW-MDP-TM-PUMPB (*ESW pump 1P45-C001B is in test or maintenance*), RHR-HTX-TM-TRNB (*RHR heat exchanger train B is in test or maintenance*), and RHR-MDP-TM-TRNB (*RHR train B is unavailable because of maintenance*) were set to FALSE because test and maintenance on the alternate SDC train is not expected with SDC as the primary source of decay heat removal.

<sup>15</sup> [NUREG-1792](#), "Good Practices for Implementing Human Reliability Analysis," provides that 0.1 is an appropriate screening (i.e., typically conservative) value for most post-initiator HFES.

## ANALYSIS RESULTS

**CCDP.** The point estimate CCDP for this event is  $2 \times 10^{-6}$ . The ASP Program acceptance threshold is a CCDP of  $1 \times 10^{-6}$  for shutdown events; therefore, this event is a precursor.

**Dominant Sequence.** The dominant accident sequence is LOSDC-M4 sequence 12 (CCDP =  $2.36 \times 10^{-6}$ ), which contributes 98 percent of the total internal events CCDP. This sequence is shown graphically in [Figure A-1](#) of Appendix A. The dominant sequences that contribute at least 1.0 percent to the total internal events CCDP are provided in the following table:

Sequence	CCDP	Percentage	Description
SD-M4E-LOSDC 12	$2.36 \times 10^{-6}$	97.6%	Loss of SDC initiating event occurs; operators cannot restore SDC prior to system isolation (dominated by CCF of safety-related buses); all sources of high- and low-pressure injection fail, resulting in core damage.
SD-M4E-LOSDC 13	$4.58 \times 10^{-8}$	1.9%	Loss of SDC initiating event occurs; operators cannot restore SDC prior to system isolation (dominated by CCF of safety-related buses); all sources of high-pressure injection fail; and manual reactor depressurization fails, resulting in core damage.

**Key Modeling Uncertainties.** The two main drivers in this ASP analysis were human reliability analysis (HRA) and CCF modeling of the safety-related AC buses.

- The lack of complete dependency evaluation guidance and limitations associated with the current methods are considered as key modeling uncertainties for this analysis. Per existing guidance, an analyst should first determine that dependency exists prior to applying the SPAR-H/THERP dependency table. The analyst determined that there was no strong evidence for considering the key HFE pairs as dependent for this analysis. However, it is not expected that all analysts would make the same determination. A sensitivity analysis was performed applying the SPAR-H/THERP dependency table, assuming moderate dependence (i.e., same crew, not close in time, same location, additional cues) for HFE combinations 2, 3, 5, and 6.<sup>16, 17</sup> This sensitivity results in a CCDP of  $5 \times 10^{-6}$  (approximately 117 percent increase from the best estimate analysis).
- The modeling of CCF of the buses is not included in the base SPAR models. However, it was determined that CCF modeling is important for this analysis. The CCCG of the safety-related AC buses is considered a key modeling uncertainty. There a number of ways that the electrical buses could be grouped. It was determined to be most appropriate to place the three 4.16 kV safety-related AC buses (EH11, EH12, and EH13) in the same CCCG. While safety- and nonsafety-related buses likely share many of the same coupling factors (e.g., environment, maintenance, etc.), the CCCG was limited to the 4.16 kV safety-related buses based on two factors. First, the CCCG was limited to the three safety-related buses because their functions are unique, as well as having different importance (as compared to the nonsafety-related buses). Second, including the nonsafety-related buses would result in a CCCG size that becomes unmanageable given current CCF methodology and available data.

<sup>16</sup> For HFE pairs with the same crew and not close in time, SPAR-H/THERP dependency table yields either high, moderate, or low dependence. HFE combinations 2, 3, 5, and 6 have different location or additional cues and, therefore, a maximum dependency level of moderate would be selected.

<sup>17</sup> Moderate dependence results in a HEP of approximately 0.15 for the second HFE of the pair.

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### Appendix A: Key Event Tree

