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Backup Press for Level Measurement Procedure ⁰⁸⁰⁰
Pressurizer Heat-Up Method T-5

① Purpose: To provide a method to estimate absolute pressurizer level based on the temperature/pressure response of the water in the pressurizer to a known heater power input

② Approach: Measure pressurizer temperature and pressure change for a given heater input (DO. KW g HRS energized x length of time of test) and calculate pressurizer water volume and level. Spray must be off during test.

③ Assumptions:

- System nominally at 1000 psig
- Spray off

Procedure Outline

1. With prgr spray secured, record pressurizer water temperature & pressure, total power to heaters and time. Heater power should be as high as practical, such that a heat input in the 6000 - 8000 KW-minutes, minimum, range can be obtained in as short a time as possible.

2. Determine desired length of test = $\frac{\text{Desired heat input}}{\text{Heater power}}$

(E.g., $\text{time} = \frac{8000(\text{KW} \cdot \text{min})}{\text{Heater power (KW)}}$)

Trend PR Pressure, PR Temp at 2 min intervals during test. + PR Level
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3. After the calculated time interval, record pressurizer water temperature; pressure and heater power. Determine Δp and ΔT and Heat input (kW-Minutes).
4. For the applied heat input value, enter Curve 1 with measured Δp and determine approximate level.
5. Determine correction factor from CURVE 2 for metal heat capacity. (Note: metal heat capacity ~~was~~ becomes important for long time periods and low water levels. Test should be run for as short a duration as possible consistent with achieving a heat input in the 6000-2000 kW-min range). Correction factor = F.

6. Correct measured Δp by multiplying by F.

$$\Delta p' = F \times \Delta p$$

7. Enter CURVE 1 to obtain corrected level using $\Delta p'$.

Repeat test at three different pressurizer levels
NOTE to correlate data to actual level.

As noted in CURVE 1, Δp and ΔT responses diverge at high levels (~400") and very low levels (~80"). Therefore; temperature response should be monitored and plotted on CURVE 1 with the pressure response. If both Δp and ΔT do not track together on CURVE 1, it indicates very high or low level.

I.e., small Δp and high $\Delta T \Rightarrow$ Low Level
High Δp and low $\Delta T \Rightarrow$ High Level

PRESSURIZER PRESSURE AND TEMPERATURE RESPONSES TO NET ENERGY UNBALANCE, VS. LEVEL

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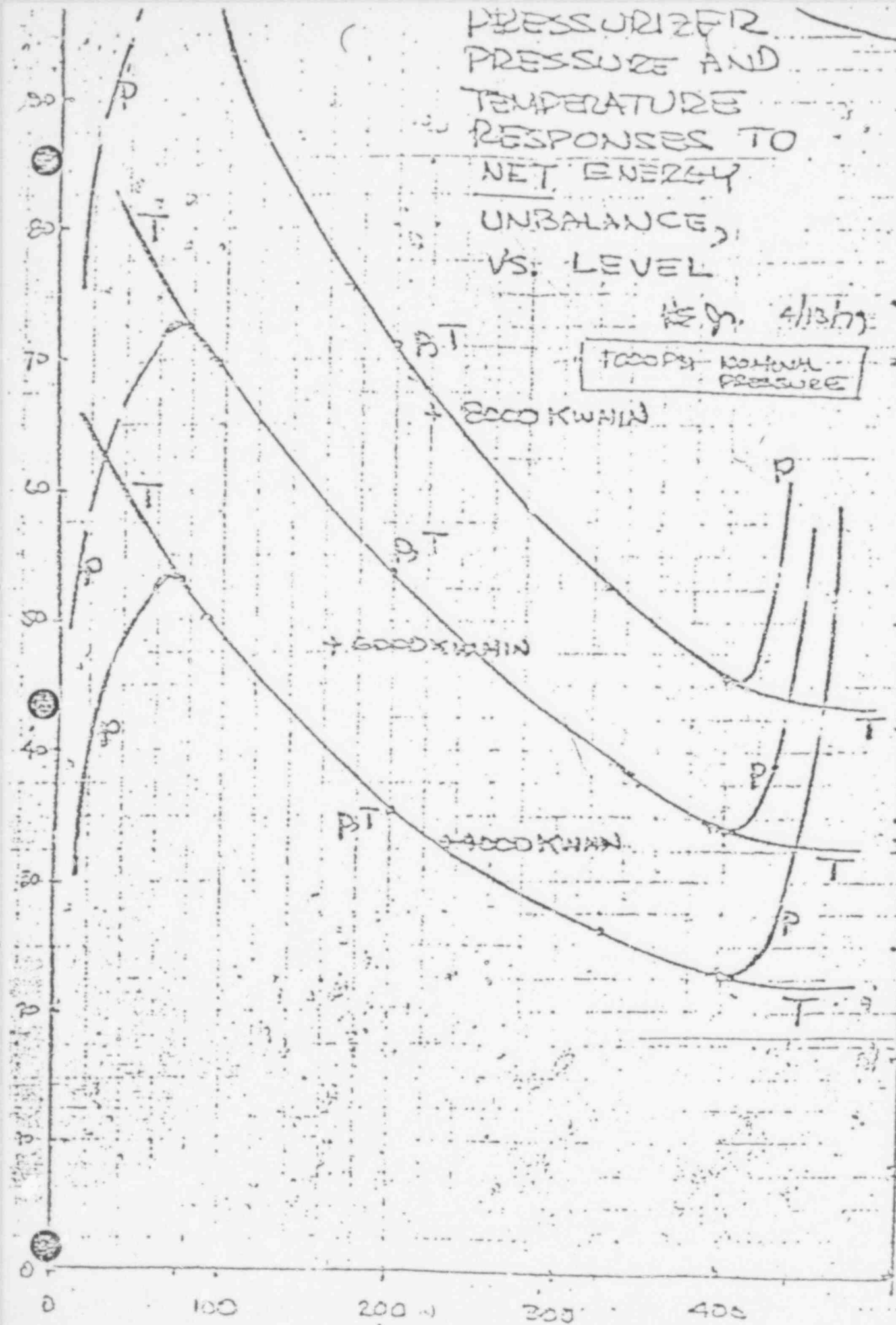
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PRESSURE

