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14 The ACRS Subcommittee on Emergency Core Cooling Systems  
15 met, pursuant to adjournment, at 8:30 a.m., Dr. Milton S.  
16 Plesset, chairman of the subcommittee, presiding.

17 PPRESENT:

18 DR. MILTON S. PLESSET, Chairman of the Subcommittee

19 MR. JESSE EBERSOLE, Member  
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kds 1 DR. PLESSET: Let's begin. We have a rather full  
2 day, but of necessity it is going to be a short day, because  
3 some of us have to leave by 3:30. That is the good news.

4 Now the bad news: We are going to be succinct  
5 both in our questions and our comments. I have asked the  
6 Staff to be likewise. \*\*\*

7 Before we begin I thought I would say a few words  
8 to you. What we are concerned about today is the fact that  
9 the ACRS must make a report to the Commissioners in July  
10 regarding the research budget; and this, I am sure, will also  
11 go to the Congress, even though we prepare another report due  
12 in December.

13 We have already prepared two reports. Let me tell  
14 you what kind of reaction they have gotten. In the  
15 preparation of the bill in the House Committee, which has  
16 oversight on the finances of the NRC, they made some comments  
17 in the bill.

18 There are some specific criticisms of the ACRS in  
19 the bill. That is unusual. Let me read it to you. They  
20 want to propose three changes to increase the utility of the  
21 ACRS report as follows:

22 One, they are asking ACRS to prepare its report in  
23 accordance with a schedule that permits it to be used by the  
24 Commission in preparation of the fiscal year 1981  
25 authorization request. That we are doing, hopefully. The

kds 1 Commissioners would consider the budget in July.

2 Two, prepare a clear statement of research  
3 priorities, including specification of projects the ACRS  
4 believes should be added to or dropped from the Commission's  
5 research program. That is a very specific request.

6 Three, include discussion of the specific manner  
7 in which the Commission's reactor safety research projects  
8 are expected to affect the Commission's reactor regulations.  
9 That is a little less clear.

10 You can see what some of our problems are. It may  
11 very well be that the ACRS reports of the past two years  
12 have been more concerned with form than substance.

13 Now we have to try to reverse that and pay more  
14 attention to the substance and less attention to the form.

15 I mention these things to you because we look to  
16 you for help in considering the budget and the items, and  
17 direction of the safety research program.

18 I think that Mr. Murley of the Staff will certainly  
19 help us get as much of this in this short day as possible.

20 Do any of our consultants want to make comments on  
21 our task? I don't know if we can do it all today, but we  
22 will try.

23 We will have to transmit to the full committee our  
24 views regarding the budget, as well as the research program,  
25 which is the more important thing for us to be concerned

kds 1 with, rather than just the dollars.

2 So you will wait until after the presentations to  
3 make comments. Hopefully we can complete all the  
4 presentations before 3:00 o'clock. I think that is when we  
5 will have to adjourn; 3:30 is as late as we can stay, and  
6 we need some time for discussion.

7 I would like if we could finish by 2:30 or  
8 2:45.

9 PROF. THEOFANOUS: In view of the time limitation,  
10 could I suggest we let the speakers speak without  
11 interruptions so we get the train of thought, and then maybe  
12 after a particular segment, ask questions, instead of  
13 breaking in all the time?

14 DR. PLESSET: That is a good idea. It will  
15 certainly help.

16 I also asked Tom Murley to have his people be  
17 succinct and not go into any particular amount of background  
18 material. We are pretty familiar with the facilities and  
19 fairly familiar with the programs that are involved with  
20 those facilities. We can save a lot of time that way.

21 Any other comment?

22 I think that is a good suggestion. I hope the  
23 Staff will make note of that. We will try to cooperate for  
24 a change and let them speak without too much harassment and  
25 interruption.

kds 1 I guess we can proceed, Tom. Do you want to  
2 comment?

3 MR. MURLEY: Yes. Okay, this will be the first  
4 time we have really gone into detail on budgetary material  
5 with the Committee.

6 I had intended in my introductory talk to tell you  
7 what the material is all about and lead you through it. I  
8 will do that.

9 Also Dr. Plesset has asked that I take a little  
10 time to explain what is in the fiscal 1980 supplementary  
11 request that we will be requesting of the Commission,  
12 probably within a month.

13 First I think I need to go over some introductory  
14 remarks. We are reexamining our program in light of the  
15 Three Mile Island accident.

16 We have already made some changes in the program.  
17 The semiscale tests have been run on TMI type  
18 simulations.

19 The LOFT program has been changed. We have  
20 conducted hydrogen experiments and will be conducting more.

21 And there was a change in emphasis in our Code D  
22 program. We are starting to accelerate transient codes.

23 You recall last year we had the research staff  
24 with the support primarily of the Idaho National Engineering  
25 Laboratory staff. I conducted a survey of reactor safety

kds 1 research needs.

2 (Slide.)

3 I will just quickly reiterate what these were.  
4 There was widespread agreement that licensing evaluation  
5 models be conservative with regard to large LOCA.

6 The current programs were addressing the small  
7 scale model research needs, but further large scale tests  
8 were needed for both PWRs and BWRs.

9 We have started the large 3D program, and it is now  
10 going at high speed. Gary Bennett will talk about that  
11 later.

12 We have since started BWR countercurrent flow  
13 limiting research programs at Lynn, Massachusetts. That is  
14 also large scale in conjunction with EPRI and GE; and I  
15 believe Al Serkiz intended to cover some of that.

16 Also there was widespread agreement in the  
17 community and ACRS that more emphasis should be placed on  
18 non-LOCA research. We started to do that, as a matter of  
19 fact.

20 (Slide.)

21 We went to the Commission. This budget chart is  
22 taken from last year's Commission presentation. We showed  
23 that the LCOA-ECCS program would start down after fiscal  
24 1980 and continue down.

25 Indeed, the whole light water reactor program would

kds 1 start down in fiscal 1980. That has been our plan up until  
2 the TMI accident.

3 I think we have learned that there are quite a  
4 few areas we haven't been addressing adequately, and we  
5 intend to do that.

6 As a result, we foresee the following impact on our  
7 program: in fact, it will not peak in fiscal 1980, but  
8 will peak in 1981 and take a large jump, and start down at  
9 roughly about the same rate.

10 I have shown three budgets here. The dark lines  
11 are the old lines from last year. For information, the  
12 1978 and 1979 figures include part of DOE's funding for  
13 LOFT. You recall they had to pay to finish the construction  
14 of it. It was all part of safety research in a way, so I  
15 am including this to show the trends.

16 We are going in with a supplement to our 1980  
17 budget. If we get that, then the budget increase will  
18 start off in 1980 at a much higher rate than what we have  
19 previously asked for, and still will peak in 1981 and come  
20 down.

21 If we don't get a budget supplement in 1980, then  
22 it will take a much sharper rise in 1981.

23 I should explain that this budgetary supplement will  
24 get us into areas where we will start looking at accidents  
25 that go beyond design basis accidents. Particularly, we will

kds 1 be looking at what we call degraded plant conditions.

2 By and large we have assumed that we have taken  
3 the Appendix K assumptions that may be loss of offsite power,  
4 but the ECC systems work.

5 When you get into transients and small LOCAs, where  
6 the time scales can extend out into hours, there is a lot  
7 of opportunity for operator intervention. That can sometimes  
8 negate the emergency cooling system.

9 Likewise we will be looking at multiple failures  
10 of equipment. We intend to be doing more exploratory  
11 research.

12 We will be looking at real plants. We will be  
13 looking at trying to apply the lessons of WASH-1400 to real  
14 plants, and how they would stack up against the various  
15 accident scenarios in WASH-1400.

16 We are looking into possibly some simple methods  
17 for making quick calculations. We don't have firm ideas on  
18 that yet. I throw it out as an indication that we are  
19 thinking along these lines.

20 I have asked to see if we can get even a small  
21 computer in research so we could experiment with some small  
22 programs ourselves to see if it makes sense to do quick  
23 calculations. I think we can, of the kind Carl Michelson  
24 does, for example.

25 So those are the general areas we will be moving

kds 1 into.

2 Dr. Plesset wanted me to talk about the fiscal 1980  
3 supplement.

4 (Slide.)

5 This was presented to the Full Committee about a  
6 month ago. Most of you weren't here, so I will go over this.

7 We will be asking for about \$29.8 million above our  
8 regular request in 1980. It is broken down into six  
9 categories. I will go over each category in a little more  
10 detail.

11 This may change slightly. Sol Levine is still  
12 working on the papers, but there will be major changes.

13 (Slide.)

14 The first area, better understanding of transients  
15 and small LOCAs. We see an urgent need to modify and check  
16 our codes to improve their capability to handle transients,  
17 natural circulation and small LOCAs.

18 This includes a fair amount of money just for  
19 running the codes to examine the transients.

20 We plan to upgrade SEMISCALE by adding a secondary  
21 system and a secondary steam generator so we can look at  
22 plant transients.

23 We are tentatively planning to upgrade the TLTA  
24 facility to study BWR transients and small LOCAs. We need to  
25 modify LOFT so we can accelerate the small LOCA tests. It

kds 1 will require some addition hardware that we hadn't planned  
2 on until another year or two; but now we intend to  
3 accelerate it.

4 Don McPherson will talk about this later.

5 We have separate effects, and thermal hydraulic  
6 tests. Also, Al Serkiz will talk about how they will be  
7 modified.

8 We intend to do some studies of cooling several  
9 damages cores, like what may exist in TMI today, for example,  
10 or possibly looking at other types of core damage and see  
11 that, in fact, we can cool those.

12 We intend to look at the release and transport of  
13 fission produced from damaged fuel that may get much hotter  
14 than 2200 degrees, up to 3000 or 4000 degrees Fahrenheit.

15 . A major item is to establish a data bank for each  
16 operating reactor that will allow us to do calculations  
17 immediately. Once we learn there is an accident or an  
18 event at some plant, we intend to have codes available and a  
19 data bank, including an operating deck for each reactor.  
20 Probably this will be done at National Labs.

21 (Slide.)

22 The second area of extreme importance is enhanced  
23 operator capability. This is the second item. Logically  
24 it should be first. We have to develop the instrumentation  
25 needs that should be brought into the control room so the

kds 1 operators know the status of the plant.

2 The most obvious is liquid level in the reactor  
3 vessel. We think we have experience along those lines that  
4 can help commercial plants.

5 There is a lot more, too. We should  
6 systematically go through each plant or each type of  
7 plant and find out what kind of instrumentation is needed to  
8 measure the parameters that have to go into the control room.

9 We then will look at control room displays, and  
10 in particular what kind of diagnostic systems the operator  
11 should have available to him.

12 I don't believe we mentioned it last time, but  
13 there is an excellent prototype system that is existing on  
14 the Halden reactor. Halden is a small test reactor in  
15 Norway where they have a diagnostic system. It is in a  
16 small room next to the control room. It has three CRT  
17 displays.

18 It is not really the plant operator -- it is  
19 one of the operations staff -- can sit at the displays.  
20 It interrogates the plant computer. It doesn't control the  
21 plant. It draws data out of the plant computer and analyzes  
22 it.

23 For example, the thermocouple readings at TMI  
24 could have been displayed continuously and systematically  
25 on the CRT displays in this room I mentioned.

kds 1           We are looking very seriously at installing such  
2 a system on LOFT so that we can get experience ourselves.  
3 LOFT is an operating reactor. It is, I think, uniquely  
4 geared to this kind of a system, so we can get some  
5 operating experience.

6           The Germans are so impressed with this system at  
7 Halden that they are moving toward installing it on the  
8 Groven-Rhinefeld reactor in Bavaria. It is a PWR built by  
9 KWU, and Prof. Berkhauffer in Germany is very impressed with  
10 this system. I think they are moving toward possibly  
11 installing it on most of their plants in Germany, though that  
12 is a bit premature to say that now.

13           The third item is a task to identify the data  
14 transmission requirements and review the accident response  
15 procedures of the NRC itself. We should have more  
16 information available to us in the incident response center.

17           We are looking at, do we need our own computer,  
18 what kind of display steps, and so forth.

19           MR. EBERSOLE: ESF means engineered safety features.  
20 If you go to any SAR you will find ESFs are limited to  
21 definition of machinery and equipment that mitigates LOCAs.  
22 It doesn't include the critical auxiliary feedwater pump.

23           Therefore, it is obligatory to center the scope of  
24 what is called ESF until all elements of the plant that cope  
25 with the after heat removal problem after trip without the

kds 1 condensor. That is a point of beginning.

2 MR. MURLEY: This is shorthand. We agree with  
3 that.

4 (Slide.)

5 Plant response under accident conditions. You  
6 recall in TMI we had quite a lack of understanding of what  
7 condition the reactor was in; but also there was a question  
8 of was there a hydrogen bubble, how big? Was there oxygen,  
9 how much? And a lot depended of not knowing the extent of  
10 boiling, if there was any; we didn't know the coolant  
11 chemistry, and so forth.

12 We intend to undertake some tests to examine  
13 what the coolant chemistry could be under fuel failure  
14 conditions, and better ways of sampling that at high  
15 pressure.

16 We expect to look at hydrogen behavior, how it is  
17 generated, its transport through the system. And clearly we  
18 will have to look at probably each reactor, because removing  
19 hydrogen from the -- the pressurizer surge line on a B&W  
20 plant is different from Westinghouse plants, so the behavior  
21 of hydrogen gas would be different getting out if the  
22 pressurizer relief valve went. We have to look at each of  
23 those.

24 We will do effects of hydrogen explosions. We  
25 won't do explosion research ourselves, but we should catalog

kds 1 the information available. There is a wide range of  
2 information available. It was not readily accessible to the  
3 NRC on short notice.

4 We will have to look at the response of plant  
5 equipment and structures to accident conditions. Here we  
6 mean things like the hydrogen pressure spike. What could  
7 that do to equipment in containment? What could it do to  
8 the containment itself? What does the containment spray  
9 system -- sodium hydroxide -- do to equipment in containment?  
10 What does prolonged exposure to radiation do to cabling and  
11 equipment? So forth.

12 A lot of this equipment was not designed to  
13 withstand the water and radiation levels at TMI. In fact,  
14 some of it didn't.

15 We intend to look at -- this means maintaining  
16 containment integrity under fuel melt conditions.

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1           We should go beyond the TMI accident itself and  
2 take a look at if we were to get large masses of molten  
3 fuel, what could be done to mitigate the consequences.  
4 We have programs along these lines. This is meant to  
5 augment that.

6           Finally, we need to do benchmark testing of  
7 structural and piping system analysis codes. We spent  
8 a lot of time and thought put into what we call verifying  
9 codes. That was always our large LOCA codes.

10           We have done nothing with regard to our structural  
11 piping system analysis codes. It has shown up in seismic  
12 plant shutdown. We have to start doing that in a systematic  
13 way for these codes as well.

14           (Slide.)

15           Finally, I believe there should be a comprehensive  
16 postmortem examination and plant recovery. This should not  
17 be primarily the government's responsibility. We have had  
18 discussions with EPRI, DOE, and with the utilities and there  
19 will be another meeting next week at EPRI.

20           My understanding is that they intend to take the  
21 lead on the postmortem of the TMI plant. Nevertheless,  
22 we believe we should be an integral partner to that  
23 activity and, in fact, will have to do some of the examinations  
24 ourselves, we believe.

25           We expect to take some damaged fuel when it comes

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1 out probably to — we are looking seriously at the hot shop  
2 at the test area north in Idaho out near LOFT that was  
3 initially built for the aircraft nuclear propulsion project.  
4 It was recently upgraded. It will be a first class facility.  
5 We think that is a logical place to examine some of the  
6 fuel. We believe we should go in and measure the fission  
7 product chemistry and plate-out data. What kind of fission  
8 products and where are they plated out in TMI?

9 Finally, we want to look at some of the  
10 safety-related equipment, cabling, instruments, that kind  
11 of thing in the plant and from that help us establish some  
12 requalification criteria. If the utility plans to take  
13 TMI back to power someday, we clearly have to have some  
14 criteria under which we will allow the plant to operate.

15 We think we need research in those areas.

16 (Slide.)

17 Two more. One is risk assessment. I am not  
18 the best one to talk about it. I will summarize it for  
19 you. When we presented it to the Committee the last time,  
20 we only had \$300,000 here. We ought to be fed up, and we  
21 agree. So we have beefed it up. We need \$1.4 million to  
22 go into detail looking at the event trees of accidents.  
23 This should be kind of the intellectual guide answer to our  
24 research program on looking at various accident scenarios,  
25 at least the ones coming out of WASH-14 and any others we

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1 can think of, and then that will allow us to examine with  
2 our codes in much more detail those various scenarios. We  
3 expect a larger program on human error rates and the impact  
4 of human errors on risk.

5 We have to beef up our failure data analysis  
6 effort. The total there is \$3.1 million.

7 (Slide.)

8 With regard to improved reactor safety, this is  
9 a different budget category. That is why it's broken out  
10 separately, the same as for risk assessment. We need to look  
11 at improved containment concepts. Here we mean vented  
12 containments primarily and we intend to look at how we  
13 might backfit vented concepts into existing containments.  
14 We will look at improved safety systems for coping with  
15 accidents. These are things like residual heat removal  
16 systems that can operate higher than 400 psi, better decay  
17 heat remove systems, that kind of thing.

18 And value/impact methodology is really aimed at  
19 if we are looking at backfitting reactors, we know there is  
20 a high economic cost with that, and we have to have some  
21 better methods for quantifying the benefits.

22 That summarizes the fiscal '80 supplement.  
23 We sent down copies of the Commission Staff Paper. It's  
24 discussed in more detail there.

25 I would suggest you refer to that for more details.

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1 Now I would like to shift gears into our fiscal  
2 1981 budget submission. This is what is new to the  
3 Committee. There is a formal procedure that we have to go  
4 through. We have sent down to the Committee our zero base  
5 budgeting documentation. For the Office of Research, it's  
6 this thick. It's almost impenetrable to a beginner, so  
7 let me try to summarize it for you.

8 DR. PLESSET: Tom, let's see if we have any  
9 comments on the supplement. I think that would be a suitable  
10 point to do that, before we get into the 1981. Let's  
11 have succinct, pointed comments or questions. Ivan, you  
12 look as though you are ready.

13 MR. CATTON: I made a lot of notes here. Just  
14 one thing, better understanding of transient to small LOCA  
15 events, that seems like a lot of money. I would need more  
16 detail. That seems like a lot of money to spend in an  
17 area where work has been going on for some time.

18 MR. MURLEY: Let me discuss that with you at  
19 the break. I have a sub-breakdown on that, but I don't  
20 have it at hand here.

21 DR. PLESSET: Does that include a lot of  
22 analytic work?

23 MR. MURLEY: Yes.

24 DR. PLESSET: Mostly analytical work, or does it  
25 include special work?

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1                   MR. CATTON: Would you put the second slide back  
2 up? Better understanding of transient and small LOCA  
3 accidents.

4                   (Slide.)

5                   The bottom two items look new. Coolability of  
6 several damaged cores and establishing of the data bank. I  
7 assume the data bank is so you have -- if you were going  
8 to run RELAP, it would be set up and ready to go for a  
9 specific plant, that is what that means?

10                  MR. MURLEY: Yes.

11                  MR. CATTON: It's the ones from that point up  
12 that I would have some reservations about. I guess I would  
13 need to see more before I could be more specific.

14                  MR. MURLEY: I would suggest a starting point  
15 would be the discussion in the Staff paper -- the Commission  
16 paper. Unless you have something specific, I don't know  
17 how to respond.

18                  A large part of it has to do with hardware.  
19 \$3 million and 2.2, \$1 million, this really is hardware to  
20 do transient tests.

21                  MR. CATTON: Are you referring to --

22                  DR. PLESSET: Here is a paper headed "Research  
23 FY '80 Supplemental Budget Information."

24                  MR. CATTON: I got so many yesterday --

25                  MR. MURLEY: Bring my copy up from the table,

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bw 1 will you, Bill? Thanks.

2 DR. PLESSET: This was prepared for the  
3 Commissioners by Sol Levine. What you might do is look  
4 at it all, then ask your question again. Is that all right?  
5 Can we come back to it, Tom?

6 MR. MURLEY: Yes.

7 MR. CATTON: The first item, it's not clear to  
8 me what modifications must be made. I have been led to  
9 believe for the most part the codes do reasonably well  
10 in handling the small LOCA.

11 MR. MURLEY: It's more than that. TRAC, for  
12 example, does not have a secondary system in it. If we  
13 will deal with transients that originate in the secondary  
14 system, and most of them do, we have to put that in and  
15 we have to put in control features.

16 We will be looking at RETRAN which is a very old  
17 version of RELAP but has good control features in it.  
18 There is an IRT code we purchased from Combustion and is  
19 up at Brookhaven. We need to beef that up.

20 We are shifting away from the large LOCA emphasis.  
21 When we do that, you need a lot more capability in your  
22 codes.

23 MR. CATTON: A different kind of capability.

24 MR. MURLEY: That's right. But it takes time and  
25 money to do that. We are saying that that is about \$1.7

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1 million. A full secondary system with associated trips  
2 and controls would be added. Noncondensable gas model.  
3 RETRAN and IRT will be modified to meet the immediate  
4 licensing needs.

5 MR. CATTON: Now you have three.

6 MR. MURLEY: We will incorporate COBRA into  
7 TRAC. That will allow us to do more detail core analysis.  
8 I think COBRA really needs -- if you want to look at details  
9 of cores, you need that kind of detail. That doesn't have  
10 a system capability.

11 MR. CATTON: Let me give to you some of the  
12 feedback I have been getting listening to people talk about  
13 analysis. You get the feeling that it's a quasi-static  
14 process and can almost do the classification by hand. This  
15 was confirmed by some of the people with the Licensing Staff  
16 who were here a few days ago at the Full Committee meeting.  
17 That question was asked them directly. How well can you  
18 make classifications without a computer? A person indicated  
19 they could do reasonably well on the back of an envelope.

20 Look at Michelson's analysis, which was done using  
21 maybe a hand calculator -- I was going to say slide rule  
22 but that's --

23 DR. PLESSET: That's obsolete.

24 (Laughter.)

25 MR. CATTON: From the point of view of putting

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1 together a system to look at a plant as a system, which  
2 means you all have the steam generators and pumps and  
3 everything and the various controls built into the system,  
4 is important. I am not sure that if I were doing it, I  
5 would want to hang all that on a code like TRAC that has  
6 a level of sophistication that is just not needed as far as  
7 I can tell, at least for the beginning part of the accident.

8 Now if you get down to the case near the bottom  
9 where you are interested in what happens after you have  
10 damaged the core, that is another ballgame.

11 MR. MURLEY: Let me respond. As I said, there  
12 are classifications that can be done simply, and we  
13 intend to do those and find out the range of applicability of  
14 those classifications. We have to have the capability to  
15 do those on short notice.

16 I don't think you can rely on them unless they  
17 they have been tested against something bigger. To shut  
18 off our advanced code development or say that you don't  
19 need to look at these even quasi-steady state accidents --  
20 there was boiling going on, so in order to examine that  
21 you need a code that has two-phase capability. You have  
22 to look for subtle things in these accidents.

23 MR. SHUMWAY: I wanted to agree with [redacted] they  
24 only because with hand classifications you can do an overall  
25 gross mass and energy balance on the system, but if you want

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1 to know about the two-phase distribution of liquid in  
2 the reactor, which you must know if you are going to  
3 assess whether or not you have DMB and heat-up, you need  
4 more sophistication than you can have with hand  
5 classifications.

6 MR. CATTON: I hope I wasn't implying you would  
7 do it all by hand. It's just that --

8 MR. MURLEY: You were questioning why we need  
9 money. That is at the root of it. I am telling you  
10 until now we have been going very fast with our efforts  
11 focused on the large LOCA analysis. We have to shift  
12 gears a bit and put a lot more emphasis on a broader range  
13 of codes than we have been. That includes TRAC, RETRAN,  
14 IRT and COBRA.

15 MR. CATTON: I thought RETRAN was an EPRI code.

16 MR. MURLEY: Yes. It was developed by Energy,  
17 Inc. under EPRI's sponsorship. We either have it or will  
18 have it and will be using it as well as the Idaho and  
19 Brookhaven.

20 MR. CATTON: Where does the SSC code fit in?

21 MR. MURLEY: That is a liquid metals systems  
22 code developed by Brookhaven. We have asked them to look  
23 at if they could modify that to look at water reactors.  
24 It's not a simple modification. You have to take out the  
25 sodium, take out the secondary system, two-phase

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bw 1 capability and so forth.

2 If that can be done, we may put some effort into  
3 that. Now it's limited to a scoping analysis of what can be  
4 done. It's a good liquid metal systems code.

5 MR. CATTON: Also a good systems code.

6 MR. MURLEY: Yes.

7 MR. CATTON: I guess I am speaking from ignorance,  
8 but it seems to me that that would be a good direction to  
9 go. Water hydrology is very much like sodium. The heat  
10 transfer part, you have to worry about.

11 MR. MURLEY: There a lot of differences when you  
12 get in details. Steam generator models are different.  
13 It has no pressurizer, no two-phase capability. We have  
14 to look at those. I have accounted for \$1.7 million of the  
15 3.1. The other is analysis of PWR and BWR transients. This  
16 is to use the codes looking at these various scenarios.

17 This is where a large part of the learning will  
18 come.

19 MR. CATTON: 1.7 and 1.4?

20 MR. MURLEY: 1.7 was to accelerate the transient  
21 codes. 1.4 was to use them and to analyze the range of  
22 transients that we identify preliminarily through the fault  
23 tree and event tree analysis.

24 MR. EBERSOLE: I think we are saying you are going  
25 to depart from strictly large LOCA analysis and extend

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1 studies out to small LOCA and cascades of various sorts  
2 that threaten the after heat removal process. Up to now  
3 you have been comfortable in lumping BWRs and PWRs into the  
4 same bucket, because they have the same potential for large  
5 LOCAs.

6 Now it's essential as you broaden your scope to  
7 put them in separate camps and look on a relativistic basis  
8 for the portents of getting into trouble with these  
9 particular models.

10 In the first sentence you talk about natural  
11 circulation and small LOCA accidents in PWRs and BWRs. It  
12 looks like mixing tomatoes and oranges and apples in this  
13 category.

14 BWRs have phase change for heat transfer. They  
15 have a neat system to cause a small break in their SAR  
16 design. They short-circuit a lot of the problems which  
17 the BWR can't. I am saying it will be a branching  
18 package, once you get down to this area, where you will  
19 inevitably see striking differences in accident potential  
20 between them which should be called out.

21 MR. SULLIVAN: I looked at your last item in the  
22 budget on this slide and you are establishing a data bank  
23 at \$.4 million. Isn't that low? There are over 50  
24 operating plants now. To put together that many decks for  
25 that amount of money in the detail you need for looking

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1 at the secondary side, I would question whether you could do  
2 that with this or not.

3 MR. MURLEY: It probably will take more. On  
4 the other hand I am not sure we can do everything in one  
5 year. That is somewhere around seven people full-time.  
6 I don't know whether we can double that or triple that.

7 DR. PLESSET: It's a matter of people that  
8 determines a lot of those numbers that you have.

9 MR. MURLEY: Yes. We have factored in --  
10 this is not everybody's wish list thrown together and  
11 compiled. This had a fair amount of management review  
12 in RSR and has been cut about half from what was originally  
13 requested.

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1                   PROF. THEOFANOUS: I want to make sure I  
2 understand you correctly. In the first list, you are asking  
3 a question of understanding the small LOCAs.

4                   Then in the fourth of fifth list you talk about the  
5 improved risk assessment, the 1.4 million is for actually  
6 carrying out the risk assessment, actually carrying out  
7 the —

8                   MR. MURLEY: Excuse me. Part of this is also what  
9 I would call better understanding.

10                   PROF. THEOFANOUS: I wanted to make sure. I believe  
11 most of the understanding now will come from that and not  
12 from going there and tagging on things. We have a lack of  
13 understanding.

14                   MR. MURLEY: I understand what you are saying. You  
15 can only get so much understanding from an event tree. You  
16 can identify accident scenarios, but you don't know how the  
17 reactor will respond to those.

18                   Let us suppose you postulate the kind of event that  
19 led to TMI, namely a feedwater transient where this and that  
20 were valved out, and the high pressure injection system was  
21 on and off for certain amounts of time.

22                   Postulating those on an event tree wouldn't tell  
23 you what the plant will do. You need calculations. It will  
24 be an interrelating effect between the calculations and the  
25 event trees. I agree with you.

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kds 1            PROF. THEOFANOUS: I agree with that. I want to  
2 see where the calculations are. That is the crucial  
3 aspect. That is where most of the understanding comes from.

4            MR. MURLEY: This is to identify scenarios that we  
5 will then look at in the \$3.1 million item, and result in  
6 better understanding.

7            PROF. THEOFANOUS: So the calculations will be  
8 carried out under the 3.1 million?

9            MR. MURLEY: Yes. It could well be we have to go  
10 back in and look at a new set of event trees. It may lead  
11 to a state of the reactor that hadn't been anticipated  
12 when the analysts were developing event trees.

13            PROF. THEOFANOUS: Fine. You are close to what  
14 I was saying in our last meeting.

15            I still want to express a concern that I feel if  
16 I consider the two activities together, 3.1 plus 1.4, that  
17 makes 4.5; and I still feel this is disproportionate to all  
18 the other kinds of money being spent in this budget, and in  
19 particular in the present budget as far as leading to this  
20 understanding that is crucial.

21            MR. MURLEY: Would it help if I told you, I don't  
22 know that we can even spend that much on this kind of thing?  
23 I will tell you why.

24            It takes a certain kind of person and certain kinds  
25 of people. That represents so many people at \$70,000 per man.

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kds 1           PROF. CATTON: Twenty some odd.

2           MR. MURLEY: We don't have those in the agency.

3           PROF. THEOFANOUS: Where is the computer time? I

4 thought it was in there.

5           MR. MURLEY: That is virtually all people. The

6 3.5 includes a fair amount of computer time but, together,

7 we are talking about probably 40 or 50 people on top of our

8 existing programs.

9           PROF. CATTON: You can't believe that second item,

10 analysis of human error, rates out, because that will

11 determine the first item. You are really talking about

12 \$5.7 million in this package. Without the second, the first

13 becomes meaningless.

14           PROF. THEOFANOUS: I think if you think of that in

15 terms of on top of your present programs, it becomes

16 difficult. The people you have to draw on to put in this

17 activity must be people who are very familiar with accidents

18 and already have been very much involved in this.

19           MR. MURLEY: That is a good point. Let me address

20 that.

21           PROF. THEOFANOUS: A lot of shifting has to take

22 place.

23           DR. PLESSET: Address it briefly, Tom.

24           (Laughter.)

25           MR. MURLEY: I don't want you to get the idea, which

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kds 1 you could do, that we should spend this \$40 million but  
2 cut \$40 million out of our other programs.

3 Some of the people who are working on our existing  
4 program -- say SEMISCALE and LOFT -- it is very good. We  
5 hope to draw on some of those for this highly important  
6 work.

7 But they will have to be replaced, because we still  
8 have to carry out the SEMISCALE and LOFT programs. Don't  
9 get the idea that it is either this or the other. We think  
10 we can do both.

11 PROF. THEOFANOUS: Another small point.

12 I am seeing a tremendous shift, basically going on  
13 from what is called a large LOCA to a small LOCA. We must  
14 recognize they are all LOCAs. In spite of the tremendous  
15 amount of money spent for large LOCAs, I don't think we have  
16 at this time the kind of understanding we were sent out to  
17 get years ago when these plans were made.

18 I would hate to see that at this point just because  
19 an accident happened coming from a small LOCA, we forget  
20 about the large ones and put all our efforts to the  
21 extremely small ones.

22 This kind of activity you are talking about, better  
23 understanding, ought to be done with a view of the whole  
24 spectrum. There are also intermediate LOCAs with their own  
25 problems and difficulties in terms of complexities. The

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kds 1 operator again has to know which way the accident is going.

2 In order to provide this kind of indication, we  
3 have to have a better understanding ourselves of what is  
4 happening in order to project, for example, instrument  
5 readings to what is happening in the system.

6 The conclusion then -- I suggest this activity  
7 of constructing event trees and accident scenarios, I would  
8 suggest this be viewed as a total effort with a view to  
9 addressing the whole LOCA.

10 By LOCA, I mean any kind of sequence that leads to  
11 losing your coolant from the reactor system.

12 MR. EBERSOLE: Including those that don't start  
13 with a LOCA at all, like a battery failure, for instance;  
14 a universal failure, which will inevitably lead to some kind  
15 of LOCA.

16 DR. PLESSET: Yes. You will have that kind of thing  
17 in your study, I believe.

18 MR. MURLEY: Definitely.

19 MR. EBERSOLE: It is a little wrong to call them a  
20 LOCA at the outset. It might be somebody demineralizing --

21 MR. MURLEY: Transient can include a wide range of  
22 things.

23 MR. ZUDANS: I have a few comments.

24 Risk assessment. I can't separate item 1 and 2 in  
25 my own mind. I would like to think it is possible to

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kds 1 constructing event trees where elements are human error, not  
2 just equipment failure rates; and for that reason I think  
3 that this is probably the most important part of your  
4 additional program, to put some very experienced, bright  
5 people to work to really study -- even by Monte Carlo --  
6 everything that possibly could happen.

7           You must think in terms of here, under these  
8 conditions, if something bad can happen, it will. If an  
9 error can be made, it will be made.

10           What are the consequences then? We talked about  
11 it yesterday quite a bit. I think a case like TMI fell  
12 in between the cracks, and the question is really: How many  
13 more such cracks exist in current systems?

14           My feeling is these two items are the most  
15 important ones in your program, and maybe are underestimated.  
16 I don't know. I am not expert in this field; but I feel  
17 you should join these two items if possible.

18           PROF. THEOFANOUS: Maybe a better question to ask  
19 is: What is the projection? With this kind of budget  
20 allocation, when do you hope to have the answers we are  
21 talking about? One year, two, five, ten?

22           DR. PLESSET: That is a painful question. You  
23 don't have to answer that one.

24           (Laughter.)

25           MR. MURLEY: I would hope we could start having some

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1 insights, let's say, within a year.

2 PROF. THEOFANOUS: When do you hope to have  
3 sufficient insight to claim we have completed this? I think  
4 that is what you are talking about when you talk about  
5 cracks.

6 MR. MURLEY: I don't know what completeness means.

7 PROF. THEOFANOUS: I don't mean it in the sense of  
8 100 percent; but what would you consider sufficient  
9 completement to prevent similar things happening like TMI?

10 MR. MURLEY: I can't answer that.

11 MR. ZUDANS: I think we have it today.

12 DR. PLESSET: That is a good point. I let Tom  
13 off the hook. Maybe next year we will come back and he will  
14 give us the answer.

15 PROF. THEOFANOUS: I think it is a very important  
16 question.

17 DR. PLESSET: I agree, but I think it is -- let  
18 him think about it.

19 PROF. THEOFANOUS: I can't have an opinion on the  
20 budget unless I know how close the budget is bringing me to  
21 where I want to go. If it will be ten years, that is  
22 something else from six months.

23 MR. MURLEY: Tell me where you want to go. I view  
24 this as an exercise in looking under rocks and poking into  
25 corners and looking for accidents that we have never looked at

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kds 1 before, and hardly even thought about.

2 I am telling you I think we can be looking under  
3 rocks within a year. I don't know how many rocks there are,  
4 so I have no idea of the scope of the job and when we will  
5 have looked under every one. I am not sure it is even  
6 definable.

7 DR. PLESSET: I think we ought to go into the 1981  
8 budget discussion.

9 MR. ZUDANS: Could I finish another comment?  
10 Very short one. I think in your improved reactor safety  
11 area, I would recommend that you could have a systematic  
12 review of all interconnected systems with the idea in mind  
13 that regardless of how they are isolated from each other,  
14 the —

15 MR. MURLEY: There is a generic safety item  
16 called systems interactions. We're probably going to take  
17 over responsibility for that from NRC.

18 Right now it is under Steve Hanaur's task force on  
19 safety items. We are negotiating to take that over, and  
20 will look at that carefully with the risk assessment group.

21 MR. ZUDANS: I am pleased to hear you know about  
22 Halden; and I also know you went out there; is that correct?

23 MR. MURLEY: Yes.

24 MR. EBERSOLE: Dr. Zudans' point here, you said  
25 interconnected systems. If you just look at schematics and

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kds 1 see the steps in that light we never see the environmental  
2 connections which are never put on drawings.

3 Therefore, interaction setps must include the  
4 environmental aspects.

5 MR. ZUDANS: My biggest concern is you seem to  
6 have power plants where there is no information on neutral  
7 zones at all. There are a series of valves between two  
8 different energy steps, and you don't know what happens in  
9 between.

10 There is not enough instrumentation to tell is it  
11 a disaster if I open this here because the previous valve  
12 already leaked?

13 Primary coolant leaks through RHR because the guy  
14 tried to open it and it wouldn't open, so he cranks it open  
15 by hand and blows up the RHR system because the other valve  
16 had leaked.

17 I think a big aspect on this particular item is  
18 some kind of instrumentation in the neutral zone, whatever  
19 you call it.

20 DR. PLESSET: Fiscal 1981.

21 MR. MURLEY: The fiscal 1981 budget, I really  
22 won't go over it in detail. I intend to provide a Rosetta  
23 Stone that will allow you to understand the various levels in  
24 our budget..

25 To do that, I picked the code D budget.

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2           These were provided -- we call them the delta  
3 charts. What it is is we list each budget area like code D,  
4 break it into two or three or sometimes eight or nine  
5 subcomponents.

6           In this case we have steps codes, component codes,  
7 an area called assessment and applications.

8           We then show what is the fiscal 1980 level in the  
9 President's budget that is now before the Congress, and  
10 what we are requesting in fiscal 1981.

11           Now a key point to note here is because of the  
12 notion of a fiscal 1980 supplement, this has very much  
13 complicated our budget lives. This assumes we don't get  
14 the 1980 supplement, so that the \$8.9 million code D is  
15 without a supplement, and the \$14.4 million is what we need  
16 in 1981, assuming we don't get a supplement in 1980.

17           One of the innovations of President Carter, as  
18 you probably know, is the zero base budgeting concept. In  
19 that concept we have to list several potential levels of our  
20 budget.

21           (Slide.)

22           This year we have four. They are titled: the  
23 minimum budget, the current budget, the requested budget,  
24 and the amended budget.

25           The minimum program is intended to mean what is the

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kds 1 minimum level below which the program loses its integrity  
2 and you really can't accomplish your functions. I don't want  
3 to go over this.

4 It is just to tell you the next chart that says  
5 fiscal 1981 minimum is what we believe in the code D area  
6 is the minimum integrity program.

7 Moving up from that level we show a chart going  
8 from the minimum to the current, and the difference between  
9 them.

10 (Slide.)

11 Giving what is in the base for a minimum program,  
12 we then add \$1.78 million in the various areas, and it tells  
13 you what you buy or what in this case Congress would buy or  
14 get for \$1.8 million; what the nation gets.

15 (Slide.)

16 Similarly, the next chart shows how we move from the  
17 current budget. ~~I should say~~ current is defined to mean more  
18 or less our current program. What does it cost to keep the  
19 current program going without major reductions or major  
20 increases? In that case our assessment is that it takes  
21 about \$11 million a year to keep the current program going in  
22 code D.

23 (Slide.)

24 Now the next one is what are we requesting? We  
25 are requesting a sizable figure, as you can see, \$3.4 million

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kds 1 increase. All of this assumes we get no increase in fiscal  
2 1980.

3 (Slide.)

4 The last chart is a new innovation that says,  
5 what happens if in fact we get the fiscal 1980 increase?  
6 How much do we need in fiscal 1981?

7 In this case this clearly shows we don't need as  
8 much increase, although the totals are about the same. If  
9 we were to get our amended budget, the \$3.1 million that I  
10 had a dialogue with Ivan Catton about is included in the  
11 \$12.4 million.

12 If we got that, the fiscal 1981 budget would be  
13 somewhat different than if we didn't get it. That is all  
14 this chart is intended to show. Anyone going through the  
15 budget in detail, this will allow you to work your way through  
16 it.

17 DR. PLESSET: Tom, does that pretty much complete  
18 your presentation?

19 Could you give us some indication of priorities?  
20 You remember that little criticism the ACRS reports had that  
21 said we didn't indicate priorities; you haven't either, so  
22 you are in the same boat as we are. That's good company, I  
23 would say.

24 (Laughter.)

25 MR. MURLEY: I would rather not do that standing up.

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kds 1 here. I would like to -- could we write to you?

2 DR. PLESSET: That would be fine. I don't want you  
3 to take it lightly.

4 Also on the supplement, unless they all -- they  
5 could be of similar priority. That is a legitimate, possible  
6 statement. I think it would be very helpful if we could have  
7 some kind of indication, and I think it would help both you  
8 and us.

9 MR. MURLEY: I will do that, and we will send it  
10 down. It will probably be a week or so.

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kds 1 DR. PLESSET: Fine. Any other brief comment before  
2 we let Tom go? We kept him longer than he scheduled  
3 himself, but I think it was very helpful.

4 MR. MURLEY: I asked my staff to cut their  
5 presentations down, so I hope it will make up for my extra  
6 time.

7 MR. ZUDANS: I would like to ask one brief question  
8 before you leave.

9 Your plans currently are to simply take over a  
10 system like Halden has and apply it to LOFT, or do you plan  
11 to work out your own, or recommend the utilities do their  
12 own monitoring systems that are computerized, not  
13 necessarily called CRTs, but just a screen type of  
14 information that kind of keeps in pace with actual reactor  
15 state, and continues to display what the state is?

16 If the operators makes any action, it indicates  
17 whether he is doing right or wrong; also makes reference to  
18 technical specifications and new procedures that might be  
19 built into such software -- in other words, an aid to the  
20 operator, not to control the plant but monitor and provide  
21 information.

22 MR. MURLEY: Let me make a point and then I will  
23 respond directly to your question. I was at Halden last  
24 October. I led a research team there. I was very much  
25 impressed with it.