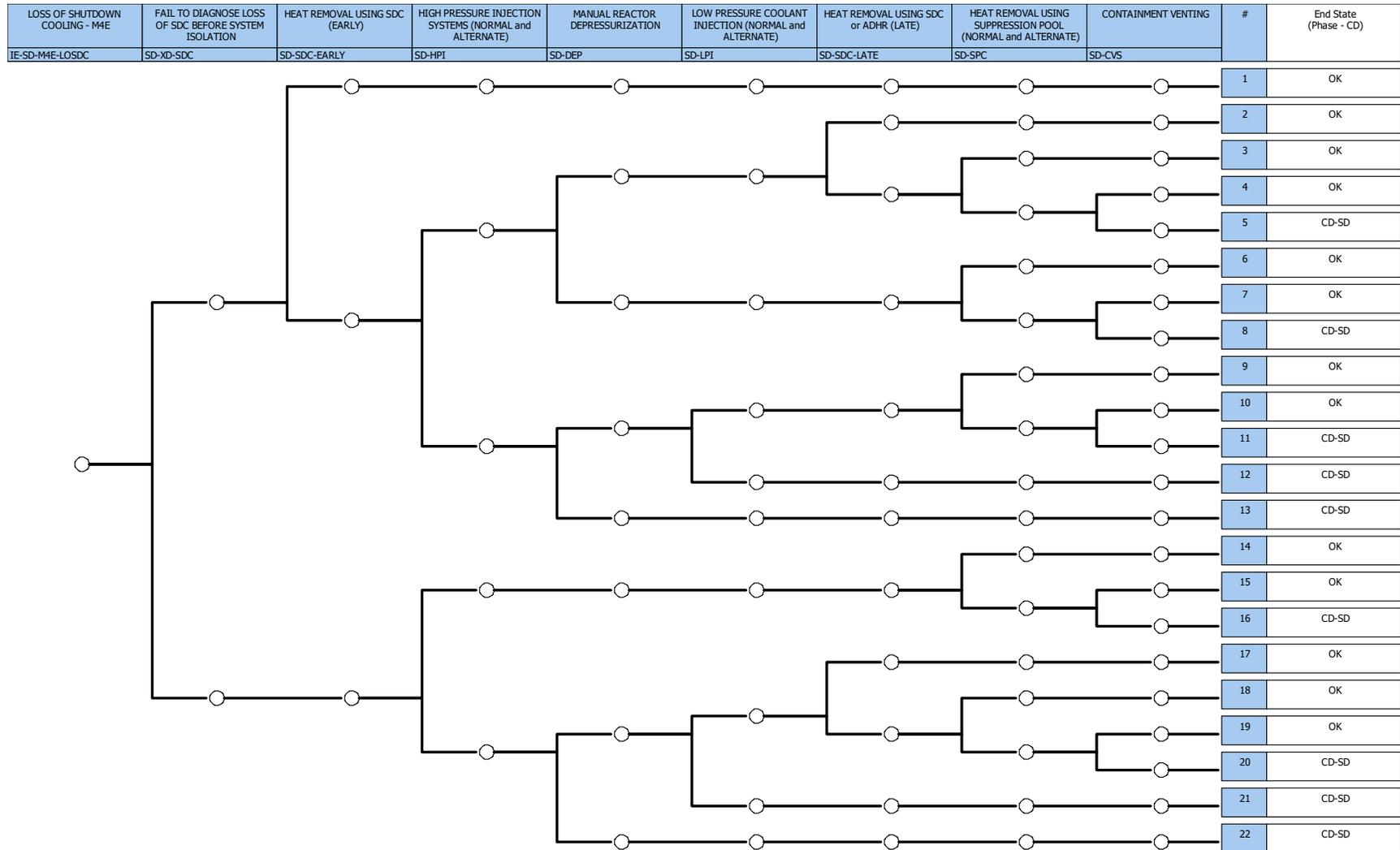


Figure A-1. Perry Loss of SDC (Mode 4) Event Tree

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## Appendix B: Fault Trees

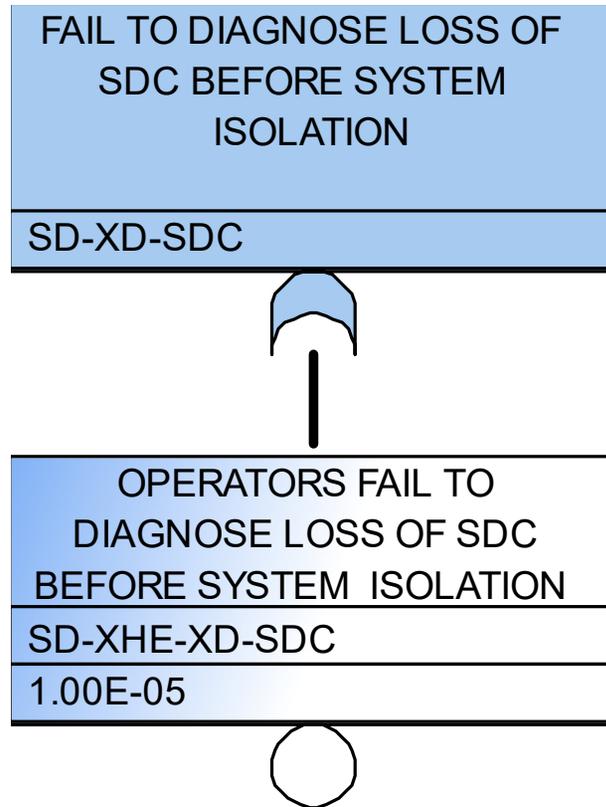


Figure B-1. SD-XD-SDC Fault Tree