+ 8000 KW IN

+ 6000 KW IN

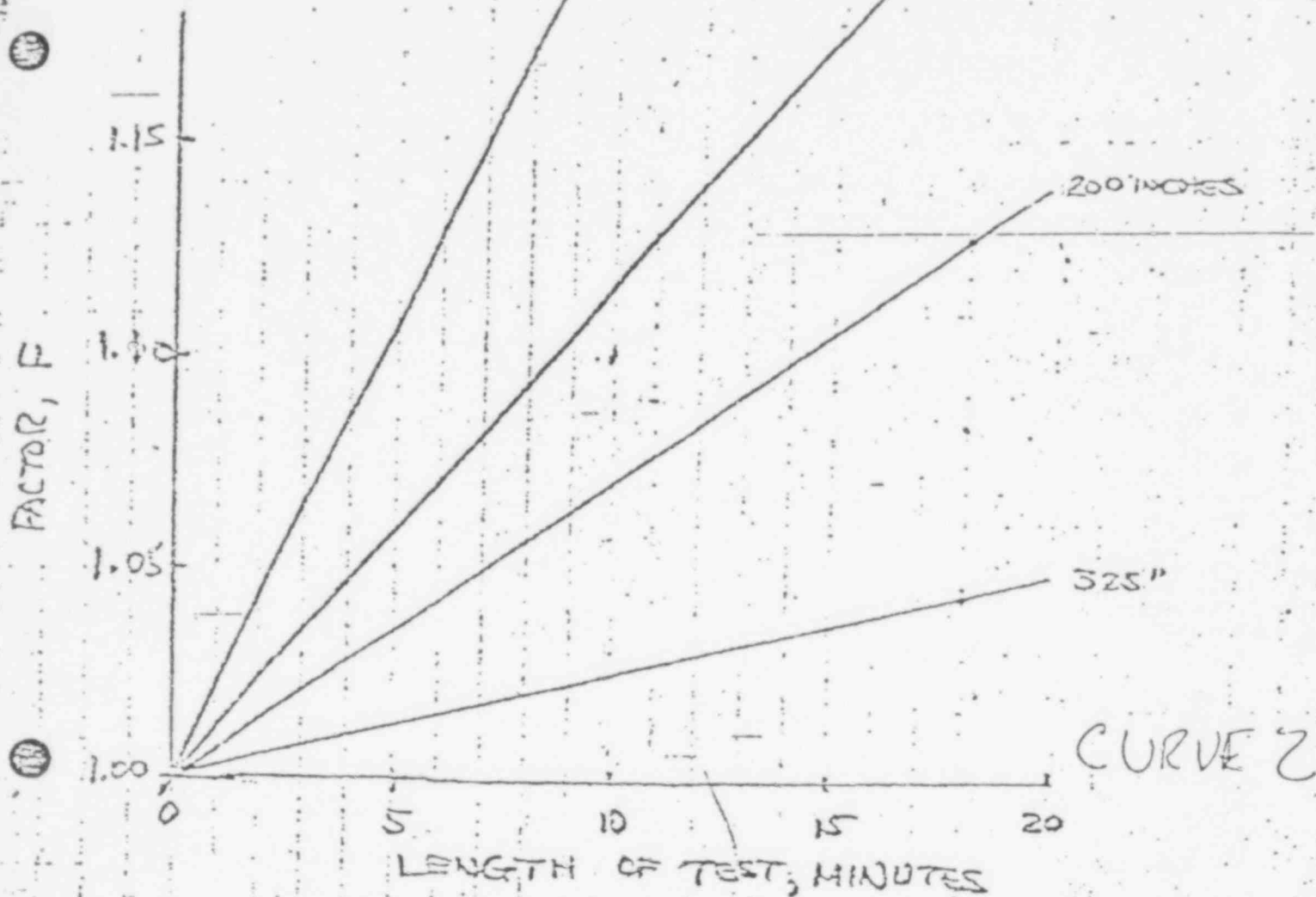
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PRESSURIZER TEMPERATURE INCREASE



METAL HEAT CAPACITY CORRECTION

FACTOR,



1. MEASURE PRESSURE INCREASE FOR A CALIBRATED NET ENERGY INPUT (EG. 800 KW HEATER² FOR 5 MIN WITH NO SPRAY)
2. ENTER CURVE 1 TO FIND APPARENT WATER LEVEL
3. USING THIS LEVEL, AND THE TIME PERIOD FOR THE TEST, ESTIMATE CORRECTION FACTOR F FROM CURVE 2 ABOVE.
4. INCREASE MEASURED PRESSURE SWING BY FACTOR F. (NEW PRESSURE = MEASURED $\times$ F)