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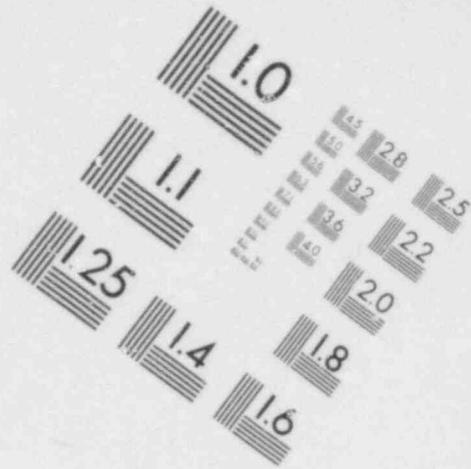
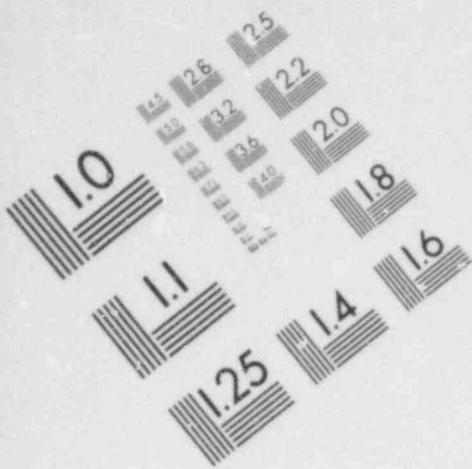
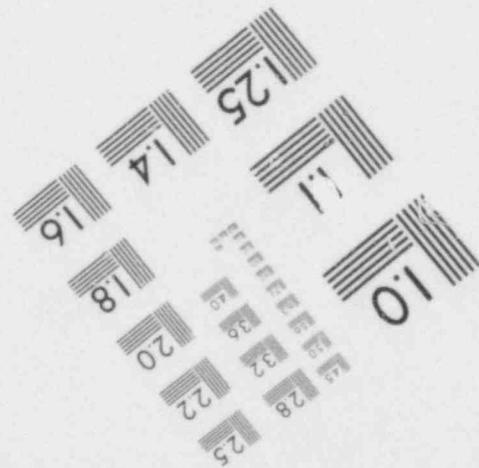
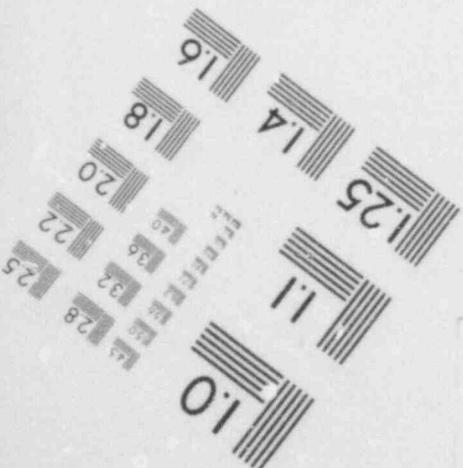
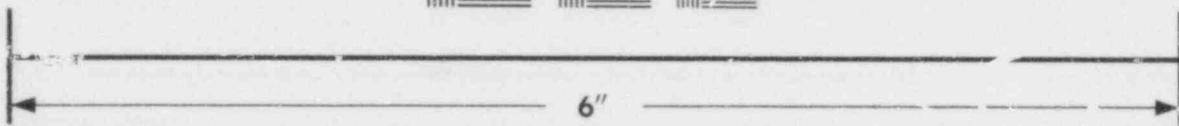
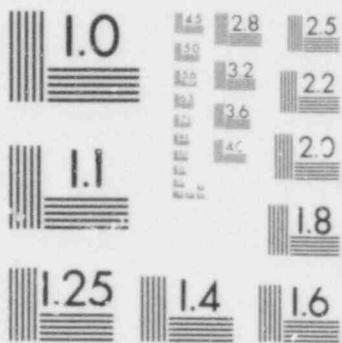


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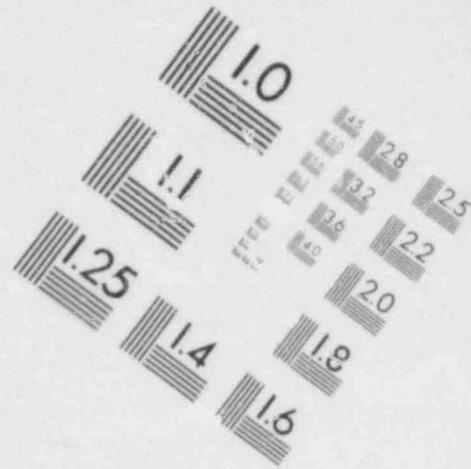
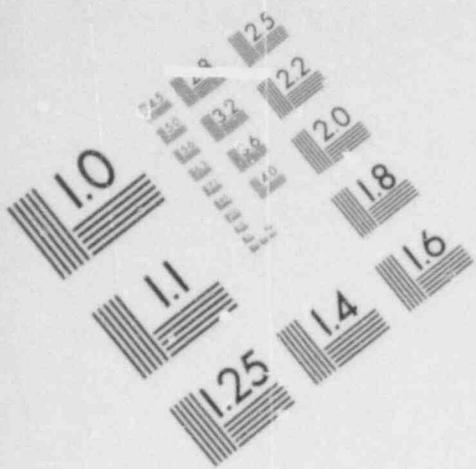
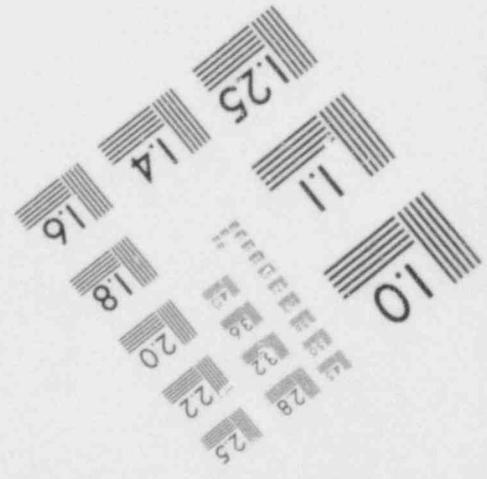
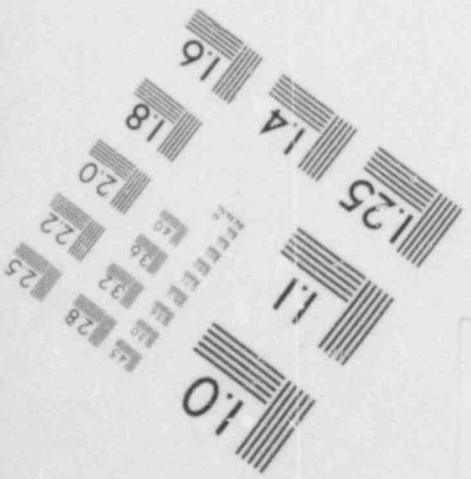
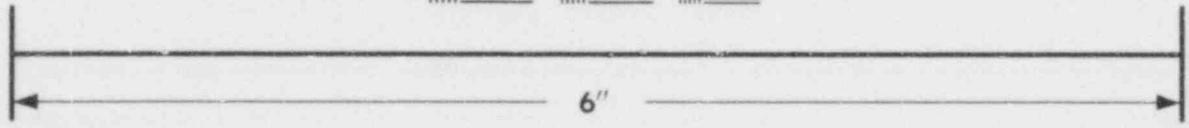
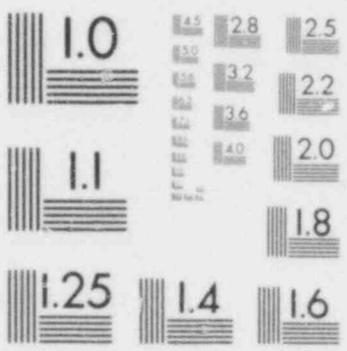
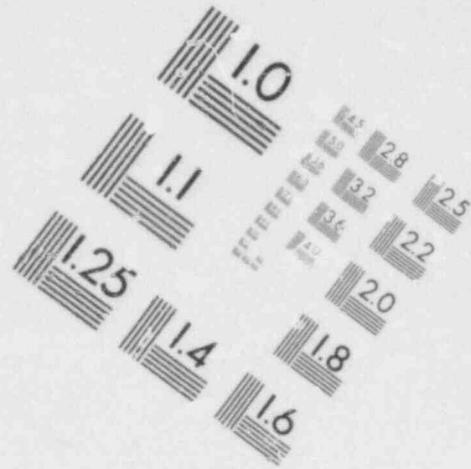
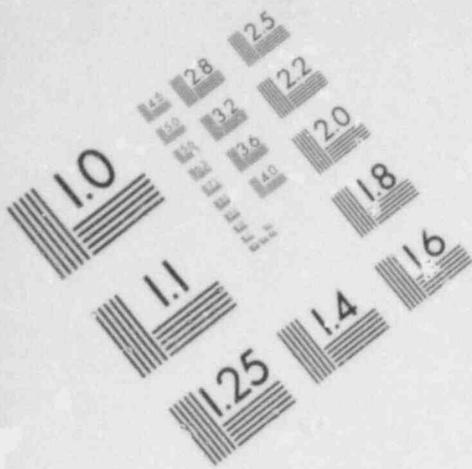
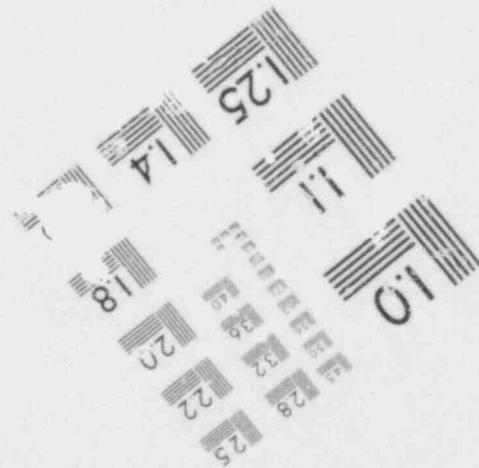
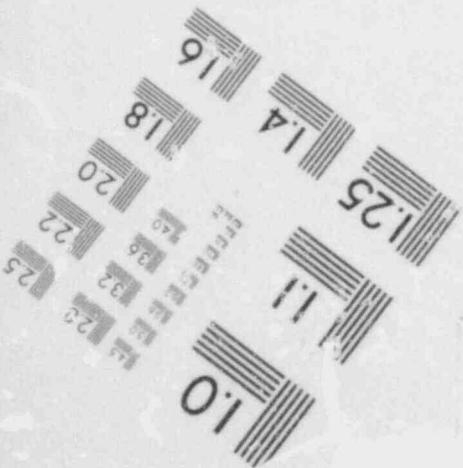
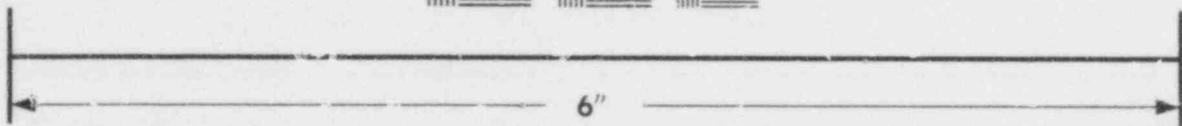
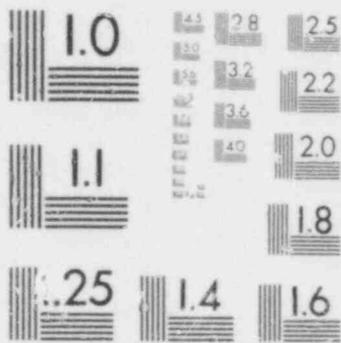


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kds 1 I sent the LOFT project manager over also to take  
2 a look at it. One of the systems engineers at Idaho went  
3 with him. They came back and said that the system is very  
4 useful, and we could implement it, we believe. We are looking  
5 at it.

6 But they said it is not a great advance in the  
7 state of the art at all. We routinely do that in refinery  
8 operations in this country.

9 But the nuclear industry, in terms of control and  
10 display and diagnostics, is a generation behind a lot of  
11 other industries.

12 So the key thing -- this was Dick Kauffman. He  
13 said not that they made break-throughs, but simply that they  
14 did it. You can see it.

15 My own view is that the utility -- the German  
16 utility would never consider such a thing unless they had  
17 an example to go to and see how it worked on a test  
18 reactor.

19 That is my thought as well. Until we put it  
20 some place and demonstraet it and beat the bugs out of it  
21 in our country, it will be very difficult to get some  
22 operators to rely on it or even think about that.

23 My first thought is we would put in pretty much the  
24 same system they have at Halden. They have been working on it  
25 since about 1971, so they have put a lot of time and thought

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kds 1 into it, and ironed a lot of bugs out.

2 MR. ZUDANS: Okay.

3 MR. GARLID: I would like to ask a brief question.

4 In your fiscal 1980 supplemental budget, you  
5 had categories. Fiscal 1981 you have different categories.  
6 How do those two fit together? Are those under the fiscal  
7 1980 mostly under systems engineering?

8 MR. MURLEY: The fiscal 1980 supplemental -- oh,  
9 dear.

10 MR. GARLID: You have a totally different breakdown.

11 MR. MURLEY: We did that for a reason. I guess I  
12 will have to take the 1980 supplement figures and put them  
13 into our budget breakdown, because they are in different  
14 budget breakdowns.

15 I will tell you the problem we had. When we  
16 talked with the Licensing Staff we sent them over saying  
17 here is our research needs, and here is how we think we ought  
18 to be going as a supplemental in fiscal 1980.

19 They were broken down according to the old budget  
20 categories: systems engineering, LOFT, code, so forther.  
21 Frankly, the reaction was, this is more of the same old  
22 stuff. There is no new thinking here, just you are upgrading  
23 SEMISCALE and LOFT. Big deal.

24 The point is, it completely lost the logic involved.  
25 There is a logic. That is why I presented it this way, as a

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kds 1 logic pattern and not a budget category. But I will do that.

2 DR. PLESSÉT: Thank you, Tom.

3 I guess we can -- yes, Dr. Wu.

4 PROF. WU: I have a brief question.

5 In the research I heard about the current work, is  
6 it moving towards a direction to develop some of the  
7 simplified but basic research on the transient with problems  
8 such as flushdown of steamwater or headwater interface,  
9 liquid jet into the steam and also a bubble flow and so  
10 forth?

11 Those are made more elementary, but each with a  
12 very specific physical understanding. This type of problem  
13 seems to be valuable towards a physical understanding of  
14 some of the more systems approach programs.

15 It looks like quite a bit of work has been taken on  
16 or carried out by KWU, and I wonder what is the priority in  
17 future programs of this type of problem?

18 MR. MURLEY: We have had for a long time a number  
19 of small programs heading towards a basic understanding of  
20 phenomena. We needed that for the large LOCA code as well.  
21 I don't see much change in those programs.

22 PROF. WU: Will there be an increased level of  
23 activity planned for 1980 and 1981?

24 MR. MURLEY: We planned on it.

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kds 1 MR. SERKIZ: Some of those questions you are asking  
2 are development and support, where we go after basic  
3 phenomena to start the buildings blocks that come up. I  
4 will cover some of that.

5 MR. ZUDANS: I would like to add one more thought.  
6 I will forget it otherwise.

7 Could I give thought to the following idea: We  
8 need larger and larger scale test results, really, to be  
9 certain about analytical tools and otherwise. How about  
10 thinking for the future about instruments on existing  
11 facilities or new ones to be built to such an extent that  
12 should certain transients occur, you can collect the data?

13 There have been several such small LOCAs like  
14 TMI, none of which had adequate instrumentation to use the  
15 results as test results.

16 My feeling is there is no better facility than a  
17 commercial reactor for doing these tests. Some of the tests  
18 could be run on your actual reactors without damage to the  
19 plant, to study the response.

20 MR. MURLEY: That is a good point. I forgot to  
21 mention in the analysis of transients item, the \$3.1 million  
22 we were discussing, we have some plans to analyze the  
23 transients that have been run on purpose in reactors, like  
24 the Peach Bottom transient.

25 And we have talked with Roger Matson, and he has in

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1 mind possibly asking much more of that from the licensing  
2 people. And if that is the case, we will specify at least  
3 minimum instrumentation so we can analyze the problem.

4 MR. ZUDANS: You can put in the instruments and  
5 sit back and wait. It will happen sooner or later.

6 PROF. CATTON: That is not a pleasant thought.

7 DOE does this, by the way. In some of the solar  
8 energy installations, they actually instrumented them at  
9 government expense. The person with the unit supplies the  
10 data to DOE.

11 I think what you are suggesting is something  
12 similar.

13 MR. ZUDANS: Exactly.

14 PROF. CATTON: RSR supplies the instrumentation and  
15 the facility feeds back the data when they get it. That  
16 would probably be a minimal expense.

17 MR. MURLEY: Good thought.

18 DR. PLESSET: We have to go on, Tom. I imagine  
19 you concur with our proceeding.

20 MR. MURLEY: Yes, thank you.

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21 DR. PLESSET: All right.

22 PRESENTATION OF AL SERKIZ.

23 MR. SERKIZ: I recognize that the time has slipped  
24 by; and the package I have prepared as handout material gives  
25 you considerably more information than I plan on showing on

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kds 1 the viewgraph machine.

2 I think it would be worthwhile to set the stage --  
3 is this coming through? I guess it is.

4 (Slide.)

5 Let me set the stage in terms of the specific  
6 research areas that fall under the cognizance of the  
7 separate effects research plan. I will also show you a few  
8 slides to try to put the budget picture back in some  
9 perspective.

10 A point was brought up about confusion. This is  
11 the supplemental budget focused in certain particular  
12 subelements. There is a budget unit called systems  
13 engineering which carries both separate effects research  
14 programs as well as research support branch, 2D/3D, and so  
15 on.

16 The specific programs I will address from the  
17 budgetary and reprogramming and reevaluation viewpoint will  
18 be the SEMISCALE program, which you are familiar with,  
19 and I will give you some information and insight into the  
20 types of transient simulations that were run on a SEMISCALE  
21 facility in support of TMI.

22 I will take you through the BD and RF heat transfer  
23 programs. You are aware of the BD heat transfer program at  
24 ORNL, the program at General Electric at San Jose.

25 We are recommending upgrading this specific facility

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kds 1 so it does a better job of simulating the BWR machine.

2 Next is a new program we have recently entered  
3 into, a second program with General Electric and EPRI. This  
4 is the Lynn facility looking at the upper plenum spray  
5 interactions and countercurrent flow limitations.

6 The Fleth Seaset program at Westinghouse looks  
7 at RF phenomena both in separate effects and in a simulated  
8 system.

9 The question was asked, where do we go for getting  
10 information, perhaps on fundamentals and basics? I will  
11 speak to these two categories first. Gary Bennett will  
12 discuss 2D/3D. When I come back on I will speak to model D.

13 It is under this that we have basic programs under  
14 way at universities, such at M.I.T.; and Peter Griffith at  
15 R.P.I. under Dick Leahy; John Chen at Lehigh, where we are  
16 addressing what is happening locally and how can we better  
17 understand it.

18 These are small programs as opposed to facility;  
19 this is an integral facility which gives systems effects.  
20 These are facilities which have control boundary conditions  
21 where we try to simulate the system by separate effects.

22 In addition, there is another category we fund  
23 called technical support. This particular category has been  
24 used in the past and will be used again to address advanced  
25 instrumentation and advanced techniques that might be

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kds 1 applicable to the type of scenario we saw in TMI.

2 (Slide.)

3 With respect to the levels of funding being  
4 applied to the different categories shown here, this is a  
5 breakdown of the fiscal 1979 funding level that is being  
6 applied to these five categories.

7 The SEMISCALE program is roughly a \$6 million  
8 program; and I will discuss specifically -- I will discuss  
9 with you a reoriented SEMISCALE program which is being  
10 designed to handle questions that need to be addressed now,  
11 and to become basically a PWR system type simulator.

12 This includes the addition of a secondary loop  
13 or secondary loops, because we want to model both an A and  
14 B loop, and go into a configuration representative of the  
15 correct steam generators, and so on.

16 The BD and RF heat transfer programs are about  
17 a \$7 million effort. These will be coming down some, perhaps  
18 maintaining a constant level, as we make use of the same  
19 facilities to carry out experiments that are relative to  
20 the small break type of plant transients natural circulation  
21 boil-off, and so on.

22 I will not speak too much to the ECC bypass. This  
23 was discussed over the last three years. Our intention is to  
24 phase out of small programs.

25 In model D and technical support, we are looking at

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kds 1 where will we reorient or direct effort.

2 In terms of the overall systems engineering  
3 decision unit, OMB, separate effects research branch,  
4 \$17 million, roughly speaking, roughly half the total budget  
5 unit as administered.

6 (Slide.)

7 With the excellent hindsight provided by TMI-2,  
8 we are quite busy. We are reviewing all our programs to be  
9 sure we address both TMI-2 type lessons learned plus  
10 scenarios perhaps that before were thought to be just war  
11 games.

12 We indicated to you last year we are deemphasizing  
13 large LOCA research. The intent was to complete large LOCA  
14 research and go on to other areas even moreso.

15 We do plan of utilizing existing facilities or  
16 modifying them or upgrading them so we can minimize  
17 expenditure of capital funds to come back in and address this  
18 question.

19 There are new research requirements being identified  
20 and we are working closely with NRC Staff. We are rethinking  
21 our fiscal 1980 effort.

22 I will show you specific examples later where we  
23 are redirecting effort.

24 We are requesting selective fiscal 1980 and 1981  
25 budget supplements. Two particular categories Tom mentioned

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kds 1 is upgrade on SEMISCALE and the two-loop test apparatus for  
2 BWR research.

3 The point was made that the PWR and BWR machines  
4 are two distinct machines. I agree.

5 We have now three facilities in the country that  
6 can be system simulators: LOFT is a nuclear simulator;  
7 the SEMISCALE system, when upgraded; the TLTA system at  
8 General Electric at San Jose has this potential.

9 We don't have facilities that people can turn to  
10 to run + is type of scenario, "what if" type scenarios.  
11 Both the SEMISCALE and GE facility at San Jose give us that  
12 potential.

13 (Slide.)

14 With respect to the type of dollars that we are  
15 talking about in the fiscal 1980 and 81 budget requirements,  
16 this is a display. It is in your packet.

17 With respect to the SEMISCALE system, the  
18 presidential budget Tom referred to was shown at the  
19 \$6.7 million level. The upgrade on SEMISCALE to put in the  
20 secondary system, get once through and U-tube generators,  
21 estimated at \$3-1/2 million; total requirement, if there was  
22 no supplemental in fiscal 1980, of \$10.2 million. If we had  
23 the 1980 supplement, then the budget requirement in 1981  
24 obviously would come down.

25 A similar type of budget display can be presented

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\_kds 1 for BD and RF heat transfer. There are \$3 million identified  
2 here. \$2 million of this I will tag as required to make  
3 the TLTA -- extend it, upgrading it to better represent  
4 the BWR internals and BWR system to carry this to an  
5 off design, non-LOCA type simulator.

6 There is \$1 million shown that would be devoted  
7 to utilizing existing programs such as Flecht Seaset to  
8 run natural circulation and boil-off experiments, as well  
9 as run some boil-off experiments in the BD heat transfer  
10 facility at Oak Ridge.

11 In fact, they did use bundle 1 at Oak Ridge on the  
12 BD heat transfer program in conjunction with the noise  
13 diagnostics people upon request from NRC during the TMI  
14 incident to see if they could use this noise diagnostics  
15 to ascertain whether you went into dry-out. They utilized  
16 bundle 1. This was on call.

17 The results looked like favorable research should  
18 be applied there. The results were favorable and people are  
19 talking about picking up the instrumentation aspect at noise  
20 diagnostics to look at it further.

21 We are piggy-backing on any and all our facilities  
22 for this type of research.

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1 ECC bypass, you can see is phasing out.  
2 Essentially, fiscal '81 we will be done with it. Small  
3 scale. Model development is shown here and is shown to  
4 actually come down because of the emphasis on utilizing  
5 the system codes. Technical support is being redirected  
6 primarily to get into instrumentation and diagnostics.  
7 With that instrumentation again to address the TMI type  
8 questions or supplement current instrumentation in the  
9 reactor system.

10 For example, how do we know the real liquid level  
11 in the reactor core?

12 (Slide.)

13 Let me just sort of take you back a few months  
14 in SEMISCALE and bring you up to where we stand. Less than  
15 a half year ago SEMISCALE was set up in programmatic fashion  
16 to conduct UHI experiments. There is the S-06-7 experiment  
17 which indicated downcomer voiding and oscillatory behavior,  
18 mass depreciation, et cetera.

19 This mass depletion phenomena has been studied in  
20 follow-up experiments and the best we understand from the  
21 data, the excessive heat from the downcomer walls led to  
22 voiding associated with core back flow and high core  
23 steaming rates.

24 SEMISCALE is being revised, or the facility is  
25 being upgraded with a new type of insulation material.

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1 It's a honeycomb — evacuated honeycomb type used in the  
2 aerospace industry. In effect the results of utilizing  
3 that type of insulation will be to negate or prevent  
4 future breakdown of thermal insulation. Dr. Tong was  
5 out to the SEMISCALE project last year and he was party  
6 to some results of thermal conductivity or conductance tests  
7 and the new insulation they have has a value of one-tenth of  
8 the prior.

9 In effect the SEMISCALE facility will be modified  
10 to insulate it from a mismatch of surface area to volume  
11 ratio effects.

12 As I indicated SEMISCALE was about the only  
13 facility we had in the country, or perhaps the world, that  
14 we could turn to in support efforts of the TMI incident.  
15 Within two days of the TMI incident they were running  
16 gas bubble venting experiments. In effect, they were using  
17 the SEMISCALE facility as a similarity to see if they could  
18 work a bubble out of the system.

19 In addition, they then utilized the facility to  
20 see if there could be a transient similarity of the type --  
21 to simulate the type of transient that TMI experienced.

22 There has always been a lot of discussion  
23 associated with SEMISCALE and atypicality and mismatch  
24 and surface area to volume ratios, one dimensionality,  
25 et cetera. I would like to show you one curve -- I don't

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1 propose to go into details -- which is an illustrative curve  
2 of what was done with an existing facility to address the  
3 question: what happens if the operator does keep his eyes  
4 on the pressurizer level? Can we use this type of facility?

5 (Slide.)

6 Here is an experimental run. There is a time  
7 scale consistent with the TMI accident. The pressurizer  
8 level was kept. There was bleeding from the accumulator.

9 You can see the core level starting to oscillate,  
10 drop, decrease. If the core level was not monitored or  
11 other type of instrumentation not used, the operator would  
12 have said he had a full pressurizer level. The test was  
13 terminated here on a safety cut-off not to burn off valves.  
14 There is a quick report being prepared on a series of these  
15 experiments and it's targeted for issuance in early July.

16 I will be sure that the Committee does get copies  
17 of that. It's a very informative report. There was a lot  
18 of work done by the project. As a result of this type of  
19 experiment, it led us to the conclusion that that facility  
20 does warrant an upgrade, a significant upgrade.

21 I will talk briefly here to the type of upgrades  
22 we are proposing for the SEMISCALE facility. That program  
23 is currently under redirection to go and carry out the  
24 following:

25 (Slide.)

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1                   We are moving small break testing up. What we  
2 are planning to do is run small break testing in the July  
3 through August time frame of this nature. We are in a  
4 HI configuration.

5 The upper plenum is a UHI configuration. We will run  
6 small break transients that allow a loss-of-primary  
7 coolant at a rate equal to or about that of high present  
8 injection system below and above.

9                   The primary purpose of this is to get a series of  
10 runs that small break codes can be tested against.

11                   We will rerun the SO-67 test with new insulation  
12 to establish conclusively, if possible, whether indeed it  
13 was a hot wall effect or something else. That will be  
14 tucked in here.

15                   Right now the SEMISCALE project is putting together  
16 a list of feedwater transients. These are in preliminary  
17 stages. I would describe it: you have a turbine trip and  
18 then you have the the type of scenario either that TWI had  
19 and the SEMISCALE people are looking at the type of scenario  
20 of how might we set up experiments where we deliberately  
21 introduce operator effects. The operator does something in  
22 the scenario. Since it's not fully thought out, I would  
23 rather not comment.

24                   The schedule here would be we would run these in  
25 the late fall-early wintertime frame.

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1                    Now at the same time that we are redirecting here,  
2 not shown on this slide — rather than go through a lot of  
3 slides, we are in the process of asking those people to  
4 start on a preliminary system design and take a look at  
5 procurement activities that would be required to, one,  
6 upgrade the SEMISCALE facility to have secondary systems.

7                    By this I mean closed loop secondaries, two  
8 independent secondaries. In effect go to a 4 by 2  
9 configuration like the BW plant. We want to be able to have  
10 the capability with an upgraded SEMISCALE to have two  
11 independent secondary loops so we can look at transients of  
12 the type you have gas pockets formed, either slash or  
13 secondary loop, and have a system dump capability in the  
14 secondary loops with the cross. Have something which will  
15 allow us to st up in hardware a 4 by 2 BW type  
16 configuration. Closed loop secondary.

17                   Right now the SEMISCALE facility as on-line has  
18 a scale PWR type steam genertor, but it's a U tube.

19                   There is another U tube steam system generator  
20 on order, and this, I think, is slated for delivery somewhere  
21 next spring.

22                   Our intention is to have both ones through and  
23 U type steam generators to upgrade the primary system to  
24 include both a reactor type scale pump on both of the  
25 primary loops, to install the internal wall insulation,

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1 so that we get away from this hot wall effect, and the  
2 MOD2 configuration is the one where we have two external  
3 downcomers. In effect we are setting up a one-dimensional  
4 2 by 4 loop.

5 MR. EBERSOLE: Will you rig for secondary blowdown?

6 MR. SERKIZ: Yes, sir.

7 MR. EBERSOLE: That will cause a discharge of  
8 UHI even though there is no break in the primary loop.

9 MR. SERKIZ: Yes, sir. Let me put a different  
10 slide on here and talk from this.

11 (Slide.)

12 The schedule, as best the Idaho people can tell  
13 us now this is the reason for the preliminary planning  
14 stage. I got this material over the weekend sent back to  
15 me. We will go into a design phase and experimental  
16 planning phase here. We can, with the system as configured  
17 and feeding into it steam generators and upgrading the  
18 secondary system, start conducting the type of experiments  
19 that you alluded to here, in that we are configured up  
20 basically in a Westinghouse configuration here.

21 We would start running these type of experiments  
22 on a preliminary planning fashion or, let's say, the first  
23 round to see the type of effects that are experienced.

24 What we are doing, I guess the best way I should  
25 answer that question: we are working with the people in

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bw 1 the probabilistic analysis business with the licensing  
2 people to develop a set of transients or off-normal  
3 operation, so we can early on in upgrading experiments  
4 do those which are felt to have the highest probability of  
5 the most severe consequences.

6 We have not worked our way through that. We  
7 will have that put together in late summer.

8 I might stop here, if there are questions on  
9 the SEMISCALE before I move off this.

10 DR. PLESSET: Yes. Let's see if there is any  
11 discussion on the SEMISCALE points that you have presented.  
12 Ivan?

13 MR. CATTON: There has been some comment about  
14 the natural circulation part of the multidimensional effects  
15 in the core, and particularly one of the reasons for coupling  
16 COBRA To TRAC is because of the multidimensional  
17 characteristics.

18 Would you care to comment on this?

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1 MR. SERKIZ: The semi-scale will not be the vehicle  
2 to look at these multidimensional effects. The effects you  
3 refer to, the Japanese facilities, which have larger core  
4 assemblies, a particularly cylindrical core, also a  
5 capability to run limited transients and some system type  
6 transients.

7 The people on the 2D/3D project are in the  
8 process of thinking through what could be done with those  
9 facilities. I guess I would answer the question very cleanly:

10 We are not able to model on the semi-scale facility  
11 those effects, nor do we intend to. We will try to get some  
12 information of that type. Perhaps Garry might comment later.

13 I know we have discussed possibly using the cylindrical  
14 test facility in Japan to get that information, or some of  
15 that type of information.

16 DR. PLESSET: That is a bit of a frail support.  
17 It is a low pressure facility. It won't stand any pressure.  
18 It is a quite limited use altogether.

19 MR. SERKIZ: If you are looking for high pressure  
20 effects -- the question was raised from the multidimensional  
21 effects. We can use that facility to get multidimensional  
22 effect information. We will not get the pressure effect infor-  
23 mation out of that.

24 DR. PLESSET: The question is: How useful will it  
25 be toward the questions Catton has raised?

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1 MR. SERKIZ : If the question is directed more  
2 specifically as to the impact on the code, I am going to  
3 let a code man answer that one.

4 PROF. CATTON: Let me rephrase it. If the 2D/3D  
5 effects are important in the small break, and I have been  
6 led to believe -- I don't know that I agree they are, but I  
7 have been led to believe they are -- of what use is  
8 SEMISCALE in the small break? If they are not important,  
9 that question sort of goes away.

10 . While you are there, I would quote out of one of  
11 your documents. The Japanese 2000 rug -- I put SEMISCALE  
12 and FLECHT in the same arena for many reasons -- by providing  
13 additional information.

14 However, the limited Japanese program will not be  
15 sufficient to replace FLECHT in the opinion of both PMG and  
16 NRR Staff. What does that mean? How limited is the  
17 Japanese test?

18 MR. SERKIZ: It is a difficult question because  
19 you introduced three facilities. Does your question  
20 address FLECHT, 2D/3D, or SEMISCALE? On SEMISCALE you can  
21 handle multidimensional effects.

22 DR. PLESSET: It is a one-dimensional --

23 PROF. CATTON: How important are the multi-  
24 dimensional effects?

25 MR. SERKIZ: In what respect?

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1 PROF. CATTON: In small breaks.

2 MR. SERKIZ: Lou, would you care to answer that  
3 question?

4 Garry?

5 MR. BENNETT: On the large breaks we know it is  
6 important. I will defer for the small break analysis.

7 MR. SHOTKIN: Shotkin of NRC.

8 I agree with Ivan that there probably are some  
9 multidimensional effects in the small break. One of the  
10 main effects --

11 DR. PLESSET: He heard there were. He didn't say  
12 so. You think there are.

13 MR. SHOTKIN: There could be. One of the main  
14 effects we want to follow in the small break is how the level  
15 goes down in the system during the small break. I think  
16 that is primarily one-dimensional. SEMISCALE should give us  
17 all the information we need on that.

18 MR. SERKIZ: In terms of liquid inventory levels  
19 and that type of information, I guess the evidence that I  
20 would offer is the type of transients that have been run to  
21 try to simulate the TMI accident. There has been considerable  
22 discussion whether you could even control a one-dimensional  
23 atypical system.

24 Evidently they met with reasonable amounts of  
25 success. They feel very confident of being able to use this

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1 facility, not as a demonstration PWR full scale, but -- I  
2 will use the term assimulator, hardware simulator  
3 facility where one could test out various scenarios.

4 Without a secondary system, we can't do it.

5 PROF. THEOFANOUS: Going back to Lou, has anybody  
6 given thought to the differences present in the primary system  
7 SEMISCALE from those you might find in a full scale LWR? That  
8 is the question crucial to levels and so on.

9 I would like to raise the question that somebody  
10 should look into that.

11 DR. PLESSET: That is one reason to use  
12 at all. The question is how it relates to the full scale, you  
13 mean.

14 PROF. THEOFANOUS: That's right. Its clear  
15 differences would be present.

16 MR. SHOTKIN: Could I answer that question in  
17 terms of looking at core uncovering rather than just looking  
18 at small breaks? That is what we are interested in. Core  
19 uncovering could be due to small breaks or due to a small break  
20 in a pipe or valve opening.

21 In this case, the core uncovering has a pressure  
22 effect. It has multidimensional effects. There we want to  
23 coordinate all our facilities, including the 2D/3D facilities,  
24 that could look at multidimensional effects under core uncovering  
25 situations, SEMISCALE which could look at the present effect

1 as the core starts to uncover.

2 PROF. THEOFANOUS: I agree with you. I asked the  
3 question in terms of not only core uncover, but two-phase  
4 distribution within the primary system.

5 It is interesting to know what is in hot leg and  
6 what is the composition or percent of vapor in the inlet  
7 to the pressurizer.

8 When they are different, one would expect different  
9 behavior and different feedback from the pressurizer.  
10 This kind of question.

11 If you look at only the core uncover itself  
12 separately, then I --

13 MR. SHOTKIN: We don't have any one facility  
14 where we could look at all effects at the same time. We  
15 could look at pressure effects at some facilities, multi-  
16 dimensional effects at others. We must try to integrate them  
17 using codes and engineering judgment.

18 DR. PLESSET: Isn't it unfortunate the core test  
19 facility was designed the way it was? Before it was built,  
20 it might have been made to stand some reasonable pressures.  
21 How did it happen that it wouldn't? It is too late now, but  
22 I am curious how it happened that way.

23 MR. SHOTKIN: The scenario the world community  
24 has been analyzing for the past several years has been the  
25 large break LOCA. The biggest uncertainty was in the

1 reflood portion of that. We understood pretty much the  
2 conditions where our uncertainties were. Those were at low  
3 pressure.

4 The system had depressurized and we are wondering  
5 how fast the ECC liquid after refill gets up into the core.  
6 That is low pressure.

7 DR. PLESSET: There were other uncertainties.  
8 Is there an early quench, for example? What is the effect  
9 of the externally-mounted thermocouples, which could be  
10 quite significant and might affect the interpretation of the  
11 LOFT results unless we have information to the contrary?

12 There have been a lot of measurements of the  
13 effect of little bumps on things like fuel rods having a big  
14 impact on cooling. These are other things.

15 Where will they be studied? The test facility  
16 would have been fine if not misdesigned. How come that  
17 happened?

18 Say in a word why.

19 MR. SHOTKIN: It is a -- it was originally  
20 called large scale RF test facility.

21 DR. PLESSET: We should label it that always in our  
22 minds?

23 MR. SHOTKIN: No. We can try to redirect the  
24 program to look at some core uncover tests that might give  
25 us information on multidimensional effects.

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1 Dr. Tong is over in Germany next week to discuss  
2 with the Germans and Japanese how to redirect those  
3 facilities. He is taking with him staff ideas on that.

4 DR. PLESSET: It would be a neat trick, but unless  
5 he is a genius, I don't see how he can do it.  
6 You didn't tell me how it happened.

7 Oh, it was a refill facility.

8 MR. SHOTKIN: Reflood.

9 DR. PLESSET: You are trying to make it into  
10 something different, more than that.

11 MR. SHOTKIN: That's right.

12 MR. MC PHERSON: I am Dr. McPherson.

13 The facility that you are discussing in Japan was  
14 designed by the Japanese prior to our entering into  
15 discussions with them on the cooperative work.

16 Nevertheless, yes, it is a reflood experiment.  
17 But I did want to say a few things around the question you  
18 have been asking.

19 The LOFT core is 83 percent of the diameter of  
20 the cylindrical core test in Japan and consequently constitutes  
21 essentially almost the same amount of 3D necessary that that  
22 facility does.

23 However, we are unable to make the tailed  
24 measurements that that facility does. The tests we have  
25 run to date in LOFT have given us high confidence in our

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1 understanding of what is going on in the core.

2           Nevertheless, those which we do have, have been  
3 very helpful in supporting our understanding of the  
4 thermal hydraulics.

5           Finally, re surface mounted thermocouples, we have  
6 eight different programs ongoing now in support of that  
7 question. Some in reactors, some out reactor. That is,  
8 using electrical heaters. Even some electrical heaters in  
9 reactors.

10           We believe the entire test series will give us a  
11 complete picture of where and when those experimental thermo-  
12 couples do have an effect. We know they do sometimes. We  
13 know they don't sometimes.

14           We are trying to draw the boundaries.

15           DR. PLESSET: We need to take a break.

16           [Recess.]

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kds 1 DR. PLESSET: All right, let's reconvene.

2 We were having some discussion regarding SEMISCALE.  
3 We weren't quite completed. Mr. Ebersole wanted to comment.  
4 Then we will throw it open.

5 MR. EBERSOLE: In our past world where we thought  
6 the large LOCA was the principal and nrly only area of  
7 jeopardy to core colling after trip, we put a number of  
8 safeguards to help that conditions. The UHI system is one.

9 Looking at these in their mitigating capabilities  
10 to help out, we overlook the accident potential of these  
11 systems. Among those is UHI, the capacity to disrupt core  
12 cooling capacity.

13 This was approximately a 30-to-1 ratio of  
14 call-ups for needed functions of UHI to inadvertent call-ups;  
15 a 30-to-1 probability we would rather not be called up.

16 The effect is to potentially invite the discharge  
17 of nitrogen into the sealed primary loop.

18 The failure criterion faces problems like vertex  
19 formation in the accumulator, difficulties in measuring  
20 level, activating valves that must close under dynamic  
21 needs.

22 It is critical to realize in considering the new  
23 accident set, to consider the accident potential of the old  
24 LOCA mitigating functions, notably UHI itself.

25 MR. SERKIZ: I accept your points, Dr. Ebersole; and

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ds 1 I will feed that back to the project in their program  
2 planning.

3 We talked about looking more specifically at the  
4 noncondensable effects in the small break scenarios. With  
5 respect to UHI I heard similar comments from other people.  
6 We are all running very rapidly right now to learn as  
7 quickly as we can to construct what should be looked at  
8 first.

9 PROF. THEOFANOUS: Is it correct to get the  
10 implication from what you say that you look at the  
11 upgrading of SEMISCALE as the facility to sort out the  
12 systems effects for small breaks?

13 MR. SERKIZ: We are looking at SEMISCALE as the  
14 primary facility besides LOFT in the United States to look  
15 at small break effects.

16 Lew indicated a while ago Dr. Tong will be in  
17 Germany talking with the German Federal Republic and the  
18 Japanese.

19 We are looking also at utilizing other facilities  
20 like PKL. We have -- PKL does now have a secondary system,  
21 a better secondary system in place.

22 We will be looking at that also to see if those  
23 facilities, in a cooperative fashion with the Germans or the  
24 Japanese, could not run small break tests or FWR type  
25 transients to give us information sooner.

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-kds 1                    PROF. THEOFANOUS: You don't envision any new  
2 facilities starting from scratch?

3                    MR. SERKIZ: Not at the present time.

4                    MR. MICHELSON: Along the same lines that Jesse  
5 Ebersole was elucidating on, it is also important to  
6 consider the situation wherein larger breaks are changed  
7 to smaller breaks, or in some cases changed to no break at  
8 all.

9                    Depending on the point in time this occurs you  
10 could get interesting core cooling problems. The most  
11 obvious case in point is the boiling water reactor, wherein  
12 you isolate the pump isolation valves and between the valves  
13 you end up at low pressure momentarily with low inventory,  
14 but an immediate repressurization without the ability to  
15 supply large amounts of water.

16                   There are other cases wherein perhaps the  
17 isolation -- the break is downstream of an isolation valve.  
18 You go to close it and it doesn't fully close. The large  
19 break now changed to a small break.

20                   These kinds of situations don't appear necessarily  
21 unrealistic in the real world. Maybe you could indicate  
22 for a moment your views for such situations.

23                   MR. SERKIZ: Let me respond to the point you  
24 brought up on BWRs, which in themselves give you that  
25 potential for this intermix.

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kds 1           We will carry out this summer in conjunction with  
2 the upgrading of the TLTA putting together this type of  
3 scenario and seeing what it would take in a facility to have  
4 the capability.

5           The reason I am not in a position to do other  
6 than show you a list on some of these types of transients,  
7 saying those are the most important -- there has been a lot  
8 of discussion already going on as to what is important.

9           Also, I would make the point brought up earlier  
10 by someone about why don't we run these tests in large  
11 plants. Some of our BWRs lately have been running some of  
12 these tests for us.

13           The BWR is a different animal. I look at it as  
14 that type of machine and the PWR another one.

15           We are working with the probabilistics analysis  
16 people analyzing these. A lot more of these scenarios are  
17 being developed as possibly for real versus the single  
18 failure criteria.

19           MR. MICHELSON: Of course, these can occur with  
20 just postulating a single operator action or failure. When  
21 you look at the pressurized water reactor, one should not  
22 overlook those plants with loop isolation valves. There are  
23 a few in the country.

24           They have this striking potential to change break  
25 sizes quickly under circumstances in which the core may not

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kds 1 be able to usually recover.

2 MR. SERKIZ: This is a reason we want to maintain  
3 in SEMISCALE two independent secondary loops, so we can  
4 have that type of simulation capability.

5 MR. EBERSOLE: Not only do these have those  
6 valves, but have operator instructions to try to stop the  
7 leak.

8 DR. PLESSET: Would you go on to your next part,  
9 Al?

10 MR. SERKIZ: Yes.

11 (Slide.)

12 I would like to very quickly take you through  
13 these four programs, concentrating primarily, to give you an  
14 insight on our thinking, in upgrading the TLTA, and giving  
15 you information in general.

16 When carrying our budget category here, these four  
17 programs appear. We have a level of effort at INEL that  
18 we utilize their staff to work with us and interact with  
19 the contractors.

20 The reason for this is these three programs are  
21 cooperative programs, and they do involve, in the case of  
22 the BWR, obviously General Electric; in this case,  
23 Westinghouse.

24 The budget distribution that we have for those  
25 programs is as follows.

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1 (Slide.)

2 The budget distribution in fiscal 1979 is shown  
3 here. The reason for these programs coming down lower than  
4 Oak Ridge is, recognize the NRC share of the industry  
5 cooperative programs ranges somewhere between 38 to 42  
6 percent.

7 What we are doing here is funding part of the total  
8 program cost. That information is in our handouts.

9 (Slide.)

10 The program at Oak Ridge terms the PWR blowdown  
11 heat transfer program is displayed here. We have concluded  
12 the bundle 1 experiments, and we are in the process of  
13 installing, within a week as best I can determine from the  
14 people at Oak Ridge, we will have installed bundle 3, which  
15 has considerably more internal thermocouple and two phase  
16 flow monitoring instrumentation.

17 I put this up, and I want you to note we are getting  
18 out of a large LOCA program. This is slated and is being  
19 managed by Oak Ridge to conclude in fiscal 1982. Fiscal  
20 1980 is the year where we will conduct the round-off  
21 experiments on bundle 3. The information and experiments  
22 are in that package you have.

23 We utilize fiscal 1981 to analyze the data and  
24 essentially close down the facility and issue final reports  
25 and analyses in fiscal 1982. As an example, I would show you

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kds 1 one graph.

2 (Slide.)

3 This is bundle 1 that came out of the Oak Ridge  
4 facility. That was designed for something like 14 or 15  
5 powered blowdowns. It has undergone 34 blowdowns.

6 You will note the heater rods, electrical rods  
7 are pretty straight. It looks in good shape. On this  
8 particular bundle, once we concluded bundle 1 tests, we ran  
9 boiler tests. We have a high degree of confidence in Oak  
10 Ridge designing and fabricating bundles with his  
11 survivability probability.

12 To show you that the program is in the process of  
13 concluding its final round of testing and going out of  
14 business -- people will be put on something else.

15 (Slide.)

16 With respect to the BWR research conducted in  
17 RSR, our programs in terms of experiments are concentrated  
18 at two facilities: TLTA which you have seen, the program  
19 at Lynn, Massachusetts, I will show you photographs of  
20 equipment and facilities up there.

21 I just want to use one offshoot slide you don't  
22 have just to discuss with you what we plan on doing.

23 (Slide.)

24 If you recall, the TLTA inception back in 1972 was  
25 a single bundle facility. The jet pumps didn't have the

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kds 1 correct height. It was a simulation facility to model the  
2 blowdown phase of a BWR.

3 Since that time the program has been augmented  
4 as you see here. It has been a jury rig add-on, et cetera.  
5 We have come through a set of experiments that we had in mind  
6 for that facility, and the time has been long overdue that  
7 the facility should be upgraded so we have a better  
8 representation of what that facility should have in hardware  
9 for BWR LOCA testing.

10 (Slide.)

11 I emphasize this because when you call it a small  
12 or intermediate break, it is LOCA testing. I would focus  
13 up the TLTA to you this morning two ways. One, we want  
14 to upgrade it to conclude our LOCA testing. I will show you  
15 a schedule going with this.

16 We want capability to run blowdown through reflood.  
17 We plan on installing three bundles to have parallel bundle  
18 effects. We will upgrade the internals to have full height  
19 scaling on the jet pumps, a better steam separator, improved  
20 bypass and volume distribution and scaling, and also have  
21 the capability to run small break tests.

22 I will show you a slide that I didn't have prepared  
23 to include in your package.

24 (Slide.)

25 Schematically, what we have here is this shows where

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kds 1 we intend to be in an upgraded TLTA.

2 With respect to that same consideration and  
3 redirection, what we plan on doing is also looking, and we  
4 are looking, at what I term here a TLTA extension. It may  
5 not be a TLTA extension. It may be a combination of TLTA  
6 and utilizing the Atlas facilities at General Electric at  
7 San Jose.

8 These are BWR transients being looked at in  
9 terms of scenarios and events. We should be through that  
10 phase by roughly September to see what sort of attentions are  
11 on TLTA or a combination of Atlas and TLTA.

12 In Tom's slide we showed supplemental deltas of  
13 three or three and a half for SEMISCALE in fiscal 1980, and  
14 something on the order of \$3 million in a blowdown and  
15 reflood heat transfer are back-of-the-envelope type estimates  
16 now to go into an extension to look at transients that are  
17 off normal operation, but without neutronics feedback. It  
18 is on the order of \$2 million.

19 All I can say is we are actively interacting with  
20 the NRC Staff. Points of view are being expressed. Maybe  
21 we shouldn't do this in small facilities. Maybe we should  
22 instead analyze more closely the BWR transients we had  
23 already.

24 I am giving you very current thinking. We hope to  
25 come up with the highest probability associated with these.

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1 and do an ordering, and we would be in a position to report  
2 to You where we stand on that.

3 In terms of budget cycle requesting supplemental  
4 budgets and so on, we feel we need a BWR type facility to  
5 start looking at some of these type of transients. What I  
6 would like to do is show you a few color slides and some  
7 background slides on the West Lynn facility of General  
8 Electric.

9 (Slide.)

10 In that facility what we are doing is looking at  
11 what happens in the upper plenum, the upper core plate tie  
12 structure. This is just an overview on that particular  
13 facility.

14 That facility is now in operation, and the  
15 NRC contract interactions with both EPRI and GE have been  
16 concluded in the past month.

17 This, for example, is the sector bundle that is  
18 being -- sector simulator bundle being utilized in the  
19 West Lynn facility.

20 (Slide.)

21 I think you are familiar with the assemblies: the  
22 handling handles, boxes, channels, so on; full scale raid  
23 use, 30-degree sector.

24 GE is, I believe, scheduled to conclude their  
25 BWR-6 type tests at the end of July. That data will be made

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kds 1 available to us as part of this triparty program. I would  
2 guess that would be available to us this fall.

3 . a The program that goes with that, I will show you in  
4 overlay form.

5 (Slide.)

6 This is in your package that I provided you. It is  
7 a program that the core spray distribution testing will  
8 continue into fiscal 1980; single heated electrical bundle  
9 testing at the San Jose. We will continue both -- we come  
10 out of here with the BWR-6 testing, and go into BWR-4.

11 We also have scheduled 360 degree, roughly a third  
12 or half scale diameter tests; the analytical support.

13 Of course, this program now is projecting into a  
14 four year cycle beyond fiscal 1979 with this type of funding  
15 distribution.

16 This particular program, the numbers shown here are  
17 NRC costs, and are 40 percent of the estimated operating  
18 cost. What we have through these cooperative programs is  
19 a reduced budget requirements on the NRC.

20 Perhaps I should stop here on the BWR programs.  
21 We have a new one. I can come back with supplemental slides  
22 and take questions on the GE programs.

23 DR. PLESSET: Let's do that. Maybe there will be  
24 no questions.

25 MR. SERKIZ: We could get back on schedule.

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DR. PLESSET: Hopefully.

MR. SERKIZ: Okay.

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1                   Let me just give you a brief overview on another  
2 triparty program on Flecht Seaset.

3                   (Slide.)

4                   This is the program at Westinghouse, Pittsburgh,  
5 indicated earlier. We are looking at bundle separate effects,  
6 steam generator separate effects, upper plenum, ultimately  
7 tying these components and separate effects type of  
8 experiments into a system effects test.

9                   We have both the 161 rod bundle and 21 rod bundle.  
10 We run both flow blockage and without flow blockage. The  
11 schedule that goes with it -- perhaps this would be the  
12 point to concentrate the discussion on or talk from.

13                   (Slide.)

14                   Our unblocked bundle tests are nearly concluded.  
15 I think August, the 161 rod unblocked bundle test will be  
16 concluded. We are putting together a 21 rod bundle for  
17 flow blockage tests. We would run those tests on 161 rod  
18 bundle.

19                   Steam generator separate effects tests, that will  
20 be concluded in the same time frame, early fall. We have  
21 an upper plenum where the upper plenum is a scaled upper  
22 plenum that has the type of geometry representative of a  
23 PWR.

24                   The upper plenum geometry, steam generator and  
25 bundles will be coupled into a system effects type of system

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kds 1 that would be run out in this time frame.

2 The level of funding associated with this program  
3 is as shown here. Again the cost to NRC is 42 percent.

4 PROF. CATTON: I have seen Flecht, TLTA, SEMISCALE  
5 and the reflood tests. I am having trouble trying to figure  
6 out where they fit into the big picture, and what the  
7 contribution of each is.