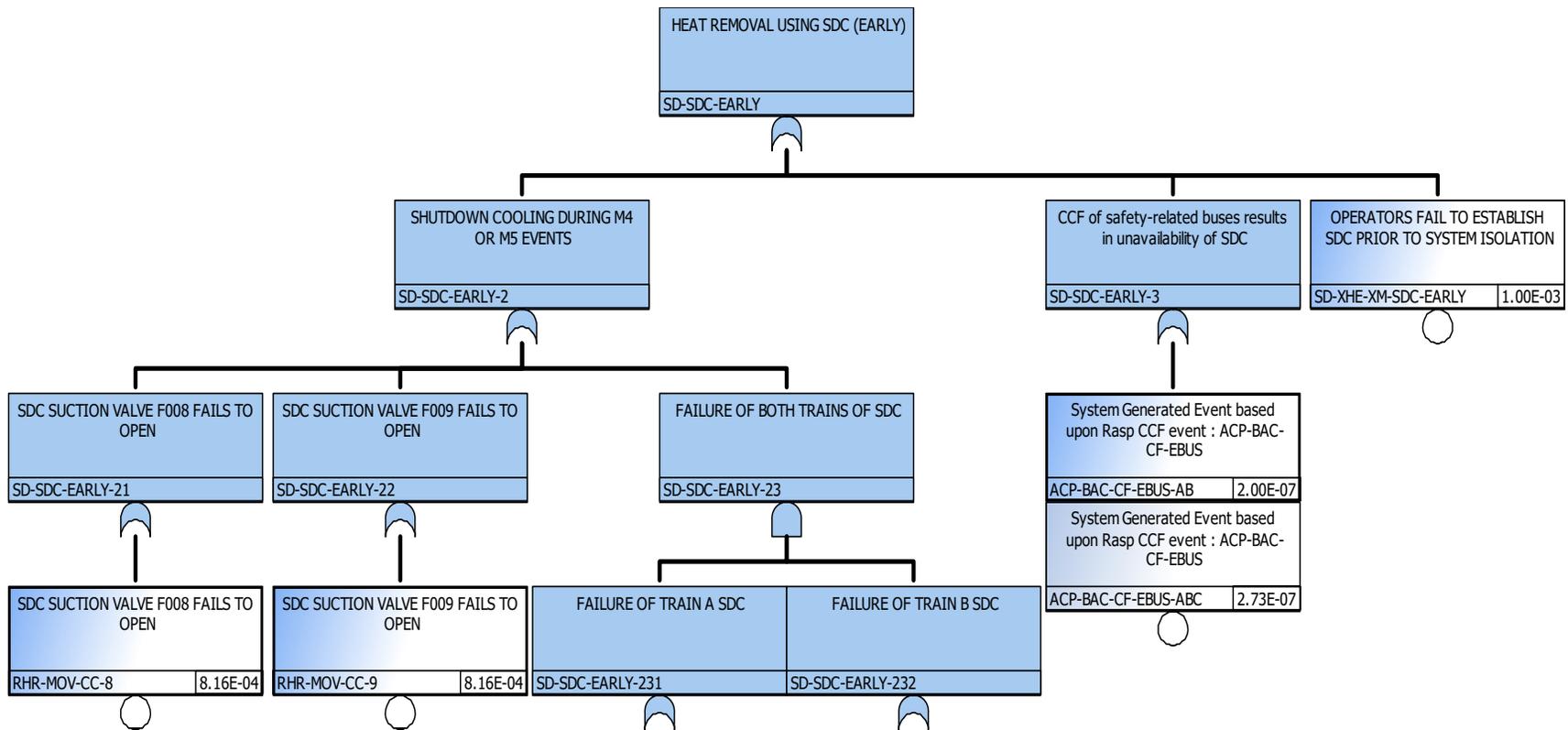


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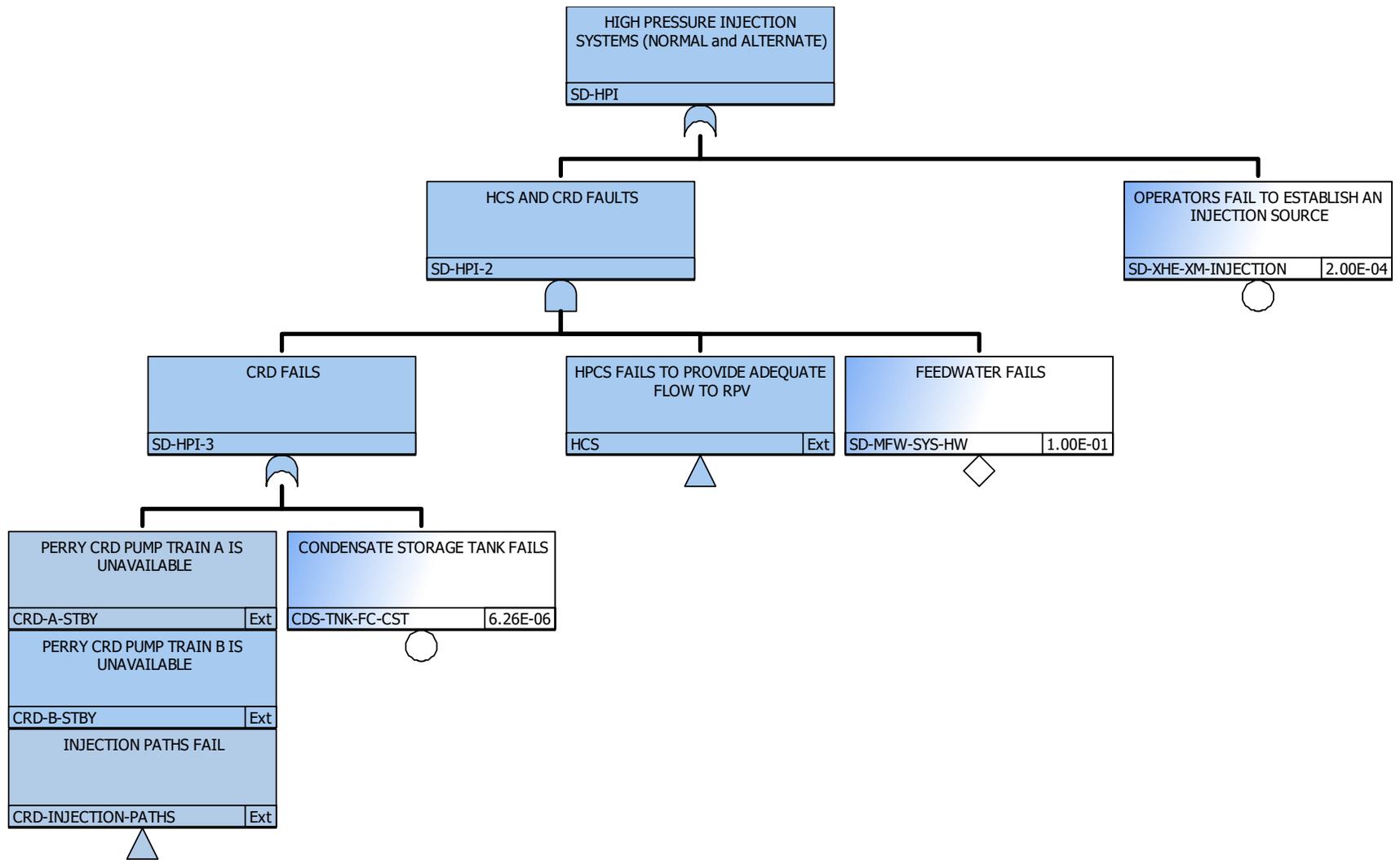


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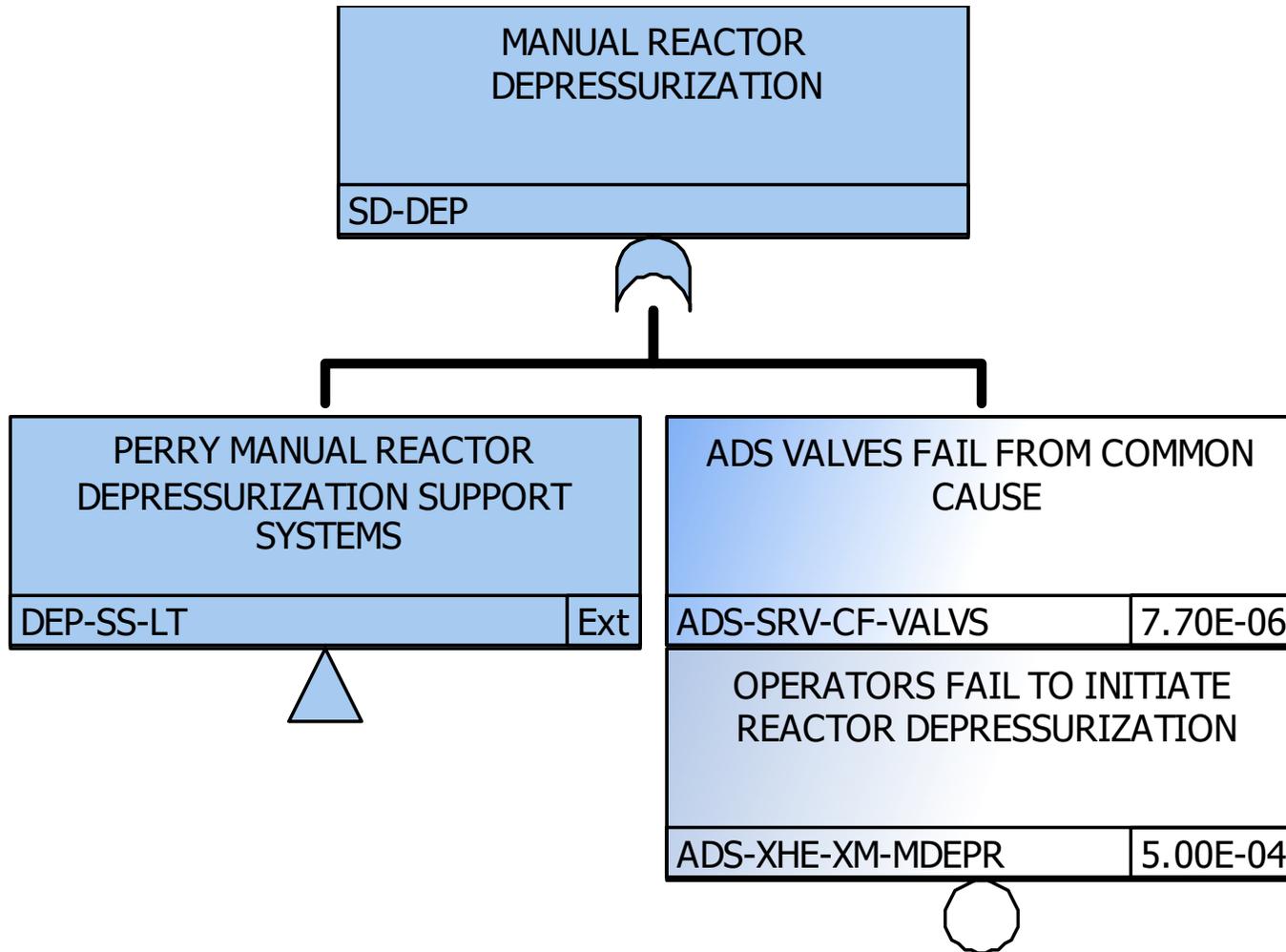


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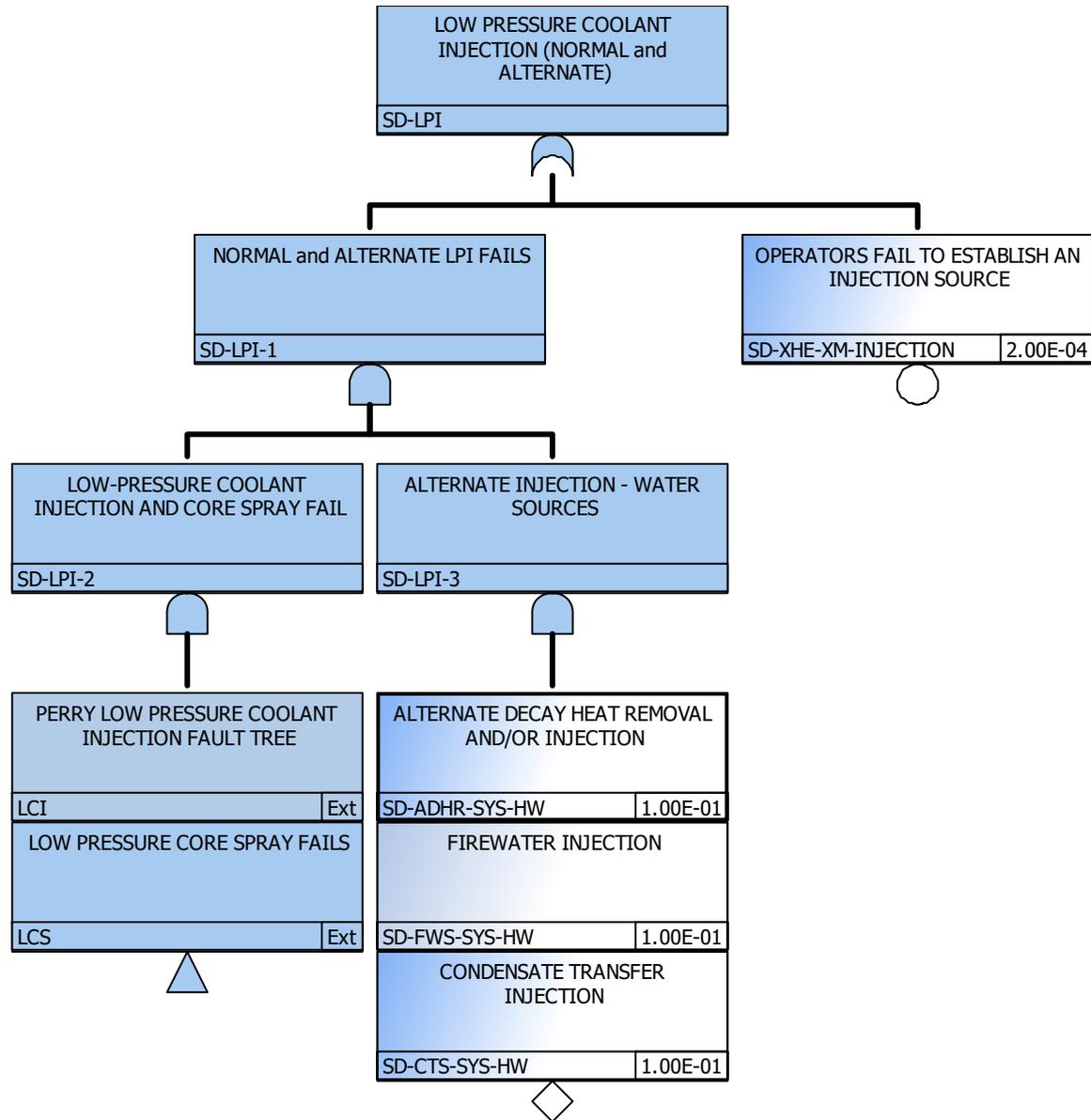


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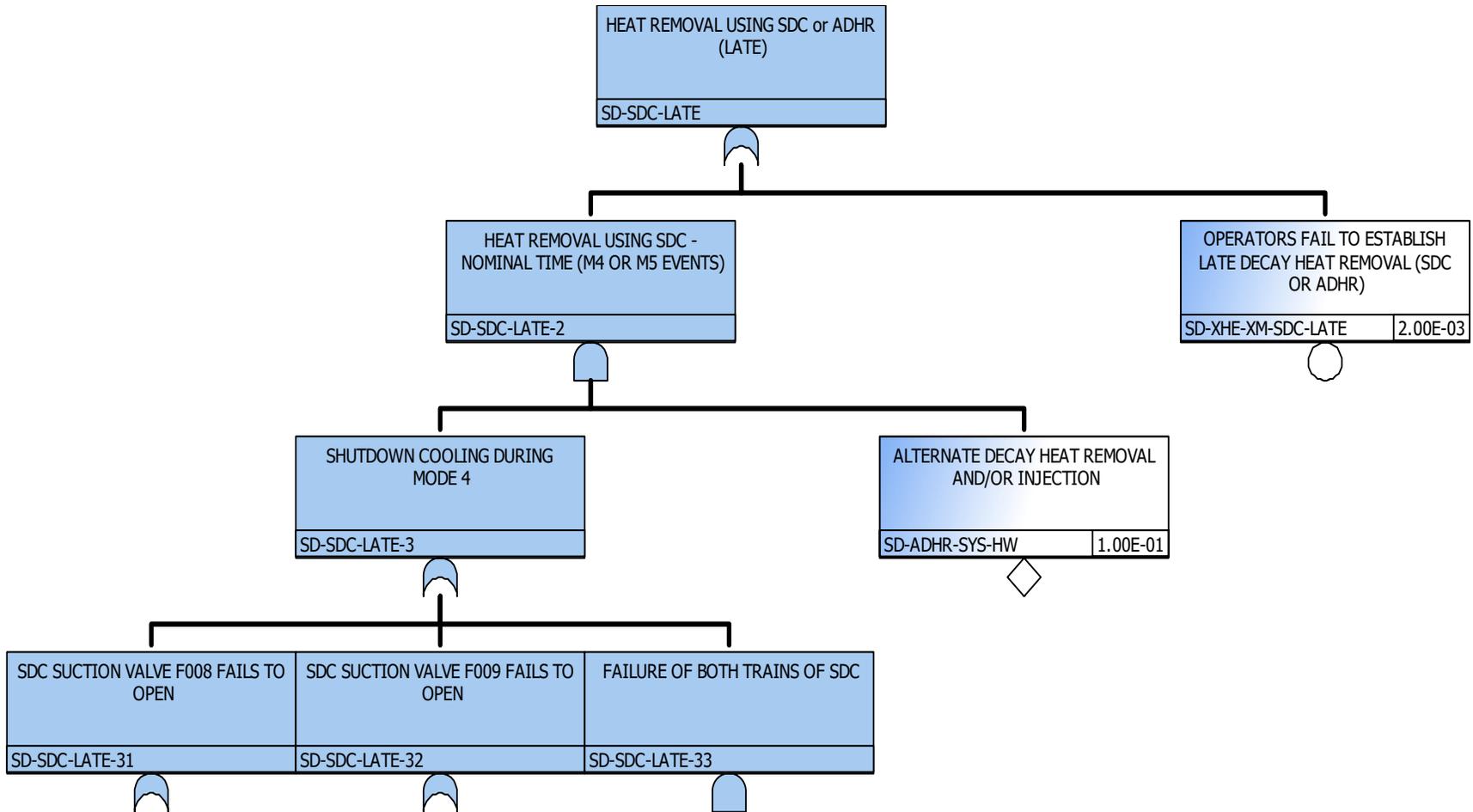