8 I get the feeling in looking at what you are  
9 presenting -- for example under Flecht, systems effects  
10 test, scaled 2-loop PWR utilizing components and so forth,  
11 what is being done at these other facilities that couldn't  
12 all be done at SEMISCALE, for example? Why do you have to  
13 have the Flecht system as well as the SEMISCALE?

14 Can some of the TLTA -- could they, for example,  
15 be folded into SEMISCALE? Could the Oak Ridge program be  
16 folded into SEMISCALE? Would this yeild a more efficient  
17 system or more effective use of the dollars?

18 MR. SERKIZ: Many questions. Let me try to come  
19 back through them.

20 First, SEMISCALE is an integral systems facility  
21 that allows you to go from high pressure to low pressure  
22 through a LOCA transient. It has its current limitations;  
23 perhaps not noticeable being the core region dimensionality  
24 effects and limited bundle representation, for lack of a  
25 better term.

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kds 1                   With respect to the Oak Ridge program, as I  
2 indicated on the earlier slide, that is essential concluded  
3 over the next several years.

4                   Bundle 3 was put there so we could get LOCA  
5 information so we could determine two phase flow mixture  
6 distribution during these transients and in effect conclude  
7 the type of data base that was needed to come up with the  
8 heat transfer correlations and put that question to bed.

9                   It is a highly instrumented bundle. We are not  
10 concentrating on time CHF. That was beat to death the  
11 last few years. That is a PWR type bundle; TLTA is a BWR  
12 type bundle.

13                   Can I fold SEMISCALE and TLTA into one? No. BWR  
14 and PWR are different animals. I have two facilities. One  
15 I also have on line, principally designed to be a PWR.  
16 I have a BWR facility which I am saying needs upgrading so  
17 we have a parallel channel effect, the correct height scaling  
18 on jet pumps, more representative geometry, et cetera.

19                   In terms of cost effectiveness to the government,  
20 the cooperative program cost the government out of a total  
21 of some 38 percent.

22                   If I tried to cram everything into one facility,  
23 I start driving myself to something I recall trying to  
24 defend here a year ago called a multipurpose test facility.  
25 I am trying to deal with facilities on line with minimum cost

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1 investment to investigate the two principal type reactors.

2 The Flecht Seaset program was designed prior to  
3 TMI to handle reflood, handle -- primarily look at flow  
4 blockage effects. This was the reason for the 21 rod  
5 bundle.

6 This was done in close coordination with the NRR  
7 people. We wanted to look at local flow blockage effects. If  
8 you are modeling the thermal hydraulics, these bundles are  
9 instrumented.

10 It is a program built upon a building block of  
11 separate effects, and taking the same equipment available in  
12 the program and tying it together into a low pressure system  
13 effects facility.

14 I can give you an example. We already used, for  
15 example -- we got some data -- I will come back to this slide  
16 for discussion purposes.

17 (Slide.)

18 We have, for example, just move testing around, and  
19 we have run steam cooling tests, and preliminary analysis  
20 shows better cooling than the current model.

21 Loren, did you tell me 50 percent enhancement?

22 MR. THOMPSON: Yes.

23 MR. SERKIZ: We have a high temperature capability.  
24 I stress this point with Flecht Seaset. I am jumping between  
25 facilities here. We have different facilities and are trying

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kds 1 to do the most in each.

2 Flecht Seaset has a testing capability of up to  
3 2300 degrees Fahrenheit. To test reflood conditions — this  
4 is even more important when you look at perhaps starved flow  
5 or boil-off, where you are looking for data in a region where  
6 fuel clad damage can start occurring.

7 We have simulated fuel pin designed or bundles with  
8 a testing capability up to 2300 degrees Fahrenheit.

9 A question came up, why can't we do this in other  
10 facilities? Different facilities cover different aspects.  
11 What we are doing here is trying to do the most with  
12 existing facilities, include our LOCA related research,  
13 certainly concentrating more on the small LOCA than the large  
14 LOCA, but certainly conclude those program particular aspects,  
15 and then redirect programs either in as is condition --  
16 in other words, use the facility or something else, like we  
17 could potentially use the Oak Ridge bundle for boil-off and  
18 natural circulation tests in the bundle.

19 Okay? We haven't thought that far. We haven't  
20 planned that. I think it would clutter up this type of  
21 meeting to give you four examples and get into that type of  
22 discussion.

23 Let me stop and go back to the question.

24 MR. MURLEY: Are you close to the end? We are way  
25 behind.

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ds 1 MR. SERKIZ: I would like to. I don't know if I  
2 answered your question. These facilities have their own  
3 capabilities as they stand.

4 PROF. CATTON: I guess a better answer would have  
5 been a single viewgraph showing the flow of information from  
6 the facilities to your goal.

7 I will have to read the transcript. I got lost in  
8 what you were saying. It was too much too fast.

9 I want to ask one more thing. We had a report  
10 a year ago about views on the blowdown heat transfer, and  
11 what was felt to be needed to be done in that area.

12 Paul didn't feel much more needed to be done.  
13 There were concerns about electrical heating. I see  
14 continued use of facilities with electric heating and  
15 expansion of facilities with electric heating.

16 Just a single comment on that will end it.

17 MR. SERKIZ: If the question is being raised in  
18 terms of can an electrical heater simulate the thermal  
19 hydraulic boundary conditions or simulate the fuel bundle,  
20 all of these electrical heaters have been designed keeping  
21 that in mind.

22 PROF. CATTON: I have not seen that. There were  
23 questions raised about things like gap conductance and the  
24 lack of it, particular having to do with reflood.

25 MR. SERKIZ: With respect to reflood?

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kds 1            PROF. CATTON: In particular with respect to  
2            reflood, quenching.

3            MR. SERKIZ: In the TLTA upgrade this is a key  
4            design question. It will be factored into the heater  
5            design plus the programming of power to the heater to try  
6            to get the simulation.

7            PROF. CATTON: I understood there was a study in  
8            this area going on.

9            MR. SERKIZ: If you can give me a specific, I can  
10           try to answer the question. I would draw your attention to  
11           the last three Oak Ridge quarterlies and several topical.  
12           I would be happy to send them to you.

13           On the bundle 3, considerable care was given to  
14           avoid perturbances of thermocouple installation, programming  
15           of the heater power, et cetera.

16           DR. PLESSET: Let me comment about now upgrading  
17           TLTA, which might have been concluded from Ivan's remark.

18           He didn't mean it, I am sure. Outside NRC there  
19           is a lot of comment about the disproportionate amount of  
20           money going into BWR problems as compared to PWR problems.  
21           I don't know if you heard this.

22           MR. SERKIZ: I heard it expressed different ways,  
23           yes.

24           (Laughter.)

25           DR. PLESSET: But the idea is that. You are aware

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ids 1 of this sentiment?

2 MR. SERKIZ: Yes, I am. I will be very candid with  
3 the group here. We are looking very strongly at what  
4 research, particular non-LOCA rm(mizkh,((ho)ll(e  
5 address in a BWR transient.

6 I don't have a clean answer for you. One of the  
7 slides is the type of thing we are looking at. The NRR  
8 views. Obviously there are vendor views.

9 In a cooperative program we have the benefit of  
10 interacting with the vendor and NRR and our own staff.

11 MR. EBERSOLE: I would call out at this time in the  
12 spirit of trying to make this integral and cover those gaps  
13 that will embarrass us later that if we look at the whole  
14 picture here and look at the accident sets you spoke about  
15 and the various regimes and cooling problems, there is one  
16 distinct gap.

17 We are considering the reactivity control problem  
18 in the ATWS program; this is anticipated transient without  
19 scram.

20 I will say there is a blank spot in our  
21 consideration in looking at unanticipated transients without  
22 scram, notably with respect to the BWR. When we get some  
23 kind of flood loss in the PWR, we reflood with highly borated  
24 water, and in the interval we are voiding we have the  
25 reactivity problem at hand.

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kds 1 A BWR refloods with cool, clean water. Therefore,  
2 it is an absolute requirements that the rods get in a BWR  
3 type reactor before starting the reflood process. There is  
4 no mechanism which will jeopardize insertion of those rods,  
5 one postulates, but there are.

6 Noticeable among them is the stubborn aspects of  
7 the designers to continue to put the drive control insert  
8 and exhaust tubes in direct line of the muzzle of the blast  
9 from LOCAs inside the dry well.

10 This brings an interface problem up wherein one  
11 must argue whether or not you are going to get the rods in,  
12 having suffered damage in the rats nest of tubes  
13 immediately adjacent to LOCA effects.

14 I am not sure but what there isn't a mechanism  
15 which will preclude getting some of the rods in, if not many,  
16 for the reason that you closed or damaged this tube set.

17 I won't go into detail beyond that, but it was  
18 dismissed so far by superficial handwaving type arguments  
19 which don't hold today.

20 MR. SERKIZ: Let me make one comment on one of  
21 your early comments, the nuclear feedback effects which are  
22 very prevalent in the BWR.

23 I accept your point about looking more closely  
24 at the BWR ATWS situation. This is unanticipated. LOCA is —  
25 the point I was trying to make is one of the significant

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ds 1 points of disagreement now, is should we invest in a further  
2 extension of a facility to study these type of transients  
3 where we would have extreme difficulty modeling these  
4 nuclear feedback effects with electrically heated bundles?

5 MR. EBERSOLE: I am thinking about it more  
6 crudely. Can you asses without going that far to the point  
7 of acknowledging or dismissing the potential for  
8 intercepting rod insertion in BWR?

9 MR. SERKIZ: I don't know; but I will bring that  
10 point back to the people I deal with.

11 MR. EBERSOLE: Okay.

12 PROF. CATTON: I would like to finish up the comment  
13 about electrical rods.

14 There has been some special work comparing Flecht  
15 heater rods with those filled with simulated fuel. There  
16 are differences between the two. The repeated use of Flecht  
17 gives you highly oxidized pins, which changes some of the  
18 reflood characteristics.

19 - Where is all this leading us to? What meaning do  
20 the Flecht results have? How much more of that data should  
21 we collect? I will leave it at that.

22 DR. PLESSET: I think I would make one last comment  
23 before you go on to the next topic. We are running behind.  
24 I want to emphasize Jessie Ebersole's point, which is really  
25 a hydromechanical question.

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kds 1 MR. SERKIZ: I will feed that back to people like  
2 Warren Minners and the people at GE.

3 DR. PLESSET: This is important. It was  
4 discussed at several reviews of BWR plants, this kind of  
5 question.

6 MR. SERKIZ: I will bring the message back.  
7 I would like to take a break for myself and let  
8 Gary Bennett present the 2D/3D program, and then we can see  
9 how the time situation is.

10 I will cover model D and the technical support.  
11 Perhaps covering the model D, since there was interest  
12 raised here, it might be appropriate to go through it.

13 DR. PLESSET: To help us, we might leave out the  
14 discussion of small scale ECC bypass. Just ask Tom to assign  
15 a priority to it.

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1                   MR. BENNETT: The next part of the presentation  
2 is a discussion of the refill and reflood program.

3                   In the interest of time I thought I could mention  
4 I intend to skip over a number of the viewgraphs in the  
5 handout.

6                   (Slide.)

7                   The 2D/3D program is an interational cooperative  
8 program with the Japanese and Federal Republic of Germany.  
9 It was set up to cover such phenomena as steam binding which  
10 might occur in a pressurized water reaction given a LOCA,  
11 flow distribution effects within the core, flow hydrodynamics  
12 both in the downcomer and upper plenum, and we are now  
13 looking into questions such as core uncover and natural  
14 circulation.

15                   I would like ot briefly describe the facilities  
16 involved in the 2D/3D program.

17                   (Slide.)

18                   In Germany we have the PKL facility. This is  
19 not formally a part of the 2D/3D program. However, because  
20 we have been testing out instrumentation, we are getting  
21 a lot of information out of it. That is a full height  
22 facility with 3-loop capability.

23                   Now the facility which is being built in Germany  
24 as part of the formal 2D/3D agreement is the upper plenum  
25 test facility which is a full-scale vessel and will be a

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1 a full-scale markup of the upper plenum 360 degrees with the  
2 downcomer. In Japan we have the cylindrical test  
3 facility which is 2000 electrical rods, full height core,  
4 with a system effects -- it has four loops. Also in  
5 Japan we have the slab core test facility. 2000 rods.  
6 Full height. The interesting thing is that it's full  
7 radius. A full radial slice. The U.S. contribution includes  
8 development of advanced instrumentation for these facilities  
9 and analytical work at Los Alamos using TRAC.

10 Through the program we hope to be able to develop  
11 information and understanding modeling large breaks, small  
12 breaks, natural circulation and core uncover. Also  
13 indicated ECC penetration, steam binding and flow blockage.

14 (Slide.)

15 The accomplishment so far in fiscal year 1979  
16 includes completion of construction of the cylindrical  
17 core test facility in Japan and a number of shakedown  
18 tests have already been run on the cylindrical test  
19 facility.

20 The preliminary design of the slab core test  
21 facility had been completed. We hope to have that operational  
22 in early 1981.

23 The air water loop tests in Idaho have been  
24 completed on the instruments which they are provided. We  
25 have already completed installation of a number of the

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1 instruments in the cylindrical core test facility and  
2 PKL. TRAC calculations have been run on PWs as  
3 part of the program and to identify test facility design.

4 (Slide.)

5 Dr. Plesset mentined in the opening the effect  
6 of the different programs on licensing. I indicated on  
7 this viewgraph some of the effects we think the 3D program  
8 will address the steam binding effect and its influence on  
9 temperature.

10 Downcover behavior and effectiveness of different  
11 ECC systems. We intend to look at small breaks and  
12 natural circulation discussed in the various facilities.  
13 Because these are larger scale than what we have felt within  
14 some areas, this will help us in the computer code checkout  
15 and extrapolation to a full sized pressurized water  
16 reactor.

17 (Slide.)

18 We have been looking into what we can do to  
19 address questions which have come out of TMI. Dr. Tong  
20 is going to be in Germany the end of the month-long with  
21 Mr. Farmer, program manager, to discuss with the Germans  
22 and Japanese how we might appropriately move the direction  
23 of these programs to address other concerns such as small  
24 break tests, natural circulation tests, block bundle tests  
25 and core uncover tests.

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1 We are working on this now to explore how we  
2 can incorporate this into the existing schedule and get  
3 additional information at a larger scale.

4 (Slide.)

5 The budget is broken out here. I have in the  
6 handout additional information on the work scope of the  
7 principal laboratories. The good news is our budget is  
8 going down in 1981. The 1980 budget currently under  
9 Congressional review is \$15.8 million. In 1981 it goes  
10 down to \$12 million. We are not involved in the 1980  
11 supplemental for the 2D/3D program. The labs developed,  
12 Idaho is developing pieces for facilities. Oak Ridge is  
13 developing advanced instrumentation to get thickness  
14 measurements, and so forth. Los Alamos is providing the  
15 analytical support to tie the various facilities together  
16 and eventually scale them to large-size plants.

17 In addition they are providing stereo lenses,  
18 basically periscopes, for looking at these fields. We have  
19 a number of support groups helping us who are involved in  
20 preparation of specs and general technical support.

21 So the program peaks in 1980. The budget  
22 currently being considered by Congress starts down beginning  
23 in 1981.

24 I think from the schedule charts which you have  
25 you can see the technical reason for it.

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1 (Slide.)

2 Most of the activity starts in this period. Because  
3 a large part of our instrumentation has to be delivered in  
4 1979-1980 period, that is when we expect our peak funding,  
5 and then we will start ramping down. A lot of the  
6 instrumentation will be in place.

7 As we move out to 1982 to 1984, it will be  
8 preliminarily analytical support on the part of the U.S.

9 The cylindrical core test facility is currently  
10 undergoing shakedown tests and the slab core will undergo  
11 shakedown tests in 1981. This indicates the need the  
12 labs have for providing support to the Japanese program.

13 (Slide.)

14 Similarly, you can see the German program. PKL  
15 is not formally a part of the 2D/3D program.

16 However we are using it to test out our  
17 instrumentation. We are getting information from PKL.

18 The principal German facility here. Here is  
19 our schedule. Most of the instrumentation we need to be  
20 delivered in 1981.

21 Now the handout has work scopes for Idaho and  
22 Oak Ridge and Los Alamos. I have viewgraphs on those,  
23 if you want to discuss them.

24 But that in a very brief nutshell is the 2D/3D  
25 program, and I am happy to report that we are on schedule.

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1           The Japanese and Germans are on schedule. The  
2 U.S. program is on schedule.

3           DR. PLESSET: Thanks very much. That is on  
4 schedule. We aren't. Let's have brief questions on the  
5 program.

6           MR. CATTON: Could you refer me to a document  
7 somewhere that would give the details of these various  
8 programs? What do you expect to get out of the Japanese  
9 program, what measurements and runs will be made?

10           Then you can avoid using up the time of the  
11 Subcommittee.

12           MR. BENNETT: We have several documents. We have  
13 a paper presented in Japan by Dr. Soo which describes  
14 instrumentation. We have a baseline document. I can get  
15 you copies of those.

16           MR. CATTON: I am particularly interested in  
17 the physical processes we will know about after the test  
18 is run.

19           MR. BENNETT: We will send you copies.

20           DR. PLESSET: Let me make one comment here.  
21 There has been a lot of emphasis put on instrumentation  
22 which will be adapted to operating light water reactors,  
23 particularly as a result of TMI-2. You have a large  
24 instrumentation development program in addition to the  
25 instruments we think of right off, level indicators and

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b' 1 maybe improved pressure temperature instruments, and  
2 instrumentation to follow the course of an accident.

3 Now could your program make contributions as to  
4 those problems? I am speaking now of things we can put  
5 into present type reactors, as well as new ones.

6 So there is a special requirement here that is  
7 quite different from the instruments you had developed for  
8 a research program. These things have to have life,  
9 requirements and reliability requirements. Quite different  
10 from research instruments. It would be very helpful in  
11 this large program if some work could be done in that  
12 area.

13 MR. BENNETT: We do think that there will be  
14 some spin-off both from this program and others that will  
15 be helpful.

16 DR. PLESSET: I want more than spin-off. I  
17 want a real hard effort. In some sense I would be less  
18 interested in some of the instruments you developed for  
19 this program than I am in the instruments that might come  
20 out of it for LWRs in the near future.

21 MR. BENNETT: Dr. Sc talks to various people  
22 about the possibility of using some of these instruments.  
23 One question is always: can we get the utilities to use  
24 some of the things that come out of these programs?

25 DR. PLESSET: There are other ways of getting the

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bv 1 utilities to use them, if they are really good instruments.

2 DR. SOO: About instrumentation, we do have -- up to  
3 now the ones we are having are for the research type. I  
4 would point out --

5 DR. PLESSET: We aren't criticizing.

6 DR. SOO: We fully appreciate that point. Research  
7 type is not always applicable to the power plant. But there  
8 are some external ones that we used, unobtrusive ones, that  
9 could be applied. We are going through very detailed reviews  
10 and we have submitted a memo to Dr. Tong on our  
11 recommendations.

12 In Idaho they have a so-called commercial plan  
13 allocation and that is second run. In July when we have all  
14 instrumentatopms going through the third total review, we will  
15 have another halfday review on which instrumentation could  
16 be applied for the power plant and which condition. We  
17 are going through this review.

18 Among all the ones we have, there are quite a  
19 few externally applied, such as gamma beam and so forth,  
20 we can apply to the power plant too.

21 MR. EBERSOLE: Consider the specific differences  
22 between the B&W design and Westinghouse. I think we will  
23 find we will be able to reobtain solid liquid systems on  
24 B&W type design, because of the efficiency of the venting  
25 process.

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b. 1           On the other hand, we won't find that capability  
2           on the inverted U tube steam generators and may well be  
3           approaching an admission after violent arguments about  
4           it, that we may have to face permanent loss of natural  
5           circulation on these types of steam generators.

6           All is not lost if that is so, if we can cool  
7           by evaporative reflux condensation in the steam generators.

8           Do you have such a program accommodating the  
9           use of borated water in that process?

10          MR. BENNETT: As a matter of fact, we have been  
11          talking about the possibility of the reflux boiler.

12          Dr. Tong has been talking about it in-house.  
13          We plan to discuss it with the Germans and Japanese.

14          MR. EBERSOLE: I didn't see it.

15          MR. BENNETT: I skipped over that quickly.

16          MR. SULLIVAN: Gar, could you draw a scenario  
17          between the FLECHT-SET program and this 3D program in terms  
18          of the REFLOOD? We see lot of similar type of work being  
19          done for both.

20          MR. BENNETT: The question there is more one of  
21          scale. The 3D program allows us to look at additional  
22          multidimensional effects. FLECHT allows us to focus on  
23          intrabundle effects. Both are important.

24          We need to address both. The programs will be  
25          complementary. The people running them are down the hall

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bw 1 from each other.

2 Westinghouse has been involved in reviewing the  
3 direction we are going in the 3D program. I think the two  
4 compliment each other in terms of scale.

5 MR. CATTON: What kind of effects do you  
6 expect to see in the Japanese tests?

7 MR. BENNETT: It have been postulated you may  
8 have flow going one direction vertically and down elsewhere.  
9 Chimney effect. Oh, you are talking about recirculation?

10 MR. CATTON: No. I asked a question.

11 MR. BENNETT: You are talking about the original  
12 scope with the REFLOD.

13 MR. CATTON: What kind of 3-dimensional effects  
14 do you expect to see?

15 MR. BENNETT: There may be cross flow. There  
16 may be a chimney effect. Flows going up in one location  
17 of the core and coming down somewhere else.

18 MR. CATTON: Water up, water down. Recirculation  
19 of the water below the quench rod, is that what you are saying?

20 MR. BENNETT: It may be.

21 MR. CATTON: Is that what the chimney effect is?

22 MR. BENNETT: No. You have a flow one way and  
23 another potential flow pattern elsewhere. Or you could have  
24 flow, you know --

25 MR. CATTON: Would recirculation below the

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br 1 quench -- I thought you meant the water would geyser up  
2 in the middle and there would be steam on both sides of it.  
3 That is not what you mean?

4 MR. BENNETT: No. Stan, you look like you were  
5 about to say something.

6 MR. FAB: Stan Fabric. The way I understand  
7 chimney effect --

8 DR. PLESSET: The mike isn't on.

9 MR. FAB: Okay. We may have a situation where we  
10 are generating a lot of steam in the central part where we  
11 have higher peaking factors and may be getting water coming  
12 down from the upper plenum around the periphery.

13 So you have a fall back around the periphery.  
14 We have steam going up in the hot channels. That is one  
15 form of chimney effect. And we have observed even in  
16 one-dimensional test facilities situations where flow is  
17 coming from above while the steam is coming from below  
18 in the same channel above the quench rod.

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1 DR. PLESSET: Any other comment? It is a big  
2 program and I would think you might have some opinions with  
3 regard to -- yes?

4 MR. ZUDANS: I like to come back to the question  
5 Ivan asked before. I had a chance to think about it. Does  
6 RSR have some summary sheet that shows all the information  
7 that you looking to obtain from different programs and then  
8 indicating from which of your facilities such information  
9 is expected to come?

10 In other words, an overview picture. We have  
11 been asking the questions all the time. We don't quite know  
12 what they expect to get from one precisely. There could be  
13 duplication. That was a good question.

14 I would like to see such information on a large  
15 sheet or maybe two sheets.

16 DR. PLESSET: You might get a papyrus role.

17 [Laughter.]

18 PROF. CATTON: I would even buy three, but three  
19 inches of paper is a bit too much.

20 MR. BENNETT: Over the years we have put together  
21 different charts.

22 For example, there is one which Dr. Tong shows  
23 quite often which shows scale and different phenomena plotted  
24 against it.

25 MR. ZUDANS: That would put us back in shape to

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1 understand what we are talking about.

2 DR. PLESSET: Thank you.

3 Al, we are back to you.

4 MR. BENNETT: One thing I might mention. Since  
5 we are not covering technical support, I asked Andy Bates  
6 to pass out the research support branch of the technical  
7 support activity and that will be coming around for you to  
8 look at.

9 DR. PLESSET: Fine.

10 MR. SERKIZ: What I would like to do is quickly go  
11 through two categories.

12 [Slide.]

13 One called Model D.. That was primarily because  
14 the question was raised where do we address basic phenomena.  
15 I will give you examples. We have a funding subcategory in  
16 separate effects research branch we call Model D.

17 In those particular programs we do have research  
18 going on at universities and at some national labs using  
19 people that have developed an expertise and are acknowledged  
20 to have good credentials.

21 We use their data to develop basic correlations  
22 or basic models.

23 [Slide.]

24 The programs we currently have underway in fiscal  
25 1979 -- these we had for several years-- I think many of the

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1 persons sitting around the table are familiar with them --  
2 we have at ANL transient heat transfer modeling. Under  
3 Bob Hendry and some of his personnel.

4 At Brookhaven we have Owen Jones and his people  
5 looking at nonequilibrium phase change.

6 We utilize a variety of staff at INEL to work in  
7 developing and benchmarking the heat transfer correlations  
8 and verification.

9 John Chen at Lehigh, looking at nonequilibrium  
10 heat transfer.

11 Peter Griffith working with us in reflood  
12 thermal hydraulics.

13 Prof. Bancroft at Northwest University looking  
14 at condensation phenomena to come up with right models to  
15 model condensation rates.

16 Dick Haley doing LWR safety research as a  
17 category we carry.

18 Channel instabilities. Basic research on two-phase  
19 flow.

20 We have Dr. Lee at Stony Brook University in  
21 Long Island looking at droplet entrainment between what  
22 would be fuel rod type assemblies.

23 We had work going on at the University of  
24 Washington to come up an understanding of two-phase flow  
25 regimes.

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1           The point I would make here, what we are doing  
2 here is many of these studies have been basic studies that  
3 have concentrated on the large LOCA.

4           All these programs are currently being discussed  
5 with the principal versus an NR staff and others to see where  
6 we can redirect the level of expertise and thinking into non-  
7 large LOCA.

8           [Slide.]

9           Some examples of this, of the specific activities  
10 that are carried out.

11           At MIT under Peter Griffith, he more recently is  
12 looking at natural circulation between hot and cold regions  
13 in a bundle using 2 x 6 rod sections. Studying how liquid  
14 moves between them.

15           He looked at steam generator modeling during  
16 reflood, using a 4U tube steam generator. Studying flow  
17 regimes as a function of air and liquid velocities.

18           He did lots of work in gravity feed reflood  
19 oscillations.

20           [Slide.]

21           Dick Haley at RPI has been working on these areas.  
22 Two-phase flow instrumentation looking at void fraction,  
23 distribution within bundles, phase separation and distribution,  
24 parallel channel effects.

25           He completed a loop and is testing to look at steam

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1 binding in BWR type fuel assembly geometries. Has a parametric  
2 test series planned.

3 [Slide.]

4 At Lehigh we have John Chen. John looked at  
5 direct measurement in nonequality. Improved correlations of  
6 post-CHF heat transfer. Worked on development of film  
7 probes for measurement of liquid film thickness.

8 Dr. Lee at Stonybrook has been studying droplet  
9 flow, work tied in with the 2D/3D tie plate geometry.  
10 Looking at effect of grid spacers on low and blockages on  
11 droplet distributions.

12 [Slide.]

13 Hendry at ANL is coming up with a best estimate .  
14 model for transient CHF. Their report is scheduled the end  
15 of this fiscal year.

16 Also coming up with subchannel analysis for a two  
17 fluid model of transient two-phase flow.

18 Prof. Bancroft at Northwest University is doing  
19 parametric studies looking at condensation in horizontal  
20 and vertical steam water flow type geometries.

21 Also getting into looking at plenum pool hold-up  
22 experiments. He would like to do work with holography  
23 to be able to discern the nature and distribution of two-  
24 phase flow type regimes.

25 The point I am making here is we utilize these

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1 types of personnel that have the qualifications to look at  
2 the fundamentals.

3 Our intent would be to continue utilizing them,  
4 but perhaps redirecting them to look at problems more  
5 clearly identified now than they might have been several years  
6 ago.

7 We have another category called technical support.

8 [Slide.]

9 This again derives exactly from that, it provided  
10 technical support to other programs. Some of the advanced  
11 instrumentation, the film probes being used, for example,  
12 in the 2D/3D program three years ago were looked at under small  
13 effort in different places under technical support.

14 In that way they also assisted the model D work.

15 The people we have working in those areas, or labs  
16 we have working there are in the handout I provided.

17 [Slide.]

18 We have, for example, at ORNL always maintained  
19 an advance two-phase instrumentation effort. We utilized  
20 under technical support, support on other programs, staff  
21 at ANL are able to utilize libraries, et cetera, in heat transfer  
22 studies and coordination.

23 We carry under technical support the INEL data bank  
24 where we keep a central repository on test data from SEMISCALE,  
25 LOFT, all of the programs ultimately are designed to put the

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1 data in a data bank here.

2 At Oak Ridge they have a measured data repository  
3 keyed specifically to the blowdown heat transfer program.  
4 These two are interrelated.

5 Sandia has worked about a year and a half and  
6 will in another year conclude their work on a pulsed neutron  
7 generator which is a tool in conjunction with the ANL work,  
8 Paul Keeler at Argonne on two-phase flow tracers will be able  
9 to come up with a system where we can pulse a two-phase flow  
10 mixture and use it for calibration of instrumentation.

11 I believe the plans are to have it available  
12 for the LOFT instrumentation in about a year.

13 For example, Sandia, this particular program has  
14 met its goals of coming up with being able to deliver the  
15 required pulsing level and the frequency. This next fiscal  
16 year, fiscal 1980, will have several units put together,  
17 one of which would go out to the LOFT project. Our intent  
18 is to maintain about the same level of effort in technical  
19 support and in Model D.

20 [Slide.]

21 Some examples which are in the handout, I will simply  
22 key on them. You can read them at your convenience.

23 I mentioned earlier we have the development of  
24 pulsed neutron generators at Sandia. We met our goals in  
25 May. We are expecting delivery of the units for use by people

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1 with two-phase flow facilities in June of 1980.

2 I would like to give you an insight into our  
3 thinking as to where we would redirect some effort in these  
4 areas.

5 [Slide.]

6 These particular slides are intended to convey that  
7 message. Currently ANL has been looking at transition and  
8 film boiling, heat transfer, oscillations on reflood. We  
9 feel there is a need to reorient some of this activity to  
10 pull together a data base for natural convection and natural  
11 circulation heat transfer with steam and in two-phase flow  
12 mixtures.

13 Jones and his people have been looking at flashing  
14 vapor nonequilibrium at Brookhaven. We are talking with  
15 them to look more closely at solubility of noncondensibles  
16 and discharge break flows with noncondensibles in them.

17 We are interacting actively with these people.  
18 Our target is by the end of August to have developed a  
19 reoriented program at about that level of effort.

20 The reason we say at about that level of effort,  
21 we are drawing on fixed people, numbers of people, and simply  
22 asking them to apply their expertise to other areas.

23 The INEL heat transfer, correlations and assess-  
24 ment, we plan on using them to put together research informa-  
25 tion letter on rewetting, work on core uncover models,

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1 we would postpone the post-CHF work.

2 The data bank is in a preliminary state.

3 Can we use the in-place equipment to look at  
4 setting up a direct data link between NRC and power plants?  
5 We are looking at that. We are in a very preliminary  
6 phase there. I have run through those rather quickly.

7 Our current level of effort, as I indicated early  
8 on in the slide -- let me come back to those areas.

9 [Slide.]

10 I would anticipate we would have to maintain a  
11 level of effort on this order over the next two-three years.

12 Questions?

13 MR. EBERSOLE: One question:

14 In this small break category, we are in search of  
15 heat sinks primarily to cope with the problem. The heat  
16 sinks are two in conext: the break itself and transfer to the  
17 secondary side.

18 Are we in need of additional knowledge about  
19 the mass volume and energy transport characteristics of orifices  
20 such as broken down relief valves or a better understanding  
21 about the relationship between mass, volume, and Btu  
22 transport through these orifices?

23 Furthermore, are we in need of new knowledge on  
24 the performance of boilers under reduced pressure with much  
25 smaller transfer surfaces than they would normally have?

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1 MR. SERKIZ: With respect to your first two  
2 questions, that is a need for more or better information  
3 on the flow characteristics or capability to predict them  
4 through relief valves, the answer is yes.

5 Owen Jones, for example, has been doing work  
6 on nonequilibrium flow in converging, diverging sections.

7 Owen was in about a month ago and we specifically  
8 said, okay, you are coming up with promising results on  
9 being able to model that. What if you extended that work  
10 to the type of geometries representative through the  
11 internal zone relief valves?

12 This, to me, represents a natural extension of  
13 something that is already underway. Not primarily from  
14 the viewpoint to go out and test valves, but to utilize Jones  
15 and his people where they are meeting with success in being  
16 able to tie nonequilibrium two-phase flow models with the  
17 data they are getting -- a simple experiment of converging  
18 and diverging nozzles.

19 The information has been coming out in quarterlies.  
20 Look at what the internals of a relief valve look like. How  
21 can we design simple analytical approaches and simple models  
22 to get that uncertainty down?

23 Yes, we need more information there. With respect  
24 to experiments for that type of relief valve, that's another  
25 ball game.

1           You can always test these valves and so on and go  
2 back to a topsy-turvy world arguing is this the way to  
3 approach it?

4           With respect to the PWRs, I don't know if people  
5 are looking at that specific question that closely. I would  
6 take that message back.

7           PROF. CATTON: In redirecting particularly  
8 the university programs, are you having any problem with  
9 the sole sourcing of that work? Or do you have to go for bid?

10          MR. SERKIZ: It is our intent wherever possible  
11 to go out on competitive bid. The mandates have been laid  
12 on us from a variety of sectors. I don't feel that the  
13 universities are at all inhibited or prohibited from competing  
14 competitively.

15          Our plans are to, within this next calendar year,  
16 to focus up our research needs in terms of the model D  
17 or the fundamentals and go out on RFP for it.

18          DR. PLESSET: How would you evaluate Professor A  
19 from Professor B?

20           [Laughter.]

21           This is an interesting point.

22          MR. SERKIZ: It would be based on credentials  
23 and the program he submits.

24           [Laughter.]

25          MR. ZUDANS: All of your current programs really go

1 to people, not to institutions.

2 DR. PLESSET: There is a legal problem he is  
3 concerned with. In getting these contracts placed.

4 MR. SERKIZ: I think if we have a work scope that  
5 is well defined and we know what our end objectives are,  
6 there are maybe three elements one considers:

7 One certainly are the personnel proposed, which  
8 are an important factor.

9 The second is what comes along with it in some  
10 cases on available facility and support.

11 The third being demonstration of some sort on being  
12 able to meet your commitments.

13 I think that is a fairly straightforward --

14 DR. PLESSET: That might limit you to people with  
15 whom you have already been working and would make it more  
16 difficult for new blood to get into it.

17 MR. SERKIZ: No, because the RFP would be an open  
18 RFP.

19 DR. PLESSET: How would you get a demonstration  
20 of being able to meet commitments that are required if you  
21 had no previous experience with that university?

22 MR. SERKIZ: What normally happens with offerers  
23 that are bidding is they provide examples of performance on  
24 related programs. That is one way. That is a factor that  
25 can be used.

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1 We are not trying to limit new blood. We are  
2 encouraging new blood by that process, and new thinking.

3 DR. PLESSET: I see your difficulty and hear the  
4 words.

5 PROF. THEOFANOUS: I see abrupt changes here  
6 in direction of many of those programs, and wonder whether you  
7 can tell us the implication. Either you were doing things  
8 before that weren't valuable and, therefore, you quit them;  
9 or you feel that you have to go with the fashion of the times.

10 Tell us more about this. What is the implication?

11 MR. SERKIZ: The implication is the obvious one that  
12 was hammered around here as well as discussions related to  
13 TMI. All of a sudden we are that much smarter because it  
14 happened.

15 The redirection is twofold, or multifold. In many  
16 instances here the personnel we have been utilizing have come  
17 in and said we shouldn't be working on this, but we should  
18 be working here.

19 PROF. THEOFANOUS: What happens to the other  
20 things they were working on?

21 MR. SERIKIZ: We are concluding --

22 PROF. THEOFANOUS: So they weren't needed in the  
23 first place.

24 I am concerned because obviously if there was a  
25 program in place, a lot of thought went into that. Let me

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1 take an example here.

2           The nonequilibrium change studies. I know these  
3 people have been working on improvement of the probes and  
4 parametric studies for a number of years. Investment went  
5 into that. I am sure you must have given a lot of thought  
6 to investing this money.

7           Suddenly I wonder what happens to this.

8           MR. SERKIZ: It is not turned off.

9           PROF. THEOFANOUS: That is what it says.

10           MR. SERKIZ: It was scheduled for completion  
11 this fiscal year, mid to three-quarters through the next  
12 fiscal year. We want Owen and his people to conclude that  
13 work and report on it. He has both model D work in it  
14 as well as the Carson with the experimental data.

15           We want that concluded and reported. That is a  
16 two and a half to three year effort. He was running into a  
17 natural conclusion in fiscal 1980, anyway.

18           PROF. THEOFANOUS: I haven't seen results yet.  
19 It is hard to believe they will conclude without results.

20           MR. SERKIZ: I will send you the quarterly reports.

21           PROF. THEOFANOUS: I receive them, but haven't  
22 seen any results from that yet. Up until a few months ago  
23 they were developing the optical probe.

24           MR. SOO: The first batch came out.

25           MR. SERKIZ: I will send you the last two

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1 quarterly reports.

2 PROF. THEOFANOUS: I have them. Thank you. I have  
3 the reports already.

4 PROF. CATTON: I hope a topical is coming out on  
5 that.

6 MR. SOO: Yes, it is.

7 MR. SERKIZ: A topical will come out covering its  
8 own program.

9 PROF. CATTON: The quarterly reports were a bit  
10 terse.

11 MR. SERKIZ: Some contractors write terse reports  
12 and others write verbose reports.

13 PROF. CATTON: Some write none:

14 MR. SERKIZ: Yes, and I don't care to discuss that  
15 here.

16 [Laughter.]

17 DR. PLESSET: Thank you all. You helped us get  
18 through this. We do have another topic which I think every-  
19 body would appreciate a very brief presentation.

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1 MR. MC PHERSON: I am Don McPherson.

2 I wanted to answer a question raised earlier about  
3 the application of instrumentation to commercial plants.

4 We did have such a meeting last week. We called  
5 together representatives of all five vendors at EPRI together  
6 with asking EPRI to invite utilities so that we might  
7 discuss the possible implication of instrumentation we  
8 have developed in the LOFT program and other programs  
9 related to ECCS work at INEL.

10 During that meeting we asked the vendors and  
11 utilities to discuss those instruments which they had heard  
12 about during a week colloquium on instrumentation which they  
13 felt might be useful to their operations and off-normal  
14 operations.

15 If I may summarize the response was generally  
16 somewhat pessimistic from my point of view. The vendors  
17 tended to find a number of reasons why it would not be very  
18 useful to put any of our instruments into their plants  
19 principally because of the life testing that would be  
20 necessary for these instruments.

21 In fact, the LOFT instrumentation meets pretty  
22 well the same specifications in most cases as commercial  
23 plants do.

24 Consequently, there really is not any significant  
25 problem there. Following the meeting we had a more

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1 optimistic reply which I guess is typical of such meetings  
2 where utilities and vendors are asked to speak openly and,  
3 in fact, there was a suggestion that they would be interested  
4 in seeing some of our instruments on their plants.

5 We suggested that we might be able to offer such  
6 instruments to fund the application of those instruments to  
7 their plants for checking out the usefulness of them.

8 I just mention that in passing. I found that  
9 especially interesting and pleasant. Okay?

10 [Slide:]

11 I will move right along in this presentation  
12 because I do want to get to your interest, namely where the  
13 funding in 1981 will be applied and especially related to  
14 small breaks and off-normal transients.

15 Very briefly, the achievements to date:

16 We have completed our power range testing. We  
17 issued a research information letter on all non-nuclear  
18 tests done in the L-1 series.

19 We performed the first two nuclear loss-of-coolant  
20 experiments in the large break series, one in December  
21 and one in May.

22 On May 31, we performed an isothermal small  
23 break loss-of-coolant experiment with the object of providing  
24 sufficient data for us to plan small break test series.

25 This data was locked up and is due to be released

1 tomorrow. The purpose of locking it up was to terminate  
2 prediction of that test as a significantly urgent test  
3 by our RELAP and TRAC codes.

4 We are pulling out the central fuel assembly for  
5 replacement in preparation for upcoming experiments.

6 [Slide.]

7 This is a good time to break in between the past  
8 and future by telling you about new focus that we have arrived  
9 at through discussions with the regulatory arm of NRC, together  
10 with utilities and vendors..

11 The focus now is going towards that of studying  
12 system response to off-normal conditions, to natural  
13 perturbations such as opening and closing of relief valves  
14 or injection -- high pressure injection, for example. And  
15 the response to operator intervention such as purposely  
16 closing high pressure injection system, for example.

17 Another area of this focus is small break and  
18 transient codes in specific areas as opposed to the entire  
19 codes where I think the general feeling expressed here earlier  
20 was that our small break and transient codes aren't that bad.

21 However, in certain areas where we get the system  
22 filled with steam or a mixture of steam and noncondensable  
23 gases, there certainly are questions about how good our codes  
24 are.

25 It is those specific areas which we leave it to

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1 licensing, our own code people, to point out where we  
2 intend to address the focus of our experiments.

3 We will also study means of recovering from un-  
4 controlled situations, from small breaks whose flows may be  
5 larger or smaller than the HPSI flow, for example, and where  
6 we might arrive at a quasi-steady state condition where the  
7 two flows are equal.

8 As a byproduct of this new focus, we see the follow-  
9 ing:

10 Assessment of conventional process instrumenta-  
11 tion. We have already begun this work wherein we separate  
12 the information the operators learn from conventional  
13 process instruments in the LOFT reactor while it is having  
14 accident simulation and compare that with the special  
15 instrumentation which is much more in depth and gives us much  
16 more information.

17 Another byproduct is that this approach will  
18 provide us data for code assessment through the  
19 standard problem program. The standard problem has been  
20 put under LOFT funding responsibility and we are now  
21 more closely related to the standard problem and will be  
22 ensuring, I think, in this manner that the data we produce  
23 will be used more effectively in evaluation of an assessment  
24 of various codes.

25 Assurance and understanding to the regulatory staff,

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1 to the technical community and by participation of media  
2 personnel.

3 This will get to the public, we believe.

4 As a side comment, there is nothing quite so  
5 convincing as to sit in the LOFT control room or visitors'  
6 room and observe an experiment going on and see how the  
7 predictions compare with the measurements in real time.

8 [Slide.]

9 This is a messy slide, but I only want to use it  
10 as a demonstration that we are considering changing the LOFT  
11 nuclear program. The column on the left indicates our  
12 current program.

13 Theo, you will note we have not left out any tests  
14 in the program being considered, but we have rearranged them.  
15 Specifically those diagonal lines indicate that we are  
16 bringing small breaks up to the near future. We are not  
17 doing this lately.

18 We are studying the situation very carefully to  
19 ensure we can get meaningful data, that it will be useful  
20 for licensing, that we will be able to make the measurements  
21 we feel are necessary for our code assessment.

22 Inserted on the right-hand column you will see some  
23 L-6 tests. That is the series intended to study transients.  
24 We have always intended to study them. They hadn't been inserted  
25 in the current schedule because we knew we could insert them

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1 between major tests. That is the only reason they are not  
2 on the left column.

3 They were always supposed to be there. You will  
4 see we have those L-6 tests interspersed with the large  
5 black dots beside them. We have also added additional  
6 small break tests, the L-0001, for example, and the other  
7 is down the column with plus signs beside them indicate  
8 additional small breaks.

9 Fiscal years are indicated and you will see it  
10 simply tried to indicate to you we have rearranged the test  
11 series.

12 [Slide.]

13 Here is what we expect to achieve in 1980. Three  
14 small break loss-of-coolant experiments. That would be this  
15 here.

16 We perform a large break loss-of-coolant  
17 experiment, probably the L-25 experiment. The same as the  
18 past experiment, but with loss of offsite power. We would  
19 begin natural circulation testing and we would issue research  
20 information letters on the L-2-2 and L-2-3 and small break  
21 experiments.

22 The work on that is half completed now. We  
23 expect to have it out September or October.

24 [Slide.]

25 Achievements in 1980. This is what we would achieve

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1 with the current budget we are discussing.

2 We would complete the power ascension series,  
3 the L-2 series we have been doing up until now.

4 We would continue natural circulation testing,  
5 begin off-normal transient testing, and issue research  
6 information letters on the entire large break loss-of-coolant  
7 experiment series.

8 [Slide.]

9 I know you are not especially interested in knowing  
10 about how every dollar is spent in LOFT and I will very  
11 briefly run over that with the object of showing you the  
12 kinds of things the money goes into, and then address my 1981  
13 budget in terms of the current level of spending to show you  
14 incrementals where we go up or down.

15 This list simply shows you the breakdown that we  
16 are using in our 189s on the LOFT program in 1980 and 1981.

17 I had this drawn up at INEL. We could have one  
18 program for 300 K at Hanford, so for a complete picture for  
19 the 1981 budget, you should add \$300,000 to get \$44.3 million  
20 in the right-hand column.

21 The following viewgraphs simply give breakdowns of  
22 each of these 189s.

23 [Slide.]

24 The program is shown here. Let me point out one  
25 line on this viewgraph, namely electrical nuclear heater rod

1 comparison. The question was raised earlier. We have had  
2 this going on for one year now.

3 The object is to study all the data we have from  
4 electrical rods and nuclear rods, including the codes which  
5 are used to relate the two, and come up with this conclusion  
6 as to how valid the electrical rods are in simulating nuclear  
7 heaters and under what conditions.

8 Obviously under some conditions are better than  
9 under others.

10 Steady state, forced convection, obviously they  
11 will not be that much different, but transients during  
12 blowdown reflood, we expect differences and have seen  
13 differences.

14 A large part of this program running around \$300,000  
15 is in support of the IFA-511 experiment at Halden.

16 We are doing analysis on that test to support  
17 the work going on. It is a test in which we run electrical  
18 and nuclear heaters under the same conditions in the reactor  
19 and compare the results.

20 We will use the measured nuclear results to predict  
21 how we would operate the electrical rod if we wanted it to  
22 simulate what we saw the nuclear do and run the electrical  
23 under those conditions, and see how it matched up.

24 Possibly out of this task we will have some  
25 conclusions as to improved designs of electrical heaters or

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possibly some conclusions that under certain conditions  
one simply can't simulate nuclear heaters with electricals.

PROF. CATTON: Do you have any results on this study  
yet?

MR. MC PHERSON: Our report is due out in two  
months. There will be the report of the survey of all the  
electrical heater/nuclear heater comparisons that we have had  
done, and will include the codes which are used -- a critique  
on the code used to compare the two.

It will also list the programs underway, the intended  
way in which the results from those different programs will  
be used to come to some conclusions.

DR. PLESSET: I want to make a remark. Every  
minute you speak now takes a minute away from Fabric.  
I am sorry, that is the way it is.

PROF. CATTON: Would you see I get a copy of that  
report?

MR. MC PHERSON: Yes.

DR. PLESSET: Maybe you can accelerate a bit.

MR. MC PHERSON: I will simply suggest you leaf  
through the next six pages, because each of them is a break-  
down of the various 189s and is intended to give you a  
view of the kind of work which each 189 includes.

Very briefly, the test reactors typically require  
about 20 million a year to operate without any analysis,

1 without any fuel.

2           If you add those extra things we do in LOFT  
3 together on top of the \$20 million, it comes out to a  
4 reasonable number. That is about all we can really address  
5 here.

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kds 1 Let's try to look at increments.

2 (Slide.)