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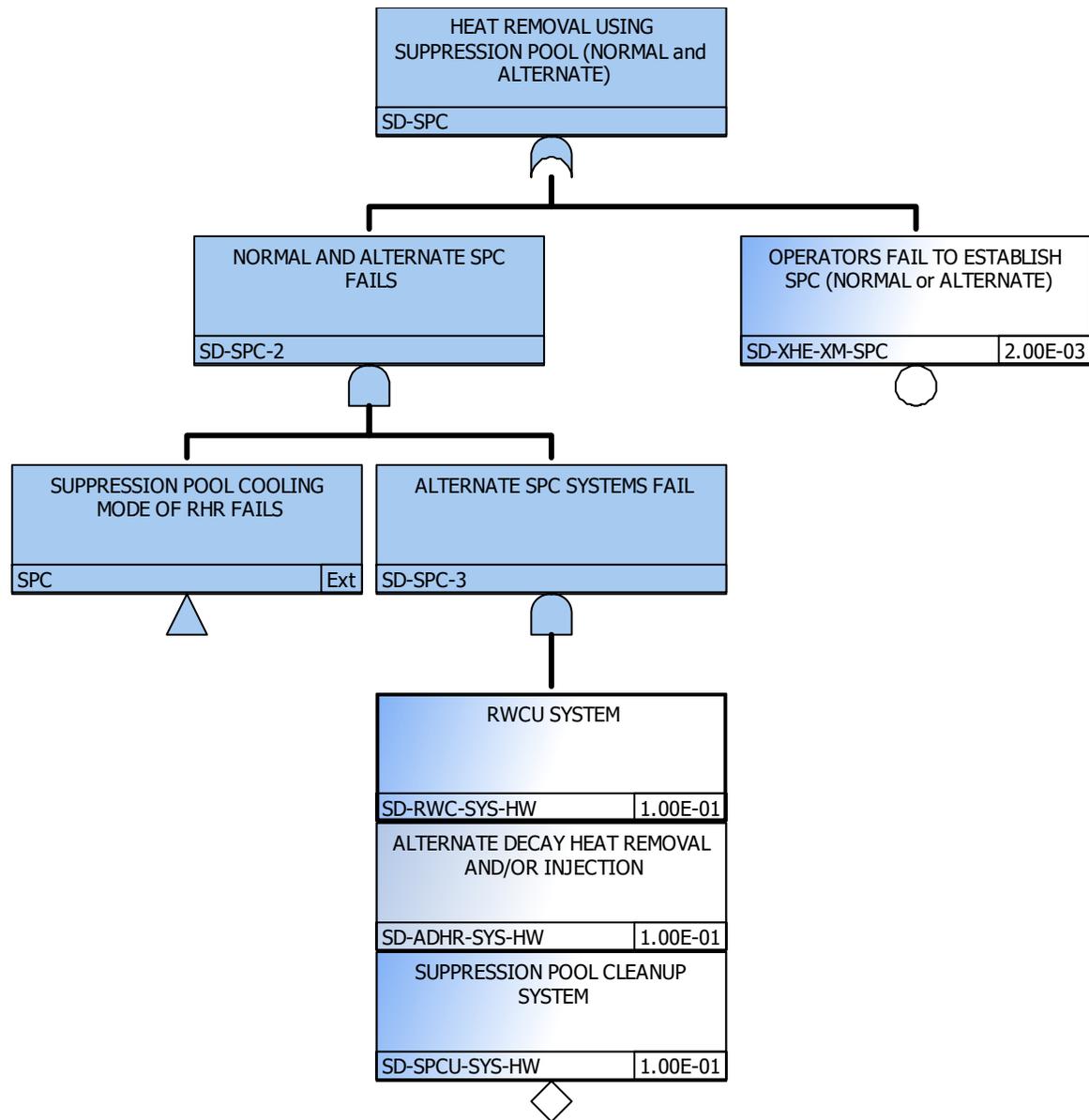


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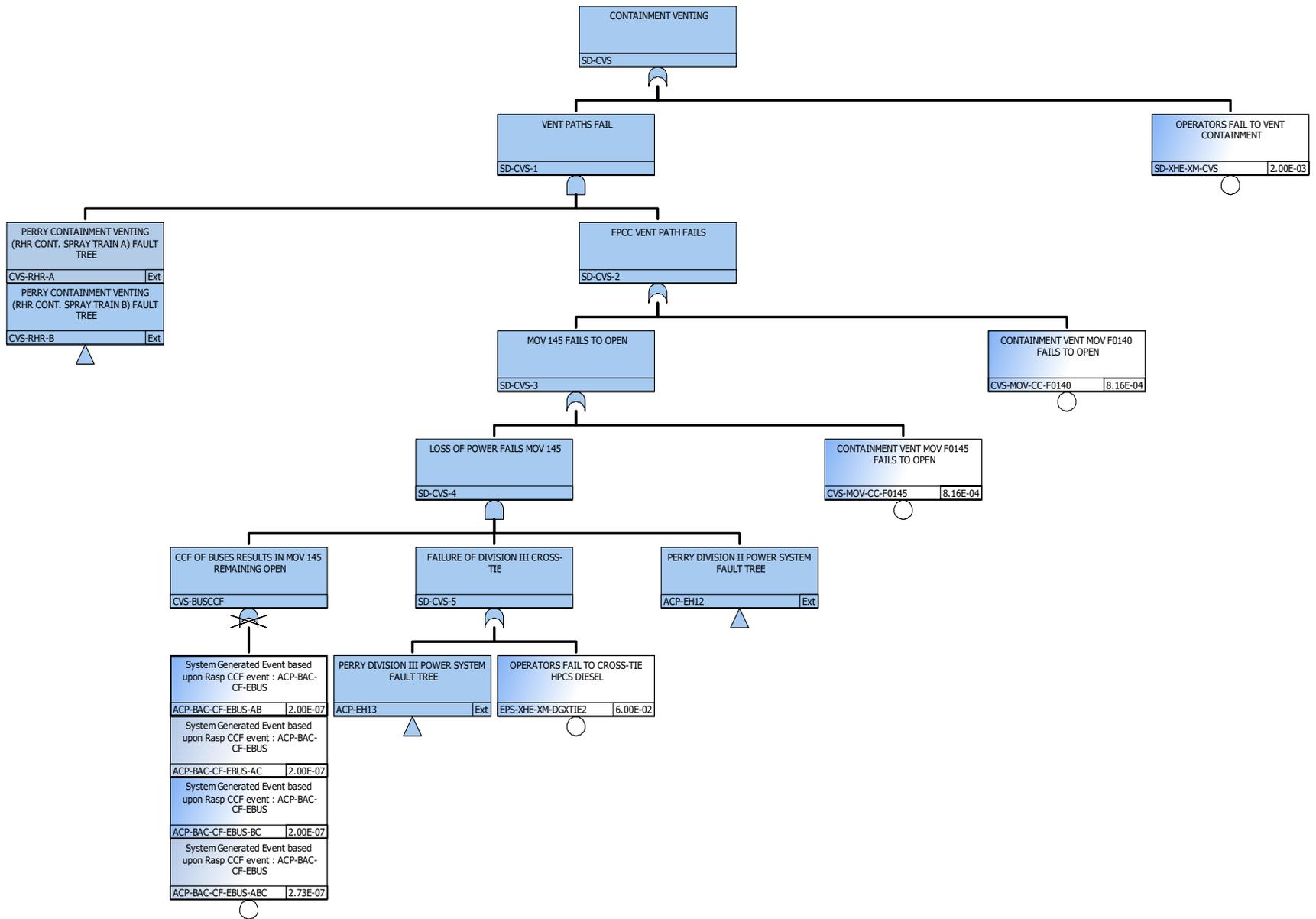


Figure B-8. SD-CVS Fault Tree

## Appendix C: Evaluation of Key HFEs

### Evaluation of SD-XHE-XD-SDC (*operators fail to diagnose loss of SDC before system isolation*).

<b>Definition</b>	The definition for this HFE is the operators' failure to determine that a loss of SDC cooling occurred prior to system isolation at reactor pressure of 135 psig.	
<b>Description and Event Context</b>	Given the loss of the operating SDC train, operators would have 2–3 hours prior to the onset of boiling in the reactor. Reactor pressure is expected to increase quickly after boiling begins. System isolation is conservatively assumed to occur 20 minutes after boiling begins.	
<b>Operator Action Success Criteria</b>	Operators need to determine that a loss of SDC occurred prior to system isolation. In addition, time must be available to align and start the alternate SDC train.	
<b>Key Cue(s)</b>	Trip of running SDC pump, safety-related 4.16 kV bus undervoltage	
<b>Procedural Guidance</b>	ONI-E12-2, "Loss of Decay Heat Removal"	
<b>Diagnosis/Action</b>	This HFE contains only diagnosis activities.	
<b>Performance Shaping Factor (PSF)</b>	<b>Multiplier Diagnosis</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Time Available	0.01	The limiting time for the overall recovery action is conservatively assumed to be 2 hours (lower estimate of time to boil). The time needed to manually align and start the alternative SDC train is estimated to be approximately 30 minutes, leaving approximately 1.5 hours available for diagnosis. The nominal time for diagnosis is estimated to take less than 5 minutes. Since the 1.5 hours available for diagnosis is greater than 2× nominal time and greater than 30 minutes, the diagnosis PSF for available time is set to <i>Expansive</i> .
Complexity	0.1	The PSF for diagnosis complexity is assigned a value of <i>Obvious Diagnosis</i> (i.e., ×0.1) because there are very few operating systems while the plant is in mode 4. Therefore, it is expected that operators are easily able to discern the cues.
Stress, Procedures, Experience/Training, Ergonomics/HMI, Fitness for Duty, Work Processes	1	No event information is available to warrant a change in these diagnosis PSFs from <i>Nominal</i> for this HFE.

The HEP is calculated using the following SPAR-H formula:

$$HEP = (\text{Product of Diagnosis PSFs} * \text{Nominal Diagnosis HEP})$$

$$= (0.001 * 0.01) = 1 \times 10^{-5}$$

Therefore, the HEP for SD-XHE-XD-SDC was set to  $1 \times 10^{-5}$ .

**Evaluation of SD-XHE-XM-SDC-EARLY (operators fail to establish SDC prior to system isolation).**

<b>Definition</b>	The definition for this HFE is the operators' failure to align and start the alternate SDC train, after successfully determining the operating SDC train had failed, prior to system isolation at reactor pressure of 135 psig.	
<b>Description and Event Context</b>	After successfully determining the operating SDC train had failed, it is expected to take operators approximately 30 minutes to align and start the alternate SDC train.	
<b>Operator Action Success Criteria</b>	Operators must align and start the alternate SDC train within 30 minutes.	
<b>Key Cue(s)</b>	Trip of running SDC pump, safety-related 4.16 kV bus undervoltage	
<b>Procedural Guidance</b>	ONI-E12-2, "Loss of Decay Heat Removal"	
<b>Diagnosis/Action</b>	This HFE contains only action activities.	
<b>PSF</b>	<b>Multiplier Action</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Time Available	1	Sufficient time exists to perform the action component of the offsite power recovery; therefore, the action PSF for available time is set to <i>Nominal</i> . See INL/EXT-10-18533, "SPAR-H Step-by-Step Guidance," (Ref. 6) for guidance on apportioning time between the diagnosis and action components of an HFE.
Stress, Complexity, Procedures Experience/Training, Ergonomics/HMI, Fitness for Duty, Work Processes	1	No event information is available to warrant a change in these PSFs (diagnosis or action) from <i>Nominal</i> for this HFE.

The HEP is calculated using the following SPAR-H formula:

$$HEP = (\text{Product of Action PSFs} * \text{Nominal Action HEP})$$

$$= (1 * 0.001) = 1 \times 10^{-3}$$

Therefore, the HEP for SD-XHE-XM-SDC-EARLY was set to  $1 \times 10^{-3}$ .