3 The 1978 budget, President's budget, was \$40  
4 million. On the second column from the left I am going  
5 down the intended President's budget. On the right-hand I  
6 am trying to give --

7 DR. PLESSET: President's intended budget.

8 (Laughter.)

9 MR. MC PHERSON: Our intention for the President's  
10 budget.

11 (Laughter.)

12 MR. MC PHERSON: So we compare 40 with 40 here.  
13 Obviously the President's budget was 40. We spent 40.

14 In 1979 the President's budget was 39.1, including  
15 the DOE funds. I am trying to give you the whole picture  
16 as opposed to a split.

17 We were required to purchase a portion of a  
18 special spares inventory out of the 1979 budget, leaving  
19 us with a relative budget this year of 73.2.

20 Let me go into the special spares a bit more. The  
21 total special spares inventory, which is different from normal  
22 spares, came to \$3.7 million. It had been intended that the  
23 total special spares budget for LOFT be \$5.7 million.

24 Out of the 1980 budget we have to complete the  
25 purchase of the special spares which are already in

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1 existence, and we have to increase the special spares  
2 inventory to bring it up to the full requirement.

3 In addition, in going over to NRC full support  
4 of LOFT in 1979 — through 1979 and now 1980, we have  
5 been required to go on a budget authority accounting system  
6 as opposed to an obligational budget accounting system,  
7 which means when you place an order you have to have as much  
8 money as is required to fulfill that order, whether you get  
9 the equipment or services this year or three years from now.

10 We have been required by DOE, who runs the program  
11 for us, to go on that system.

12 Now we can't do it this year with the 1980 budget.  
13 We had to go partially that way with \$2 million assigned here.  
14 You will see later in 1981 we have an additional \$3 million  
15 which gets us on to the BA budget.

16 If you consider that total of \$5.8 million as an  
17 increment over what we have been funding subtracted from  
18 the 42.9, you end up with a relative budget for comparison  
19 of 37.1.

20 Now the 1980 budget has a supplemental that was  
21 referred to. And we included in the LOFT case hardware  
22 changes to accelerate small break and transient tests; the  
23 kind of thing there is lower the pump seal.

24 We also have instrumentation to commercial plants.  
25 I already alluded to that. That is an additional \$2 million.

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kds 1 If you subtract the 2 — and 5.8 from the 44.9, you have  
2 our relative budget of 39.1.

3 (Slide.)

4 We have our minimum and current budgets. We have  
5 a requested budget and supplemental budget. So I had to  
6 show these three different budgets from left to right in  
7 the right-hand column in terms of what would be  
8 accomplished.

9 I laid out in the left column the plans which I  
10 addressed in my second viewgraph. Then according to which  
11 of the budgets we are given, we would accomplish varying  
12 numbers of experiments.

13 So you can see with a minimum — and current, which  
14 we are combining in the LOFT case — we would accomplish, one,  
15 off normal transient; two, large breaks, which would complete  
16 the large break series.

17 One, off normal transient. The additional funds  
18 of \$4 million would give us one additional test off normal  
19 transient, small break; and the supplemental would give us  
20 another small break.

21 (Slide.)

22 With that in mind, we go on to the 1981, and the  
23 same method I addressed the 1980 budget. The minimum and  
24 current request is shown at the top. The new responsibilities  
25 over what we are doing now would complete the change over to

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kds 1 the budget authority accounting system. \$2 million was in  
2 the 1980 budget; \$3 million in the 1981 budget.

3 Now we have new facilities operations to take over.  
4 We have hot shops and hot cells which are being constructed  
5 and are going to be put into operation. We must fund the  
6 operation of them. We have not until now done that.

7 There is a two phase calibration facility which  
8 will have the capacity of calibrating our instruments, flow  
9 instruments up to the full -- essentially the full flows in  
10 full size pipes.

11 There is no such facility in existence that we  
12 know of in the world, and we badly need that facility. It  
13 is scheduled to be finished this spring, so we will be  
14 operating that facility then with 1981 money.

15 So that is the minimum. If you subtract that,  
16 you get \$39 million. That is in 1981 dollars. This  
17 compares with the earlier numbers of, say, 37.1, without  
18 supplemental in 1980.

19 The requested budget has the additional \$4 million  
20 over and above the new responsibilities in the minimum  
21 current. That is the top list. These are to increase special  
22 turn-around time by 25 percent.

23 That means doing one more test. Initiate  
24 instrument application to commercial plants in the event we  
25 don't get the supplement in 1980; and initiate operational

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kds 1 fault diagnostics. That is the diagnostic computer work  
2 discussed earlier.

3 The flat \$4 million added together with the  
4 \$5.3 million, subtracted from the 48.3 gives us a  
5 relative budget of 39.

6 Finally the supplemental budget for 1981 would  
7 have an additional \$1 million, and with that \$1 million over  
8 and above what I already describe for the current level,  
9 we would have two TMI-2 related experiments, small off normal  
10 transient and small break.

11 We would continue the instrument application to  
12 commercial plants we will have begun in 1980 if we get the  
13 supplemental budget, and continue the operation of fault  
14 diagnostic work begun in 1980 if we get the supplemental.

15 That is the whole story. I am pleased to answer  
16 questions now.

17 DR. PLESSET: I think we will have to have a very  
18 brief discussion because of time, but we will definitely  
19 stop at 12:30.

20 You mentioned this instrumentation. I want to be  
21 sure my point was clear. I was not thinking of adapting  
22 instrumentation developed in the research program 2D/3D  
23 necessarily at all. I was thinking of a fresh approach to  
24 the instrumentation needs as had been expressed by ACRS and  
25 others from a new point of view, not taking an offshoot or

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kds 1 spin-off or anything like that.

2 I was thinking only of what you were discussing,  
3 but using some of the funds in the 2D/3D program -- that's  
4 a large instrumentation program.

5 Now I think Mr. Ebersole has a comment in this  
6 general direction that he passed to Dr. Catton. He had to  
7 leave.

8 PROF. CATTON: Jessie indicated that he had not  
9 heard any mention of use of audio type detection devices,  
10 not like the second. It seems you could use various  
11 microphones; and pattern recognition is a very cheap type  
12 of instrumentation as ignoring it.

13 MR. MICHELSON: Yes and no. When I first came on  
14 LOFT I attempted to have a loose parts monitor installed, and  
15 for a variety of reasons it was not approved and is not on.

16 I have raised the question again. We anticipate --  
17 we are discussing that now. We may put on a loose parts  
18 monitoring system.

19 In addition, we have just sent out a directive to  
20 augment our instruments in such a manner that we would have  
21 a subcooling temperature device which should be in  
22 operation on our next experiment.

23 So while we are going through our small break we  
24 would have the operators able to have this degree.

25 MR. BENNETT: In total programs, the diagnostic

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kds 1 program. we have a loose parts monitoring system, and we  
2 aer looking into that.

3 PROF. CATTON: I wasn't referring just to loose  
4 parts. For example, recognition of the onset of boiling  
5 with an accoustic monitor.

6 MR. MC PHERSON: One of my programs is that of  
7 monitoring the noise on the neutron detectors. We have been  
8 looking at that data and have a man actively involved in it.

9 That is one area that comes under your --

10 PROF. CATTON: It is not visible in your program.

11 MR. MC PHERSON: I am sorry. My program is so  
12 extensive. I would like to speak for three days on it, but  
13 half an hour is all I had.

14 MR. LIPINSKI: Westinghouse had done work on  
15 accoustic monitoring several years back, their own in-house  
16 work. There are reports on those subjects.

17 PROF. CATTON: I don't see it as any part of the  
18 NRC instrumentation development program.

19 MR. MC PHERSON: We have some within the LOFT  
20 program.

21 PROF. CATTON: What about within the 3D program or  
22 some of the programs under Dr. Soo?

23 MR. SOO: We don't have ongoing, but we do plan  
24 to do more in that area. We do plan to look into that more.  
25 At current, we have not used that, mainly because when we use

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kds 1 two phase, accoustics are always a problem.

2 We did look into Westinghouse. There is a problem  
3 involved in that.

4 MR. ZUDANS: I have a very simple question.

5 You flashed a slide showing considerations in  
6 reshuffling the nuclear development program. There was  
7 another piece of program discussed before, improved risk  
8 assessment, which will study differences in areas and  
9 event trees.

10 How flexible is your considered program to  
11 include some cracks they may find in the other program?

12 MR. MC PHERSON: As flexible as has been indicated.  
13 Strong efforts to change it in the past two months. There  
14 is nothing set in concrete. As long as we have the support  
15 of the community, ACRS, NRC, NRR, we are able to alter that  
16 program to the degree LOFT is capable of responding to  
17 questions.

18 PROF. WU: As a follow-up, I fully support this  
19 accounstic device. Perhaps in the piping flow, I am happy  
20 to hear from Dr. Sjo that we have this direction.

21 I wonder if it might also be extended to the  
22 siting of the flow noise for the transient and the  
23 two phase type of situation. It can be very useful.

24 PROF. CATTON: And fairly cheap, which I think the  
25 commercial people will like.

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1 MR. SOO: We do plan to recommend that be put  
2 right by the safety valve and use that to tell whether we  
3 have flow or not.

4 MR. MC PHERSON: We are already learning a great  
5 deal about noise kind of information. Preliminary  
6 indications are that our ion chambers and self-powered  
7 neutron detectors do see the two phase flow down the  
8 downcomer and lot of level in the core.

9 MR. SHUMWAY: You are shifting to simulating the  
10 TMI type transients. One of the most difficult items to  
11 calculate on that transient is the water level as it comes  
12 down off the top of the core, the froth level, and uncover  
13 the core, and the heat transfer coefficients above this  
14 froth front which may be in the range of one or two English  
15 units. And RELAP now has a minimum of 5; but that can be  
16 changed, of course.

17 You have a short core in LOFT and the  
18 instrumentation has been arranged for the large breaks.  
19 What is being doing to eliminate these problems?

20 MR. MC PHERSON: We find our instrumentation is  
21 adequate to tell us when we hav a loss of level, decreased  
22 level over our instruments.

23 The clad thermocouples and the coolant  
24 thermocouples which are scattered through the core as well  
25 actually certainly indicate -- and our liquid level detector

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kds 1 certainly give us a strong indication of where the water  
2 is, what condition it is in, what quality it has.

3 DR. PLESSET: Thank you.

4 We will recess for lunch now until 1:30.

5 (Whereupon, at 12:30 p.m. the meeting was recessed  
6 to reconvene at 1:30 p.m. this same day.)

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DR. PLESSET: I think we can go back into active session.

For this afternoon, Dr. Fabic will lead the discussion for the analysis development branch.

MR. FABIC: Mr. Chairman, I have two handouts. It is clear I have far too much material than I can present in any reasonable length of time.

I thought you may appreciate using it at your leisure later. I don't intend to cover it all.

In fact, I will play it by ear and after the first couple of viewgraphs I will ask you which ones you want to see.

DR. PLESSET: We will try not to have too many interruptions. At each segment of your talk, if you could stop, we could have questions then. That will make it more efficient, I think.

MR. FABIC: I am Stan Fabic, branch chief of Analysis Development, Reactor Safety Research Division.

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I thought it might be useful to very briefly go through the perspective that made us go the way we have been going for the last few years.

In 1972 we had RELAP available at Idaho. There was an advanced code developed at that time. In 1974 a fairly significant event happened. The American Physical Society

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1 study was conducted which recommended more physically based  
2 codes be developed. That prompted RES to take another view  
3 at code development and we decided to keep fixing up the code  
4 we had and develop advanced codes that do indeed have better  
5 physical bases.

6 The advanced code development was divided into two  
7 parts: detailed advanced codes and fast-running advanced codes.

8 We started off with development of the THOR code at  
9 Brookhaven as the fast-running code. Later on RELAP-5 came  
10 along.

11 In 1978 we had three candidates for fast-running.  
12 In December NRC management decided to develop the fast-running  
13 track at LASL.

14 INEL was going to take care of conversation to  
15 BWR issues.

16 In March 1979 the first detailed version of TRAC,  
17 TRAC-PIA, was released to the public. In the same month we  
18 had the TMI-2 accident. The only consequence as far as our  
19 present plans are concerned would be to accelerate the  
20 fast-running TRAC development that we already had in the  
21 plants.

22 What we are now hoping for is that at the end of  
23 this calendar year there will be a first version of a fast-  
24 running TRAC applicable to PWR available.

25 By that I mean much faster running than RELAP, yet

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1 advanced.

2 [Slide.]

3 Now we have perceived unhappiness from various  
4 sources with number crunchers. Why do you have these large  
5 complex codes to look at phenomena like small breaks,  
6 TMI, so on.

7 I am saying that complex codes are unwieldy for  
8 extensive mapping of great variety of postulated accidents.  
9 Equipment malfunctions, operator actions, and so on.

10 Here I have two suggested courses of action which  
11 are in addition to the current plans to do all I just described  
12 a while ago. There are two possibilities.

13 Maybe we ought to do one or both. One is to take  
14 a good look at hybrid. We have been doing that very recently.  
15 It does look very feasible to have a good physically based  
16 code, one-dimensional, with nonequilibrium thermal hydraulics,  
17 plus noncondensable gas, with neutron kinetics thrown together.

18 In computational space they are faster than real  
19 time. So the operator can do a great number of studies in a  
20 very short time, stop the calculation in the middle, change  
21 the parameters, see what would the future course be if  
22 something happened.

23 Operator action, for example, or malfunction.

24 Now, the way we have scoped it out is that if  
25 you have, for example, 100 computational cells and each has

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1 five field equations to be solved and so on, all the  
2 necessary equations are presented by electronic circuits  
3 and can all be on a card.

4 So one card per cell, including the function  
5 generators for equational state. Each cell has its own.  
6 But that hardware has to be built. It would take four years  
7 maybe to build it. One year to prove everything works fine  
8 within the acceptable errors.

9 Then it would take a number of years to build the  
10 hardware. Dedicated hardware. That is a drawback.

11 On the other hand, this is really what NRC needs in  
12 the long run.

13 MR. LIPINSKI: Are you aware of the U.S. Army  
14 program to develop an advanced type computer? This goes back  
15 four years ago when we were developing the transient code  
16 for the Clinch River reactor.

17 They sent invitations to all government agencies  
18 to see if they wanted to participate in the program.  
19 Their plan at that time was to have three machines developed  
20 in parallel, Electronics Associates, Applied Dynamics  
21 and a company called Dentell Corp. in Denver. They were  
22 different because they proposed to develop special digital  
23 equipment to replace the conventional analog and solid state  
24 type equipment.

25 I think it was ERDA or AEC at that time, but the

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1 lead engineer I dealt with attended one of these meetings  
2 and recommended that -- we will call it DOE now -- not  
3 participate in the program. They wanted a contribution of  
4 \$200,000 from the agency to become a full participating member.

5 I don't know that anybody ever contacted NRC to see  
6 if they had interest at that time. They had a three-year  
7 program. I don't know where it stands because I have not  
8 maintained any contact with these people.

9 MR. FABIC: I think this is useful information.  
10 We also had some experience -- Idaho had some experience with  
11 Trunk Associates a few years ago in the LOFT project, but I  
12 think they went around about it in a different way than we  
13 would do.

14 The hardware is developing at such a hard pace  
15 that three years ago the hardware is prehistoric compared  
16 to what you have today in the way of combining the effective-  
17 ness of digital circuits to switch and direct the flow of  
18 information between the elements.

19 The electronic speed of analog hardware, where  
20 you can solve all these equations simultaneously without  
21 numerical problems, without instability, with their own  
22 function generators, without switching back and forth to --  
23 that is the way it used to be done. Not any more.

24 There is a great potential there on tap and it  
25 could be used.

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1 MR. LIPINSKI: A fourth machine we looked at was  
2 ILIAC-4. 54 parallel digital processors. Except you have  
3 to write your own programs to fit that particular machine.  
4 That is another possibility.

5 That gives you the ability to solve equations  
6 in parallel at high speeds.

7 MR. ZUDANS: Additional comment. I am sure you  
8 are familiar with microprocessors and parallel processing.  
9 Computations are done --

10 MR. FABIC: We have done it faster.

11 MR. ZUDANS: The microprocessors now with circuits  
12 or digital --

13 MR. FABIC: They are digital processors. I talk  
14 about that on this side. Thank you. I will look into this.  
15 In parallel, we are looking at the visibility of developing  
16 very fast digital routines. I am not even talking codes.  
17 Routines. With intelligent shortcuts. Possibly in-house  
18 development using microprocessors.

19 I have an example here. I will leave a copy with  
20 you. I have done in my own spare time, I developed a  
21 natural circulation routine that solves the damaged core BW  
22 natural plant circulation in less than two seconds.

23 That may not be the most intelligent way to go  
24 about it, but this --

25 DR. PLESSET: Let me ask, would any one of the

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1 consultants like a copy? It is fairly thick.

2 All right. May we make copies?

3 MR. FABIC: Of course.

4 DR. PLESSET: Thank you.

5 MR. FABIC: That is the other part that we are now  
6 looking into of possibly doing something in-house where we  
7 can go to a lot of analysis in a simplified way, taking  
8 shortcuts where we think they are defensible, and looking  
9 at the type of accident phenomena that hasn't been looked at  
10 before.

11 Certainly in the case of small break or some of  
12 the non-LOCA transients, you can do a lot of things to  
13 simplify the analysis. We are aware of those and can take  
14 account of them.

15 [Slide.]

16 Now I have a lot of material that I could present.

17 [Slide.]

18 I am sure you don't want to hear it all. I would  
19 like to leave it to your discretion. If you can tell me which  
20 particular topic in this list would you like me to concentrate  
21 on.

22 Here, for example, I will be giving you a list of  
23 codes that have been completed. We are always being accused  
24 about plans and never achievements. We have done something.  
25 I can show you what we have done. I can show you what we are

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1 developing.

2 I don't think you are interested in where the  
3 bills will come.

4 I also have two viewgraphs that show which  
5 codes we have now in hand to address which generic issues,  
6 including TMI, and which codes will have, when we  
7 finish our business, to do the same job. That is this part.

8 Then I have on a few viewgraphs where we are applying  
9 these codes. Quite a few viewgraphs on code assessment.  
10 This may not be the time to go through it, but I can show you  
11 a copy on that.

12 One viewgraph on statistical studies, conclusion  
13 of some studies that was finished.

14 One viewgraph on budgets. Perhaps I ought to  
15 start with budgets because it is very short.

16 DR. PLESSET: I am sure we will see that, anyway.

17 MR. FABIC: After hearing the LOFT budget, this may  
18 come as a shock to you. This is small change.

19 [Slide.]

20 Okay, I broke it down into the following two  
21 categories:

22 Code development and code assessment and  
23 applications. I am showing here the SBB levels. Level 1  
24 is the minimum level. The red line shows the supplementary  
25 FY '80 budget we asked for.

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1           Here you see three levels and so on. You can  
2 see here the systems code development is going down at a  
3 fairly fast pace and will end up hopefully in 1984 with just  
4 maintenance activity.

5           The component codes are quite low, anyway.  
6 They will end up at just about the maintenance activity  
7 with one code we want to keep maintaining where we are  
8 learning about the start of two-phase flow -- we will do the  
9 best we can just to keep abreast.

10           DR. PLESSET: How do you justify your request  
11 for the supplement? Briefly.

12           MR. FABIC: Okay. The primary -- this one here?

13           DR. PLESSET: Yes.

14           MR. FABIC: Okay. The primary -- there are two  
15 categories. One is acceleration of the fast-running --  
16 acceleration of development of the fast-running codes.  
17 That is a sizeable part. And then application of codes  
18 to analysis that just aren't being done. The thing someone  
19 ought to do with codes we have as well as codes that will be  
20 finished at the end of this year, we think we can use  
21 these advanced codes to look at the operating reactors, the  
22 issues that haven't been looked at yet.

23           I think the code that we will have at the end  
24 of the year will be quite fast-running.

25           We can do quite a few analyses. We should spend the

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1 money in doing these analyses. These are the two main topics.

2 DR. PLESSET: Thank you.

3 MR. FABIC: Now I also -- yes, what we had to do  
4 in the fiscal 1980 budget is consider the case we have  
5 no supplement. How would we reorient current priorities  
6 because of TMI?

7 What we decided in that case is to take quite a lot  
8 of funds from the code assessment, independent assessment, and  
9 put it on accelerating development of fast-running codes.

10 What I also wanted to do with the supplement is  
11 to remove that -- I think we should strongly continue the  
12 code assessment program. We are learning a great deal from  
13 that activity. We shouldn't delay and push it aside.

14 Now the bottom part, you will see again various  
15 levels. The code assessment program is gaining in magnitude.  
16 It will reach some kind of plateau during 1981 to '83 and  
17 then we hope in 1985 we will not only have assessed codes,  
18 but we would have done a sufficient number of statistical  
19 studies to arrive at what we call marginal safety evaluation.

20 How safe are we with respect to some EM or Appendix  
21 K type criteria, for example?

22 That, I could talk in terms of a large break.  
23 Now we are emphasizing other kinds of accidents and we  
24 don't even know what -- well, having done this part, I  
25 wonder whether I ought to give you -- you will find that

1 codes keep changing names all the time. So I will give you a  
2 new nomenclature after I show you this generic viewgraph which  
3 shows what codes exist today to address what phenomena.

4 [Slide.]

5 First column shows EM, licensing code. Best  
6 estimate and advanced best estimate.

7 Across the row you see headings large and  
8 intermediate break LOCA, PWR, BWR. Small break LOCA, the  
9 same. Steam line break only PWR. Anticipated transient  
10 without scram, both types of reactors. Other transients --  
11 by that I mean none of those -- others that don't fall into  
12 this category.

13 There are quite a few. All right.

14 The EM codes that we -- green means we are finishing  
15 end of this calendar year. Black means it is available.  
16 It can be used already.

17 BWR we can address some -- do some EM calculation.  
18 Not yet verification. That will take time. But they are  
19 available.

20 IRT is a code that Brookhaven has been improving  
21 for NRR and it has been designed to look at no LOCA, mild  
22 transients. It can do two-phase two but homogenous  
23 equilibrium without momentum equation.

24 It can't do natural circulation. No phase separation  
25 so you can't look at small breaks, either.

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1 RELAP-3B has been in existence in Brookhaven  
2 for some time for ATWS calculations. Both.

3 Again other transients, IRT is a possibility.  
4 Best estimate, we have RELAP-4 MOD6 in operation for some  
5 time. MOD7 coming downstream at the end of the year.  
6 We may or may not be able to do some LOCA calculation with  
7 BWR with that .

8 Small breaks, we think we will be able to do with  
9 MOD7 a variety of small breaks.

10 Steam line break, IRT, RELAP-4 MOD6.

11 RETRAN is a code developed for EPRI and we are  
12 getting it now under license from EPRI and will make it  
13 available at Brookhaven and Idaho. This code can be used  
14 for natural circulation studies in addition to some other  
15 codes.

16 Advanced codes, we have issued to public TRAC-PIA.  
17 That is a detailed code, slow running. And the fast  
18 version of TRAC we hope to have the end of this calendar year.  
19 I call it TRAC-PF1. P for PWR. F for fast.

20 RAMONA is a code we imported from Norway. Fairly  
21 advanced thermal hydraulics. Fast-running. Three-dimensional  
22 -- you can select -- neutron kinetics coupled. What we are  
23 doing with that code is making it applicable to U.S. PWR  
24 plants. It is possible -- I put a question mark because we  
25 don't have it yet, to put critical flow routine there so we can

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1 even do small breaks for BWRs using that code.

2           The purpose of this graph is to show we don't  
3 have many holes as to the capability of doing analysis.  
4 I am not claiming we have the best and most economical  
5 analysis, no. But we have the analyses technique.

6           MR. ZUDANS: Can any of these codes handle the  
7 entire primary and secondary system?

8           MR. FABIC: These are all systems codes. I think  
9 in the end we will have a different picture. Let me show you  
10 the new nomenclature we are trying to get familiar with,  
11 ourselves.

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2 This shows something about the time we expect  
3 these versions. You see now there is a generic PWR and BWR  
4 version of TRAC. P stands for PWR. Each is now divided  
5 into detailed, (low running, 3-dimensional and fast  
6 running code. The black stands for the time when the code  
7 will be available at the contractor for NRC use but not  
8 released to public. Released to public is red. That is  
9 shown in red here.

10 So the end of this calendar year we expect tht  
11 the next detailed version of the PWR code called TRAC P D2  
12 will be available to public and the first fast version will  
13 be available for NRC use.-

14 The last code in this category is P D3. Known  
15 later on as B D3. That code will have not only  
16 thermohydraulics but also neutron kinetics coupled with  
17 3-dimensional neutron kinetics.

18 If you really want to spend time with benchmarck  
19 classifications, you can with that version. The fast  
20 running versions PF2, that is the end of the fast running  
21 version line. Okay?

22 That will have the kinetics feedback. The first  
23 version will not have that. This one will have neutron  
24 kinetics one-dimensional feedback as well.

25 You cannot justify small LOCA but also anticipated

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bw 1 transient without scram.

2 Now in the BWR sector here we are showing some  
3 detailed code availability, our best guess is today, and  
4 on the fast running version you will see the name Levy  
5 in brackets next to the code name. This is based on some  
6 discussions we had internally.

7 If Levy and his associates were involved  
8 extensively in helping out, we could meet those deadlines.  
9 What do we mean by fast running PWR code?

10 (Slide.)

11 That is the thing we have today. Maybe somebody  
12 would like to comment. This is a geometrical representation.  
13 Not one-dimensional. It can be made so by choice of the  
14 user. But the plena, for example, will be one-dimensional.

15 The core, you could have 2-dimensional. You  
16 could use concentric annuli which do communicate radially.

17 The downcomer can be as detailed as it is today  
18 in the detailed code, or you can have completely  
19 one-dimensional. You can choose the amount of detail.

20 We feel if you want to apply his code to large breaks  
21 in PWRs, it would make no sense to use one-dimensional.

22 This allows us to go when we want to go when  
23 we want to or a little bit more detailed.

24 MR. CATTON: You have the versatility to set the  
25 dimensionality in various parts independently?

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1           MR. FABIC: Right. That is what I was trying  
2 to show here. Everything outside the vessel would be one  
3 thing. This the vessel.

4           MR. CATTON: You can select the downcomer --

5           MR. FABIC: We can have the downcomer 2D. It's  
6 only 2D. There is no definition cross thickness. 1D  
7 everything else.

8           MR. ZUDANS: What is the purpose of having  
9 downcomer 2D, when you connect to 1D?

10          MR. FABIC: It doesn't matter once it gets into  
11 the downcomer, but the penetration of liquid into the  
12 downcomer from the nozzles in the first place does very  
13 much depend on how you treat the downcomer. -

14          MR. ZUDANS: Those are kind of boundary conditions.  
15 They will force it to readjust somewhat.

16          MR. FABIC: The boundary conditions from the  
17 lower plena will not be quite accurate but will still  
18 affect delivery of water. Isometrical downfall can be  
19 handled this way. One of the biggest problems that  
20 licensing people have with the applicants today is how to  
21 represent the downcomer with the one-dimensional codes they  
22 have. If you use one string or two, how you connect them.  
23 What do you get? How physical is it? This way I think we  
24 can be as complicated as we can afford and as simple as  
25 we want to be.

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1 MR. ZUDANS: I assume if you want to, you could  
2 make a couple of size two-dimensional on the reactor plenum  
3 as well.

4 MR. FABIC: We have detailed codes for that which  
5 we can benchmark simple things against. Let me at this  
6 stage show you this graph that talks about final systems  
7 codes. When we are through with all the development,  
8 we don't want to continue any further.

9 (Slide.)

10 This is the picture. It shows the fast running  
11 TRAC and detailed TRAC and BWR and PWR version with neutron  
12 kinetics and without. It will cover the whole spectrum.  
13 This bottom note shows what kinetics dimensionality will  
14 be contained in what codes. Shown in green is hybrid as  
15 a possibility for very, very fast running classifications  
16 which we haven't decided on, but it's a possibility. There  
17 is another possibility to do much simpler classifications,  
18 much simpler additional classifications with many shortcuts,  
19 which is not shown here at all. Instead of telling you  
20 which codes we have finished, which you can read in there,  
21 I have now the following options. It's up to your  
22 discretion which way I go. I could show you a couple of  
23 viewgraphs on comparisons of TRAC, on how we can go about  
24 doing the independent assessment. What key indicators we  
25 are looking for in a couple of comparisons. Or I could tell

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bw 1 you the work we have done on the TMI accident scenario.  
2 It's up to you.

3 DR. PLESSET: What is your preference? We have  
4 to cut something out, I think.

5 MR. FABIC: It's too much material here.

6 DR. PLESSET: I think we want questions at this  
7 point.

8 MR. SULLIVAN: I know from your chart that at  
9 the end of calendar '80 you will be competed with the PWR  
10 versions of TRAC.

11 MR. FABIC: No.

12 MR. SULLIVAN: It says TRAC P3 --

13 MR. FABIC: Yes. That is the planned version.  
14 I am sure you will find this is not quite right from an  
15 investment. You want to improve and adjust. We might  
16 issue another update of the same code.

17 MR. SULLIVAN: Then on your slide it showed all  
18 the areas which the TRAC would be applied to. Do you  
19 think that is optimistic, to say that they would be through  
20 with that code to the extent that it would be an EM?

21 MR. FABIC: Very good question. I didn't want  
22 to bring a viewgraph I had prepared which shows from the  
23 beginning of development until today how applications changed,  
24 how the names changed and the dates changed, and it keeps  
25 going on. I don't think it serves much purpose. In view

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1 of all that and experience, you may be right that we are  
2 optimistic. I think in our game we have to be optimistic.

3 MR. SULLIVAN: I see that TRAC is scheduled to  
4 be a lot of things. I am not sure it's very realistic  
5 to think that roughly a year from now they will be through  
6 with it, the PWR version.

7 MR. FABIC: I think there will be a PWR version  
8 with neutron kinetics a year from now. Okay? Whether  
9 that will be the last word and we are going to stop right  
10 there depends on what we learn from code assessment. If  
11 we find we have to improve physics, we will improve it  
12 without changing the name of the code. We keep doing  
13 assessment until the end of 1984, until the last 2D/3D  
14 experiments.

15 MR. ZUDANS: In these codes do you provide for  
16 operator actions?

17 MR. FABIC: Very good question. No. You will  
18 notice that my second viewgraph in the beginning, I said  
19 that a lot of people perceive these codes as number  
20 crunchers. You shove something in and eventually get  
21 something out, and you have to try to digest what it told  
22 you. Okay? You can't stop the classification midstream  
23 and change something in the middle and see what the  
24 consequences are. You can't change things in the middle.  
25 You do restarts, but that is again delays.

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1 MR. ZUDANS: There are other ways. You could  
2 preprogram.

3 MR. FABIC: You can do that too.

4 MR. ZUDANS: Preprogram options where you can  
5 have operator interactions which may result from the other  
6 studies they will do in the risk assessment. They  
7 might identify combinations at such and such time.

8 MR. FABIC: This we can do even today. We  
9 can tell when the valve will open and when some pumps will  
10 stop. We can do that now.

11 MR. ZUDANS: You want somebody to go stop it.

12 MR. FABIC: That we don't have. What we are,  
13 therefore, planning is -- remember that simple route even  
14 I talked about? These are ones where we will be on the  
15 microcomputer. We can stop the classification any time,  
16 change the parameters, see the change in the results as  
17 they are going being generate. The same thing you can  
18 do more efficiently with the hybrid. Much faster. You  
19 get a lot more information.

20 This is the way we ought to be going.

21 MR. ZUDANS: You reach a point where you can do  
22 essentially real time classifications. Interactive is  
23 not unthinkable.

24 MR. FABIC: I agree.

25 PROF. THEOFANOUS: You talk about development and

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bw 1 also quite a few graphs on assessment. Does application  
2 fall also under your responsibility?

3 MR. FABRIC: Yes.

4 PROF. THEOFANOUS: I haven't seen anything in  
5 that area. Except for the TMI. I don't mean TMI  
6 application. I am talking about generic application.

7 MR. FABRIC: This a viewgraph that shows that  
8 we have ongoing code applications. The first is on TMI.  
9 I have the whole other sections.

10 (Slide.)

11 Then there is this viewgraph on applications.

12 (Slide.)

13 This shows first some TMI work at LASL. But  
14 then -- this is still TMI. There is another application.  
15 Okay. Here we go.

16 We have analytical support to the 2D/3D program.  
17 We have to do a lot of design classifications, as well as  
18 pretest, posttest predictions, many of these classifications  
19 scheduled. Here is the list of those. We will be  
20 conducting similar analytical support to the 2D/3D program  
21 and that will be done with the BWR version TRAC at INEL.

22 We will see a lot of these here. Looking at  
23 the operating reactors issues. Using these codes to look  
24 at the transients or accidents that we haven't be analyzing  
25 before, but to this detail we can do today.

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1            PROF. THEOFANOUS: I am interested in that  
2 part. Can you tell us what you are planning there? What  
3 is the extent of the program?

4            MR. FABIC: I don't have plans today. I can say:  
5 "Look, we foresee there will be so many hours of computer  
6 time, so many runs we might be doing. This much money  
7 I think I will need." Okay? From past experience. When  
8 we get requests urgent, tell me right now --

9            PROF. THEOFANOUS: Who will do the request?

10           MR. FABIC: For example, TMI came. We had to  
11 do all the changes at INEL. It cost us \$200,000. They  
12 are not lengthy.

13           PROF. THEOFANOUS: My question is aimed at a  
14 slightly different target. What you tell me is helpful,  
15 but I want to know whether it's under your branch or any  
16 other branch under the Office of Research --

17           MR. FABIC: The funds are under my branch.

18           PROF. THEOFANOUS: Excuse me. Let me explain.  
19 Is your branch responsible or is it some other branch that is  
20 aiming at applying these codes to learn something? Will  
21 learn something? Who will be responsible for learning  
22 something?

23           MR. FABIC: Now I understand. We have in fact  
24 recently discussed this particular issue. We haven't been  
25 doing that in the past. We have decided to do it very

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1 seriously.

2 PROF. THEOFANOUS: Who?

3 MR. FABIC: Our branch. We will be developing --

4 PROF. THEOFANOUS: Where don't you show us  
5 plans?

6 MR. FABIC: The second slide showed in-house  
7 development of codes and applying them by people who  
8 develop them. I think only people who know what shortcuts  
9 are being made can intelligently apply them.

10 PROF. THEOFANOUS: I am talking about what you  
11 are talking about here.

12 MR. FABIC: The number crunchers will be asking  
13 our contractors to perform calculations per NRC specifications.  
14 We will tell them consider such and such plant with this  
15 and this boundary condition, such and such accident  
16 sequence. And they will come to us with the answers. We  
17 don't have those number cruncher machines.

18 MR. ZUDANS: I would like to hear about  
19 quantitative assessment.

20 DR. PLESSET: The independent assessment.

21 MR. ZUDANS: Whatever you are prepared to say.

22 DR. PLESSET: We will leave out the discussions  
23 of TMI. All right.

24 MR. FABIC: I am delighted. It's not a very good  
25 story.

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1 DR. PLESSET: We will leave that out.

2 PROF. THEOFANOUS: I was going to vote the  
3 other way.

4 DR. PLESSET: We can have a show of hands.  
5 Who wants to hear about TMI?

6 PROF. THEOFANOUS: Maybe some —

7 MR. CATTON: Only one small part of TMI is  
8 of interest. That is near the point that the core dried  
9 out.

10 DR. PLESSET: I don't think they got to that.  
11 Did you get to the core dry-out regime?

12 MR. FABIC: No. But we have gone up to 110  
13 minutes of the transient. We haven't seen the core  
14 dry-out. We think we know why. I could say a few words  
15 about it just very briefly. About why we think we haven't  
16 gotten this yet. We think we should have, but we didn't.

17 DR. PLESSET: Briefly then. We will talk a  
18 bit about the assessment program.

19 MR. FABIC: First or second?

20 DR. PLESSET: Do TMI now.

21 MR. FABIC: All right. I will skip a number of  
22 items which have to do with quite a few classifications that  
23 were in support of natural circulation studies and various  
24 aspects of the transient. NRR has been asking for all  
25 these classifications in the first place. We are reporting

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1 the results. What we are told by both labs doing these  
2 classifications -- this can be looked at partially as  
3 excuses -- is the fact that the number of boundary conditions  
4 you have to know to do the classification are not known.

5 (Slide.)

6 There have to be guesses made. When they  
7 make guesses, they find disagreement with data, so they  
8 change guesses. If you have enough of these to play around  
9 with, sooner or later you will get agreement. But I am  
10 warning you about it.

11 MR. CATTON: You are having the same problems  
12 as B&W have been having.

13 MR. FABIC: I must say it's true they are not  
14 well defined and you can put different assumptions and get  
15 different answers.

16 This is part of our weakness. I will talk  
17 about another one which is more of a technical weakness  
18 the way I see it.

19 (Slide.) That is our representation of B&W  
20 steam generator. I find that there is something called  
21 aspirator in the main feed line inlet which brings in  
22 the steam water mixture into the feedwater, the downcomer,  
23 to preheat it.

24 That didn't play any part in TMI, but it's  
25 not -- it may be important when we look at natural

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bw 1 circulation. It's not in our codes.

2 MR. CATTON: Not in their codes either.

3 MR. FABIC: The other part which is connected  
4 with TMI has to do with the aux feedwater supply. My  
5 understanding is that this supply comes to some kind of  
6 header and sprays onto the tube bundle itself, onto the  
7 tubes, and there is a perforated baffle underneath which  
8 has a tendency to spread that liquid cross the whole tubes.  
9 Okay?

10 Therefore, then it will fall down through --  
11 now I am not sure. It will fall down through annuli around  
12 the tubes or separate holes. That I haven't checked out  
13 yet.

14 MR. CATTON: I understand it wets pretty much  
15 the outer parts, but does not penetrate to the center.

16 MR. FABIC: That is my assumption too. I am  
17 showing it this way along this tubes. This is certainly  
18 not treated in either RELAP or TRAC. The heat transfer  
19 on the secondary side due to aux feedwater coming in  
20 I don't think is right. Okay?

21 This is probably the main reason why our  
22 comparisons so far are not very good.

23 MR. CATTON: How important do you think the  
24 aspect of the first 110 minutes is? Do you think it's  
25 important?

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MR. FABIC: Yes. Whether that is the one or something else. In TRAC classification we had the wrong flow rates for the feedwater. They have assumed that the aux feedwater flow rate is equal to the main feedwater flow rate. It should be about one-third. They told us in just weekend.

Here is the results of INEL analysis, using RELAP.

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kds 1           PROF. CATTON: We heard yesterday how unimportant  
2 the steam generator is. I am kind of in agreement with you.  
3 I am pleased to see this.

4           MR. FABIC: I don't understand why they would say  
5 that.

6           PROF. CATTON: I didn't either.

7           MR. FABIC: Red is measurements in TMI. Green is  
8 the first calculation at INEL. Blue is the Latest  
9 calculation that shows here, after about 500 seconds --  
10 this is the first 20 minutes of the transient -- that the  
11 calculation doesn't predict the pressure dropping.

12           It is not dropping because of the wrong heat  
13 removal. There should have been more heat removal to drop  
14 the temperature. It should be saturation pressure here.  
15 Saturation pressure calculated stays level; it should be  
16 dropping down.

17           We have seen a report. INEL told us what next  
18 steps they will take in trying to resolve that problem, one  
19 of them being look at the steam generator heat transfer in  
20 a better way.

21           Here are the hot leg temperatures versus  
22 measure. Big discrepancy. Here it is. Not enough heat  
23 being removed by the steam generator. Temperature hanging  
24 out. The same thing on the code.

25           PROF. CATTON: Could it have been the brake flow

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kds 1 that was a little out of whack?

2 MR. FABIC: Of course it could be. What we are  
3 not sure of there again is what was the -- when the valve  
4 stuck open, it stuck fully open or halfway open or  
5 three-quarters? What was the opening when the valve stuck  
6 open? We are not sure of that.

7 Even more important, however, is the fact that we  
8 don't know how to model that orake flow to that kind of  
9 valve from -- I don't think we will ever do that. We will  
10 put in some reasonable model which has a chance with  
11 appropriate multipliers that are empirical multipliers coming  
12 from mythical test data. Then you will have a chance to do a  
13 good job.

14 Right now we don't know what the multipliers are  
15 when the valve is discharging two phase mixture rather than  
16 single phase.

17 MR. ZUDANS: Could you make some judgment from the  
18 tanks that were filled in the basement and overflowed?

19 MR. FABIC: I will show you some of the  
20 calculations. I think that is a good point.

21 PROF. CATTON: It was early, though.

22 MR. ZUDANS: Twenty minutes. That would give you  
23 some indication what you discharged through that valve.  
24 This was early also.

25 MR. FABIC: Good point. I had no way to compare

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kds 1 calculated discharge with measurements. That is a way.

2 MR. ZUDANS: At least for some time.

3 DR. PLESSET: But the valve had been leaking into  
4 that tank quite a bit before the accident; quite a long time.  
5 Yes. That is what the operator's testimony stated.

6 MR. ZUDANS: They still have level indication.

7 DR. PLESSET: So they could tell what happened  
8 after the accident began?

9 MR. ZUDANS: Yes.

10 DR. PLESSET: Oh, in that case that is something  
11 else.

12 MR. SULLIVAN: That is being done now.

13 DR. PLESSET: It is?

14 MR. SULLIVAN: Yes.

15 MR. FABIC: The last viewgraph has to do with  
16 Idaho calculations.

17 (Slide.)

18 This shows five calculations performed for a time  
19 period after twenty minutes. Various assumptions were made  
20 as to liquid levels in a steam generator where the HRP was  
21 on or off, and when the accumulator was on or off.

22 They all came with unacceptable conclusions. Like  
23 there is no core recovery at all or temperature length to  
24 2400. That is surprising. So I think these were all bad  
25 starts.

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kds 1           What Idaho finally decided is they would like to  
2 get a good calculation the first 20 minutes before they  
3 attempt anyfurther long-term time.

4           (Slide.)

5           Now, at LASL we only have the detailed code, trying  
6 to make this simpler. This shows you loops. I don't think  
7 this is very interesting.

8           (Slide.)

9           However, the vessel --

10          PROF. CATTON: If we will carry it very far -- would  
11 you put that slide back?

12          MR. FABIC: Don't look at the pressurizer.

13          PROF. CATTON: If you don't handle the candy cane  
14 right -- noding wouldn't do that.

15          MR. FABIC: What you see is each one of these  
16 segments is subdivided into mesh. There is a finer mesh  
17 going through. It doesn't mean only one control --

18          MR. SHOTKIN: In this calculation, that volume .11  
19 is just one volume; but their calculation wouldn't be used  
20 for natural circulation studies.

21                 This is just going to be used for the core  
22 uncoverry at TMI, up to about 120 minutes. Let's say the first  
23 3 hours, 180 minutes.

24          PROF. CATTON: Some of us believe core uncoverry  
25 occurred at 120 minutes.

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kds 1 MR. SHOTKIN: Up to core uncover is two hours.  
2 Maybe they will extend another hour. For natural  
3 circulation they need the more detail Stan is talking about  
4 which wasn't in this calculation.

5 PROF. CATTON: The first pump went off at 70  
6 minutes, the second at 110. You will have to stop at 110  
7 minutes.

8 MR. FABIC: The reason we are doing this calculation  
9 is not to show when the core uncovers, but what went where  
10 and when after it uncovered.

11 Did we start accumulating scrap or in what part  
12 of the primary loop? We have to continue with the  
13 calculation until we find out where the inventories were  
14 going. We don't want to do 15 hours, but we should be  
15 finding out whether we were accumulating steam in the upper  
16 head or the candy cane, at what time, according to  
17 calculation.

18 MR. SULLIVAN: When the transient goes two phase,  
19 you will need more detail. It should be two phase much  
20 before that.

21 MR. FABIC: Yes.

22 (Slide.)

23 This is the vessel. It shows in the current  
24 version we are stuck with the fact that we have to have at  
25 least two circumferential definitions, all the way up and

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kds 1 down the vessel.

2 We are using the minimum that can be used with this  
3 kind of analysis.

4 Here is a good example of current restrictions  
5 with the code to describe the control of the relief valve.

6 (Slide.)

7 Here are the cells within the pressurizer itself.  
8 Then you have to use many fine cells to get the critical  
9 flow calculated from what we call first precipice, not  
10 using correlations and not using some other models which  
11 are compatible with the code.

12 There, of course, also we pay some penalty for  
13 that. In a fast running code we will go away from that  
14 constraint and adopt simple techniques to calculate critical  
15 flow to relief valves. However, we had fairly good success  
16 with that.

17 I just found yesterday calculation results that  
18 Brookhaven has done as part of an interest assessment  
19 using TRAC from their own clinical control studies, special  
20 studies, with fairly good comparisons as to pressure versus  
21 space; and I think they were surprised to see the first time  
22 we applied the code to something new it worked.

23 (Slide.)

24 In TMI, it didn't work. Here is the TMI TRAC  
25 comparison, pressure versus time for the first 110 minutes

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kds 1 or so. These are minutes now, not seconds.

2 Red is data from TMI. Blue is TRAC calculations.  
3 I think here we are not sure how fast this dry-out of the  
4 secondary side really occurred. That could have changed the  
5 level in here of that first undershoot.

6 The second very fast decrease in pressure is  
7 attributed to instantaneous discharge of -- first the  
8 core models the auxiliary feedwater as being added at the  
9 bottom, not coming from the top. It is added instantaneously.  
10 When it comes on, it comes on full blast.

11 It probably didn't happen that way. There are  
12 valves that have to open over some time. You can get it in.  
13 They think this is the reason why it came down too fast.

14 Then in this period of 12 minute to 15 minutes,  
15 they used the 2 HPI pumps operations. Now they think there  
16 should have been only one. That is the reason why they have  
17 a fairly steep increase in pressure. They had one HPI pump  
18 after 50 minutes.

19 The fact that this drop here is too steep, the drop  
20 in pressure, is attributed to another code input error which  
21 says the auxiliary feedwater flow used in TRAC was equal  
22 to the main feedwater flow, which is about three times the  
23 amount that the auxiliary feedwater should have had.

24 That is the response for that. They don't want to  
25 keep defining this, but this is playing around. What they

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kds 1 will do is repeat the calculation with corrections done from  
2 the time it reached this plateau, and go until complete, and  
3 beyond.

4 This early part doesn't play any role here. They  
5 will reach a start here and go to core recovery.

6 PROF. CATTON: Couldn't you maintain the level in  
7 the steam generator at the point it was measured to be  
8 to separate whether your problem was with the primary or  
9 secondary side?

10 MR. FABIC: Because the boundary condition like  
11 that is not available in the core. You can't separate a  
12 liquid level as a boundary condition. The liquid level is  
13 calculated by —

14 PROF. CATTON: The feeling we have been given in  
15 the past is that this was a relatively unimportant part.  
16 If you veered the heat transfer in the steam generator  
17 plus or minus 50 percent it yields very little change in the  
18 final results.

19 I got that from B&W yesterday. It may not be  
20 true, I understand.

21 MR. FABIC: The heat transfer coefficient plus  
22 this area.

23 MR. SULLIVAN: I agree with Ivan. B&W did  
24 indicate to us yesterday that — I pointed out yesterday I  
25 thought it was. It looks like they are from even the TRAC

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kds 1 calculations. I think Ivan is right. It should be pursued  
2 with B&W.

3 PROF. CATTON: The TRAC code runs could collect  
4 some of that out. If they input the measured secondary side  
5 conditions and things fell on line, maybe we would begin to  
6 separate the phenomena.

7 MR. SULLIVAN: I wish it was that easy. The  
8 secondary side is not numbered. Very little we are sure of,  
9 identically sure of at even the levels in the steam  
10 generator, there are questions about them, the measurements  
11 that are made, the ranges they were on, and when they  
12 switched ranges.

13 There is a lot of questions about what actually  
14 happened on the secondary side of the steam generator. It is  
15 not black and white.

16 MR. MICHELSON: How do you know what the auxiliary  
17 feedwater flow rate is, for instance? You know the level of  
18 the generator remained constant for long periods of time,  
19 like at ten inches. You know that auxiliary feedwater was  
20 coming in. But you don't know how much.

21 You know you are evaporating all that came in  
22 because the level remained constant. You don't know how  
23 much less than that might have been coming in.

24 PROF. CATTON: You know temperature and pressure.

25 MR. MICHELSON: But you don't know the mass that is

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kds 1 involved.

2 MR. SULLIVAN: The only thing you can do is assume  
3 it was full flow.

4 MR. MICHELSON: You can tell on the back of an  
5 envelop it couldn't be that.

6 MR. SULLIVAN: That is what we did. The energy  
7 balances aren't very good.

8 DR. PLESSET: I don't want to spend the rest of our  
9 time on this, if we can avoid it.

10 One more comment.

11 PROF. THEOFANOUS: What about phase separation?

12 MR. FABIC: I want to tell you something about it  
13 right now.

14 (Slide.)

15 This is a breakthrough through the relief valve.  
16 It indicates, for example, high flows here and here. That  
17 is when we have a heavy fluid heating the well, either liquid  
18 or a very dense mixture.

19 A low flow is where you have steam or very low  
20 density.

21 The reason these density differences are there is  
22 because of the phase separation calculated inside the  
23 pressurizers. How good it is, we haven't yet --

24 PROF. THEOFANOUS: B&W told us ten days ago that  
25 they calculate and assume and think is reasonable that the

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kds 1 system was completely homogenous.

2 MR. FABIC: I can't understand that.

3 PROF. THEOFANOUS: If that were, the TRAC results  
4 might be useful to them.

5 MR. FABIC: When we like them and believe in them,  
6 I think we will.

7 PROF. CATTON: They don't believe the steam  
8 generator is very important.

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bw 1 DR. PLESSET: We can go to your next topic.

2 MR. FABIC: All right. I will be very brief.

3 DR. PLESSET: Is certainly worth some of the  
4 criticisms in some people's minds. That is good.

5 MR. FABIC: Later on you will see that I talk  
6 about qualitative and quantitative ways of assessing the  
7 code. I will not spend much time on qualitative at all,  
8 except to show you one plot that shows L-23 results of  
9 temperature profile along the hot rod as a function of  
10 time. What we show here in red is data and green is  
11 TRAC results using ILOEJE correlation.

12 (Slide.)

13 It shows the core is not doing bad. The  
14 flat temperatures are good. Final quench is here.  
15 Qualitatively, it's not that at all. Other words that  
16 are not hot rods are also -- for quantitative assessment  
17 we can't use time -- there is no way to have these results  
18 digested in a format where you can extrapolate what you  
19 learn from different scale facilities.

20 I will briefly talk about integraters we are  
21 using here.

22 To describe present -- first of all, in using --  
23 in assessing the code, integral test facilities, our primary  
24 purpose is to see how well do we represent dynamics of the  
25 system. The code. Is the feedback between component right?

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1 Rather than details of heat transfer. That is not very  
2 important. Other tests and those familiar -- integral  
3 test, dynamics of the whole system. That is presented by  
4 present time history. And the present time history itself  
5 could be characterized with certain types of occurrence.  
6 For example the time to empty the rods, no matter what the  
7 facility. The time for accumulators to come on. The  
8 time the pressure reaches one -- I will show you how  
9 we use these indicators. The other indicator is what is  
10 the inventory of fluid here? Here we show the time after  
11 reaching the minimum when you just start to refill, and --  
12 there is a formula here like 10 percent above the  
13 minimum, or if you start with zero volume, then 10 percent --  
14 time to reach that. Time until when you get the final  
15 core reflood started, you might have a number of oscillations,  
16 but the final core oscillation sustained REFLECHT started --  
17 this is indicated with a double asterisk. I will show you  
18 one more viewgraph to indicate this.

19 (Slide.)

20 The time to get zero flow at the ore inlet  
21 after the first reversal, these are the times we can pick  
22 for different facilities. That indicates something about  
23 dynamics of flow inside the reactor vessel.

24 The next two may look like too much heat transfer  
25 oriented indicators. They are really not. All these

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1 quench cycles really tell us is that there is a flaw going  
2 on there. Bursts of flow are responsible for quenching.  
3 If we agree with the times of these quenchers, that means  
4 the hydraulics is also okay.

5 (Slide.)

6 Here I show time for the first and last quencher  
7 and time for second quencher, if it exists in the facility.  
8 In different facilities we only have one quencher, showing  
9 the last quencher. Of course, we are also showing the  
10 value of the peak clad temperature as the last indicator.  
11 Ten of them altogether, we thought that was enough.

12 Certainly you are supplemented here. We have  
13 great detail how well it does overall without quantitative  
14 band here.

15 (Slide.)

16 What we do with these indicators is plot them  
17 on a predicted versus measurement scatter plot. Everything  
18 lies on a 45-degree line. We will have uncertainties in  
19 prediction and in measurement that will explore  
20 sensitivity studies. When our crosses lie outside the  
21 45-degree line, it means we have errors in the code or  
22 inadequacies in the formulation, errors in numerical  
23 analysis. Whatever.

24 We think that with such plots which have — this is  
25 all for one indicator. Everyone of these crosses is

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1 crosses is for one of those ten indicators. But has  
2 different test facilities, different test conditions.

3 We might extrapolate the arrow for that into  
4 full scale. We have to come up with a criteria for  
5 what is acceptable. We don't have that. The last  
6 viewgraph here is to show you, instead of having only  
7 one indicator plotted on one graph, all we had so far  
8 on LOFT is enough information there, which is all the  
9 indicators for one graph for one test.

10 (Slide.)

11 This shows that we are not doing badly. Green  
12 is the TRAC-PIA without ELOGI correlation.

13 Read is with the ELOGI correlation. It says  
14 without ELOGI we are way off on a quench. We don't  
15 predict first quench. Our last one is delayed.

16 With ELOGI it's much closer. It shows that all  
17 the other indicators I talked about are fairly good. Our  
18 peak clad temperatures are within a few degrees. That  
19 will be luck. We have to do a lot of that. On many  
20 experiments we qualified a plan which shows which tests  
21 or what facility we want to object, which measurements  
22 will be taken, where and what time. We have done this  
23 for PWR. We might have to change some of those, because  
24 we didn't consider the importance of these tests. We  
25 are changing some of our test facility plans. We have

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bw 1 to change some of this here. That would be the end.

2 DR. PLESSET: Thank you, Stan.

3 We appreciate your condensing some very interesting  
4 things. Now we can have some questions.

5 MR. ZUDANS: Very quick question. In first  
6 shelf in TMI here, isn't that because they actually had HPI  
7 from 4 to 8 percent.

8 MR. FABIC: What happened before that time is very  
9 confused as to how many were actually on, whether there was  
10 one or two, and in what time period. I do have a paper  
11 that shows what they assume. Those assumptions are not  
12 the same as INEL's.

13 MR. ZUDANS: I was tickled by the remark you  
14 said: since these points are coming from different sized  
15 facilities, you may have a chance to extrapolate. In view  
16 of the fact you have facilities that are small scale --

17 MR. FABIC: No. You have some full scale.

18 MR. ZUDANS: TMI.

19 MR. FABIC: No. 2D/3D. Full scale upper  
20 plenum, downcomer, lower plena, full height core/full width  
21 core -- half width, but full-scale width.

22 There are four high-steam generators in the test  
23 facilities. Enough to get measurements. I think we have  
24 quite a few large-scale data. It will not be all wild  
25 extrapolation, no.

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1 MR. ZUDANS: Okay, as long as you have that kind  
2 of information.

3 MR. SULLIVAN: In the TRAC code it's almost  
4 conceivable to me the small break may be even harder to  
5 model than a large break. Surely the fluid dynamics are  
6 going to be easier. You shouldn't pass them by either.  
7 Now you are working with small delta Ps and the fluid  
8 dynamics will have to be very good. Separation will have  
9 to be good. I was thinking more in terms of the heat  
10 transfer from the system. It will be critical you get  
11 those right because the transients are so long and you are  
12 integrating them over such long periods of time.

13 MR. FABIC: Can I digress a bit to answer  
14 his point? Something I learned recently from experiments  
15 done at MIT with glass hardware. Looking at three loops  
16 in smaller scale briefly, air-water, okay?

17 That was the purpose of the experiment. They  
18 learned something else. They learned — may I take this  
19 off and go to the blackboard? If a steam generator  
20 represented before U tubes and they are nested inside  
21 each other, and add manifold supply inside, and they had now  
22 air-water mixture, droplets of water, coming from here.

23 If the flow rate is low enough as a natural  
24 circulation of the type Dr. Michelson looked at, reflux  
25 boiler, you find there is a very nonuniform distribution

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1 for fluid. In fact, two of them, there was no flow.  
2 Most of the flow was on this one and on this one. It  
3 was a lot of instability.

4 We can define a region of flow where there is  
5 instability in his equipment.

6 Now we have to seriously take a good look at  
7 that.

8 I don't know the consequences when you have  
9 many, many tubes, to the just four, but we have seen even  
10 in PWR tests with the Westinghouse steam generator there is  
11 a small distribution because of centrifugal action alone in  
12 the plant. What this will do to heat transfer, because if  
13 you were starting some regions of that bundle, the heat  
14 transfer, that would be different.

15 How will we handle that in fast running or  
16 slow running situations? We will have to look at that.

17 DR. PLESSET: Any other question or comment?

18 (No response.)

19 Evidently not.

20 Thank you very much. We will have a ten-minute  
21 break and come back and have a brief summarization.

22 I want to thank all the Staff for their  
23 presentation.

24 (Recess.)

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kds 1 DR. PLESSET: What I thought we could do for the  
2 next 15 or 20 minutes is I will just go around the table  
3 and ask if you have comments you would like to direct to me  
4 regarding what we had presented today.

5 Why don't I start -- who wants to lead off?

6 Harold.

7 MR. SULLIVAN: I forgot who made the presentation,  
8 but he showed SEMISCALE data for one of the transients run  
9 to simulate TMI. The SEMISCALE facility was to model the  
10 Trojan plant which is a Westinghouse plant.

11 And the pressurizer also stayed full in that --  
12 during that experiment.

13 So not only it seems to be the U-tube in the  
14 B&W system, but also a Westinghouse plant may give a false  
15 indication of liquid level. I don't know whether that was  
16 brought up or not.

17 DR. PLESSET: I don't think it has; but I think in  
18 one of the bulletins to Westinghouse they were directed not  
19 to consider the pressurizer level as an indication of core  
20 coverry at all times.

21 It is covered in that sense, but people still may  
22 not have a feeling it applies.

23 Why did it say full?

24 MR. SULLIVAN: I will pass the question along to  
25 our chief consultant on SEMISCALE.

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1 DR. PLESSET: That means Mr. Shumway.

2 MR. SHUMWAY: Magic.

3 (Laughter.)

4 MR. SHUMWAY: The opening of the system was at the  
5 top of the pressurizer, so the only way the pressurizer could  
6 drain was through countercurrent flow; and it did. That is  
7 all I know.

8 DR. PLESSET: But their relief valves are no  
9 different from those on -- not much different from B&W  
10 plants. You have the same kind of opening.

11 Right?

12 MR. SHUMWAY: We modeled that opening, that's  
13 right. B&W plant's pressurizer on TMI-2 stayed full, and  
14 also on SEMISCALE. The low pressure point of the system,  
15 except for the gravity head part, is at the top of the  
16 pressurizer.

17 The water can only get out by countercurrent flow  
18 against the steam that is being generated in the core, that  
19 is the high pressure point, that is trying to escape from  
20 the system through the break.

21 DR. PLESSET: I think that is a very pertinent  
22 observation to all we have been hearing.

23 Do you think that SEMISCALE is really going to give  
24 you a good handle on things like this? I guess you think it  
25 does.

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1 MR. SULLIVAN: I would think with that indication  
2 and that experimental result, if a code disagreed with it,  
3 I would like to know the difference between the two before  
4 I would stop an operator from taking that as the liquid  
5 level indicator.

6 Most of the indications I have gotten is that a  
7 Westinghouse pressurizer would empty during a small break.

8 DR. PLESSET: So the U-tube loop is not necessarily  
9 the fatal element. Is that what you are implying?

10 MR. SULLIVAN: Right.

11 And also I think that it would be worth NRC  
12 warning the utilities that own Westinghouse and  
13 Combustion plants that that did occur.

14 PROF. CATTON: That is a very small pipe you have,  
15 isn't it?

16 MR. SULLIVAN: Also a very small leak.

17 PROF. CATTON: The surge line is typically ten  
18 inches or larger.

19 MR. SHUMWAY: It is fairly big in TMI-2; and that  
20 line wouldn't drain the water.

21 PROF. CATTON: It was a loop seal there. If I  
22 had a straight vertical pipe --

23 MR. SHUMWAY: In SEWISCALE we didn't change the  
24 pressurizer. It is modeled after Westinghouse. But we did  
25 change the loop seal design. The surge line was changed, the

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kds 1 TMI surge line.

2 DR. PLESSET: I didn't understand that last  
3 statement.

4 MR. SHUMWAY: The surge line in SEMISCALE was  
5 piped to match the loop seal in TMI-2.

6 DR. PLESSET: So it was not like a Westinghouse  
7 plant?

8 MR. SHUMWAY: It was like a Westinghouse in the  
9 volume, pressurizer volume.

10 DR. PLESSET: But it had a loop seal which  
11 Westinghouse plants don't have.

12 MR. SHUMWAY: Yes.

13 DR. PLESSET: That may be the way they would get  
14 out of that.

15 MR. SHUMWAY: It may be; but I don't think that is  
16 the key issue. I think that water would be in there if you  
17 didn't have the loop seal, personally.

18 PROF. CATTON: Even though the pipe is quite  
19 large.

20 MR. SHUMWAY: Yes.

21 DR. PLESSET: Now that is not stable. To try to  
22 maintain a column of water with steam pressure on the  
23 bottom —

24 PROF. CATTON: Ten inch diameter pipe.

25 DR. PLESSET: That is not stable. You can try it

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kds 1 sometime.

2 PROF. CATTON: What was the size of your pipe?

3 MR. SHUMWAY: Quarter inch.

4 DR. PLESSET: That would be stabilized because of  
5 surface tension effects.

6 How hot was it? It is getting pretty small.

7 PROF. THEOFANOUS: Even a quarter of an inch? I  
8 don't think it would be small enough to make it stable.

9 DR. PLESSET: It is getting close to stability,  
10 yes.

11 PROF. CATTON: About an inch.

12 DR. PLESSET: I think that's right.

13 PROF. CATTON: The candy cane being 36 inches in  
14 diameter in the B&W plants, it would be damn tough to  
15 simulate in small scale like SEMISCALE. I am not sure it  
16 would have meaning.

17 DR. PLESSET: What is the pressurizer height in  
18 SEMISCALE in the model above that?

19 MR. SHUMWAY: Much lower than the TMI pressurizer.

20 DR. PLESSET: How high was it?

21 MR. SHUMWAY: About seven feet, compared to like  
22 forty feet.

23 DR. PLESSET: Seven feet of water column is what  
24 you are supporting.

25 MR. SHUMWAY: Something like that.

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kds 1 PROF. CATTON: I used to use that method to  
2 bleed my brakes, and a quarter-inch pipe held the brake fluid  
3 with no problem at all.

4 PROF. THEOFANOUS: Quarter-inch or three-quarter?  
5 Fine. I thought three-quarters you said. I take  
6 it back. I am with you now.

7 DR. PLESSET: That may be really the difference.

8 MR. SHUMWAY: Between what and what?

9 DR. PLESSET: The fact that you had a  
10 pressurizer and it held up.

11 MR. SHUMWAY: They did the same thing in the  
12 drainage pipe.

13 PROF. CATTON: No.

14 MR. SHUMWAY: At TMI.

15 DR. PLESSET: Different reasons. It was a  
16 manometer seal and the pressure on the gas side was high  
17 enough to maintain a column. Certainly that high, or higher  
18 even.

19 But now --

20 MR. SHUMWAY: Wait a minute. Mass is going out  
21 that line.

22 DR. PLESSET: Right.

23 MR. SHUMWAY: Why wouldn't the water bleed back  
24 against the effluent out?

25 DR. PLESSET: Because it is held up by the loop

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kds 1 seal?

2 MR. SHUMWAY: Are you sure it is not held up by  
3 countercurrent flow?

4 DR. PLESSET: It is a stable loop seal. I think I  
5 am right.

6 PROF. CATTON: That's right.

7 DR. PLESSET: The fact that you have steam bubbling  
8 through that loop isn't significant so far as supporting  
9 that column goes. If you have a U-tube, ten inches diameter  
10 or ten feet, or whatever, it can be supported if you have  
11 enough gas pressure. It is stable.

12 If you don't have that, if you have a straight  
13 column, and if it is then enough it can be held up by  
14 capillary, without the loop seal.

15 MR. ZUDANS: The loop seal goes like that in the  
16 pressurizers, correct?

17 DR. PLESSET: At B&W. That is the only one. The  
18 others are not a manometer type seal.

19 MR. ZUDANS: You could have one beginning at this  
20 end and go all the way up and hold it.

21 PROF. CATTON: Some have a rather long run, like  
22 40 or 50 feet.

23 DR. PLESSET: I don't think it matters if it is  
24 truly level. It will run out.

25 Well, let's go on. Harold, do you have another

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kas 1 nickel?

2 Theo?

3 PROF. THEOFANOUS: I don't know exactly how to say  
4 this. I am very disappointed and disturbed with the  
5 response I see that the research is taking to the TMI-2  
6 accident.

7 DR. PLESSET: Which part of the research?

8 PROF. THEOFANOUS: The focus in all of it. I  
9 don't see there -- I think as a result of TMI-2 there are  
10 certain lessons we must have learned and certain actions  
11 we must take.

12 There are other urgent actions, I think, and I  
13 don't see leadership in taking any of those actions.

14 I pointed out some of those things in the letter  
15 I sent.

16 DR. PLESSET: You didn't give any priorities. You  
17 have to have priorities.

18 PROF. THEOFANOUS: I only discussed one topic in the  
19 letter.

20 DR. PLESSET: Which one is that? Let the other  
21 people hear.

22 PROF. THEOFANOUS: It is very difficult to say in  
23 a short time. The letter is two and a half pages. I would  
24 rather make reference to that.

25 If you want me to say in a nutshell, I feel that --

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kds 1 again, something I mentioned many times throughout meetings  
2 is that I don't feel we have paid enough attention to the  
3 accident analysis and accident sequences, not only for small  
4 LOCAs, but all LOCAs.

5 In order to -- if we did our homework on that,  
6 probably TMI-2 might not have happened. The way to find  
7 out the kinds of cracks that are evidenced in what happened  
8 in TMI-2 is work through the accidents and work through the  
9 system interactions, study the results of the computer  
10 codes.

11 Stan mentioned the computer codes are there and  
12 they are available to be used. The problem is nobody is  
13 using them. They have been there for some time.

14 In order to use them effectively in that respect,  
15 you can't take a casual effort -- I don't want to accuse  
16 people in terms of casual efforts, but I am thinking of an  
17 order of magnitude of different consideration to that as  
18 being the focal point.

19 DR. PLESSET: Right. But I think we have to do  
20 this in an orderly way, separate it from the panic approach  
21 to a lot of activities as a result of TMI-2.

22 PROF. THEOFANOUS: That is the point. I see a lot  
23 of things coming out of TMI-2, and I don't see the systematic,  
24 orderly way of going through the accidents.

25 DR. PLESSET: They are not organized, right. I

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kds 1 agree.

2 PROF. THEOFANOUS: All the activities, our  
3 response to TMI-2 ought to be organized. Starting from that,  
4 I describe we have several line of defense. One is  
5 prevention, mitigating, establishing consequences, and so on.

6 That really ought to be the order of priority of  
7 research. The way I read the Staff's proposals is they say,  
8 well, up to now we have been dealing with the two ends of it,  
9 design basis accidents. We have been ignoring the space in  
10 between.

11 I think that is putting it in the wrong focus. The  
12 order ought to be from preventing, next to the intermediate  
13 stage, next to class 9.

14 How you will put the threshold has to come from a  
15 more systematic study of the different accidents. That is  
16 why I keep saying that everything has to start from there.  
17 I don't see it happening, and I feel very disappointed with  
18 it.

19 DR. PLESSET: I think they are going to make an  
20 effort on the experimental side. I would like your response  
21 to the applicability of the program with the small break  
22 tests with LOFT and the small break sequences with SEMISCALE.  
23 That is on the experimental side.

24 Are you in agreement this is reasonable?

25 PROF. THEOFANOUS: No, I am not. I don't think it

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kds 1 is the right place to start. It is good to think in terms  
2 of some LOFT small scale tests and SEMISCALE, though with  
3 quite a bit more reservation.

4 However, to what extent LOFT and SEMISCALE tests  
5 will give us the answers we want or the answers to  
6 understand how small breaks behave, that we have to think  
7 very hard in conjunction with the kind of studies and  
8 calculations I am talking about.

9 One approach would be to outline a number of  
10 tests. The facilities are there and there is nothing much  
11 we can do about that. We have to use the facilities that we  
12 have.

13 However, I think we ought to have some idea of  
14 whether those facilities are adequate or not, and in what  
15 respect are they inadequate, and see how we can cover  
16 ourselves if we find any inadequacies.

17 We will not know the answers to those questions  
18 unless we went through the calculations and through anything  
19 about those accidents.

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1 DR. PLESSET: I think you have a very good point.  
2 I would hate to see us arrive at some additional facility  
3 needs without real careful thinking. I am including 2D/3D  
4 as no facility to date which is really without serious  
5 criticism. I think you have a very good point and I think  
6 you are right. They are not approaching this problem in  
7 this way.

8 MR. ZUDANS: I remember when they discussed risk  
9 assessment. They insisted they would go back and set up  
10 a very extensive study where they would look for other  
11 cracks, so to speak.

12 That might affect all the programs, all the  
13 test setups. I insisted they join those two things. Human  
14 factors and event trees. I thought this program covered what  
15 you are addressing here. It may have to be made more  
16 specific.

17 PROF. THEOFANOUS: ~~Let me respond to that.~~ I  
18 am disappointed. I think this is a token. When this  
19 program was presented to the TMI-2 ten days ago, there was  
20 only \$400,000 allocated to the activity. I raised serious  
21 doubts then and they increased it by a small factor. On  
22 the other hand we go to Stan and hear his whole program  
23 outlined, and he doesn't have anything to say about the  
24 subject that is crucial. He spent all his time on  
25 development, a lot of time and assessment and didn't say one

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1 word -- I asked the question about whether this was a  
2 possibility or not. He said he saw this as a possibility.  
3 But he had nothing to say about it. They should be doing  
4 those things already. Not planning three years from  
5 now.

6 MR. GARLID: I wanted to second what Theo was  
7 saying, but in a different sense. I think the arguments  
8 for what they are doing in modifying the experiments they  
9 have are reasonable and very persuasive that they can do  
10 some things. In a way it goes back to what Carl  
11 Michelson did, where he investigated something that  
12 according to him was pretty much on his own time and  
13 discouraged at the time and now that it turned out to be  
14 an event very pertinent to that investigation, reports  
15 are given a lot of attention. It seems to me what the  
16 Research Staff ought to do is somehow orient the organization  
17 to encourage this kind of thing.

18 I don't see any of that in the fiscal '81 budget.  
19 Some items are mentioned in the fiscal '80 budget.

20 DR. PLESSET: Thank you. Now Ivan.

21 MR. CATTOW: I think that the program that was  
22 mentioned, the risk assessment and so far it fills that gap.

23 I don't agree with Theo as far as it being a  
24 token effort. I don't think it is. I heard Roger Matson  
25 with his lessons learned group. He is paying a lot of

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bw 1 attention to that area. Almost everybody we hear from  
2 is at least giving it lip service. I think it's too  
3 premature to say they won't do anything, unless you know  
4 them better than we. Maybe you do.

5 PROF. THEOFANOUS: I knew you would disagree  
6 with me, but since you did, let's take that further.

7 First of all, I think already they ought to be  
8 doing it. I don't see it anywhere.

9 Secondly, even ten days ago we heard that  
10 the budget allocated for this particular item was one-third  
11 of what you saw today. You saw it three times bigger  
12 because I was arguing with Sullivan on the TMI-2 subcommittee  
13 just ten days ago.

14 If people believe so much about it and if it  
15 was the focal point according to their own thinking, that  
16 ought to be there before in the first place.

17 What I am trying to say is that I like to see that  
18 the people are responsible for developing those plans. I  
19 like to see that somehow they become convinced themselves.  
20 Not do something because they hear somebody say something  
21 about it. This should be something that has to be done.  
22 Unless they become convinced, you will not have the  
23 appropriate leadership. This needs leadership. That is  
24 where I find fault. It's a matter of first convincing the  
25 people responsible for these activities in order to provide

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1 the right mechanism. The mechanism is not there yet.  
2 I guarantee that. It's there only for analysis. I used  
3 that word in my letter. There is no mechanism there for  
4 synthesis and a lot of cracks are present. TMI happened  
5 as a result of us not having enough time with the synthesis.

6 Some of us have been talking about this for years  
7 now. Even today there isn't a concerted effort to provide  
8 the synthesis in order to make sure no other cracks exist.

9 DR. PLESSET: Do they have the personnel to  
10 undertake this kind of synthesis?

11 PROF. THEOFANOUS: Absolutely.

12 DR. PLESSET: Where?

13 PROF. THEOFANOUS: All over the place. People  
14 in the National Labs.

15 DR. PLESSET: You mean outside NRC?

16 PROF. THEOFANOUS: Including NRC. Stan Faic and  
17 Lou Shotkin. These people have been with these plants.  
18 Dr. Tong. They work with the plans. They know the systems.  
19 There are people on the Subcommittee. Carl Michelson,  
20 for example, knows the system.

21 They have to be brought together under some  
22 unified leadership to address this in a systematic  
23 down-to-earth fashion. Pragmatically, realistic and urgent  
24 as it is.

25 MR. SULLIVAN: I agree with Theo. It's going to

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bw 1 take quite an effort. It will be a very painful effort,  
2 because I have only looked at systems in a very general way.  
3 When you start looking into them and looking at interaction  
4 of all the secondary steps, it will be a very painful process  
5 to go through and it's going to take quite a while to see  
6 what an operator can do to a plant and to make an accident  
7 either better or worse.

8 I am not sure I even understand what happened at  
9 TMI to make it better.

10 DR. PLESSET: Ivan, do you have another comment?

11 MR. CATTON: I forget it.

12 (Laughter.)

13 DR. PLESSET: Good.

14 PROF. THEOFANOUS: There are significant resources  
15 of people through the review groups that have been able to  
16 draw together people from all walks of life and different  
17 backgrounds. There are a lot of people in the National Labs  
18 that are very much involved in that. There is no question  
19 of lack of people.

20 DR. PLESSET: I just wanted to hear you say it.  
21 What you have to do is get some of this counsel to me within  
22 a few days, because what is being considered is a  
23 supplementary budget. The basis for it is, say, TMI-2.  
24 Otherwise they wouldn't have the audacity to propose such  
25 a thing.

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bw 1 Ivan, you remembered what you wanted to say?

2 MR. CATTON: My view of what happened at TMI is  
3 a little different. I think what it gets down to is how  
4 a plant is administered. Some of us are on the LER  
5 subcommittee. Straightaway, you see LER is very nice.  
6 You learn a lot from them. But the route back to the  
7 plant was nonexistent. The people operating the plant didn't  
8 know about things like Davis-Besse, Oconee. They hardly  
9 knew about what went on in their own plant. I don't care  
10 how much research you do or how many smart people you have  
11 doing it. Unless something is done about that part, the  
12 rest doesn't make any difference.

13 Somehow that has to be straightened out.

14 MR. LIPINSKI: An automated plant.

15 MR. CATTON: Maybe that is the direction.

16 MR. LIPINSKI: The ultimate, if you eliminate  
17 the people, you end up with a totally automated plant.  
18 Having automated the plant I have to worry about the next  
19 level, the guy who keeps it working and automated.

20 DR. PLESSET: The maintenance man. Okay.  
21 Prof. Wu had a comment.

22 PROF. WU: I wanted to follow up a little longer  
23 along this line. I understand there is not much time and  
24 I don't know the situation, as well as Theo.

25 MR. PLESSET: Nobody does.

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1                    PROF. WU: And I don't know I can say in the  
2 same meaning as you said about synthesis. But perhaps,  
3 in my own feeling, the safety of the nuclear reactor will  
4 be a very important issue for the future off this industry.

5                    Surely we have a good case on hand from which  
6 we hope to learn as much as we can. So perhaps in this  
7 postmortem see if we can extend the scope a bit in the  
8 investigation and use the highest imagination as we can.

9                    Already we have brought other than the engineering  
10 and technical side facets of the matter, should we concentrate  
11 on the human factors. Error in decisionmaking under very  
12 difficult circumstances.

13                    Furthermore, look into into what way we can  
14 avoid the future hazardous situations and see if there is  
15 any design that can be improved. This would almost take  
16 a game theory type of approach. It's like playing chess.

17                    There is no time and space to do the role of  
18 elimination approach, but to spot a few important areas where  
19 the engineering design plus the human operation can be  
20 carried on with the least possible doing of any hazardous  
21 situations such as the U tube type checks and so forth.

22                    Even the mathematical approach of the dynamic  
23 programming. See if there is anything that indicated a  
24 mistake. What would be the consequences? Look to the  
25 improvement of the engineering design and avoid any possible

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1 abuse of operation. It may take a different work task  
2 force from what we have.

3           You already named good names of experts already  
4 familiar with the engineering side. I think it might take  
5 a bit broader scope to learn -- to enrich the lesson as  
6 we can. That is, on this TMI-2 case. Then if I may take  
7 a couple of more minutes, I want to talk about the future  
8 research program, and specially for some of those basic  
9 problems to enlarge the capability of the very sophisticated  
10 system codes, 2D/3D, and so on, phase transition, transient  
11 flow and others.

12           Now the possibility of the last example is an  
13 excellent one that Stan Fabric mentioned.

14           There is a flow instability and flow separation  
15 and so forth, secondary flow, and all this seems we can  
16 come to a very solid foundation and improve the understanding  
17 as we track some of these basic problems and study it in  
18 full.

19           In such cases, conservation of mass, momentum,  
20 energy, they might have a considerable departure from  
21 original assumptions based on which these system codes  
22 were developed. Once we learn some of the good lessons  
23 in these basic lessons in these basic problems they might  
24 have a very good utility in the future to improve the  
25 existing system code by saving if the flow separation and

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1 such is important, there might be an easier way, much  
2 more simplified, but on the physical basis, well-based  
3 assumptions, by putting some of the energy sink, in order  
4 to continue on a much more simplified basis in the system  
5 approach.

6 Then also along this line, see if it is worthwhile  
7 to keep a very close contact and collaboration with the  
8 efforts put in by the Japanese and the German team in what  
9 is developed in due course.

10 If these are the desirable ways to move, then the  
11 next thing is see if the budgetary matter is sufficient  
12 to enhance such a stepped up activity.

13 Thank you.

14 MR. ZUDANS: This pertains to the same subject  
15 of Theo. I want to really make it understood that in  
16 principle, I agree with Theo, except that my interpretation  
17 was they were going to pay attention to this subject.  
18 We asked very clearly. I think maybe we should take a position  
19 that any supplementary budget lead item would be this  
20 particular item, and any changes to a facility or design  
21 or analysis tools should be based on findings on this risk  
22 assessment. Looking for new cracks. Then there would  
23 be a good reason for it.

24 If TMI is interpreted in every which way by  
25 different groups in different fashions, everybody finds

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1 something he can do. There is no unified purpose. Unified  
2 purpose is in what Theo states. That, we could emphasize  
3 That is all.

4 DR. PLESSET: I think we have used up our  
5 time, unless there is some really excruciatingly  
6 important remark, I will consider the session adjourned.

7 Let me add one nonagenda item. Tom Murley  
8 suggested we have our next meeting in Idaho Falls. We  
9 usually do have a meeting there about once a year. What  
10 is the sentiment of our distinguished -- I know what  
11 those two would say.

12 (Laughter.)

13 PROF. THEOFANOUS: When are you thinking about?

14 DR. PLESSET: Sometime this year.

15 PROF. THEOFANOUS: August or July?

16 DR. PLESSET: July is too busy. Late summer.

17 PROF. THEOFANOUS: More like August.

18 MR. ZUDANS: Early September? I am not here in  
19 August. Not until the 9th, but then I am in Europe until  
20 the 31th.

21 PROF. THEOFANOUS: Combine it with a meeting in  
22 Seattle.

23 DR. PLESSET: What meeting?

24 MR. LIPINSKI: The 20th to the 24th is the  
25 International Fast Reactor Safety Meeting in Seattle.

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br 1 The week of August 28.

2 PROF. THEOFANOUS: If you can combine with  
3 that, it would be helpful.

4 DR. PLESSET: After that, to just follow it.

5 MR. LIPINSKI: The 27th.

6 DR. PLESSET: You might lose a meeting.

7 MR. ZUDANS: I would like not to lose it. I  
8 hope you won't be able to make up the schedule that quick.

9 (Laughter.)

10 DR. PLESSET: Thanks again. We will have to try  
11 to arrange this meeting well in advance.

12 (Whereupon at 3:00 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.)

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3D	15,800	12,000	-3,800	
ECC BYPASS	900	900	-	
MODEL DEVELOPMENT	1,915	3,510	1,595	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CONDUCT CONTAINMENT INTERCOMPARTMENT FLOW TESTS.</li> <li>• BROADEN DATA BASE FOR STEAM/WATER/GAS SEPARATION</li> <li>• ADDITIONAL CONSULTING RELATED TO TMI PHENOMENA</li> </ul>
(ADB)	(615)	(2,010)	(1,395)	
(SERB)	(1,300)	(1,500)	(200)	

SYSTEMS ENGINEERING (CONTD.)  
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

	<u>FY 1980</u> (PRES.)	<u>FY 1981</u> (REQ.)	<u>△</u>	
OP. SAFETY	1,600	9,950	8,350	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● FULL-SCALE REPLICATION FIRE TESTS</li> <li>● EXAMINE TMI CLASS 1E SAFETY EQPT.</li> </ul>
TECH SUPT.	1,670	2,620	950	
(SERB)	(1,000)	(1,030)	(30)	
(RSB)	(670)	(1,590)	(920)	● FULL SUPPORT FOR CODE CENTER AND NSIC.
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>34,800</u>	<u>48,520</u>	<u>13,720</u>	

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SYSTEMS ENGINEERING

FY 1981

MINIMUM PROGRAM

\$32.1 MILLION

SEMISCALE

BD/RF HT

3-D

ECC BYPASS

MODEL DEVELOPMENT

- STRETCHOUT FACILITY UPGRADE BY 6-12 MONTHS. LIMITED TESTING.
- CONTINUE PWR BDHT AND FLECHT-SEASET, AND BWR CCFL. TLTA EXTENSION LIMITED BY FUNDING CONSTRAINTS.
- SUPPORT 3-D FLOW EXPERIMENTS IN GERMANY AND JAPAN
  - FABRICATE INSTRUMENTATION FOR UPPER PLENUM TEST FACILITY IN GERMANY AND SECOND TEST SERIES IN THE CYLINDRICAL CORE TEST FACILITY IN JAPAN.
  - PROCURE DATA ACQUISITION SYSTEM FOR UPPER PLENUM TEST FACILITY IN GERMANY.
  - PERFORM PRE- AND POST-TEST ANALYSES FOR CYLINDRICAL CORE TEST FACILITY AND SLAB CORE TEST FACILITY IN JAPAN.
- TERMINATE SMALL SCALE BYPASS RESEARCH IN FY 1980
- CONTINUE ONGOING EXPERIMENTS NEEDED FOR BASIC UNDERSTANDING OF STEAM/WATER INTERACTIONS AND FLOW-REGIME FORMATION.

SYSTEMS ENGINEERING (CONT'D.)

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FY 1981

MINIMUM PROGRAM

- OP. SAFETY
  - PROVIDE FOR OPERATIONAL SAFETY RESEARCH TO
    - EVALUATE LOCA QUALIFICATION TESTING METHODOLOGY
    - EVALUATE FIRE PROTECTION MEASURES IN FULL-SCALE REPLICATED CABLE TRAY SYSTEMS
  
- TECH SUPT.
  - (SERB)
    - PROVIDE DATA BANK AND INSTRUMENT DEVELOPMENT AT REDUCED LEVEL
  
  - (RSB)
    - LIMITED SUPPORT FOR RELEASE OF COMPUTER CODES AND BARE MAINTENANCE OF NUCLEAR SAFETY INFORMATION CENTER

SYSTEMS ENGINEERING  
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

FY 1981

	<u>MIN.</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>Δ</u>	
SEMISCALE	6,780	6,780	-	
BD/RF HT	6,890	6,890	-	
3D	12,000	12,000	-	
ECC BYPASS	-	900	900	● CONCLUDE REPORTS AND INTERACT WITH 2D/3D PROGRAM
MODEL DEVELOPMENT	2,140	2,140		
(ADB)	(730)	(730)	-	
(SERB)	(1,410)	(1,410)	-	

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SYSTEMS ENGINEERING (CONT'D.)  
 (THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)  
 FY 1981

	<u>MIN.</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>△</u>	
OP. SAFETY	2,570	2,850	280	● CONTINUE SIMULATOR STUDIES OF REACTOR OPERATOR RESPONSE.
TECH. SUPT.	1,720	1,910	190	● PROVIDE FOR LEVEL-OF-EFFORT ON PUBLIC RELEASE OF COMPUTER CODES AND NUCLEAR SAFETY INFORMATION CENTER
(SERB)	(800)	(800)	-	
(RSB)	<u>(920)</u>	<u>(1,110)</u>	<u>(190)</u>	
<u>TOTAL</u>	32,100	33,470	1,370	

SYSTEMS ENGINEERING

(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

FY 1981

CURRENT                      REQ.                      Δ

SEMISCALE	6,780	10,150	3,370	•	INSTALL SECONDARY LOOP, CONCLUDE UHI TESTS AND W OPERATIONAL TRANSIENT TESTS, COMMENCE UPGRADING TOTAL SYSTEM TO A 4x2 B&W CONFIGURATION WITH OTSG'S.
BD/RF III	6,890	9,390	2,500	•	ANALYZE PWR-BDHT RESULTS, COMPLETE TLTA UPGRADE AND INITIATE TESTING, COMMENCE BWR-CCFL 30° SECTOR SYSTEMS EFFECTS TESTING, COMMENCE FLECHT-SEASET SYSTEMS EFFECTS TESTING.
3D	12,000	12,000	-		
ECC BYPASS	900	900	-		

SYSTEMS ENGINEERING (CONT'D)

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(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

FY 1981

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CURRENT      REQ.

MODEL DEVELOPMENT

2,140

3,510

1,370

(ADB)

(730)

(2,010)

(1,280)

- CONDUCT CONTAINMENT INTER-COMPARTMENT FLOW TESTS

(SERB)

(1,410)

(1,500)

(90)

- BROADEN DATA BASE FOR STEAM/WATER/GAS SEPARATION
- ADDITIONAL CONSULTING PHENOMENA RELATED TO TMI PHENOMENA

OP. SAFETY

2,850

9,950

7,100

- PROVIDE FOR POST-MORTEM OF CLASS IE SAFETY-RELATED EQUIPMENT FOR THREE MILE ISLAND
- PROVIDE FOR UPGRADED REACTOR DIAGNOSTIC STUDY
- INITIATE RESEARCH ON SAFETY VALVE BEHAVIOR

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SYSTEMS ENGINEERING (CONT'D.)

(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

FY 1981

	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>REQ.</u>	<u>Δ</u>
TECH SUPT.	1,910	2,620	710
(SERB)	(800)	(1,030)	(230)
			• INCREASED TMI-RELATED INSTRUMENT DEVELOPMENT
(RSR)	(1,110)	(1,590)	(480)
			• PROVIDE FULL PUBLIC RELEASE OF NRC COMPUTER CODES AND COMPLETE DOCUMENTATION OF SAFETY DATA IN THE NUCLEAR SAFETY INFORMATION CENTER
			• START DEVELOPMENT OF COMPUTERIZED INFORMATION RETRIEVAL SYSTEM ON REACTOR SAFETY RESEARCH DATA
TOTAL	33,470	48,520	15,050

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SYSTEMS ENGINEERING

(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

	<u>FY 1980</u> <u>AMEND.</u>	<u>FY 1981</u> <u>AMEND.</u>	<u>Δ</u>	
SEMISCALE	10,200	8,100	-2,100	• EQUIPMENT FOR SEMISCALE UPGRADE AND TLTA EXTENSION ORDERED IN FY 1980
BD/RF HT	9,215	8,400	- 815	
3D	15,800	12,000	-3,800	
ECC BYPASS	900	900	-	
MODEL DEVELOPMENT (ADB)	1,915 (615)	3,530 (2,030)	1,615 (1,415)	• CONDUCT CONTAINMENT INTER- COMPARTMENT FLOW TESTS
(SERB)	(1,300)	(1,500)	(200)	• BROADEN DATA BASE FOR STEAM/ WATER/GAS SEPARATION
				• ADDITIONAL PHENOMENA RELATED TO TMI PHENOMENA

SYSTEMS ENGINEERING (CONT'D.)

(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

FY 1980  
AMEND.

3,200

△

FY 1981  
AMEND.

9,750

6,550

OP. SAFETY

• FULL-SCALE REPLICATION FIRE TESTS

• EXAMINE CLASS IE TMI SAFETY EQUIPMENT

• CONTINUE UPGRADED REACTOR DIAGNOSTIC STUDY

• CONDUCT RESEARCH ON SAFETY VALVE BEHAVIOR

• PERFORM INITIAL TESTS ON SAFETY VALVES

SYSTEMS ENGINEERING (CONT'D.)

(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

	<u>FY 1980</u> <u>AMEND.</u>	<u>FY 1981</u> <u>AMEND.</u>	<u>Δ</u>	
TECH SUPT.	1,670	2,620	950	• PROVIDE FULL PUBLIC RELEASE OF NRC COMPUTER CODES AND COMPLETE DOCUMENTATION OF SAFETY DATA IN THE NUCLEAR SAFETY INFORMATION CENTER. START DEVELOPMENT OF COMPUTERIZED INFORMATION RETRIEVAL SYSTEM ON REACTOR SAFETY RESEARCH DATA.
(SERB)	(1,000)	(1,030)	(30)	
(RSB)	(670)	(1,590)	(920)	
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>42,900</u>	<u>45,300</u>	<u>2,400</u>	

LOFT

(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

	<u>FY 1980</u> (PRES.)	<u>FY 1981</u> (REQ.)	<u>Δ</u>
PROGRAM PLANNING AND ANALYSIS	3,820	5,000	1,180
FUEL	7,460	8,300	840
OPERATIONS	8,450	8,900	450
INSTRUMENTATION	7,300	8,000	700
FACILITY SUPPORT	9,100	11,300	2,200
ENG. & PHYSICS	6,470	6,500	30
ADV. FUEL INSTR.	300	300	-
<u>TOTAL</u>	42,900	48,300	5,400

- ACCELERATE TEST PROGRAM BY 20%
- TEST INSTRUMENTATION AND DIAGNOSTIC COMPUTER
- CHANGE TO BUDGET-AUTHORITY ACCOUNTING (DOE REQUIREMENT)

L O F T  
FY 1981

MINIMUM/CURRENT PROGRAM

\$44.3 MILLION

- L6-2 OFF-NORMAL TRANSIENT
- L2-4 LARGE BREAK AT 16 KW/FT
- L2-6 LARGE BREAK WITH PRESSURIZED FUEL
- L6-3 OFF-NORMAL TRANSIENT

LOFT

(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

	<u>MIN/CURRENT</u>	<u>REQ.</u>	<u>△</u>	
PROGRAM PLANNING AND ANALYSIS	4,000	5,000	1,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ACCELERATE TEST PROGRAM BY 20%</li> <li>• INITIATE PROGRAM TO TEST -INSTRUMENTATION AND -DIAGNOSTIC COMPUTER</li> </ul>
FUEL	8,300	8,300	-	
OPERATIONS	8,600	8,900	300	
INSTRUMENTATION	7,500	8,000	500	
FACILITY SUPPORT	9,500	11,300	1,800	
ENG. & PHYSICS	6,100	6,500	400	
ADV. FUEL INSTR.	300	300		
<u>TOTAL</u>	44,300	48,300	4,000	

L O F T

(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

	<u>FY 1980</u> <u>AMEND.</u>	<u>FY 1981</u> <u>AMEND.</u>	<u>Δ</u>
PROGRAM PLANNING AND ANALYSIS	3,820	5,000	1,180
FUEL	7,460	8,300	840
OPERATIONS	9,050	8,900	-150
INSTRUMENTATION	7,900	9,000	1,100
FACILITY SUPPORT	9,900	11,300	1,400
ENG. & PHYSICS	6,470	6,500	30
ADV. FUEL INSTR.	300	300	-
TOTAL	<u>44,900</u>	<u>49,300</u>	<u>4,400</u>

- ACCELERATE TEST PROGRAM BY 20%
- COMPLETE INSTALLATION OF DIAGNOSTIC COMPUTER INTO LOFT CONTROL ROOM
- CONTINUE EVALUATION OF ADVANCED INSTRUMENTATION FOR APPLICABILITY TO COMMERCIAL PLANTS



CODE DEVELOPMENT

(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

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	<u>FY 1980</u>	<u>FY 1981</u>	<u>Δ</u>
	(PRES.)	(REQ.)	