**Evaluation of SD-XHE-XM-INJECTION (operators fail to establish an injection source).**

<b>Definition</b>	The definition for this HFE is the operators' failure to align a high- or low-pressure injection source to the reactor prior to core uncover (i.e., core damage).	
<b>Description and Event Context</b>	If SDC is not restored prior to RHR system isolation, the reactor will start to boil resulting in a decreasing reactor water level. Operators will need to maintain level above top of active fuel to prevent core damage.	
<b>Operator Action Success Criteria</b>	Operators must initiate a high- or low-pressure source of inventory makeup to the reactor prior to core uncover. For this event, core uncover is estimated to occur 12–15 hours after the loss of SDC if no source of decay heat removal and inventory makeup is initiated. Note that reactor depressurization is needed for use of low-pressure injection systems.	
<b>Key Cue(s)</b>	Reactor water level below 130 inches (level 2)	
<b>Procedural Guidance</b>	Reactor Pressure Vessel Control EOP-01 Flowchart	
<b>Diagnosis/Action</b>	This HFE contains both diagnosis and action activities.	
<b>PSF</b>	<b>Multiplier Diagnosis/Action</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Time Available	0.01 / 1	Reactor water level will begin to decrease at the onset of boiling, 2–3 hours after the loss of SDC occurs. The estimated time to core damage is conservatively assumed to be 9 hours (lower estimate of time to core damage) after boiling begins. The time needed to initiate one of the high- or low-pressure injection systems is conservatively estimated to be 30 minutes, leaving several hours available for diagnosis. The nominal time for diagnosis is estimated to take less than 5 minutes. Since time available for diagnosis is greater than 2× nominal time and greater than 30 minutes, the diagnosis PSF for available time is set to <i>Expansive</i> .  Sufficient time exists to perform the action component of the offsite power recovery; therefore, the action PSF for available time is set to <i>Nominal</i> . See Reference 5 for guidance on apportioning time between the diagnosis and action components of an HFE.
Complexity	2 / 2	The dominant scenario in this ASP analysis is expected to increase the complexity for both the diagnosis and action components for this HFE. Specifically, a CCF of the safety-related AC buses will force operators to use alternate systems that are powered from nonsafety-related sources. In addition, some of these alternate systems require efforts outside the MCR. Therefore, this PSF is set to <i>Moderately Complex</i> (i.e., ×2) for both the diagnosis and action components of this HFE.
Stress, Procedures Experience/Training, Ergonomics/HMI, Fitness for Duty, Work Processes	1 / 1	No event information is available to warrant a change in these PSFs (diagnosis or action) from <i>Nominal</i> for this HFE.

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The HEP is calculated using the following SPAR-H formula:

$$HEP = (\text{Product of Diagnosis PSFs} * \text{Nominal Diagnosis HEP}) + (\text{Product of Action PSFs} * \text{Nominal Action HEP})$$

$$= (0.02 * 0.01) + (2 * 0.001) = 2 \times 10^{-3}$$

This HEP is limited to a lower bound of  $2 \times 10^{-3}$  due largely to the apportioning of time as nominal for the action component of the HFE. This lower bound HEP is sufficient for many HFEs; however, it is too conservative for some HFEs. Given the excess time, availability of multiple injection systems, and the staffing of the technical support center prior to core damage, 0.1 reduction credit is provided for the HFE. Therefore, the HEP for SD-XHE-XM-INJECTION was set to  $2 \times 10^{-4}$ .

**Evaluation of DCP-XHE-XL-U2XTIE (operators fail to align Unit 2 DC power to Unit 1).**

<b>Definition</b>	The definition for this HHFE is operators' failure to align Unit 2 direct-current (DC) power to Unit 1.	
<b>Description and Event Context</b>	If Unit 1 safety-related power becomes unavailable (e.g., CCF of safety-related buses), operators will cross-connect DC power from Unit 2.	
<b>Operator Action Success Criteria</b>	Operators successfully cross-connect DC power between units to support successful reactor injection and/or reactor depressurization.	
<b>Key Cue(s)</b>	Low voltage on Unit 1 safety-related buses	
<b>Procedural Guidance</b>	SOI-R42 (System A), "Non-Divisional DC System A Distribution, Buses D-1-A and D-2-A: Batteries, Chargers, and Switchgear"	
<b>Diagnosis/Action</b>	This HFE contains both diagnosis and action activities.	
<b>PSF</b>	<b>Multiplier Diagnosis/Action</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Time Available	0.01 / 1	For the most limiting scenario (i.e., CCF of safety-related buses), DC power will be available until the safety-related batteries are depleted. However, operators can align DC power from Unit 2. The time to align the DC power from Unit 2 to Unit 1 is conservatively estimated to be 30 minutes. Since operators would need DC power to depressurize the reactor for injection with low-pressure systems, several hours would be available for diagnosis. Since time available for diagnosis is greater than 2× nominal time and greater than 30 minutes, the diagnosis PSF for available time is set to <i>Expansive</i> .  Sufficient time exists to perform the action component of the offsite power recovery; therefore, the action PSF for available time is set to <i>Nominal</i> . See Reference 5 for guidance on apportioning time between the diagnosis and action components of an HFE.
Stress, Complexity, Procedures Experience/Training, Ergonomics/HMI, Fitness for Duty, Work Processes	1 / 1	No event information is available to warrant a change in these PSFs (diagnosis or action) from <i>Nominal</i> for this HFE.

The HEP is calculated using the following SPAR-H formula:

$$HEP = (\text{Product of Diagnosis PSFs} * \text{Nominal Diagnosis HEP}) + (\text{Product of Action PSFs} * \text{Nominal Action HEP})$$

$$= (0.01 * 0.01) + (1 * 0.001) = 1 \times 10^{-3}$$

Therefore, the HEP for DCP-XHE-XL-U2XTIE was set to  $1 \times 10^{-3}$ .

**Evaluation of SD-XHE-XM-SDC-LATE (operators fail to establish late decay heat removal (SDC or ADHR)).**

<b>Definition</b>	The definition for this HFE is the operators' failure to establish late decay heat removal via SDC or the ADHR system.	
<b>Description and Event Context</b>	If operators successfully injection using either high- or low-pressure injection and have the capability to depressurize the reactor, operators can align decay heat removal via SDC or the ADHR system. The dominant scenario involves CCF of the safety-related buses, resulting in the unavailability of SDC until the buses can be repaired. The ADHR system is unavailable initially until the system is filled and vented, which could take several hours.	
<b>Operator Action Success Criteria</b>	Operators must align and start the SDC train or ADHR prior to containment pressure reaching 40 psig with subsequent venting required.	
<b>Key Cue(s)</b>	Successful injection with reactor pressure below 135 psig.	
<b>Procedural Guidance</b>	Reactor Pressure Vessel Control EOP-01 Flowchart and ONI-E12-2, "Loss of Decay Heat Removal"	
<b>Diagnosis/Action</b>	This HFE contains both diagnosis and action activities.	
<b>PSF</b>	<b>Multiplier Diagnosis/Action</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Time Available	0.01 / 1	<p>It is estimated that containment pressure will reach its design limit of 40 psig in 15–16 hours with no reactor injection or containment cooling. The nominal time to diagnose the availability of SDC or ADHR is estimated to take 5–10 minutes. The time needed to manually align and start the alternative SDC train is estimated to be approximately 30 minutes. The total time available to operators is dependent on when reactor injection and reactor depressurization is initiated. Although an exact time estimate is dependent on the timing of earlier operator action, it is expected that several hours are available to operators. Therefore, the diagnosis PSF for available time is set to <i>Expansive</i> (i.e., greater than 2× nominal time and greater than 30 minutes).</p> <p>Sufficient time exists to perform the action component of the offsite power recovery; therefore, the action PSF for available time is set to <i>Nominal</i>. See INL/EXT-10-18533, "SPAR-H Step-by-Step Guidance," (Ref. 6) for guidance on apportioning time between the diagnosis and action components of an HFE.</p>
Complexity	2 / 2	The determination of status of safety-related AC buses (given ongoing repair activities) and the use of ADHR is expected to increase the complexity for both the diagnosis and action components for this HFE. The use of ADHR requires efforts outside the MCR. Therefore, this PSF is set to <i>Moderately Complex</i> (i.e., ×2) for both the diagnosis and action components of this HFE.
Stress, Procedures Experience/Training, Ergonomics/HMI, Fitness for Duty, Work Processes	1 / 1	No event information is available to warrant a change in these PSFs (diagnosis or action) from <i>Nominal</i> for this HFE.