SYSTEMS CODES

4,430	6,330	1,900
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- EXPEDITE TRAC-BMR
- ACCELERATE IRT AND RAMONA III
- BEGIN HYBRID CODE

COMPONENT CODES

1,410	1,650	240
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- EXPEDITE COBRA-TF CODE (HOT CHANNEL VERSION) AND TRAC/COBRA COUPLED VERSION FOR UHI SYSTEM ANALYSIS

TRAC ASSESSMENT  
AND APPLICATIONS

3,060	6,450	3,390
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- RECOVER TRAC ASSESSMENT SCHEDULE LOST DURING FY 80 TO ACCOMMODATE IMI-RELATED PRIORITIES
- STATISTICAL APPL. OF TRAC
- TRAC APPLICATIONS TO OPERATING REACTORS
- WRAP APPLICATIONS PER NRR SPECS.
- DATA BANK ON POWER PLANTS

TOTAL

8,900	14,430	5,530
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CODE DEVELOPMENT

FY 1981

MINIMUM PROGRAM

\$9.2 MILLION

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SYSTEMS CODES

- UPDATE RAMONA III FOR BWR TRANSIENTS
- DEVELOP FIRST VERSION OF TRAC FOR RIA
- DEVELOP TRAC-B1 (FOR BWR LOCA)
- ASSESS BEACON VS DATA ON INTERCOMPARTMENTAL FLOW

COMPONENT CODES

- APPLY BASIC TESTS TO DEVELOP LOCAL MODELS.
- VERIFY HYDROELASTIC CODE USED FOR ANALYSIS OF SUBCOOLED BLOWDOWN LOADS ON CORE BARREL

TRAC ASSESSMENT  
AND APPLICATIONS

- ASSESS FIRST VERSION OF TRAC ATWS
- ASSESS FAST-RUNNING VERSION OF TRAC-PWR BASED ON AVAILABLE DATA
- APPLY TRAC-PWR TO LOFT AND TRAC-BWR AND -PWR TO LARGE SCALE REFLOOD TESTS
- LIMITED APPLICATION TO CASES OF INTEREST TO NRR

CODE DEVELOPMENT

(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

1981

	MIN	CURRENT	<u>Δ</u>	
SYSTEMS CODES	4,100	4,600	500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ACCELERATE DEVELOPMENT OF FAST RUNNING TRAC</li> <li>• IMPROVE TRAC-BWR, IRT, AND RETRAN</li> </ul>
COMPONENT CODES	1,120	1,550	430	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• VERIFY TRAC/COBRA LINK</li> </ul>
TRAC ASSESSMENT AND APPLICATIONS	4,000	4,850	850	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• INCREASE TRAC ASSESSMENT (DEFERRED FROM FY 1980 DUE TO HIGHER PRIORITY TMI RELATED WORK)</li> <li>• SUPPORT TRAC USERS</li> </ul>
 TOTAL	<u>9,220</u>	<u>11,000</u>	<u>1,780</u>	

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CODE DEVELOPMENT

(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

1981

	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>REQ</u>	<u>Δ</u>	
SYSTEMS CODES	4,600	6,330	1,730	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ACCELERATE IMPROVEMENT OF RAMONA III FOR BWR TRANSIENTS</li> <li>• EVALUATE "HYBRID" CONCEPT</li> </ul>
COMPONENT CODES	1,550	1,650	100	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• APPLY COBRA/TRAC LINK-UP TO SEMISCALE AND PWR-UHI ANALYSES</li> </ul>
TRAC ASSESSMENT AND APPLICATIONS	4,850	6,450	1,600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• APPLY FAST RUNNING TRAC TO NON-DESIGN-BASIS ACCIDENTS. EVALUATE CONSEQUENCES OF ACCIDENTS THAT WERE NOT POSTULATED IN THE PAST.</li> <li>• START DEVELOPING DATA BANK ON COMMERCIAL NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS TO FACILITATE USE OF CODES TO ANALYZE SAFETY ISSUES ON SPECIFIC PLANTS</li> </ul>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>11,000</u>	<u>14,430</u>	<u>3,430</u>	

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CODE DEVELOPMENT

(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

	EY 1980 AMEND	EY 1981 AMEND	
SYSTEMS CODES	6,130	6,330	200
			• CONTINUE DEVELOPING VERY FAST RUNNING CODE FOR NON-DESIGN BASIS ACCIDENTS (POSSIBLY "HYBRID CONCEPT")
COMPONENT CODES	1,410	1,650	240
			• ACCELERATE DEVELOPMENT OF COBRA HOT CHANNEL CODE (TO BE USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH TRAC SYSTEM CALC).
TRAC ASSESSMENT AND APPLICATIONS	4,860	7,260	2,400
			• INCREASE APPLICATION OF TRAC TO PROBLEMS OF INTEREST TO NRR
			• CONTINUE DEVELOPMENT OF DATA BANK FOR OPERATING REACTORS.
TOTAL	12,400	15,240	2,840

FUEL BEHAVIOR

(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

	<u>FY 1980</u> (PRES.)	<u>FY 1981</u> (REQ.)	<u>Δ</u>	
CLAD AND FUEL	2,080	2,750	670	• EXAMINE SAMPLES OF TMI FUEL
FUEL CODES	1,400	1,490	90	• ESCALATION
IN-PILE TESTING (PBF)	14,260	16,280	2,020	• EXPERIMENTS ON CORES BOILING DOWN (OTHER PBF REQ. DOWN)
IN-PILE TESTING (OTHER)	5,992	4,210	218	• ESSOR
FUEL MELT	1,368	3,970	2,602	• VAPOR EXPLOSIONS, INTEGRATED FISSION-PRODUCT TRANSPORT CODE, TMI F.P. DEPOSITS AND HYDROGEN PROGRAMS
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>23,100</u>	<u>28,700</u>	<u>5,600</u>	

FUEL BEHAVIOR

FY 1981

MINIMUM PROGRAM

\$23.3 MILLION

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CLAD & FUEL

- MRBT 8 X 8 BUNDLE EXAMINED AND ANALYSED. REPORTS COMPLETED ON TWO ADDITIONAL 4 X 4 BUNDLES
- STRESS/RUPTURE OUT-OF-PILE TESTS COMPLETE, START IN-PILE TESTS
- FRAPCON-2 STEADY STATE CODE WILL BE MAINTAINED.

FUEL CODES

- FRAP-T-6 TRANSIENT FUEL CODE WILL BE MAINTAINED
- MATPRO-12 MATERIALS PROPERTY CODE UPDATED
- FRAPCON-2 AND FRAP-T-6 IMPROVEMENTS VERIFIED

IN-PILE (OTHER)

- NUCLEAR TESTS BEGIN IN NRU
- HALDEN MEMBERSHIP MAINTAINED

IN-PILE (U.S.)

- 5 PBF TESTS IN RIA AND OPTRAN SERIES
- PBF FACILITY ENGINEERING AND OPERATION CONTINUE

FUEL MELT

- CONCLUDE FULLY INSTRUMENTED VAPOR EXPLOSION TESTS
- MODEL CONTAINMENT F. P. TRANSPORT IN TRAP
- F. P. VAPOR PRESSURES MEASURED TO 1000°C FOR TRAP MODEL
- CORCON MODELS FOR LONG TERM CORE/CONCRETE INTERACTION

FUEL BEHAVIOR

FY 1981

	MIN.	CURRENT	$\Delta$	
CLAD AND FUEL	1,950	1,950	0	----
FUEL CODES	1,486	1,486	0	----
IN-PILE (OTHER)	4,215	4,215	0	----
IN-PILE (U.S.)	14,465	14,465	0	----
FUEL MELT	1,200	1,840	640	- TIME DEPENDENT F. P. RELEASE MODELS - SOURCE TERM CORRELATIONS - SENSITIVITY STUDIES ON INTEG. CODE - CORCON PROGRAMMER - VAPOR EXPLOSION MODEL DEVELOPMENT - LARGE SCALE STEAM EXPLOSION TEST - CORE RETENTION MATERIALS TESTS
	<hr/> 23,316	<hr/> 23,956	<hr/> 640	

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FUEL BEHAVIOR  
FY 81

	CURRENT	REQ.	<u>Δ</u>	
CLAD AND FUEL	1,950	2,750	800	- EXAMINE TMI FUEL
FUEL CODES	1,486	1,490	0	-----
IN-PILE (OTHER)	4,215	4,210	0	-----
IN-PILE (U.S.)	14,465	16,280	1,815	- EXPERIMENTS ON CORES BOILING DOWN
FUEL MELT	1,840	3,970	2,130	- TMI FISSION PRODUCT DATA, HYDROGEN PROGRAM, COOLANT CHEMISTRY CONTAINMENT LOAD SOURCES
	<hr/> 23,956	<hr/> 28,700	<hr/> 4,745	

FUEL BEHAVIOR

	FY 1980 AMEND.	FY 1981 AMEND.	<u>△</u>	
CLAD & FUEL	3,080	2,550	-530	- REDUCED BASIC PROGRAM, COMPLETE CREEPDOWN, LOWER COST TMI EFFORT
FUEL CODES	1,400	1,486	+ 86	- ESCALATION
IN-PILE (OTHER)	3,992	4,215	+223	- ESCALATION
IN-PILE (U.S.)	16,260	16,065	-195	- LOWER COST CORE BOILING EFFORT
FUEL MELT	3,968	4,140	+172	- REDUCED BASIC PROGRAM, ADDED SPECIAL ISSUES IN "CURRENT" BUDGET
	<hr/> 28,700	<hr/> 28,456	<hr/> -244	

PRIMARY SYSTEM INTEGRITY  
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

	FY 1980 (PRES.)	FY 1981 (REQ.)	<u>△</u>	
FRACTURE MECHANICS	3,250	5,480	2,230	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● HYDROGEN EMBRITTLEMENT AND STRUCTURAL RESPONSE TO H<sub>2</sub> EXPLOSIONS</li> <li>● INTERACTIVE PIPE SAFETY ASSESSMENT CODE</li> <li>● PRESSURIZED THERMAL SHOCK</li> </ul>
OPERATING EFFECTS	3,350	6,330	2,980	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● STRESS CORROSION CRACKING (SCC) IN BWR PIPING</li> <li>● TOUGHNESS LOSS IN CAST STAINLESS STEEL</li> </ul>
NON-DESTRUCTIVE EXAMINATION	2,000	2,900	900	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● REAL-TIME, IMPROVED FLAW DETECTION</li> </ul>
TOTAL	8,600	14,710	6,110	

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PRIMARY SYSTEM INTEGRITY

FY 1981

MINIMUM PROGRAM

\$6.58 MILLION

FRACTURE MECHANICS

- FABRICATE INTERMEDIATE TEST VESSEL FOR LOW-SHELF MATERIAL.
- VALIDATE TEARING INSTABILITY CONCEPT FOR ELASTIC-PLASTIC ANALYSIS OF VESSELS AND PIPING USING AVAILABLE DATA.
- COMPLETE THERMAL SHOCK TESTING OF UNPRESSURIZED CYLINDERS.
- VALIDATE TWO-PHASE JET AND PIPE WHIP PREDICTIVE CODES - QUICK REFERENCE DATA FOR LICENSING.
- COMPLETE FRACTURE MECHANICS EVALUATION OF MOST LIKELY PIPING BREAKS AND MECHANICAL PROPERTY MEASUREMENTS OF PIPING STEELS.

OPERATING EFFECTS

- COMPLETE DUCTILE SHELF FRACTURE TOUGHNESS CHARACTERIZATION OF LOW-SHELF WELD METALS TO UPDATE THE  $K_{IR}$  CURVE AND 10CFR50 RULES.
- PROVIDE DATA FOR CODE AND REG. GUIDE ON REACTOR VESSEL ANNEALING.
- COMPLETE IRRADIATED CRACK GROWTH RATE DATA TO UPDATE ASME CODE.
- MEASURE MECHANICAL PROPERTIES FROM TEST SPECIMENS FROM VESSEL WALL SURVEILLANCE AND DOSIMETRY ASSEMBLY.
- COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION OF TEST BED FOR RETIRED STEAM GENERATOR.
- COMPLETE MODELS TO PREDICT STRESS CORROSION CRACKING IN STEAM GENERATOR TUBING.

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PRIMARY SYSTEM INTEGRITY

FY 1981

MINIMUM PROGRAM (CONT.)

\$6.58 MILLION

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NON-DESTRUCTIVE  
EXAMINATION

- CONTINUE CONTINUOUS INTERNAL FRICTION MONITORING OF INTERGRANULAR STRESS CORROSION CRACKING (IGSCC) AND GENERAL CRACKING IN LWR COMPONENTS.
- BEGIN RESEARCH IN ACOUSTIC EMISSION MONITORING OF IGSCC AND GENERAL CRACKING IN LWR COMPONENTS.
- COMPLETE FIELD EVALUATION OF SAFT-UT.
- ESTABLISH PROBABILITY OF ULTRASONIC TESTING FOR FLAW DETECTION IN FERRITIC PIPING AND BI-METALLIC JOINTS.

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PRIMARY SYSTEM INTEGRITY  
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

FY 1981

MIN. CURRENT 

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FRACTURE MECHANICS	2,280	3,480	1,200	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TEST AND ANALYZE RESULTS OF ITV FOR LOW-SHELF LIFE MATERIALS.</li> <li>• CARRY OUT SPECIFIC TESTS TO VALIDATE TEARING INSTABILITY.</li> <li>• DEVELOP REALISTIC FLAW DISTRIBUTION IN PIPING AND USE TO IMPROVE PROBABILITY OF PIPE BREAKS UNDER LOCA AND SSE LOADS.</li> </ul>
OPERATING EFFECTS	2,700	3,730	1,030	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DEVELOP TEARING INSTABILITY PARAMETERS FOR LICENSING APPLICATION TO PRESSURE VESSELS AND PIPING.</li> <li>• CORRELATION BETWEEN MEASURED AND PREDICTED MECHANICAL PROPERTIES FROM SURVEILLANCE/DOSIMETRY EXPERIMENT.</li> <li>• INSTALL RETIRED STEAM GENERATOR IN TEST BED, BEGIN RESEARCH.</li> </ul>



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PRIMARY SYSTEM INTEGRITY  
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

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FY 1981 (CONT.)

MIN. CURRENT 

- VALIDATE PREDICTIVE MODELS FOR STRESS CORROSION CRACKING OF INCONEL STEAM GENERATOR TUBING.
- START DEVELOPMENT OF REAL-TIME, AUTOMATED FLAW DETECTION.
- PROVIDE BASIS FOR CODE CASE FOR EDDY CURRENT STEAM GENERATOR INSPECTION.
- EVALUATE NEW NON-CODE NDE TECHNIQUES.

OPERATING EFFECTS  
(CONT.)

NON-DESTRUCTIVE	1,600	2,700	1,100
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TOTAL	6,580	9,910	3,330

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PRIMARY SYSTEM INTEGRITY  
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

FY 1981

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	CURRENT	REQ.	$\Delta$	
FRACTURE MECHANICS	3,480	5,480	2,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● HYDROGEN EMBRITTLEMENT AND STRUCTURAL RESPONSE TO H<sub>2</sub> EXPLOSION.</li> <li>● INTERACTIVE PIPE SAFETY ASSESSMENT CODE.</li> <li>● PRESSURIZED THERMAL SHOCK.</li> </ul>
OPERATING EFFECTS	3,730	6,330	2,600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● STRESS CORROSION CRACKING IN BWR PIPING AND CARBON STEEL.</li> <li>● TOUGHNESS LOSS IN CAST STAINLESS STEEL COMPONENTS DUE TO THERMAL SHOCKING.</li> </ul>
NON-DESTRUCTIVE	2,700	2,900	200	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● REAL-TIME, IMPROVED FLAW DETECTION, ELIMINATION OR REDUCTION OF OPERATOR ERROR.</li> </ul>
TOTAL	9,910	14,710	4,800	

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PRIMARY SYSTEM INTEGRITY  
(THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS)

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EY 1980 AMEND      EY 1981 AMEND       $\Delta$

FRACTURE MECHANICS	4,250	5,880	1,630	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CONTINUE HYDROGEN EMBRITTELEMENT AND STRUCTURAL RESPONSE TO H<sub>2</sub> EXPLOSIONS.</li> <li>• CONTINUE DEVELOPMENT OF INTERACTIVE PIPE SAFETY ASSESSMENT CODE.</li> <li>• CONTINUE PRESSURIZED THERMAL SHOCK TEST.</li> </ul>
OPERATING EFFECTS	3,350	6,330	2,980	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CONTINUE STRESS CORROSION CRACKING (SCC) STUDY FOR BWR PIPING AND FERRITIC COMPONENTS.</li> <li>• CONTINUE TOUGHNESS LOSS STUDY FOR CAST STAINLESS STEEL DUE TO THERMAL SHOCKING.</li> </ul>
NON-DESTRUCTIVE EXAMINATION	2,000	2,500	900	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CONTINUE REAL-TIME, IMPROVED FLAW DETECTION, ELIMINATION OR REDUCTION OF OPERATOR ERROR.</li> </ul>

TOTAL      9,600      15,110      5,510

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SEISMIC, STRUCTURAL, MECHANICAL, AND SITE SAFETY  
(\$ MILLIONS)

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	PRES. FY 80	REQ. FY 81	△	
STRUCT. ENGR.	\$2.28	\$5.70	\$3.42	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EXPERIMENTAL VERIFICATION OF STRUCTURAL FAILURE MODES AND SAFETY MARGINS</li> <li>• VERIFICATION OF COMPUTER CODES</li> <li>• INITIATE PHASE II OF SEISMIC SAFETY MARGINS RESEARCH PROGRAM (SSMRP) RELATED TO STRUCTURAL AREAS</li> <li>• CONTAINMENT BUCKLING</li> <li>• DAMAGE ASSESSMENT OF PLANT STRUCTURES.</li> </ul>
MECH. ENGR.	\$2.64	\$5.80	\$3.16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• INITIATE PHASE II OF SSMRP RELATED TO MECHANICAL AREAS</li> <li>• EXTEND LOAD COMBINATIONS BEYOND LOCA PLUS EARTHQUAKE</li> <li>• START EXPERIMENTAL PHASE OF PUMP, VALVE AND SNUBBER PROGRAM</li> <li>• CONTINUE PROGRAM TO VALIDATE MECHANICAL COMPUTER PROGRAMS</li> <li>• INITIATE ASSESSMENT OF ASME CODE REQUIREMENTS.</li> </ul>
SITE SAFETY	\$5.08	\$6.50	\$1.42	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MAKEUP AND INFLATION FROM PREVIOUS YEAR (FY 1979)</li> <li>• THROUGH-PUT INCREASES IN REGIONAL SEISMOLOGY OF NORTHWEST U.S., CHARLESTON, AND NEW MADRID AND IN EARTH STRESS MEASUREMENTS AND METEOROLOGICAL DISPERSION FIELD PROGRAMS.</li> </ul>
EQUIPMENT	\$0.2	\$0.6	\$0.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• INSTRUMENT AND RECORDING EQUIPMENT FOR EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAMS.</li> </ul>

SEISMIC, STRUCTURAL, MECHANICAL AND SITE SAFETY

FY 1981

BASE PROGRAM - MINIMUM LEVEL

\$12.6 MILLION

- ASSESS FACTORS CONTRIBUTING TO SEISMIC RISK
- DEVELOP FAILURE PROBABILITIES OF THE REFERENCE PLANT FOR INCREASING EARTHQUAKE SIZES
- ASSESS CURRENT METHODS TO DEFINE EQUIVALENT SEISMIC INPUT
- PERFORM PROBABILISTIC ANALYSIS OF CURRENTLY PRESCRIBED LOAD COMBINATIONS
- PLANS FOR EXPERIMENTAL VERIFICATION OF FAILURE MODES AND SAFETY MARGINS
- DEVELOP LIMITED QUALITATIVE INSIGHTS INTO: SEISMIC BEHAVIOR OF COMPONENTS; RELIABILITY OF PUMPS, VALVES AND SNUBBERS; DAMAGE EVALUATION TECHNIQUES TO REQUALIFY DAMAGED PLANTS
- PROVIDE GUIDANCE ON LOAD COMBINATIONS AND VALIDATION OF COMPUTER CODES
- COMPLETE 5 YEAR INCREMENT OF SEISMOTECTONIC STUDIES IN NORTHEAST, CHARLESTON, NEW MADRID AND NEMAHA REGIONS
- COMPLETE SOIL FOUNDATION PROPERTIES AND EARTHQUAKE RESPONSE STUDIES, AND EARTHQUAKE SOURCE MODELING STUDIES
- COMPLETE TORNADO HAZARD REGIONALIZATION AND LAB MODEL LOADING STUDIES
- CONDUCT FULL-SCALE FIELD EXPERIMENTS ON ATMOSPHERIC DISPERSION AT COASTAL AND RIVER VALLEY SITES.

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SEISMIC, STRUCTURAL, MECHANICAL AND SITE SAFETY  
 FY 1981  
 (\$ MILLIONS)

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	<u>MINIMUM</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>△</u>	
STRUCT. ENGR.	\$3.20	\$3.90	\$0.70	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ACCELERATE DEVELOPMENT OF REALISTIC SEISMIC MODELS</li> <li>• STAFF POSITIONS FOR WATER HAMMER EFFECT AND SHORT-TERM SEISMIC DESIGN CRITERIA</li> <li>• FRAGILITY CURVES FOR SSMRP</li> </ul>
MECH. ENGR	\$3.20	\$3.80	\$0.60	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EXTEND ASSESSMENT OF LOAD COMBINATIONS</li> <li>• CONDUCT EXPERIMENTS TO DETERMINE PUMP, VALVE AND SNUBBER RELIABILITY</li> <li>• AVOID DELAYS IN SSMRP</li> <li>• DAMAGE ASSESSMENT TECHNIQUES EXTENDED TO LOW LEVEL DAMAGE</li> </ul>
SITE SAFETY	\$6.20	\$6.20	\$0.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CURRENT ACTIVITY SAME AS MINIMUM</li> </ul>

SEISMIC, STRUCTURAL, MECHANICAL AND SITE SAFETY  
 FY 1981  
 (\$ MILLIONS)

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	CURRENT	REQUESTED	<u>△</u>	
STRUCT, ENGR.	\$3.90	\$5.70	\$1.80	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• VERIFICATION OF COMPUTER CODES</li> <li>• EVALUATION OF NEW CONCEPTS</li> <li>• DAMAGE ASSESSMENT OF PLANT STRUCTURES</li> <li>• ENHANCEMENT OF SSMRP</li> </ul>
MECH. ENGR.	\$3.80	\$5.80	\$2.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MORE ACCURATE ASSESSMENT OF SEISMIC METHODOLOGY UNCERTAINTIES</li> <li>• DEVELOP FRAGILITY CURVES</li> <li>• IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL LOAD COMBINATIONS</li> <li>• DEVELOP SEISMIC RESTRAINT DEVICES</li> <li>• ASSESS ASME CODE LIMITS</li> <li>• ADDRESS SHORT-TERM USER REQUESTS</li> </ul>
SITE SAFETY	\$6.20	\$6.50	\$0.30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• STUDIES OF GEOLOGIC STABILITY OF WASTE DISPOSAL SITES</li> <li>• ADDITIONAL GEOPHYSICAL PROFILING IN EARTHQUAKE ZONES</li> <li>• MORE COMPREHENSIVE ATMOSPHERIC DISPERSION TESTS</li> <li>• MINIMUM METEOROLOGICAL MONITORING REQUIREMENTS</li> </ul>

SEISMIC, STRUCTURAL, MECHANICAL AND SITE SAFETY  
(\$ MILLIONS)

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	FY 80 AMEND	FY 81 AMEND	△	
STRUCT. ENGR.	\$3.00	\$6.00	\$3.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EXPERIMENTAL VERIFICATION OF STRUCTURAL FAILURE MODES</li> <li>• ACCELERATE PROGRAM ON CONTAINMENT SAFETY MARGIN AND EFFECTS OF HYDROGEN EXPLOSION</li> <li>• VERIFICATION OF COMPUTER CODES</li> <li>• INITIATE PHASE II OF SEISMIC SAFETY MARGINS RESEARCH PROGRAM (SSMRP) RELATED TO STRUCTURAL AREAS</li> <li>• CONTAINMENT BUCKLING</li> <li>• DAMAGE ASSESSMENT OF PLANT STRUCTURES.</li> </ul>
MECH. ENGR.	\$3.92	\$7.40	\$3.48	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ACCELERATE ANALYSIS AND EXPERIMENTS ON PUMP AND VALVE OPERABILITY</li> <li>• ACCELERATE PROGRAM ON DAMAGE ASSESSMENT TECHNIQUES FOR MECHANICAL COMPONENTS</li> <li>• INITIATE EXPERIMENTAL VERIFICATION OF MECHANICAL COMPUTER CODES</li> <li>• INITIATE PHASE II OF SSMRP RELATED TO MECHANICAL AREAS</li> <li>• EXTEND LOAD COMBINATIONS BEYOND LOCA PLUS EARTHQUAKE</li> <li>• INITIATE ASSESSMENT OF ASME CODE REQUIREMENTS</li> </ul>
SITE SAFETY	\$5.08	\$6.50	\$1.42	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MAKEUP AND INFLATION FROM PREVIOUS YEAR (FY 1979)</li> <li>• THROUGH-PUT INCREASES IN REGIONAL SEISMOLOGY OF NORTHWEST U.S., CHARLESTON, AND NEW MADRID AND IN EARTH STRESS MEASUREMENTS AND METEOROLOGICAL DISPERSION FIELD PROGRAMS.</li> </ul>

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LMEBR PROGRAM  
(IN MILLIONS)

ACTIVITY	<u>EY 80</u>	<u>EY 81</u>	<u>Δ</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>
ANALYSIS	5.4	7.8	2.4	• COMPLETE & RELEASE ACCIDENT CODES
SAFETY TEST FACILITY STUDIES	0	0.7	0.7	• REACTIVATE ARSR PROGRAM
MATERIALS INTERACTION	2.8	4.6	1.8	• DESIGN/FABRICATE ACRR SODIUM LOOP
AEROSOL RELEASE & TRANSPORT	2.2	3.0	0.8	• CORE MELT AEROSOL SOURCE AND TRANSPORT
SYSTEM INTEGRITY	3.3	6.0	2.7	• CONTAIN QUALIFICATION • LARGE CORE MELT RETENTION TESTS
TOTAL	13.7	22.1	8.4	

FY 81 LMFBR PROGRAM

ANALYSIS

\$ 7.8 M

- ISSUE CONTAIN-11, BIFLO AND SSC-S CODES
- COMPLETE 2-PHASE COMMIX-2 AND BODYFIT CODES
- COMPLETE PHASE-2 OF ACCIDENT DELINEATION STUDY
- CONTINUE CODE QUALIFICATION PROGRAMS

SAFETY TEST FACILITY STUDIES

\$ 0.7 M

- REACTIVATE NRC PROGRAM

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FY 81 LMEBR PROGRAM

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MATERIALS INTERACTION

\$ 4.6 M

- ACRR LOOP DESIGN / FABRICATION
- ACRR 7-PIH ACCIDENT ENERGETICS CAPSULE TESTS
- ACRR FUEI DISPERSAL TESTS -- IRRADIATED FUEL
- ACRR TRANSITION PHASE TESTS

FY 81 LIFEBR PROGRAM

AEROSOL RELEASE & TRANSPORT

- CORE MELT AEROSOL SOURCE TERM
- NSPP CORE MELT AEROSOL TRANSPORT
- FAST NA TESTS -- HCDA SOURCE
- HAARM-3 EXTENSION TO CORE MELT

FY 81 LMFBR PROGRAM

SYSTEM INTEGRITY

\$ 6.0 M

- CONTAIN QUALIFICATION
- LARGE CORE MELT RETENTION TESTS
- ACRR CORE DEBRIS COOLABILITY TESTS
- TESTS ON CELL LINER RESPONSE TO ACCIDENT LOADS

ADVANCED CONVERTERS

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<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>FY 80</u> (PRES.)	<u>FY 81</u> (REQ.)	<u>COMMENT</u>
GCR	0*	3.9	CONTINUE MIN. MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

\* EXPECT \$3.7M TO BE MANDATED BY CONGRESS

FY 81 ADVANCED CONVERTERS PROGRAM

GCR \$3.9 M

- COMPLETE CORE SUPPORT BLOCK (P6X) TESTS
- QUALIFY FSV TRANSIENT ANALYSIS CODES
- COMPLETE FSV CONVECTIVE PLUME  
HEAT TRANSFER TESTS

FY 80 SUPPLEMENT FOR SAFETY RESEARCH

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BUDGET SUMMARY

<u>Category</u>	<u>(\$ Million)</u>
Better Understanding of Transient and Small LOCA Accidents	\$ 13.4
Enhanced Operator Capability	3.8
Plant Response Under Accident Conditions	5.1
Post Mortem Examination and Plant Recovery	2.7
Improved Risk Assessment	3.1
Improved Reactor Safety	<u>1.7</u>
	\$ 29.8

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(\$Million)

Better Understanding of Transient and Small LOCA Accidents

\$ 3.1

Modifications and Checking of Existing Codes to Improve their Capability to Handle Transient, Natural Circulation and Small LOCA Accidents in PWRs and BWRs

3.0

Upgrade Semiscale to Study PWR Transients

2.2

Upgrade TLTA to Study BWR Transients and Small LOCA

1.0

Modify LOFT to Accelerate Small LOCA Tests

1.3

Separate Effects and Thermal-Hydraulic Tests

2.4

Coolability of Severely Damaged Cores; Release and Transport of Fission Products

0.4

Establish Data Bank for Each Operating Reactor for NRC Calculations

\$13.4

(\$Million)

Enhanced Operator Capability

Develop Improved Control Room Display and Diagnostic Systems and Improved Requirements for Operator Training Simulators

\$ 1.8

Develop Instrumentation Needs and Improved Status Monitoring of ESF's

1.0

Define Data Transmission Requirements and Review Accident Response Procedures

1.0

\$ 3.8

Plant Response Under Accident Conditions  
(\$Million)

\$ 0.5

Improved Understanding of Coolant Chemistry after  
Fuel Failure; Better Sampling Methods

1.2

Hydrogen Behavior in Coolant and Containment;  
Effect of Hydrogen Explosions

2.1

Response of Plant Equipment and Structures to  
Accident Conditions

0.5

Potential Design Improvements for Maintaining  
Containment Integrity under Fuel Melt Conditions

0.8

Benchmark Testing of Structural and Piping System  
Analysis Codes

\$ 5.1

(\$Million)

Post Mortem Examination and Plant Recovery

\$ 1.0

Examine Samples of TMI Damaged Fuel

0.6

Measure Fission Product Chemistry and Plateout  
Data

1.1

Post Mortem of TMI Safety Related Equipment and  
Establish Requalification Criteria

\$ 2.7

(\$Million)

Improved Risk Assessment

\$ 1.4

Develop Event Trees of Accidents Leading to Severe  
Core Damage and Assess Site Specific Accident  
Consequences

1.2

Analysis of Human Error Rates and Impacts of Human  
Errors on Risk

0.5

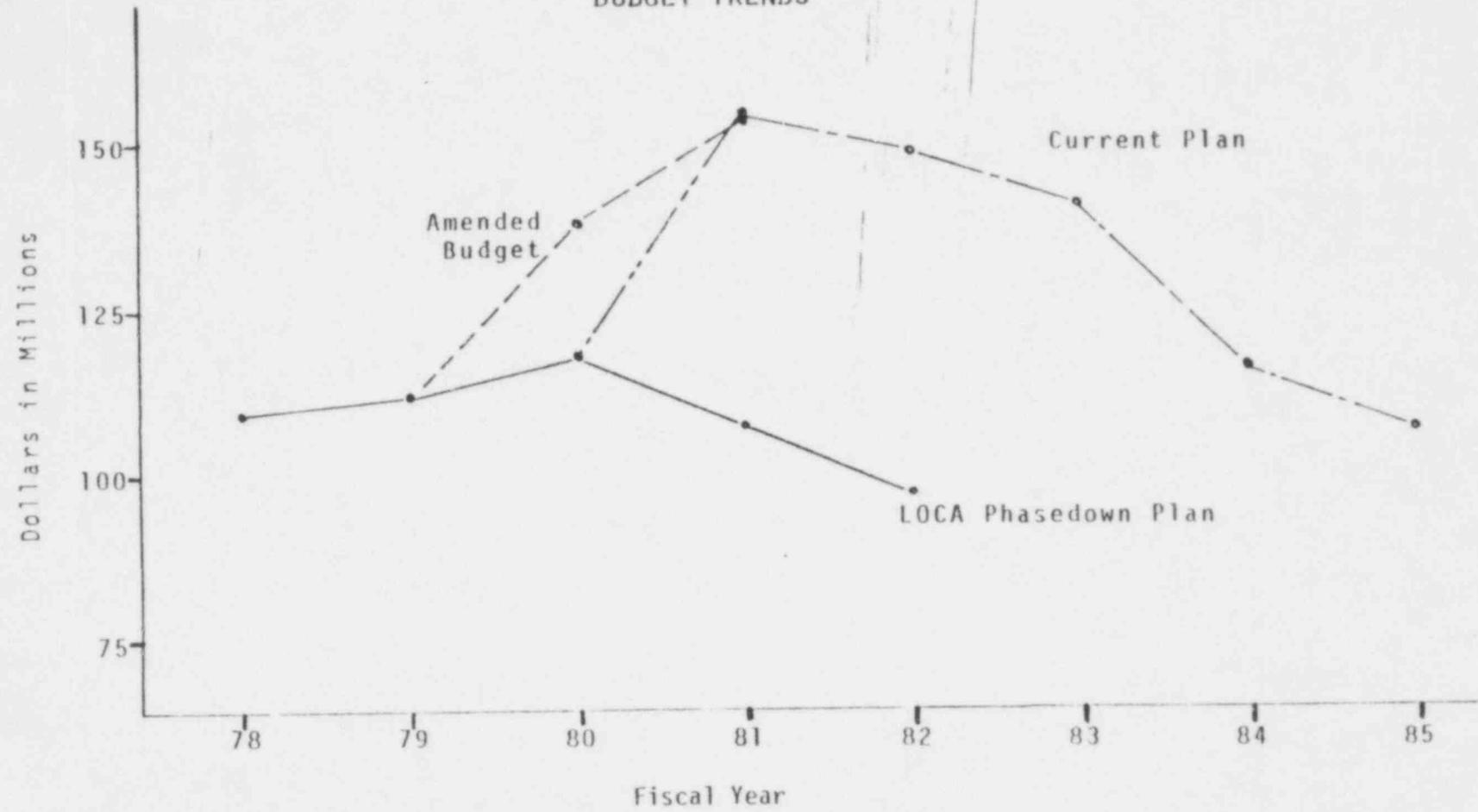
Operational: Failure Data Analysis

\$ 3.1

<u>Improved Reactor Safety</u>	<u>(\$Million)</u>
Improved Containment Concepts	\$ 0.5
Improved Safety Systems for Coping with Accidents	1.0
Improved Value/Impact Methodology	0.2
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	\$ 1.7

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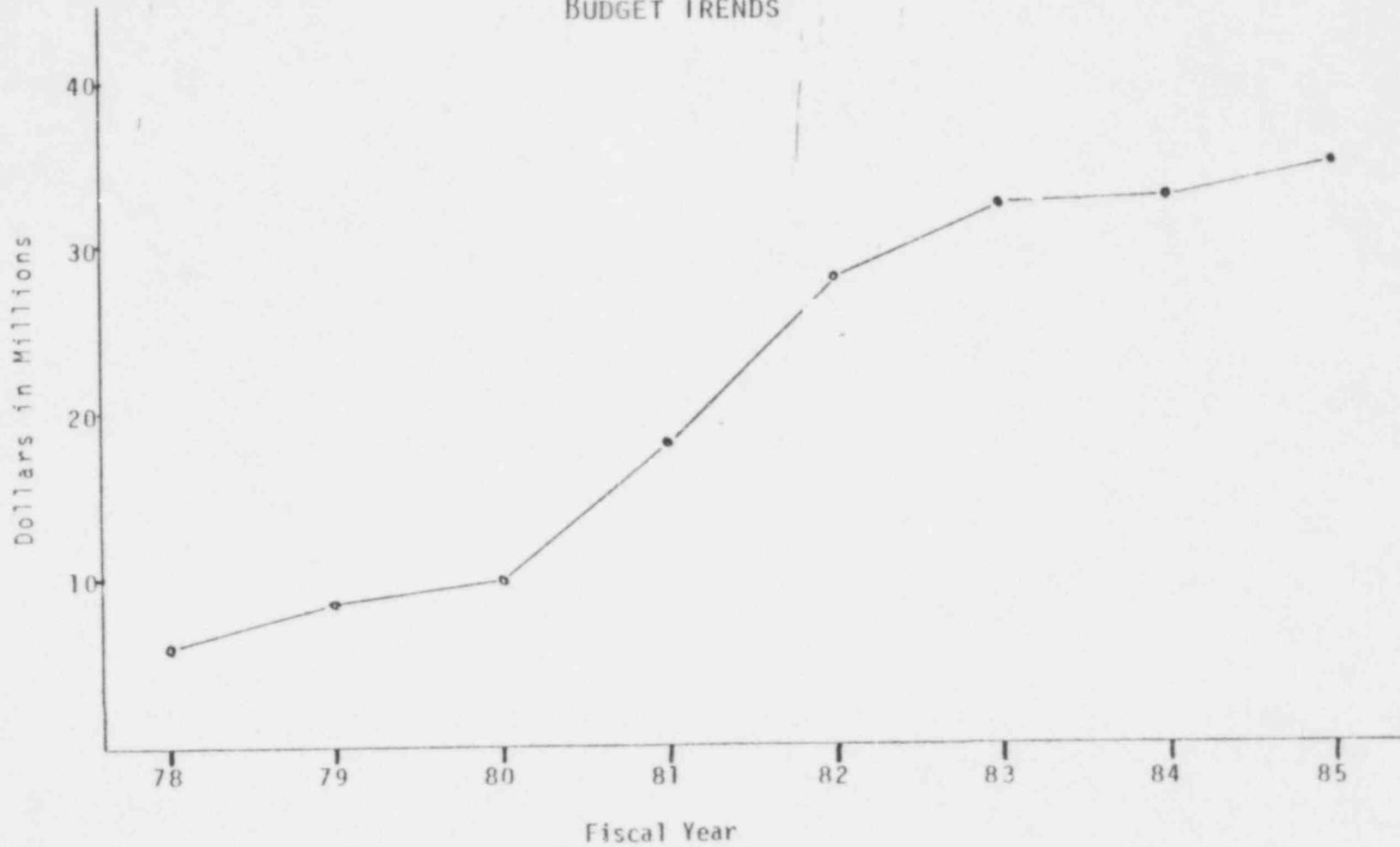
### LWR SAFETY RESEARCH BUDGET TRENDS



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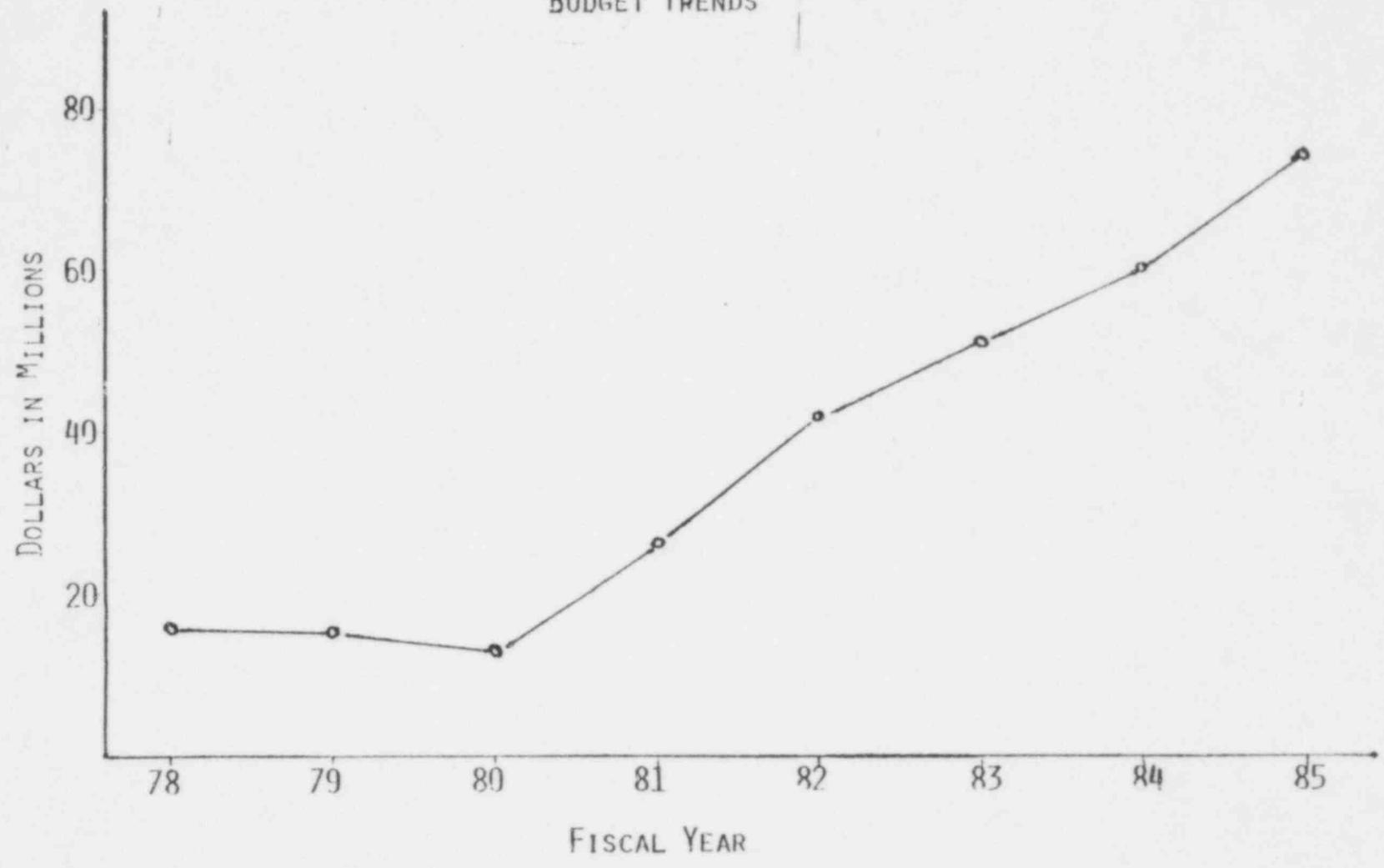
### SEISMIC, ENGINEERING, AND SITE SAFETY BUDGET TRENDS



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### ADVANCED REACTOR SAFETY RESEARCH BUDGET TRENDS



RESEARCH PROGRAMS' REVIEW

FOR THE

ACRS SUBCOMMITTEE ON ECCS

SEPARATE EFFECTS RESEARCH BRANCH

JUNE 20, 1979

A. W. SERKIZ  
ACTING BRANCH CHIEF

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SERB RESEARCH PROGRAMS

- . SEMISCALE
- . BLOWDOWN AND REFLOOD HEAT TRANSFER
  - . . PWR BDHT AT ORNL
  - . . BWR BD/ECC AT GE (SAN JOSE)
  - . . BWR CCFL AT GE (LYNN)
  - . . FLECHT SEASET AT WESTINGHOUSE (PITTSBURGH)
- . MODEL DEVELOPMENT
- . TECHNICAL SUPPORT

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"SYSTEMS ENGINEERING" DECISION UNIT

. SEMISCALE

. BLOWDOWN AND REFLOOD HEAT TRANSFER

. 2D/3D

. MODEL DEVELOPMENT

. . . SERB

. . . ADB

. OPERATIONAL SAFETY (RSB)

. TECHNICAL SUPPORT

. . . SERB

. . . RSB

. GENERAL SUPPORT

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SEPARATE EFFECTS RESEARCH BRANCH

	<u>EY 1979</u>
. SEMISCALE	\$ 6.2M
. BD AND RF HEAT TRANSFER	7.0M
. ECC BYPASS (SMALL SCALE)	1.7M
. MODEL DEVELOPMENT	1.5M
. TECHNICAL SUPPORT	<u>1.2M</u>
SERB TOTAL	\$17.6M
 SYSTEMS ENGINEERING DECISION UNIT =	 \$33.7M

CURRENT ACTIVITIES

- . PROGRAMS UNDER REVIEW TO ADDRESS TMI-2 LESSONS LEARNED
- . DE-EMPHASIZE LARGE LOCA RESEARCH
- . CONCLUDE PROGRAMS UNDERWAY
- . ADDRESS NEW RESEARCH REQUIREMENTS
- . RETHINK FY 1980 EFFORT AND REDIRECT
- . REQUEST SELECTIVE FY 1980 AND FY 1981 BUDGET SUPPLEMENTS

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SEPARATE EFFECTS RESEARCH BRANCH

BUDGET OVERVIEW

	FY 1979	FY 1980		FY 1981 (REQ)	
		(PRES. BUDGET)	(TMI <sub>A</sub> )	(REQ'D)	(W/A 80)
. SEMISCALE	\$ 6.2M	6.7M	\$3.5M	\$10.2M	\$ 8.1M
. BD AND RF H.T.	7.0M	6.2M	3.0M	9.4M	8.4M
. ECC BYPASS	1.7M	0.9M	-	0.5M	0.5M
. MODEL DEVEL.	1.5M	1.9M	-	0.5M	0.5M
. TECH. SUPPORT	1.2M	1.0M	-	1.1M	1.1M
	\$17.6M	\$16.7M	\$6.5M	\$22.7M	\$19.6M

NOTES:

1. FY 1981 ESTIMATES ARE PRELIMINARY AND UNDER REVIEW
2. FY 1980 ESTIMATES ARE PRE-TMI DISTRIBUTIONS PER THE PRESIDENTS BUDGET

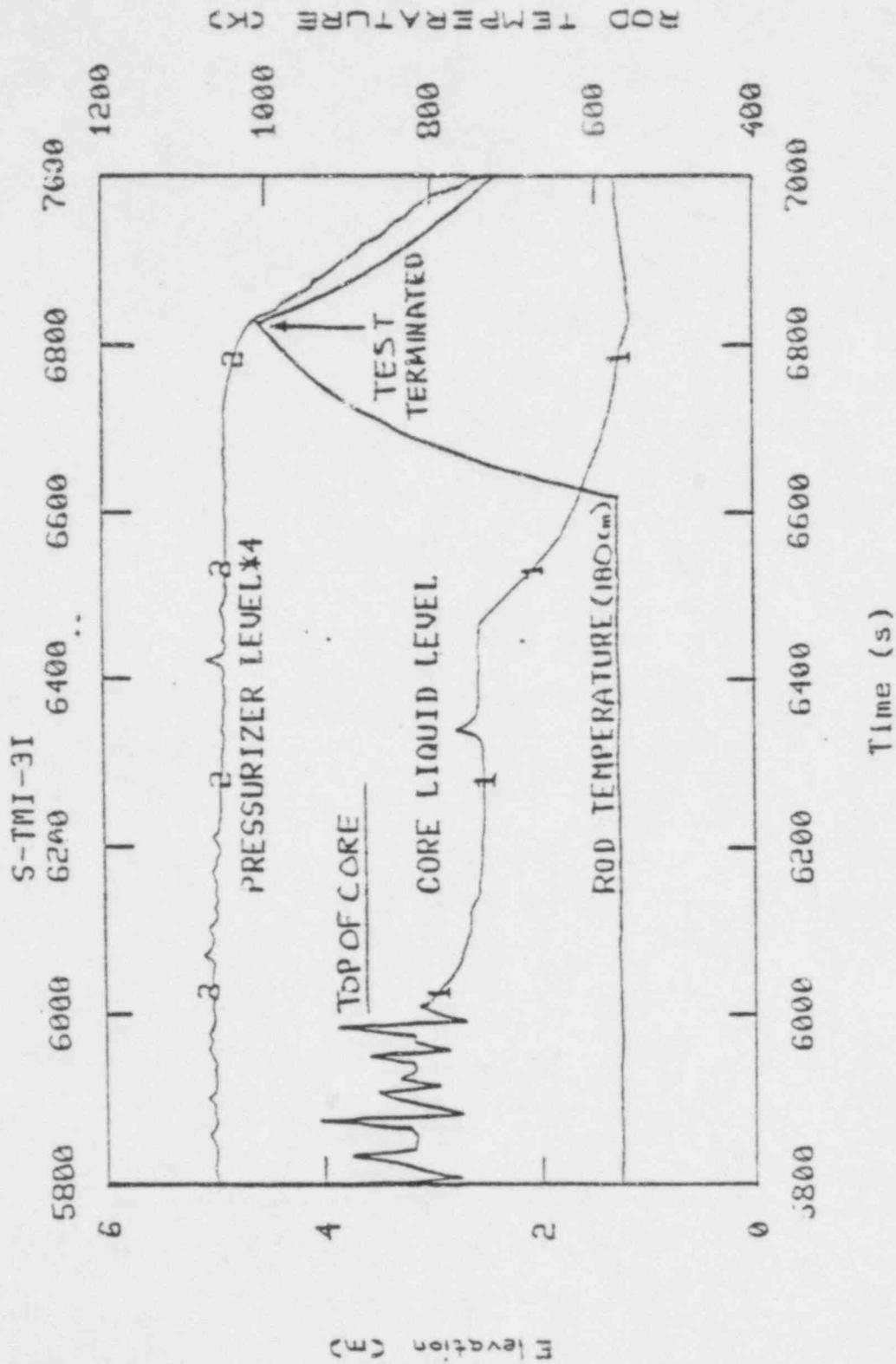
SEMISCALE OVERVIEW

- . FY 1979, CONDUCT UHI EXPERIMENTS
- . DOWNCOMER VOIDING AND OSCILLATORY BEHAVIOR (REF. S-06-7 EXPERIMENT)
- . MASS DEPLETION STUDIED, ADDITIONAL TESTS RUN
  - . . EXCESSIVE HEAT FROM DOWNCOMER WALLS
  - . . CORE BACKFLOW AND HIGH CORE STEAMING RATES
- . TMI SUPPORT EXPERIMENTS
  - . . GAS BUBBLE VENTING
  - . . TMI TRANSIENT SIMULATION
- . PROGRAM REDIRECTION RECOMMENDED
  - . . MOVE SMALL BREAK TEST UP (JULY - SEPTEMBER 1979)
  - . . SYSTEM UPGRADE EFFORTS (OTSG, ADDITIONAL PRIM. PUMP  
ADD SECONDARY LOOPS)