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The HEP is calculated using the following SPAR-H formula:

$$HEP = (\text{Product of Diagnosis PSFs} * \text{Nominal Diagnosis HEP}) + (\text{Product of Action PSFs} * \text{Nominal Action HEP})$$

$$= (0.02 * 0.01) + (2 * 0.001) = 2 \times 10^{-3}$$

Therefore, the HEP for SD-XHE-XM-SDC-LATE was set to  $2 \times 10^{-3}$ .

**Evaluation of SD-XHE-XM-SPC (operators fail to establish SPC (normal or alternate)).**

<b>Definition</b>	The definition for this HFE is the operators' failure to align SPC prior to containment failure.	
<b>Description and Event Context</b>	Given the loss of all SDC, decay heat is directed to the suppression pool after boiling begins and the reactor is pressurized. This decay heat from the reactor via the SRVs will heat up the suppression pool. If SPC is not aligned, the suppression pool will begin to boil resulting in the pressurization of containment, which would require venting to prevent containment failure (40 psig).	
<b>Operator Action Success Criteria</b>	Operators successfully align either normal or alternate SPC prior to containment failure.	
<b>Nominal Cues</b>	Suppression pool temperature reaches 95°F.	
<b>Procedural Guidance</b>	Primary Containment Control EOP-02 Flowchart	
<b>Diagnosis/Action</b>	This HFE contains both diagnosis and action activities.	
<b>PSF</b>	<b>Multiplier Diagnosis/Action</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Time Available	0.01 / 1	It is estimated that containment pressure will reach its design limit of 40 psig in 15–16 hours with no reactor injection or containment cooling. The nominal time to diagnose the need to align SPC is estimated to take less than 5 minutes. The time needed to align normal or alternate SPC is estimated to be approximately 30 minutes. The suppression pool is expected to reach 95°F within the first hour after reactor boiling begins (i.e., 3–4 hours after loss of SDC occurs). Therefore, at least several hours are available for operators to diagnose the need for SPC and, thus, the diagnosis PSF for available time is set to <i>Expansive</i> (i.e., greater than 2× nominal time and greater than 30 minutes).  Sufficient time exists to perform the action component of the offsite power recovery; therefore, the action PSF for available time is set to <i>Nominal</i> . See Reference 5 for guidance on apportioning time between the diagnosis and action components of an HFE.
Complexity	2 / 2	The dominant scenario in this ASP analysis is expected to increase the complexity for the both the diagnosis and action components for this HFE. Specifically, a CCF of the safety-related AC buses will force operators to use alternate systems that are powered from nonsafety-related sources. In addition, some of these alternate systems require efforts outside the MCR. Therefore, this PSF is set to <i>Moderately Complex</i> (i.e., ×2) for both the diagnosis and action components of this HFE.
Stress, Experience/Training, Ergonomics/HMI, Fitness for Duty, Work Processes	1 / 1	No event information is available to warrant a change in these PSFs (diagnosis or action) from <i>Nominal</i> for this HFE.

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The HEP is calculated using the following SPAR-H formula:

$$HEP = (\text{Product of Diagnosis PSFs} * \text{Nominal Diagnosis HEP}) + (\text{Product of Action PSFs} * \text{Nominal Action HEP})$$

$$= (0.02 * 0.01) + (2 * 0.001) = 2 \times 10^{-3}$$

Therefore, the HEP for SD-XHE-XM-SPC was set to  $2 \times 10^{-3}$ .

**Evaluation of SD-XHE-XM-CVS (operators fail to vent containment).**

<b>Definition</b>	The definition for this HFE is the operators' failure to vent containment prior to failure (40 psig).	
<b>Description and Event Context</b>	Given the loss of all SDC, decay heat is directed to the suppression pool after boiling begins and the reactor is pressurized. This decay heat from the reactor via the SRVs will heat up the suppression pool. If SPC is not aligned, the suppression pool will begin to boil resulting in the pressurization of containment. Procedures direct operators to vent when containment pressure reaches 15 psig.	
<b>Operator Action Success Criteria</b>	Operators successfully vent containment prior to failure.	
<b>Nominal Cues</b>	Containment pressure reaches 15 psig.	
<b>Procedural Guidance</b>	Primary Containment Control EOP-02 Flowchart	
<b>Diagnosis/Action</b>	This HFE contains both diagnosis and action activities.	
<b>PSF</b>	<b>Multiplier Diagnosis/Action</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Time Available	0.01 / 1	<p>It is estimated that containment pressure will reach its design limit of 40 psig in 15–16 hours with no reactor injection or containment cooling. Suppression pool is expected to begin boiling in 8–9 hours after the loss of SDC occurred. The nominal time to diagnose the need to vent containment is estimate to take less than 5 minutes. The time needed to vent containment is estimated to be approximately 30 minutes. Operators are procedurally directed to vent when containment pressure reaches 15 psig. An exact time which containment pressure will reach 15 psig is not available. However, at least 2 hours are expected to be available for operators to diagnose the need to vent containment and, therefore, the diagnosis PSF for available time is set to <i>Expansive</i> (i.e., greater than 2× nominal time and greater than 30 minutes).</p> <p>Sufficient time exists to perform the action component of the offsite power recovery; therefore, the action PSF for available time is set to <i>Nominal</i>. See Reference 5 for guidance on apportioning time between the diagnosis and action components of an HFE.</p>
Complexity	2 / 2	The dominant scenario in this ASP analysis is expected to increase the complexity for the both the diagnosis and action components for this HFE. Specifically, a CCF of the safety-related AC buses will force operators to use alternate systems that are powered from nonsafety-related sources. In addition, some of these alternate systems require efforts outside the MCR. Therefore, this PSF is set to <i>Moderately Complex</i> (i.e., ×2) for both the diagnosis and action components of this HFE.
Stress, Experience/Training, Ergonomics/HMI, Fitness for Duty, Work Processes	1 / 1	No event information is available to warrant a change in these PSFs (diagnosis or action) from <i>Nominal</i> for this HFE.

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The HEP is calculated using the following SPAR-H formula:

$$HEP = (\text{Product of Diagnosis PSFs} * \text{Nominal Diagnosis HEP}) + (\text{Product of Action PSFs} * \text{Nominal Action HEP})$$

$$= (0.02 * 0.01) + (2 * 0.001) = 2 \times 10^{-3}$$

Therefore, the HEP for SD-XHE-XM-CVS was set to  $2 \times 10^{-3}$ .