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COMPARISON OF CORE AND PRESSURIZER LEVEL WITH ROD CLAD TEMPERATURES - TEST TMI-3I



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SEMISCALE PROGRAM SCOPE

PRE-TMI (FY 79-81)

FOCUS:

LOSS-OF-COOLANT ACCIDENT  
(WESTINGHOUSE UHI DESIGN)

TEST PROGRAMS:

MOD-3 BASELINE TESTS

SMALL BREAK LICENSING EVALUATION

SMALL BREAK TESTING

MOD-3 INTERIM EVALUATION TESTS

UHI ECC TESTS

TWO-PIPE DOWNCOMER SEPARATE EFFECTS

TWO-PIPE DOWNCOMER INTEGRAL TESTS

SYSTEM

MODIFICATIONS:

INTERNAL WALL INSULATION

TWO-PIPE DOWNCOMER

MOD-2 CONFIGURATION

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PRELIMINARY SEMISCALE PROGRAM SCOPE

POST - TMI (FY 79 - 81)

FOCUS:

OPERATIONAL TRANSIENTS / SMALL BREAK  
(WESTINGHOUSE, B & W DESIGNS)

TEST PROGRAMS:

MOD-3 BASELINE TESTS

SMALL BREAK LICENSING EVALUATION

SMALL BREAK TESTING

LOSS-OF-FEEDWATER TRANSIENTS

WHI ECC TESTS

CLOSED LOOP VERIFICATION TESTS (WESTINGHOUSE CONFIGURATION)

NATURAL CIRCULATION TESTS (SINGLE-PHASE, REFLUX)

B & W CONFIGURATION BASELINE TESTS

SYSTEM

MODIFICATIONS:

INTERNAL WALL INSULATION

MOD-2 CONFIGURATION

CLOSED LOOP SECONDARY

B & W CONFIGURATION

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PRELIMINARY SEMISCALE BUDGET ESTIMATES  
FY-1979 - FY-1980

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<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>PRE-TMI</u>			<u>POST-TMI</u>			<u>DIFFERENTIAL</u>
	<u>1979</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1981</u>	<u>1979</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1981</u>	
LEVEL OF EFFORT, OPERATIONS & SUPPORT	5170	4940	5225	5170	5290	5505	+630
TESTING	345	855	775	398	452	624	-501
<b>CONVERSIONS</b>							
TWO-PIPE CONVERSION	620	240	30	620	135	-0-	-135
MOD-2 CONVERSION	70	415	470	70	435	340	-110
CLOSED LOOP SECONDARY	-0-	-0-	-0-	100	1541	-0-	+1641
B&W CONFIGURATION	-0-	-0-	-0-	100	2035	1565	+3700
CE CONFIGURATION	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	100	600	+700
TOTALS	6205	6450	6500	6458	9988	8634	5925
DIFFERENTIAL BY YEAR				+253	+3538	+2134	

SEMISCALE PROGRAM EXISTING SCHEDULE

FY 1979

FY 1980

FY 1981

Series 7

TMI

UNIT DRAIN

SMALL BREAK

INTERIM TESTS

UNIT ECC

TWO-PIPE DOWNCOMER TESTS

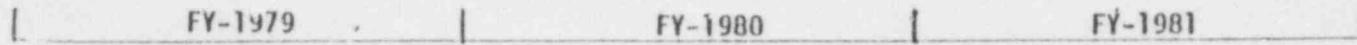
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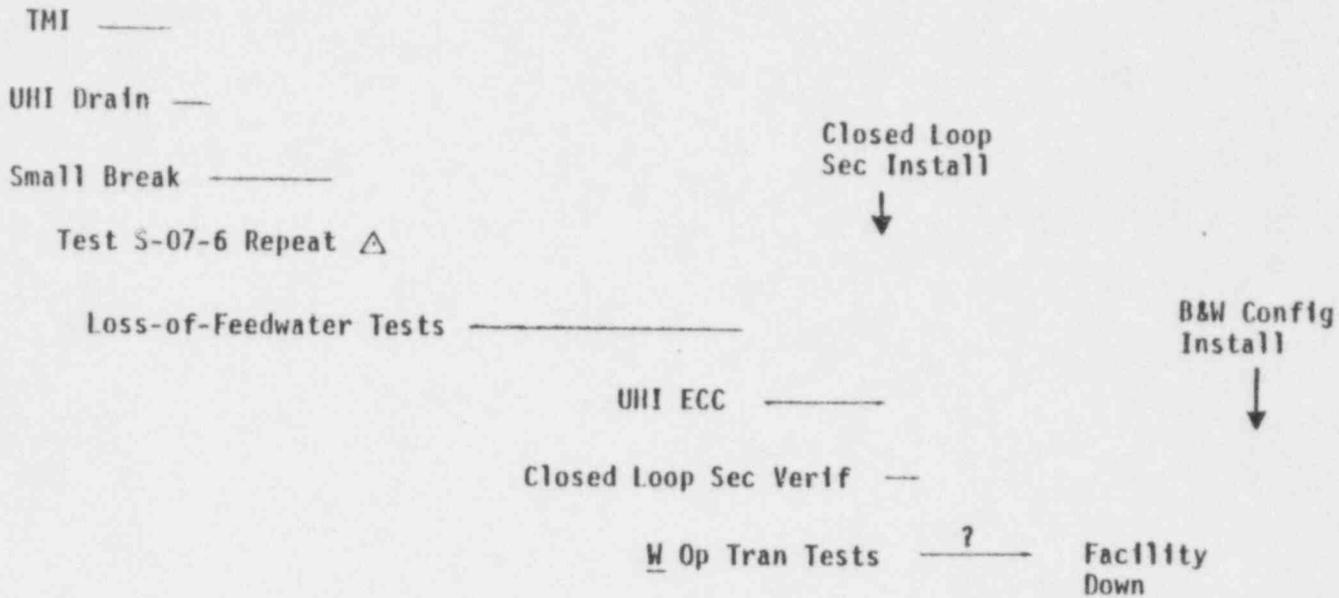
PROPOSED SEMISCALE PROGRAM SCHEDULE

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Series 7



NOTE: IN PRELIMINARY PLANNING STAGE

BLOWDOWN AND REFLOOD HEAT TRANSFER

- . PWR BDHT (B0125)
- . BWR BD/ECC (B3014)
- . BWR CCFL (B5877)
- . FLECHT SEASET (B6204)
- . TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE AT INEL (A6039)

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PROJECTED COSTS SUMMARY

BLOWDOWN AND REFLOOD HEAT TRANSFER PROGRAMS

	FY 1979	FY 1980	FY 1981	FY 1982	FY 1983
PWR BDIT	\$ 4.3M	\$ 4.1M	\$ 2.9M	\$ 1.9M	\$ 0M
BWR BD/ECC	0.3M	-	<2.0M>	1.0M	1.2M
BWR CCFL	0.7M	1.4M	1.9M	1.0M	0.6M
FLECHT SEASET	1.4M	0.4M	1.5M	1.2M	0.9M
TECH. SURVEL.	<u>0.3M</u>	<u>0.3M</u>	<u>0.3M</u>	<u>0.3M+</u>	<u>0.5M</u>
	\$ 7.0M	\$ 6.2M	\$ 6.8M	\$ 5.6M	\$ 3.2M

NOTES:

1. FY'S 1982 AND 1983 ESTIMATES INCLUDE EXTENDED TESTING
2. ESTIMATES STILL UNDER REVIEW, THESE ESTIMATES FOR ROUGH PLANNING PURPOSES

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PWR BDIHT AT ORNL

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- . TRANSIENT HEAT TRANSFER DATA FOR:--
  - .. TRANSITION BOILING
  - .. FILM BOILING
  - .. TRANSIENT CHF DATA
  - .. POST CHF BUNDLE DATA
  
- . BUNDLE NO. 1 - COMPLETED TESTING
  - .. TIME TO CHF
  - .. GROSS BUNDLE DATA
  - .. SLOW DEPRESSURIZATION TESTS FOR NRR
  - .. BUNDLE BOILOFF INFORMATION (REF. TMI)
  
- . BUNDLE NO. 3
  - .. HIGHLY INSTRUMENTED
  - .. TARGET FOR INSTALLATION = JULY 1, 1979

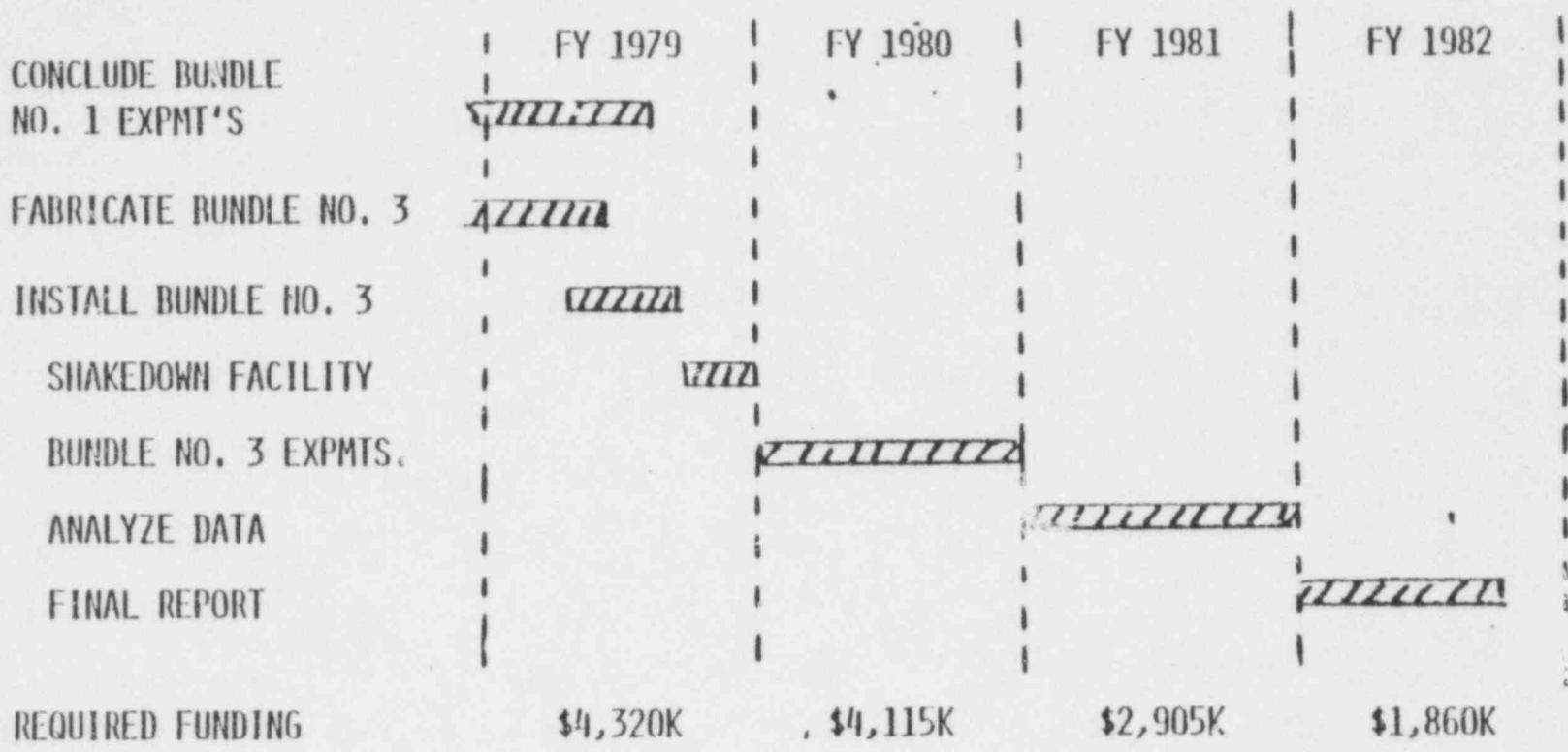
BUNDLE NO. 3 TESTS

- |  |      |
|--|------|
| . ISOTHERMAL AND REACTOR BLOWDOWN SIMULATION | 3 EA |
| . FILM BOILING IN UPFLOW                     | 4 EA |
| . FILM BOILING IN DOWNFLOW                   | 3 EA |
| . TRANSITION BOILING                         | 2 EA |
| - PLUS -                                     |      |
| . QUASI-STEADY STATE EXPERIMENTS             |      |

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### ORNL PWR BDHT PROGRAM OVERVIEW



BWR RESEARCH

- . BWR BLOWDOWN (TLTA)
  - . . CURRENTLY BD + REFILL
  - . . UPGRADE PROPOSED
  
- . BWR CCFL (LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS)
  - . . UPPER PLENUM PHENOMENA (SPRAYS)
  - . . FLOODING AT UPPER CORE TIE PLATE

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ILIA UPGRADE FOR LOCA TESTING

- . LOCA TESTING OF BLOWDOWN + REFLOOD
- . THREE FULL LENGTH 8 X 8 BUNDLES
- . UPGRADE INTERNALS
  - . . . FULL HEIGHT JET PUMPS
  - . . . SCALED PROTOTYPE STEAM SEPARATOR
- . IMPROVED BYPASS AND VOLUME (L.P.) SCALING
- . SMALL BREAK TEST CAPABILITY

BWR TRANSIENTS UNDER CONSIDERATION

FOR TLTA EXTENSION

- . FEEDWATER TRANSIENTS
- . PRESSURIZING EVENT
- . RELIEF VALVE CYCLING
- . RECIRCULATION FLOW CHANGE
- . ADS, LOW FLOW, MID-PRESSURE
- . RCIC SPRAY INJECTION
- . FLOW BLOCKAGE

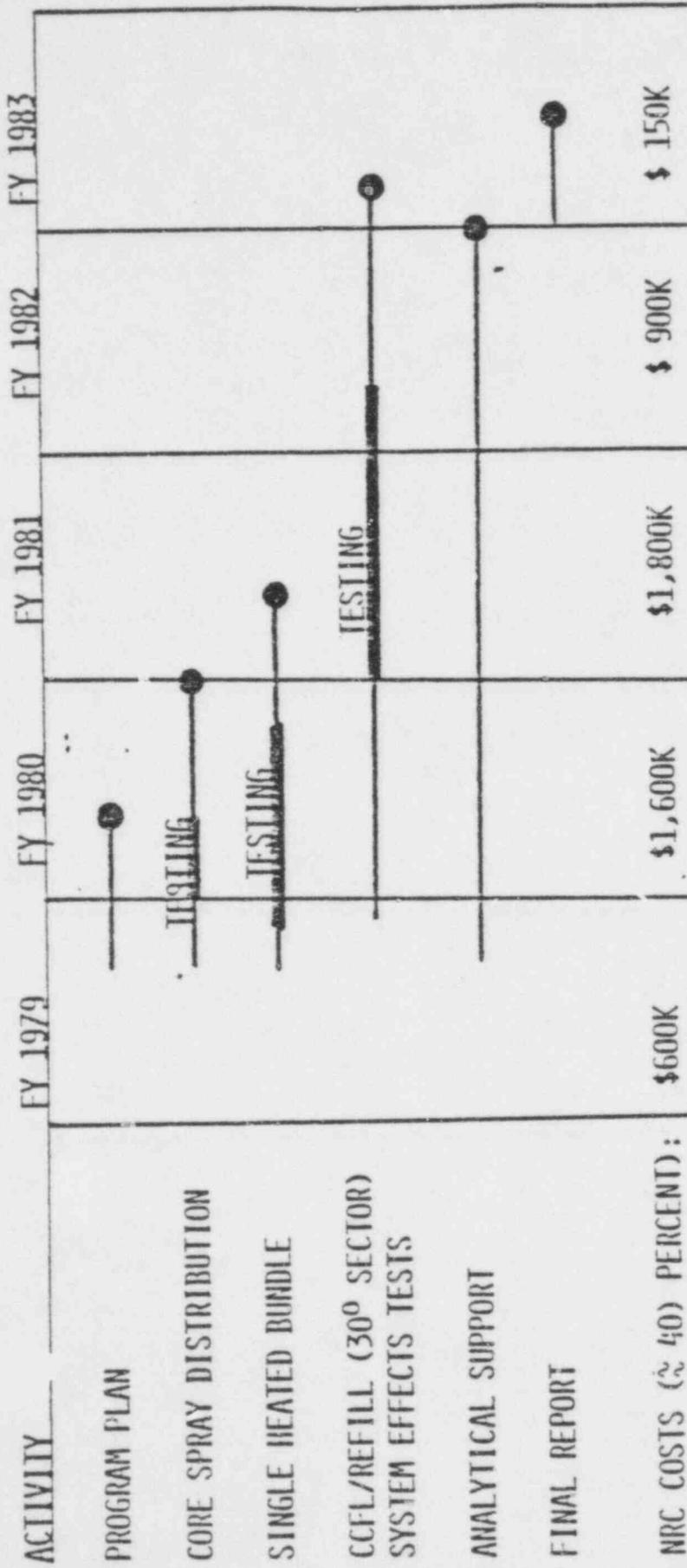
- PLUS -

- . NATURAL CIRCULATION
- . SINGLE LOOP OPERATION
- . STABILITY TESTS

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BWR REFILL - REFLOOD MAJOR TASKS



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BWR CCFL/REFILL - REFLOOD PROGRAM

TESTING:

- . CORE SPRAY DISTRIBUTION (30° SECTOR, BWR-4 AND BWR-6)
- . SINGLE HEATED BUNDLE TESTS
- . CCFL/REFILL SYSTEM EFFECTS TESTS (30° SECTOR)
- . 360° UPPER PLENUM TESTS

ANALYSIS:

- . DEVELOPE TRAC BWR MODELS
- . COMPARE CODES AND EXPERIMENTS

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ELECT SEASET

- . BUNDLE SEPARATE EFFECTS TESTS
  - . . 161 ROD 12 FOOT BUNDLE
  - . . PARAMETRIC REFLOOD STUDIES WITH AND WITHOUT BLOCKAGES
- . STEAM GENERATOR SEPARATE EFFECTS TESTS
  - . . FULL HEIGHT U-TUBE DESIGN
  - . . PARAMETRIC STUDIES OF HEAT TRANSFER
- . UPPER PLENUM SEPARATE EFFECTS TESTS
  - . . FULL HEIGHT WITH SIMULATED INTERNALS
  - . . PARAMETRIC STUDIES OF LIQUID/VAPOR SEPARATION
- . SYSTEM EFFECTS TESTS
  - . . SCALED TWO LOOP PWR FILIZING COMPONENTS STUDIED IN SEPARATE EFFECTS TESTS
  - . . PARAMETRIC STUDIES OF SYSTEM BEHAVIOR WITH ALTERNATE INJECTION LOCATIONS

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SMALL SCALE ECC BYPASS PROGRAMS

- \*BATTELLE COLUMBUS LABORATORIES - 1/15 AND 2/15 SCALE TESTS
- \*CREARE, INC. - 1/30 AND 1/15 SCALE TESTS
- \* DARTMOUTH COLLEGE - AIR/WATER FLOODING IN TUBES (2"-10")  
AND ANNULI (1/7 AND 1/10 SCALE)
- \*COORDINATION WITH ADVANCED CODE DEVELOPMENT

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SMALL SCALE ECC BYPASS PROGRAMS

- . PROGRAMS HEARING COMPLETION
  - . . MAJOR REDUCTION IN EFFORT IN FY 1980
  - . . MINIMAL SUPPORT EFFORT BEYOND FY 1980
- . RESEARCH INFORMATION LETTER SUMMARIZING SMALL SCALE  
ECC BYPASS RESULTS
  - . . DRAFT ISSUED FOR COMMENT APRIL 1979
  - . . TARGET DATE FOR FORMAL RELEASE JULY 1979

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PRELIMINARY HIGHLIGHTS ECC BYPASS RIL

- \*PRESSURE EFFECT - ACCOUNTED FOR THROUGH STEAM PROPERTIES
- \*EVIDENCE THAT J\* MAY BE BREAKING DOWN AT 2/15 SCALE
- \*EVIDENCE THAT CONDENSATION MAY BE INCREASING IN IMPORTANCE WITH  
INCREASING SCALE SIZE
- \*MOST UNCERTAINTIES IN TRANSIENT HOT WALL MODEL CAN BE BOUNDED AND STILL  
PRODUCE RESULTS CONSERVATIVE WITH RESPECT TO CURRENT LICENSING  
CALCULATIONS
- \*DEFINITIVE RESULTS MUST AWAIT LARGE SCALE TESTING IN UPTF

FUTURE SMALL SCALE WORK

BATTELLE COLUMBUS LABORATORIES

- \* FLOW TOPOLOGY INSTRUMENTATION IN 2/15 VESSEL - COMPLETE, MAY 1979
- \* BREAK LEG SPOOL PIECE IN 2/15 VESSEL - JULY 1979
- \* TEST TO CONFIRM MAJOR RIL ITEMS - THROUGH 3RD QUARTER FY 1979  
MAY EXTEND THROUGH 4TH QUARTER
- \* TEST WITH EXPANDED 2/15 INSTRUMENTATION - LATE FY 1979 AND EARLY FY 1980

CREARE, INC.

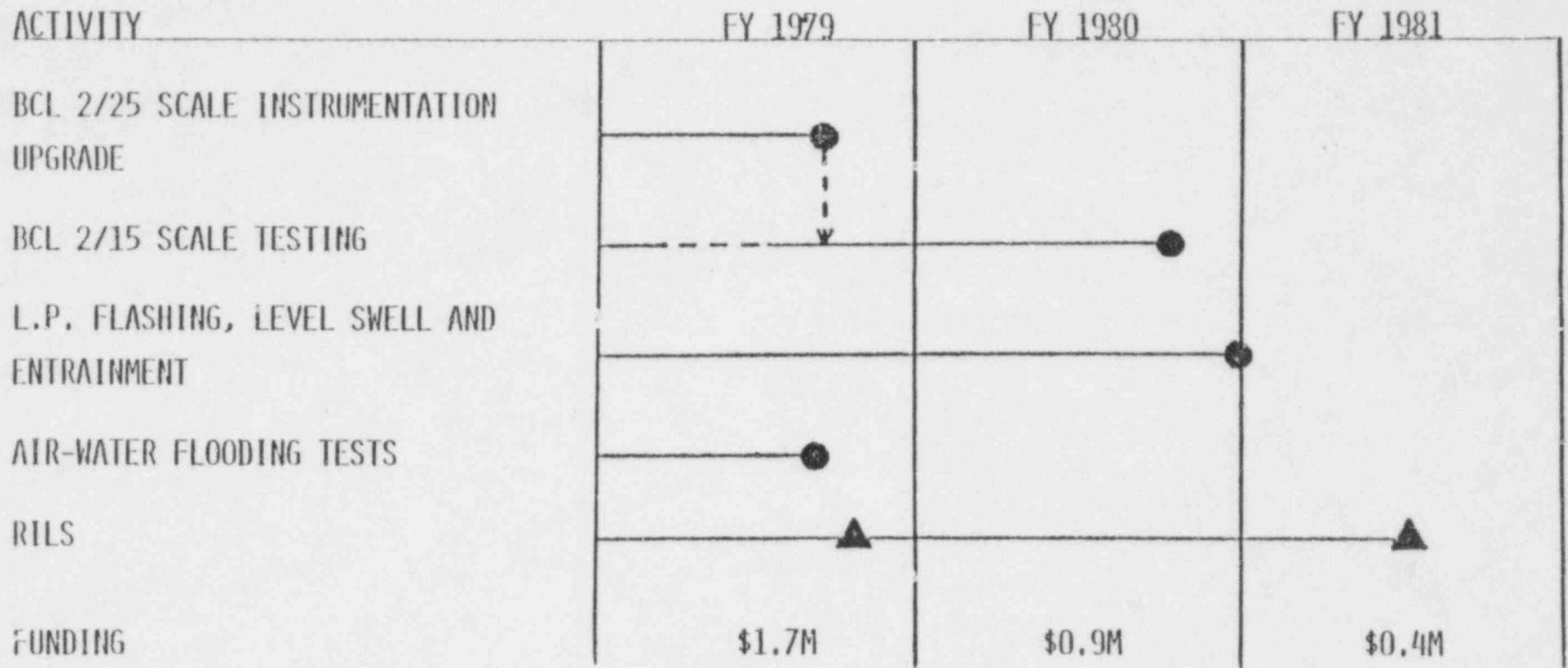
- \* LOWER PLENUM VOIDING AND LEVEL SMELL TEST AND ANALYSIS
- \* COMBINED ECC PENETRATION/REFILL MODEL - TARGET END OF FY 1980

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SMALL SCALE ECC BYPASS PROGRAMS

MAJOR ACTIVITIES



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MODEL DEVELOPMENT:

- . ADDRESSES BASIC PHENOMENA
- . CORRELATIONS AND MODELS DERIVED
- . UNIVERSITIES AND NATIONAL LABS

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SERB MODEL DEVELOPMENT

ANL, TRANSIENT HEAT TRANSFER MODELING	EY 1979
BNL, NON-EQUIL. PHASE CHANGE STUDIES	\$ 180K
INEL, HEAT TRANSFER CORRELATIONS AND VERIFICATION	330K
LEHIGH, NON-EQUIL. HEAT TRANSFER	250K
MIT, REFLOOD THERMAL HYDRAULICS	96K
N-WEST, CONDENSATION RATES	75K
RPI, LWR SAFETY RESEARCH	50K
SUNY, DROPLET ENTRAINMENT	228K
U-WASH, TWO PHASE FLOW REGIMES	150K
	<u>100K</u>
	\$1,459

SERB MODEL DEVELOPMENT

MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

THERMAL HYDRAULIC MODELING

- . MODES OF NATURAL CIRCULATION DURING REFLOOD
  - . . 2 X 6 ROD TEST SECTION (HOT VERSUS COLD REGIONS)
  - . . LIQUID FLOW STUDIED
  
- . STEAM GENERATOR MODELING DURING REFLOOD
  - . . 4 U-TUBE STEAM GENERATOR
  - . . FLOW REGIMES STUDIED AS FUNCTION OF AIR AND LIQUID VELOCITIES
  
- . GRAVITY FEED REFLOOD OSCILLATIONS
  - . . MODEL BEING DEVELOPED
  - . . COMPARISONS WITH SEMISCALE UNDERWAY

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SERR MODEL DEVELOPMENT

RENSSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

TWO PHASE FLOW PHENOMENA IN NUCLEAR REACTOR TECHNOLOGY

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- . TWO PHASE FLOW INSTRUMENTATION
  - . . . DEVELOPED INSTRUMENTS FOR GLOBAL VOID FRACTION -- RADIO FREQUENCY PROBE, OPTICAL DIGITAL INTERFEROMETER
  - . . . DEVELOPED INSTRUMENTS FOR LOCAL VOID FRACTION -- SIDE SCATTER GAMMA RAY SYSTEM, OPTICAL PROBE
- . PHASE SEPARATION AND DISTRIBUTION
  - . . . PHASE DISTRIBUTION IN SEVERAL GEOMETRIES INCLUDING 4 ROD BUNDLE; MEASUREMENT OF LOCAL AND VOID FRACTION
  - . . . PHASE SEPARATION OF Y'S AND T'S COMPLETED
- . PARALLEL CHANNEL EFFECTS
  - . . . LOOP COMPLETED AND TESTING UNDERWAY TO EXAMINE BWR "STEAM BINDING" POTENTIAL
  - . . . PARAMETRIC TEST SERIES PLANNED

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SERB MODEL DEVELOPMENT

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY; NON-EQUILIBRIUM HEAT TRANSFER AND TWO PHASE INSTRUMENTATION

- . . DIRECT MEASUREMENT OF NON-EQUILIBRIUM QUALITY IN TWO PHASE FLOW UNDER CONTROLLED CONDITION
- . . IMPROVED CORRELATION FOR POST-CHF HEAT TRANSFER
- . . DEVELOPMENT OF FILM PROBES FOR THE MEASUREMENT OF LIQUID FILM THICKNESS AND VELOCITY

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SUNY; DROPLET ENTRAINMENT

- . . STUDY OF DROPLET FLOW WITH 2D/3D TIE PLATE GEOMETRY
- . . EFFECT OF GRID PACERS ON FLOW
- . . EFFECT OF BLOCKAGES ON ENTRAINED DROP DISTRIBUTION

SERB MODEL DEVELOPMENT

- . ANL, PHENOMENOLOGICAL MODELING
  - . . . BEST ESTIMATE MODEL FOR TRANSIENT CHF, FINAL REPORT FY 1979
  - . . . SUBCHANNEL ANALYSIS FOR A TWO FLUID MODEL OF TRANSIENT TWO PHASE FLOW
- . NWU, CONDENSATION RATES IN STEAM WATER FLOWS
  - . . . PARAMETRIC STUDY OF CONDENSATION IN HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL STEAM/WATER FLOW
  - . . . UPPER PLENUM POOL HOLD-UP EXPERIMENT
    - . . . SIMULATED UPPER TIE PLATE
    - . . . STUDY OF STEAM FLOW RATES REQUIRED TO SUPPORT WATER POOL
  - . . . HOLOGRAPHY OF TWO PHASE FLOWS: FEASIBILITY STUDY UNDERWAY

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TECHNICAL SUPPORT .

- . PROVIDE TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR OTHER PROGRAMS
- . ADVANCED INSTRUMENTATION
- . ASSIST MODEL DEVELOPMENT

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TECHNICAL SUPPORT

	FY 1979
ANL, HEAT TRANSFER STUDIES AND COORD.	\$ 200K
IHEL, DATA BANK	400K
ORNL, MEASURED DATA REPOSITORY	80K
ORNL, ADVANCE TWO PHASE INSTRUMENT	150K
SANDIA, PULSED NEUTRON GENERATOR	250K
ANL, TWO PHASE FLOW TRACERS	100K
	\$1,180K

SERB TECHNICAL SUPPORT

ORNL, ADVANCED TWO PHASE INSTRUMENTATION

- . CURRENT
  - . . IMPROVED SPOOL PIECES
  - . . TESTING IN AIR/WATER LOOP
- . PLANNED (FY 1980)
  - . . LIQUID LEVEL DETECTOR FOR REACTORS
  - . . TESTING IN STEAM/WATER LOOP

ANL (TWO PHASE FLOW TRACERS) AND SANDIA (NEUTRON GENERATORS)

- . DEVELOPMENT OF TECHNIQUE BY ANL
  - . . MEASUREMENT OF ECC BYPASS AT LOFT
  - . . CALIBRATION OF INSTRUMENTS
- . DEVELOPMENT OF PULSED NEUTRON GENERATORS AT SANDIA
  - . . HIGH OUTPUT ( $10^{10}$  N/PULSE) AND RAPID RECOVERY (5 SEC) - MAY 1979
  - . . DELIVERY OF PNG'S BY JUNE 1980

SERB MODEL DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT

- ANL, HEAT TRANSFER STUDIES
  - CURRENT
    - TRANSITION AND FILM BOILING STUDIES
    - EFFECTS OF OSCILLATIONS ON REFLOOD
  - PLANNED (FY-79/80)
    - SURVEY OF DATA BASE FOR NATURAL CONVECTION TO STEAM
    - SURVEY OF DATA BASE FOR NATURAL CIRCULATION HEAT TRANSFER
- BNL, NON-EQUILIBRIUM PHASE CHANGE STUDIES
  - CURRENT
    - PARAMETRIC STUDY OF FLASHING VAPOR GENERATION RATES
    - IMPROVEMENT OF MODELS
  - PLANNED (FY 1980)
    - DISCHARGE AND SOLUBILITY OF NON-CONDENSABLES
    - DEVELOPMENT OF OPTICAL PROBE DEVELOPMENT

2D/3D REFILL AND REFLOOD  
EXPERIMENTAL AND ANALYTICAL RESEARCH PROGRAM  
PRESENTATION TO  
ACIS SUBCOMMITTEE ON ECCS

JUNE 20, 1979

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JAPAN-JAERI

FRG-BMFT

SCOPE OF 3-D

SCOPE OF 3-D	FRG-BMFT	JAPAN-JAERI	USNRC
INTEGRAL TESTS • LARGE BREAK • SMALL BREAK • NATURAL CIRCULATION AND CORE UNCOVERY	PKL-CORE II 340-ROD, (FULL-HEIGHT CORE, 3-LOOP)	CCTF CORE II (2000-ROD, FULL-HEIGHT CORE, 4-LOOP)	ADVANCED INSTRUMENTATION TRAC ANALYSIS
SEPARATE EFFECT TESTS (SCALING) • ECC PENETRATION • STEAM BINDING COUPLING • FLOW BLOCKAGE	UPTF (FULL SCALE VESSEL, UNHEATED CORE)	SCTF (2000-ROD, FULL-HEIGHT, 6 FT WIDE SLAB)	ADVANCED INSTRUMENTATION TRAC ANALYSIS

NOTE: PKL - PRIMARKEISLAUF

CCTF - CYLINDRICAL CORE TEST FACILITY

SCTF - SLAB CORE TEST FACILITY

UPTF - UPPER PLENUM TEST FACILITY

1. ALL FACILITIES INCLUDE TESTS WITH COLD-LEG ONLY INJECTION (USA AND JAPAN) AS WELL AS TESTS WITH COMBINED COLD-LEG AND HOT-LEG INJECTION (FRG).

2. ALL FACILITIES ARE LARGE SIZE, WELL INSTRUMENTED, BUT LOW PRESSURE. THE SIZE EFFECT (SD) AND PRESSURE EFFECT ARE STUDIED IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER TEST FACILITIES.

THE OBJECTIVES OF THE COORDINATED 3-D PROGRAM ARE:

1. TO STUDY THE STEAM BINDING EFFECT DURING REFLOOD FOR A MEDIUM AND LARGE-BREAK LOCA USING VARIOUS ECCS (COLD LEG INJECTION, HOT LEG INJECTION, LOWER PLENUM INJECTION AND VENT VALVE) BY MEASURING:
  - . THE PRESSURE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE UPPER PLENUM AND THE TOP OF DOWNCOMER IN AN INTEGRAL SYSTEM TEST (PKL, CCTF)
  - . THE PRESSURE DROP ACROSS STEAM GENERATORS (PKL, CCTF)
  - . THE LIQUID CARRYOVER AND FALLBACK AT UPPER CORE SUPPORT PLATE (CCTF, SCTF, UPTF)
  - . THE DE-ENTRAINMENT OF LIQUID IN UPPER PLENUM (CCTF, SCTF, UPTF)

2. TO STUDY THE FLOW DISTRIBUTION IN A HEATED CORE:
    - A. DURING REFLOOD FOR A LARGE-BREAK (CHIMNEY EFFECT)
    - B. DURING A SMALL-BREAK (CORE UNCOVERY)
    - C. UNDER CONDITIONS OF NATURAL CIRCULATION (CORE FLOW BLOCKAGE)
- BY MEASURING:
- . DENSITY DISTRIBUTION IN THE CORE (CCTF, SCTF)
  - . VELOCITY DISTRIBUTION IN THE CORE (CCTF, SCTF)
  - . LOCATION AND CLAD TEMPERATURES AT HOT SPOTS (CCTF, SCTF, PKL)

3. TO STUDY THE FLOW HYDRODYNAMICS IN THE CORE, DOWNCOMER AND UPPER PLENUM DURING REFILL AND REFLOOD FOR A LARGE-BREAK LOCA BY MEASURING:

- . ECC PENETRATION AND LOWER PLENUM FILLING DURING REFILL (CCTF, SCTF, UPTF)
- . DOWNCOMER FLOW TRANSIENT INDUCED BY THE CONDENSATION OF STEAM BY ECC WATER DURING REFILL (CCTF, SCTF, UPTF)
- . U-TUBE FLOW OSCILLATION DURING REFILL (CCTF, SCTF, PKL)
- . LIQUID HEIGHT AND TEMPERATURE OF WATER ACCUMULATED IN UPPER PLENUM DURING COMBINED INJECTION (UPTF, SCTF)

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4. TO STUDY THE EVENTS LEADING TO CORE UNCOVERY DURING THE END OF SMALL-BREAK AND THE CONDITIONS FOR NATURAL CIRCULATION (REFLUX BOILER) IN FACILITIES WITH UNIQUE FEATURES THAT

- . MINIMIZE THE HOT-WALL EFFECT
- . ALLOW MEASUREMENT OF CORE-WIDE INTERNAL NATURAL CIRCULATION DUE TO POWER DISTRIBUTION

BY MEASURING:

- . LOCAL LIQUID-LEVEL AND TEMPERATURES IN THE CORE, UPPER PLENUM, DOWNCOMER AND LOWER PLENUM (PKL, CCTF, SCTF)
- . NET FLOW RATE OUT OF THE VESSEL (PKL, CCTF, SCTF)
- . TEMPERATURE DISTRIBUTION IN STEAM GENERATORS (PKL, CCTF)
- . PHASE SEPARATION IN THE UPPER PLENUM UNDER NATURAL CIRCULATION (REFLUX BOILER) CONDITIONS (UPTF, CCTF, SCTF)

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SIGNIFICANT ACHIEVEMENTS IN FY 1979

1. COMPLETED CONSTRUCTION OF CCTF, 2/79
2. COMPLETED PRELIMINARY DESIGN OF SCTF, 4/79
3. COMPLETED FOUR SHAKEDOWN TESTS OF CCTF, 5/79
4. COMPLETED AIR/WATER LOOP TESTS FOR INSTRUMENTS, 11/78
5. COMPLETED INSTALLATION OF SELECTED INSTRUMENTS IN CCTF AND PKL, 4/79
6. COMPLETED TRAC CALCULATIONS FOR PWR AND TEST FACILITY DESIGN, 5/79

EFFECT OF 3D PROGRAM ON LICENSING

1. STEAM BINDING EFFECT ON PEAK CLAD TEMPERATURE FOR MARGIN OF SAFETY PER APPENDIX K ASSUMPTIONS WITH VARIOUS BREAK SIZES OF LOCA
2. DOWNCOMER BEHAVIOR AND EFFECTIVENESS OF VARIOUS ECC INJECTION MODES:
  - . COLD LEG
  - . HOT LEG
  - . COLD AND HOT LEGS COMBINED
  - . LOWER PLENUM
  - . UPPER PLENUM
  - . DOWNCOMER
3. STUDY OF SMALL BREAK AND NATURAL CIRCULATIONS
4. CODE CHECKOUT AND EXTRAPOLATION TO FULL SCALE REACTOR
  - A. INTEGRAL EFFECT
    - . FULL HEIGHT AND COMPLETE SYSTEM SIMULATION IN CCTF AND PKL
  - B. SEPARATE EFFECT
    - . FULL SIZE UP AND DC IN CCTF
    - . FULL HEIGHT AND RADIUS IN SCTF

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3D ASSISTANCE ON TMI

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PKL FACILITY

1. SMALL BREAK TESTS

CCTF FACILITY

1. NATURAL CIRCULATION SYSTEM COOLING TESTS
2. CORE COOLING TESTS FOR SMALL BREAK

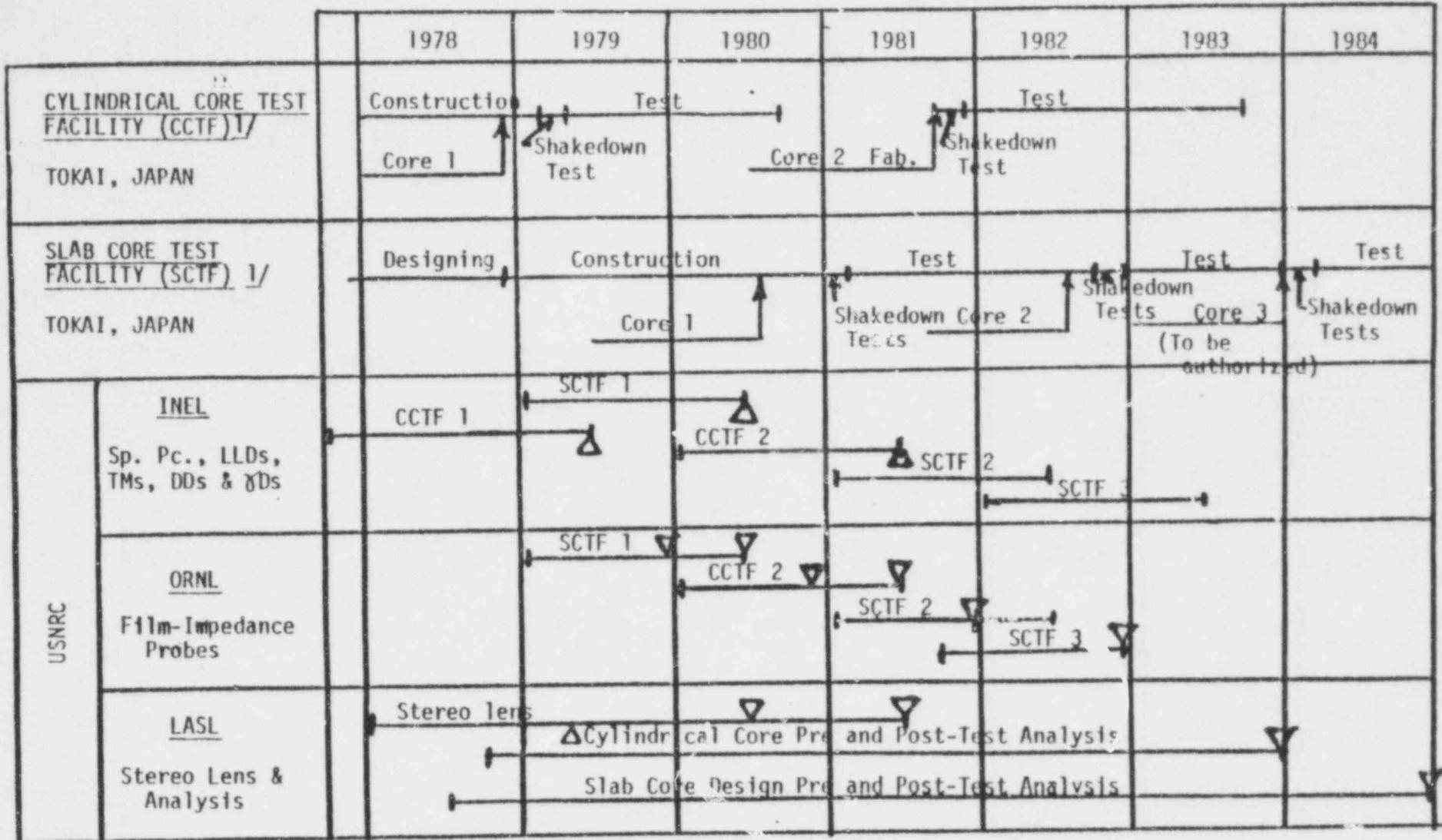
SCTF FACILITY

1. BLOCKED BUNDLE COOLING TESTS FOR SMALL BREAK

2D/3D RESEARCH PROGRAM SCHEDULE

JAERI REFILL-REFLOOD FACILITIES

CALENDAR YEAR



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2D/3D RESEARCH PROGRAM SCHEDULE

FRG Refill-Reflow Facilities

Calendar Year

	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
<u>PKL TEST FACILITY 1/</u> KWU Erlangen, FRG	1B test core 2 lab	core ch- inst. out	core 2 tests				
		Design	Manufacture & construction		Test		
<u>UPTF TEST FACILITY 2/</u> KWU/GKM Mannheim, FRG							
USNRC <u>INEL</u> Sp. Pc., LLDs, TMs, DDS & Ds	PKL flo-Inst. r.		UPTF flo instr.				
<u>ORNL</u> Film-Imped. Probes & DAS	PKL probes		UPTF probes				
		UPTF DAS					
<u>LASL</u> Stereo Lens & Analysis	PKL-UPTF	stereo lens					
			UPTF	design	pre & post-test analysis		

2D/3D USNRC PROGRAM COST ESTIMATE

(NO CONTINGENCY FUNDING INCLUDED)

COST ESTIMATE BY FISCAL YEAR (ESCALATED)  
(\$1000x)

PROGRAM	CONTRACTOR	78	79	80	81
3D TECH SUPP. & INSTR.	EG&G	3340	3921	5898	4814
ADV. INSTR.	ORNL	2303	4775	6299	2175
TRAC APPL. & INSTR.	LASL	1150	1584	1850	2124
DESIGN SUPPORT AND MISC.	MPR/OTHERS	855	535	1753	2887
OPERATING EXPENSES		7648	10815	15800	12,000
STEREO LENS (CAP EQ.)	LASL	50	70	70	
ADV. INSTR. (CAP EQ.)	ORNL	537	315	546	272
TOTAL CAPITAL EQUIP EXP.		587	385	616	272
TOTAL PROJECTED 3D EXP.		8235	11200	16416	12,272

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2D/3D RESEARCH PROGRAM

FY 1980 PROGRAM PLAN

RESEARCH ORGANIZATION: IDAHO NATIONAL ENGINEERING LABORATORY

FY 1980 FUNDING: \$5898K (OPERATING)

WORKSCOPE:

IN SUPPORT OF THE 2D/3D PROGRAM, INEL WILL

- . FABRICATE AND CHECK OUT TURBO PROBES - PKL II
- . FABRICATE, DELIVER AND CHECK OUT INSTRUMENTS FOR SCTF CORE I
- . INITIATE DESIGN AND PROCUREMENT OF UPTF INSTRUMENTATION
- . INITIATE DESIGN AND PROCUREMENT OF CCTF CORE II INSTRUMENTATION
- . COMPLETE FABRICATION OF FLOW DISTRIBUTION GRIDS FOR SCTF CORE I
- . PROVIDE TECHNICAL AND FIELD SUPPORT, INCLUDING RELATED SOFTWARE APPLICATIONS

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2D/3D RESEARCH PROGRAM

FY 1981 PROGRAM PLAN

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RESEARCH ORGANIZATION: IDAHO NATIONAL ENGINEERING LABORATORY

FY 1981 FUNDING: \$4814K (OPERATING)

WORKSCOPE:

IN SUPPORT OF THE 2D/3D PROGRAM, INEL WILL

- . FABRICATE, DELIVER AND CHECK OUT INSTRUMENTS FOR THE UPPER PLENUM TEST FACILITY
- . REFURBISH INSTRUMENTS FROM CCTF CORE I AND PROVIDE NEW INSTRUMENTS FOR CCTF CORE II
- . PROVIDE TECHNICAL AND FIELD SUPPORT

2D/3D RESEARCH PROGRAM

FY 1980 PROGRAM PLAN

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RESEARCH ORGANIZATION: OAK RIDGE NATIONAL LABORATORY

FY 1980 FUNDING: \$6299K (OPERATING)

\$ 546K (EQUIPMENT)

WORKSCOPE:

IN SUPPORT OF THE 2D/3D PROGRAM, ORNL WILL

- . DELIVER, INSTALL AND TEST PROBES FOR SCTF CORE I
- . DESIGN AND INITIATE FABRICATION OF PROBES FOR UPTF AND CCTF CORE II
- . COMPLETE CALIBRATION TESTS IN STEAM/WATER LOOP
- . DEVELOP MODELING EQUATIONS
- . DEVELOP IMPROVED AND/OR ALTERNATE INSTRUMENTATION SCHEMES, IF NEEDED
- . PROVIDE TECHNICAL AND FIELD SUPPORT
- . DEVELOP ALGORITHMS FOR THE INSTRUMENTS DELIVERED

2D/3D RESEARCH PROGRAM

FY 1981 PROGRAM PLAN

RESEARCH ORGANIZATION: OAK RIDGE NATIONAL LABORATORY

FY 1981 FUNDING: \$2175K (OPERATING)

\$ 272K (EQUIPMENT)

WORKSCOPE:

IN SUPPORT OF THE 2D/3D PROGRAM, ORNL WILL

- . DELIVER, INSTALL AND TEST PROBES FOR CCTF CORE II
- . INITIATE DESIGN AND FABRICATION OF PROBES FOR SCTF CORE !!
- . PERFORM TESTS AS NEEDED IN INSTRUMENT DEVELOPMENT LOOP
- . FABRICATE, DELIVER AND CHECK OUT INSTRUMENTS FOR UPTF
- . PROVIDE TECHNICAL AND FIELD SUPPORT
- . DEVELOP ALGORITHMS FOR THE INSTRUMENTS DELIVERED

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2D/3D RESEARCH PROGRAM

FY 1980 PROGRAM PLAN

RESEARCH ORGANIZATION: LOS ALAMOS SCIENTIFIC LABORATORY

FY 1980 FUNDING: \$1850K (OPERATING)

\$ 70K (EQUIPMENT)

WORKSCOPE:

IN SUPPORT OF THE 2D/3D PROGRAM, LASL WILL

- . PERFORM FULL-SCALE PWR SYSTEM CALCULATIONS
- . PERFORM UPTF CALCULATIONS
- . CONTINUE CALCULATIONS FOR ALL CCTF TESTS AND SOME SCTF DESIGN STUDIES
- . SUPPLY LENS SYSTEMS

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2D/3D RESEARCH PROGRAM

FY 1981 PROGRAM PLAN

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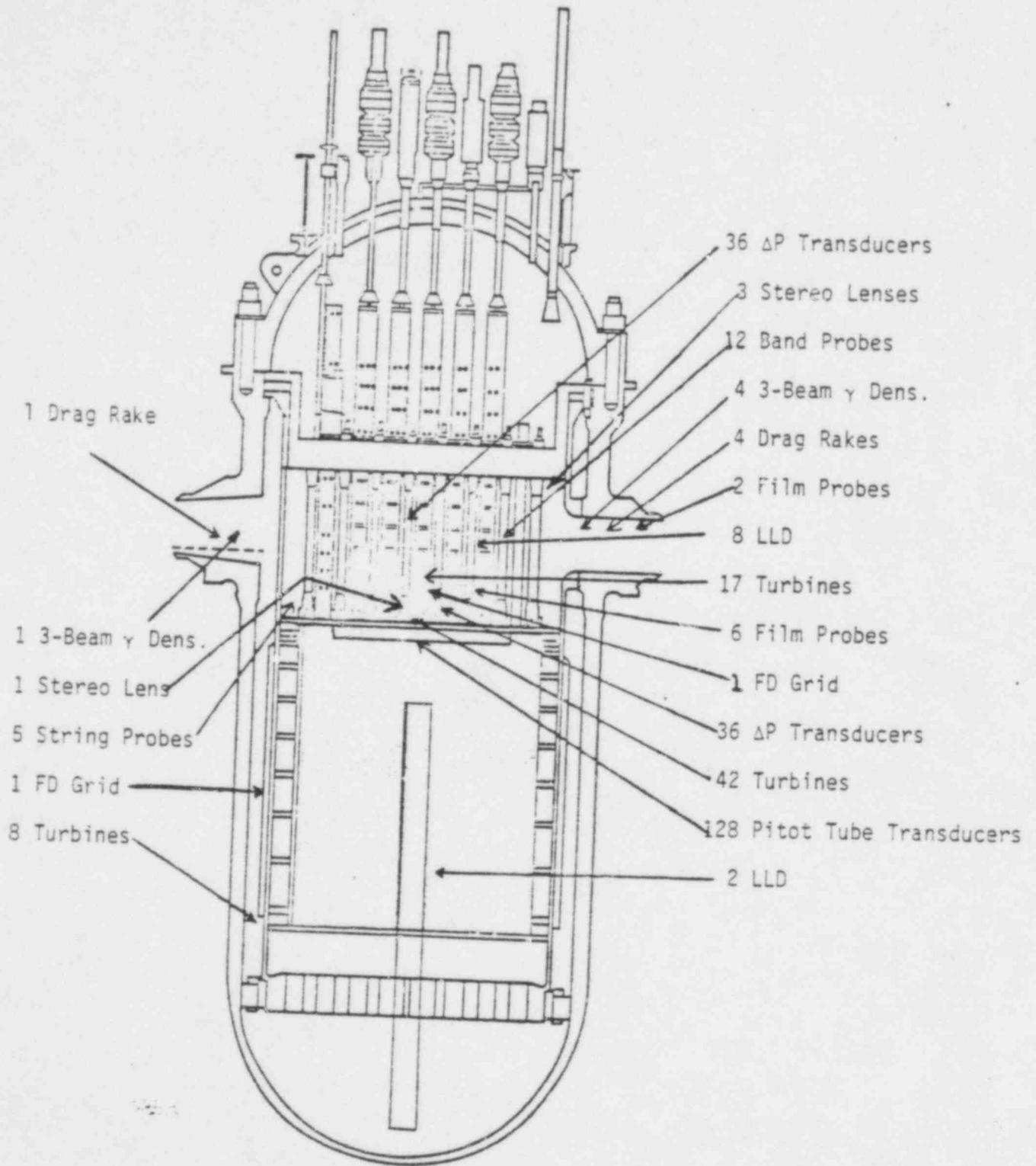
RESEARCH ORGANIZATION: LOS ALAMOS SCIENTIFIC LABORATORY

FY 1981 FUNDING: \$2124K (OPERATING)

WORKSCOPE:

IN SUPPORT OF THE 2D/3D PROGRAM, LASL WILL

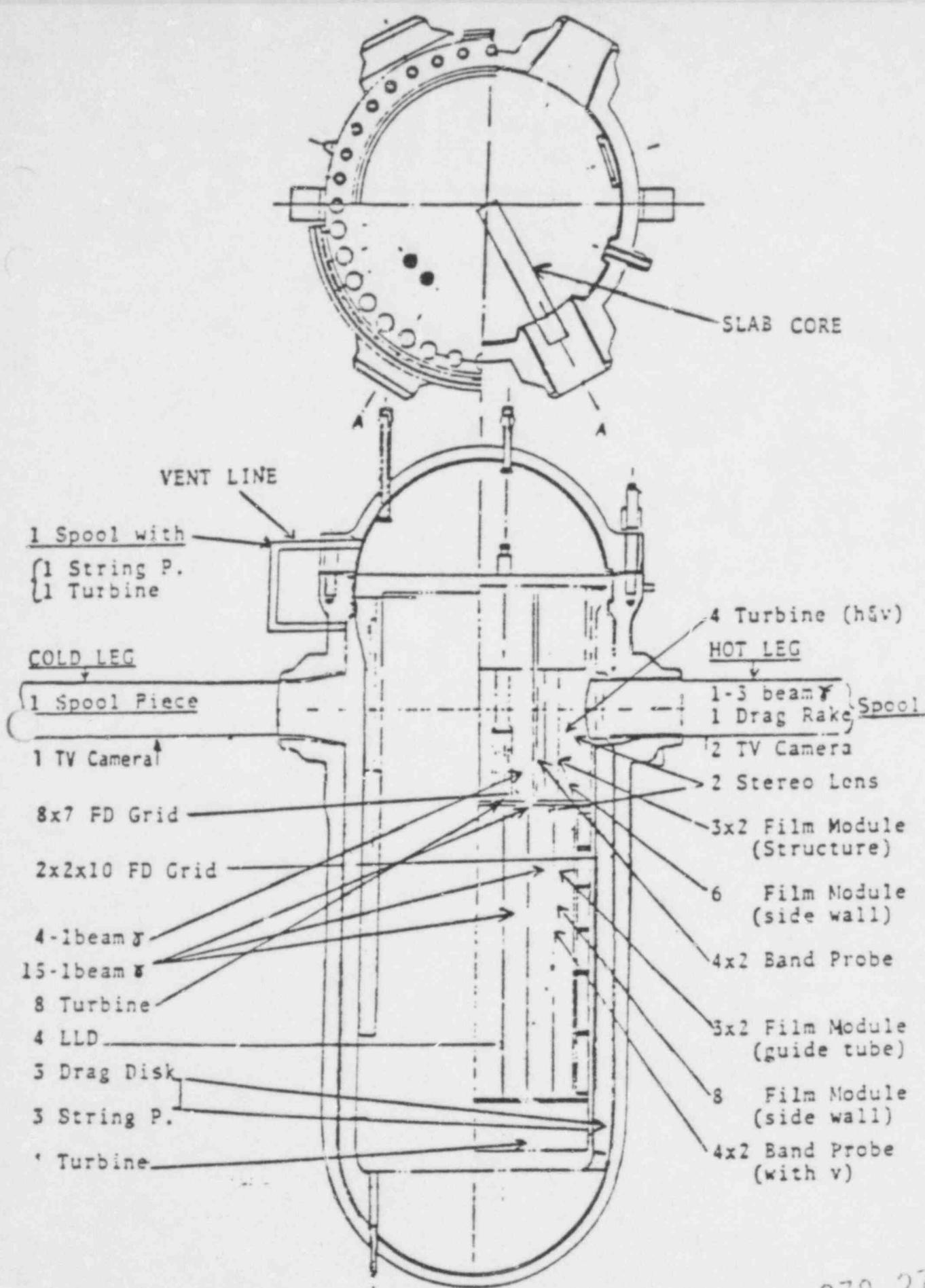
- . PERFORM DESIGN AND EXPERIMENTAL CALCULATIONS FOR CCTF CORE II
- . PERFORM EXPERIMENTAL CALCULATIONS FOR SCTF
- . PERFORM DESIGN CALCULATIONS FOR UPTF
- . SUPPLY LENS SYSTEM



USNRC INSTRUMENTATION FOR UPTF

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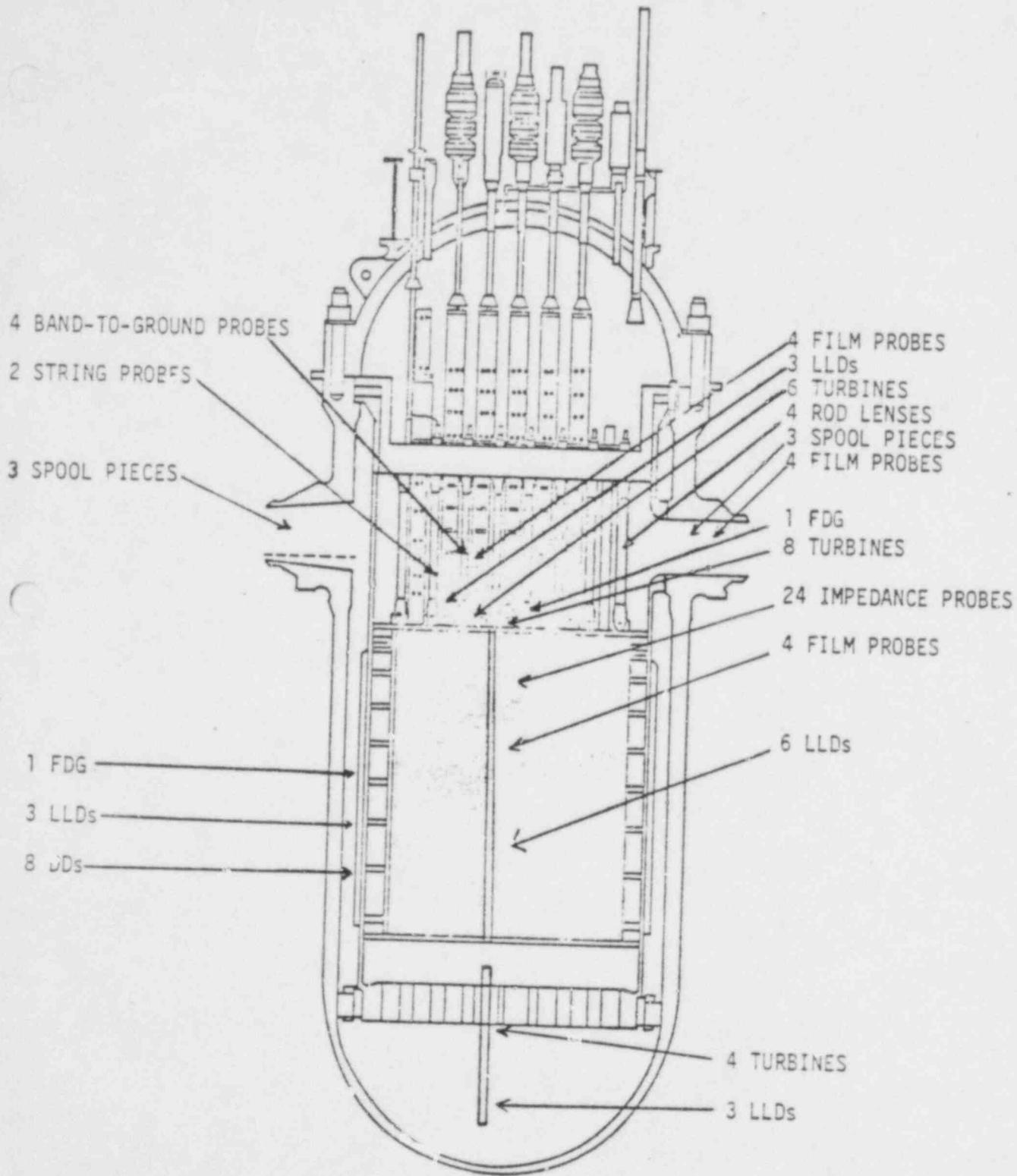
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USNRC INSTRUMENTATION FOR SCTF

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USNRC INSTRUMENTATION FOR CCTF I & II

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OTHER TRANSIENT TESTS IN 2D/3D

CONDUCTING OTHER TRANSIENT TESTS IN THE 2D/3D PROGRAM WILL PROVIDE INFORMATION CONCERNING

- . INTERNAL CORE FLOW DISTRIBUTION AND BEHAVIOR ("3-D EFFECTS"), INCLUDING CORE UNCOVERY IN SMALL BREAKS
- . MORE REALISTIC SURFACE/VOLUME RATIO ("STORED HEAT EFFECT")
- . MORE REALISTIC TIME SCALES
- . GEOMETRIC EFFECTS (SIZE, HEIGHT)
- . PARAMETRIC EFFECTS (E.G., PRESSURE) \*
- . TWO-PHASE NATURAL CIRCULATION
- . FLOW BLOCKAGE IN DAMAGED CORE

WHICH WILL HELP IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND ASSESSMENT OF SAFETY ANALYSIS COMPUTER CODES.

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RESEARCH SUPPORT BRANCH  
TECHNICAL SUPPORT

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- FACULTY INSTITUTE
- CRITICAL REVIEWS
- CONSULTANTS/SUPPORT SERVICES

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NUCLEAR SAFETY INFORMATION CENTER  
OAK RIDGE NATIONAL LABORATORY

- . COLLECT, EVALUATE, DISSEMINATE RELEVANT SAFETY INFORMATION
- . COLLECT, MANAGE, ASSESS FOREIGN SAFETY DOCUMENTS
- . PREPARE BIBLIOGRAPHIC INDEX LISTINGS
- . MANAGE U.S./FOREIGN REPORT EXCHANGE
- . PUBLISH NUCLEAR SAFETY JOURNAL

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NATIONAL ENERGY SOFTWARE CENTER  
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- COLLECT, PACKAGE, MAINTAIN AND DISTRIBUTE NRC CONTRACTOR-  
DEVELOPED PROGRAMS AND DATA
- CHECK LIBRARY SOFTWARE FOR COMPLETENESS
- EXECUTE TEST PROBLEMS
- PREPARE AND EDIT ABSTRACTS
- DISTRIBUTE NOTES ON CHANGES
- ASSIST USERS
- DEVELOP STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES

ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE

- COMPLETED POWER RANGE TESTING
- ISSUED RIL ON NON-NUCLEAR TEST SERIES
- PERFORMED FIRST TWO NUCLEAR LOCE'S
- PERFORMED ISOTHERMAL SMALL BREAK LOCE
- REPLACED CENTRAL FUEL ASSEMBLY

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NEW FOCUS

- SYSTEM RESPONSE TO - OFF-NORMAL CONDITIONS
- NATURAL PERTURBATIONS
- OPERATOR INTERVENTION

ASSESSMENT OF SMALL-BREAK AND TRANSIENT CODES IN SPECIFIC AREAS

STUDY MEANS OF RECOVERY FROM UNCONTROLLED SITUATIONS

By-PRODUCT ROLE

ASSESSMENT OF CONVENTIONAL PROCESS INSTRUMENTATION

PROVIDE DATA FOR CODE ASSESSMENT THROUGH STANDARD PROBLEM PROGRAM

ASSURANCE AND UNDERSTANDING TO - REGULATORY STAFF

- TECHNICAL COMMUNITY

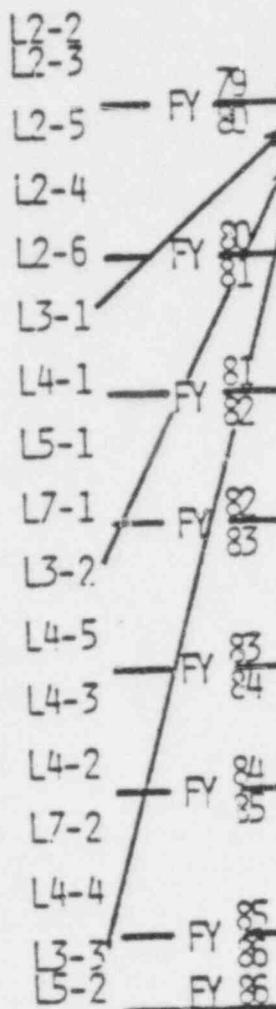
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# LOFT NUCLEAR PROGRAM

## CURRENT

LARGE BREAK 8 KW/FT  
 LARGE BREAK \*  
 LARGE BREAK LOSS-OFFSITE  
 LARGE BREAK 16 KW/FT  
 LARGE BREAK (PRESSURIZED FUEL)  
 SMALL BREAK  
 ALTERNATE ECCS (LOWER PLENUM)  
 LG. HOT LEG BREAK  
 LG. BREAK + S.G. TUBE RUPTURE  
 SMALL BREAK  
 ALTERNATE ECCS (B & W VENT VALVE)  
 ALTERNATE ECCS (HOT AND COLD LEG)  
 ALTERNATE ECCS (HOT LEG)  
 LG. BREAK + S.G. TUBE RUPTURE  
 ALTERNATE ECCS (DOWNCOMER)  
 SMALL BREAK  
 LG. HOT LEG BREAK



## CONSIDERING

L2-2 LARGE BREAK 8 KW/FT  
 L2-3 LARGE BREAK  
 L3-0 SMALL BREAK 0 KW/FT  
 L3-1 SMALL BREAK HPIS < BREAK FLOW  
 L3-2 SMALL BREAK HPIS > BREAK FLOW  
 L3-3 SMALL BREAK HPIS = BREAK FLOW  
 L5-1 NAT. CIRC. FOLLOWING L3-3  
 L5-2 LARGE BREAK LOSS-OFFSITE  
 L6-2 NAT. CIRC.  
 L7-4 LARGE BREAK 16 KW/FT  
 L2-6 LARGE BREAK PRES. FUEL  
 L6-3 OFF-NORMAL TRANSIENT  
 L6-4 " "  
 L3-4 SMALL BREAK  
 L3-5 " "  
 L4-1 ALTERNATE ECCS  
 L6-2 NAT. CIRC.  
 L5-1 LARGE HOT LEG BREAK  
 L6-5 OFF-NORMAL TRANSIENT  
 L3-5 SMALL BREAK  
 L7-1 LG BREAK + S.G. TUBE RUPTURE  
 L7 " "  
 L7 " "  
 L4-1 ALTERNATE ECCS  
 L4-2 " "  
 L5-2 LG. HOT LEG BREAK  
 L5-3 " "

- \* ALL TESTS INITIATED AT 12 KW/FT UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
- OFF-NORMAL TRANSIENTS, SERIES L6, WAS PLANNED FOR INSERTION INTO CURRENT PROGRAM.
- + ADDED SMALL BREAK TESTS.

EXPECTED ACHIEVEMENTS FY 1980

- PERFORM THREE SMALL BREAK LOCE'S
- PERFORM LARGE BREAK LOCE
- BEGIN NATURAL CIRCULATION TESTING
- ISSUE RIL'S ON L2-2, L2-3, AND SMALL BREAKS

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EXPECTED ACHIEVEMENTS FY 1981

- COMPLETE POWER ASCENSION SERIES OF LOCE'S
- CONTINUE NATURAL CIRCULATION TESTING
- BEGIN OFF-NORMAL TRANSIENT TESTING
- DUE KIL'S ON LARGE BREAK LOCE'S

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LOFT BUDGET SUMMARY

	<u>FY-80</u>	<u>FY-81</u>
EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAM	3,930	4,030
FUEL	6,120	6,280
EXPERIMENTAL INSTRUMENTATION	7,720	7,900
PLANT SUPPORT	7,860	8,070
CORE & SAFETY SUPPORT	3,720	3,810
COMMON SUPPORT	5,850	6,010
FACILITY OPERATIONS	7,700	7,900
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TOTAL	42,900	44,000

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FY-81

4030

FY-80

3930

EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAM

- EXPERIMENT PREDICTION AND ANALYSIS
- ISSUE TOPICALS, ANALYSIS, DRAFT RIL'S
- LARGE PWR EVALUATIONS BASED ON LOFT RESULTS
- SEMISCALE - LOFT - COMMERCIAL PWR SCALING EVALUATION
- SUPPLY LOCE TEST DATA TO REQUESTORS
- ELECTRICAL/NUCLEAR HEATER ROD COMPARISON

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FY-81

6280

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6120

FUEL

- FUEL MATERIALS PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

- FUEL POST - TEST ANALYSIS

- RELOAD CORE II AND FABRICATION

- CONTRACT FOR RELOAD CORE III

- DOWNCOMER INSTRUMENT FABRICATION

EXPERIMENTAL INSTRUMENTATION	FY-80	FY-81
	7720	7500

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- DEVELOPMENT AND PROCUREMENT OF ALL LOFT INSTRUMENTATION, INCLUDING:

HARDENED AND SOFT GAMMA DENSITOMETERS

ULTRASONIC DENSITY DETECTORS

MOMENTUM - AND VELOCITY METERS

OPTICAL, TRACERS, NEUTRON ACTIVATION METHODS/INSTRUMENTS

- TESTING AT THE TWO-PHASE FLOW STEADY STATE LOOP

- EFFECTS OF SURFACE MOUNTED THERMOCOUPLES

PLANT SUPPORT

FY-80

FY-81

7860

8070

- PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR MAINTENANCE, UPGRADE, AND MODIFICATION OF FACILITY
- PROVIDE PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT FOR FUEL CHANGE OUT
- PLANT REQUALIFICATION FOLLOWING EXPERIMENTS

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CORE & SAFETY SUPPORT

FY-80

720

FY-81

3810

- CORE PHYSICS CALCULATIONS FOR CORE CHANGE OUT
- ANALYTICAL PHYSICS TRACKING OF OPERATING PLANT HISTORY
- STATISTICAL THERMAL-HYDRAULIC SAFETY ANALYSIS
- ZERO POWER AND POWER RANGE TESTING FOLLOWING CORE CHANGE OUT
- PERFORM SAFETY ANALYSIS FOR EXPERIMENTS

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FY-81  
6010

FY-80  
5850

COMMON SUPPORT

- PREPARE COSTS AND SCHEDULES
- QA, ENGINEERING, INSPECTION AND TESTING
- INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE & SAFETY
- DOCUMENTATION CONTROL
- SPECIAL PROCESS SPARES

FY-81

7900

FY-80

7700

FACILITY OPERATIONS

- PLANT OPERATION IN SUPPORT OF LOCE TESTING
- RADIOLOGICAL AND INDUSTRIAL SAFETY
- REQUALIFY PLANT FOLLOWING EACH LOCE
- MAINTAIN AND MODIFY PLANT AS NECESSARY TO CARRYOUT TESTS
- SUPPORT DECONTAMINATION FACILITIES ASSOCIATED WITH SYSTEM CLEANUP

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<u>FY 80</u>	<u>FY 81</u>
300	300

ADVANCED FUEL INSTRUMENTATION

ANNUAL LOFT OPERATING BUDGET (DOE & NRC), \$10<sup>6</sup>

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<u>FY</u>	<u>PRESIDENT'S</u>	<u>NEW RESPONSIBILITIES</u>	<u>RELATIVE BUDGET</u>
1978	40.0		40.0
1979	39.1	PURCHASE DOE'S SPECIAL SPARES INVENTORY 1.9	37.2
1980 WITHOUT SUPPLEMENTAL	42.9	PURCHASE DOE'S SPECIAL SPARES INVENTORY 1.8 INCREASE SPECIAL SPARES INVENTORY TO FULL EQUIPMENTS 2.0 INITIATE CHANGEOVER TO BUDGET AUTHORITY ACCOUNTING SYSTEM 2.0 TOTAL 5.8	37.1
1980 WITH SUPPLEMENTAL	44.9	HARDWARE CHANGES TO ACCELERATE SMALL-BREAK AND TRANSIENT TESTS 1.0 INSTRUMENT APPLICATION TO COMMERCIAL PLANTS 1.0 TOTAL 2.0	39.1



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FY 1981 LOFT OPERATING BUDGET, \$10<sup>6</sup>

MINIMUM AND CURRENT

44.3

NEW RESPONSIBILITIES

RELATIVE BUDGET

COMPLETE CHANGEOVER TO BUDGET AUTHORITY ACCOUNTING	3.0	
NEW FACILITY OPERATIONS		
HOT SHOP & HOT CELLS		
2-PHASE CALIBRATION	<u>2.3</u>	
TOTAL	5.3	

39.0

REQUESTED (COMPARED WITH CURRENT LEVEL)

48.3

INCREASE EXPERIMENT TURNAROUND TIME BY 25%	2.0	
INITIATE INSTRUMENT APPLICATION TO COMMERCIAL PLANTS	1.0	
INITIATE OPERATIONAL FAULT DIAGNOSTICS	<u>1.0</u>	
TOTAL	4.0	

39.0

SUPPLEMENTAL (COMPARED WITH CURRENT LEVEL)

49.3

ADD 2 TMI-2 RELATED EXPERIMENTS	3.0	
CONTINUE INSTRUMENT APPLICATION TO COMMERCIAL PLANTS AND OPERATIONAL FAULT DIAGNOSTICS BEGUN WITH FY 80 SUPPLEMENTAL	<u>2.0</u>	
TOTAL	5.0	

39.0

TMI-RELATED TESTS IN FLECHT SEASET

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- FORCED AND NATURAL CONVECTION TO STEAM
- FORCED CONVECTION TESTS WERE PERFORMED IN MAY, 1979 IN 161-ROD BUNDLE
  - RE = 2,100 TO 18,000
  - PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS SHOWS BETTER COOLING THAN PREDICTED
  - HIGH TEMPERATURE CAPABILITY IMPORTANT: STEAM FLOW CHANGES FROM TURBULENT TO LAMINAR DUE TO AXIAL TEMPERATURE INCREASE
- TESTS ARE PLANNED IN 21-ROD BUNDLE TO STUDY BLOCKAGE EFFECTS

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<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>FUNDING (\$000)</u>		
	<u>FY 79</u> (ACTUAL)	<u>FY 80</u> (PRES.)	<u>FY 81</u> (REQ.)
NUCLEAR SAFETY INFORMATION CENTER	625	500	1272
NATIONAL ENERGY SOFTWARE CENTER	75	75	180
FACULTY INSTITUTE	0	0	53
CRITICAL REVIEWS	0	0	42
CONSULTANTS/SUPPORT SERVICES	0 (FUNDED EARLIER)	0	43
TOTAL (OPERATING)	700	575	1590

# ANALYSIS DEVELOPMENT RES/RSR

## BRIEFING AGENDA

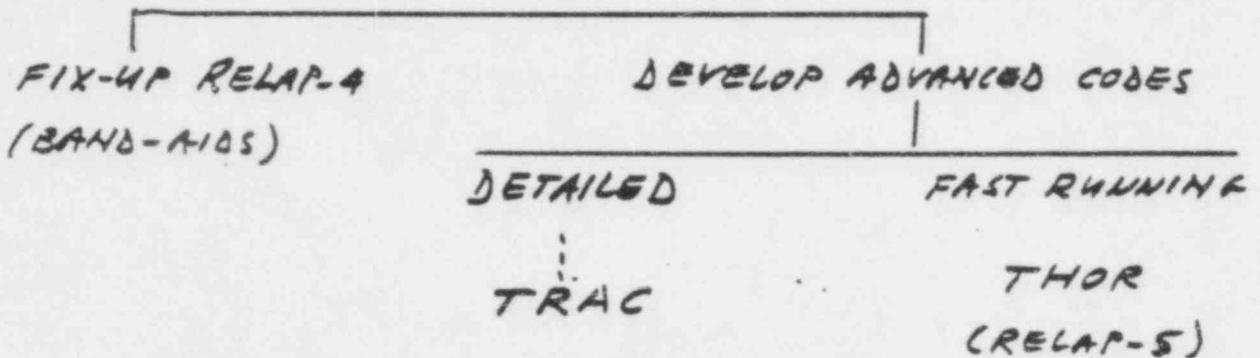
1. SYSTEMS CODES & COMPONENT CODES  
COMPLETED  
UNDER DEVELOPMENT  
RILS  
CODE AVAILABILITY PER GENERIC  
ISSUES
2. CODE APPLICATIONS
3. CODE ASSESSMENT
4. STATISTICAL STUDIES
5. BUDGETS

NRC CODE DEVELOPMENT  
- PERSPECTIVE -

1972 RELAP-4 "COMPLETED"  
DEVEL. OF ADVANCED CODE (SLOOP) INITIATED AT IDAHO

1974 AMERICAN PHYSICAL SOCIETY STUDY  
RECOMMENDS MORE PHYSICALLY BASED CODES

1974 RES PLANS FOR CODE DEVELOPMENT



1978 FAST RUNNING CODE SELECTION (FROM AMONG  
THOR, RELAP-5, AND TRAC)

12/78 NRC MANAGEMENT DECISION  
DEVELOP FAST RUNNING TRAC AT LASL  
INEL TO TAKE CARE OF TRAC-BWR

3/79 FIRST DETAILED TRAC, PWR VERSION (TRAC-PIA)  
RELEASED TO PUBLIC

3/79 TMI-2 ACCIDENT  
CONSEQUENCE: ACCELERATE DEV. OF FAST  
RUNNING TRAC

12/79 EXPECTED COMPLETION OF FIRST VERSION OF  
FAST RUNNING TRAC, FOR PWR APPLICATION

PERCEIVED UNHAPPINES, FROM VARIOUS SOURCES,  
WITH "NUMBER CRUNCHERS"

COMPLEX CODES UNWIELDY FOR EXTENSIVE MAPPING  
OF GREAT VARIETY OF POSTULATED ACCIDENTS  
EQUIPMENT MALFUNCTIONS  
OPERATOR ACTIONS

SUGGESTED COURSE OF ACTION  
(IN ADDITION TO CURRENT PLANS)

HYBRID-BASED  
ANALYTICAL TOOL

- \* GOOD PHYSICS  
(1-D, THERM. NON-EQUILIB.,  
PLUS NON-CONDENSIBLE  
GAS, PLUS 1-D NEUTRON  
KINETICS)
- \* COMPUTATION SPEED  
FASTER THAN ACCIDENT  
(REAL) TIME
- \* INSTANT INTERACTION  
BETWEEN USER AND  
"MACHINE"

NEED TO DEVELOP  
DEDICATED HARDWARE  
~ 4 YEARS

DEV. OF VERY FAST  
DIGITAL ROUTINES,  
WITH INTELLIGENT  
SHORT-CUTS.

POSSIBLY DEVELOPED  
IN-HOUSE.

EXAMPLE: IN-HOUSE  
COMPLETED CODE FOR  
NATURAL CIRCULATION  
IN B&W PLANT WITH  
CORE DAMAGE.

SYSTEMS CODES - COMPLETED

CODE	COMPLETED	RELEASED TO PUBLIC	DATE OF RIL
RELAP-4/MOD5	6/76	7/76	—
RELAP-4/MOD6	9/77	1/78	11/78
RELAP-5/MOD C	3/79	5/79	—
TRAC-P1		12/77	—
TRAC-P1A		3/79	9/79
BEACON/MOD 1	12/76	—	—
BEACON/MOD 2	10/77	12/77	6/78
BEACON/MOD 2A	12/78	3/79	—

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# COMPONENT CODES - COMPLETED

CODE	COMPLETED	RELEASED TO PUBLIC	DATE OF RIL
K-FIX (Vers. 1)		4/77	9/19
K-TIF (Vers. 1)		5/78	11/79
SOLA-DF		1/79	—
SOLA-LOOP		1/79	12/79
COBRA- <u>IV</u> -I		2/76	
COBRA-TF-a	12/78		12/79

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CURRENTLY AVAILABLE SYSTEMS CODES  
ALSO, AVAILABLE BY END OF CY. 1979

	LARGE & INTERM. BREAK LOCA		SMALL BREAK LOCA		STEAM LINE BREAK	ATWS		OTHER TRANSIENTS	
	PWR	BWR	PWR	BWR	PWR	PWR	BWR	PWR	BWR
EM	WRAP/ PWR	WRAP/ BWR	WRAP/ PWR <sub>2</sub>	WRAP/ BWR <sub>2</sub>	IRT	RELAP-3B		IRT	
"BE"	RELAP-4 MOD 6								
	RELAP-4 MOD 7	RELAP-4 MOD 7	RELAP-4 MOD 7		IRT, RELAP-4 MOD 6	RETRAN		RETRAN	
BE (ADV.)	TRAC- PIA		TRAC- PIA		TRAC- PIA			TRAC- PIA ‡	
	TRAC- -PFI		TRAC- -PFI	RAMONA -III ‡	TRAC- -PFI		RAMONA -III ‡	TRAC- -PFI	RAMONA -III ‡

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DWR (TRAC-P)		TRAC		BWR (TRAC-B)		MONTH
DETAILED	FAST	DETAILED	FAST	DETAILED	FAST	
						7
						8
						9
						10
						11
-PD2	-PF1					12
						1
						2
	-PF1					3
						4
						5
						6
						7
						8
						9
						10
						11
-PD3	-PF2					12
						1
						2
						3
						4
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						8
						9
						10
						11
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						6

AVAILABLE TO NRC

AVAILABLE TO PUBLIC

(LEVY) BF1

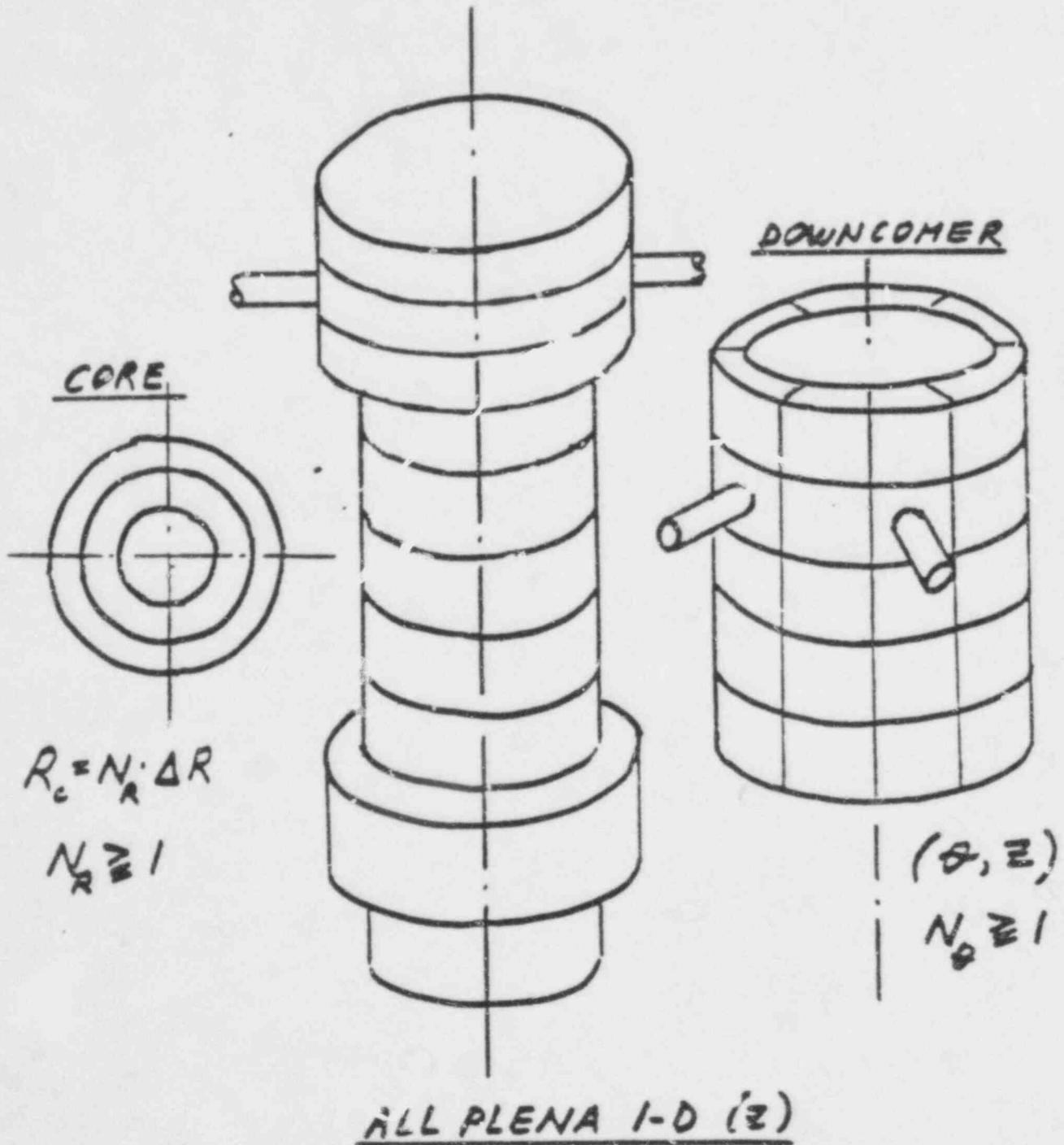
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-BD2 (LEVY) BF2

(LEVY) BF2

BD3

PWR VESSEL NODALIZATION  
FOR FAST RUNNING TRAC



# SYSTEMS CODES UNDER DEVELOPMENT

CODE	COMPLETION	PUBL. RELEASE	RIL
RELAP-A/MOD 7	12/79	3/80	6/80
WRAP/BWR (EM)		10/79	1/80
WRAP/PWR (EM)		12/79	3/80
TRAC-PD2	12/79	3/80	6/80
TRAC-PD3		10/80	2/81
TRAC-PF1	12/79	3/80	6/80
TRAC-PF2		10/80	1/81
TRAC-BD1	4/80	7/80	10/80
TRAC-BD2		6/81	9/81
TRAC-BD3		3/82	6/82
TRAC-BF1	9/80	12/80	3/81
TRAC-BF2	6/81	9/81	12/81
BEACON/MOD 3	12/79	3/80	9/80
COBRA/TRAC	7/79	9/80	12/80
RAMONA-III	12/79	12/80	3/81

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# COMPONENT CODES - UNDER DEVELOPMENT

CODE	COMPLETION	PUBL. RELEASE	RIL
SOLA-FLX		6/79	5/80
K-FIX-FLX (30)		6/79	5/80
COBRA-MF (HOT BUNDLE)		12/80	9/81
PELE-IC		12,79	6/80
K-FIX (Vers. 2)	12/79	3/80	9/80

FINAL SYSTEMS CODES  
(BY END OF FY 82)

	LARGE & INTER. BRK & LOCA		SMALL BRK LOCA		STEAM LINE BRK	ATWS & RIA		OTHER TRANSIENTS	
	PWR	BWR	PWR	BWR	PWR	PWR	BWR	PWR	BWR
EM	TRAC-PD2	TRAC-BD2	TRAC-PF2	TRAC-BF2	TRAC-PD3				
	TRAC-PF2	TRAC-BF2			TRAC-PF2				
BE (DETAIL)	TRAC- -PD2,3	TRAC- -BD2,3	TRAC- -PF2	TRAC- -BF2	TRAC- -PD3	TRAC- -PD3	TRAC- -BD3	TRAC- -PD3,3	TRAC- -BD3,3
BE (FAST)	TRAC- -PF2	TRAC- -BF2	TRAC- -PF2 HYBRID	TRAC- -BF2 HYBRID	TRAC- -PF2 HYBRID	TRAC- -PF2 HYBRID	TRAC- -BF2 HYBRID	TRAC- -PF2 HYBRID	TRAC- -BF2 HYBRID

NEUTRON KINETICS:    0-D    TRAC-PD2, BD2  
                                   0-D, 1-D    TRAC-PF2, BF2  
                                   0-D, 1-D, 3-D    TRAC-PD3, BD3

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# CODE APPLICATIONS

## I. TMI-2 ANALYSES

### A. AT INEL, USING RELAP-4

- \* HPI EFFECT ON NATURAL CIRCULATION  
----- (12 RUNS)
- \* STEADY, FORCED FLOW (WITH RCS PUMPS RUNNING),  
W/ VARIATIONS IN CORE RESISTANCE, S.G. LEVEL,  
AND B-LOOP STATUS. --- (~30 RUNS)
- \* CHANGE-OVER TO NATURAL CIRCULATION  
----- (12 RUNS)
- \* LETDOWN FROM 1000 PSI, VARIOUS RCS PUMP  
TRIP TIMES ---- (6 RUNS)
- \*  $H_2$  EFFECT IN RCS
- \* TMI SCENARIO, FIRST 20 MINS
- \* TMI SCENARIO, 20 MINS  $\leq t \leq 2\frac{1}{2}$  HRS
- \* OCONEE SMALL BREAK --- (3 RUNS)
- \* W SMALL BREAK --- (3 RUNS)
- \* C.E. SMALL BREAK --- (3 RUNS)

B. AT LASL, USING TRAC-PIA

- \* TMI-2 SCENARIO
- \* 3 BENCHMARK CALC FOR SMALL BREAKS, USING BION DECK (3 DIFFERENT BREAK SIZES, ...)
- \* GENERIC STUDY OF PRESSURIZER TRANSIENTS
- \* GENERIC STUDY OF S.G. TRANSIENTS

C. AT PNL, USING COBRA-IV

- \* TRY TO REPRODUCE HOT SPOT FLUID TEMPER., TO ASSESS CORE DAMAGE

D. IN-HOUSE

- \* FAST RUNNING CODE FOR SCOPING STUDIES OF NATURAL CIRCULATION IN B2W PLANTS, WITH OR WITHOUT DAMAGED CORE.

II ANALYTICAL SUPPORT TO NRC/FRC/JAPAN 20/30  
RESEARCH

ALL AT LASL, USING TRAC CODE

- \* US PWR LOCA W/EFFECTS OF NODDING
- \* GERMAN (KWK) PWR LOCA
- \* CCTF PREDICTION
- \* PKL PREDICTION
- \* SCTF DESIGN CALCS
- \* UPTF DESIGN CALCS

III. ANALYT. SUPPORT TO NRC/EPRI/GE BWR REFLOOD  
EXPERIMENTS TO BE RENDERED BY INEL,  
USING TRAC-B CODE.

IV. FORSEE FUTURE REQUESTS FOR ANALYTICAL  
SUPPORT, AT LASL, USING TRAC-P CODES, ON

- \* OPERATING REACTORS ISSUES
- \* RESPONSE TO RES REQUESTS

## INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT OF SYSTEMS CODES

### 1. RELAP-4/MOD 6

- MAIN EFFORT COMPLETED AND REPORTED IN 1978
- LOW LEVEL EFFORT CONTINUING, INVOLVING  
LOFT, MARVIKEN-III, LOBI, SEMISCALE/MOD 3 (SMALL BREAK)

### SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT RESULTS

- CODE RESULTS COMPARED WITH TEST DATA OBTAINED IN:  
SEMISCALE/MOD 1, SEMISCALE/MOD 3, THTF, LOFT, PKL, FLECHT,  
FLECHT SET, MARVIKEN, AND PBF TEST FACILITIES.
- FULL VERIFICATION WAS NOT POSSIBLE DUE TO VERY LIMITED TEST DATA  
UNCERTAINTY INFORMATION

### FINDINGS

- A. GOOD AGREEMENTS FOR PRESSURE-TIME HISTORY PRIOR TO ECC  
ACCUMULATOR INJECTION
- B. BLOWDOWN CLAD TEMPERATURE GENERALLY ADEQUATE EXCEPT WHEN DELAYED  
CHF WAS ENCOUNTERED.
- C. SYSTEM BLOWDOWN HYDRAULICS GENERALLY GOOD. HOWEVER CORE FLOW  
DETAILS (E.G. CORE INLET FLOW) POOR IN SOME CASES.

D. FULL LENGTH REFLOOD HYDRAULICS:

BETTER FOR FULL LENGTH CORES THAN FOR SHORT CORES, PRIMARILY BECAUSE MODEL COEFFICIENTS WERE NORMALIZED ON THE BASIS OF FLECHT DATA. GOOD AGREEMENT ON QUENCH PROPAGATION ALONG THE WHOLE CORE LENGTH USUALLY NOT OBTAINED.

E. CODE WEAKNESSES WERE FOUND IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

1. ENTRAINMENT AND PHASE SEPARATION
2. DE-ENTRAINMENT AND FALL BACK
3. VERTICAL SLIP EQUILIBRIUM ASSUMPTIONS
4. TRANSITION AND DISPERSED FLOW HEAT TRANSFER
5. CHF
6. STEAM GENERATOR NODING SENSITIVITY
7. CRITICAL FLOW
8. TURNAROUND AND QUENCH TIME SOMETIMES POOR
9. USER GUIDELINES NOT GENERAL

BETTER USER GUIDELINES WERE DEVELOPED AS PART OF INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT

## 2. TRAC

- ASSESSMENT MATRIX COMPLETED IN-HOUSE FOR ALL PWR TRAC VERSIONS.
- FORMAT FOR TRAC ASSESSMENT RESULTS PREPARED (IN-HOUSE)
- WORK ASSIGNMENT PLAN DEVELOPED FOR BY 79 AND FY 80, FOR LASL, INEL, AND BNL (BEFORE TMI-2 INCIDENT)
- IF FY 80 BUDGET SUPPLEMENT NOT AVAILABLE SCHEDULED TASKS WILL NOT BE ACCOMPLISHED DUE TO RE-ALIGNMENT OF FUNDING (ASSESSMENT \$ + CODE DEVELOPMENT \$, TO ACCELERATE DEVELOPMENT OF FAST RUNNING CODES)

### NEXT STEPS

- ASSESSMENT PLAN FOR TRAC-BWR
- CODE ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

## PRIMARY MEANS OF CODE ASSESSMENT:

### COMPARISONS OF CODE RESULTS WITH TEST DATA, TAKEN IN

- (a) Integral test facilities
- (b) Separate Effects tests
- (c) Basic Tests

all at different scales and test conditions.

In test types (a) thru (c) looking at different aspects of the code:

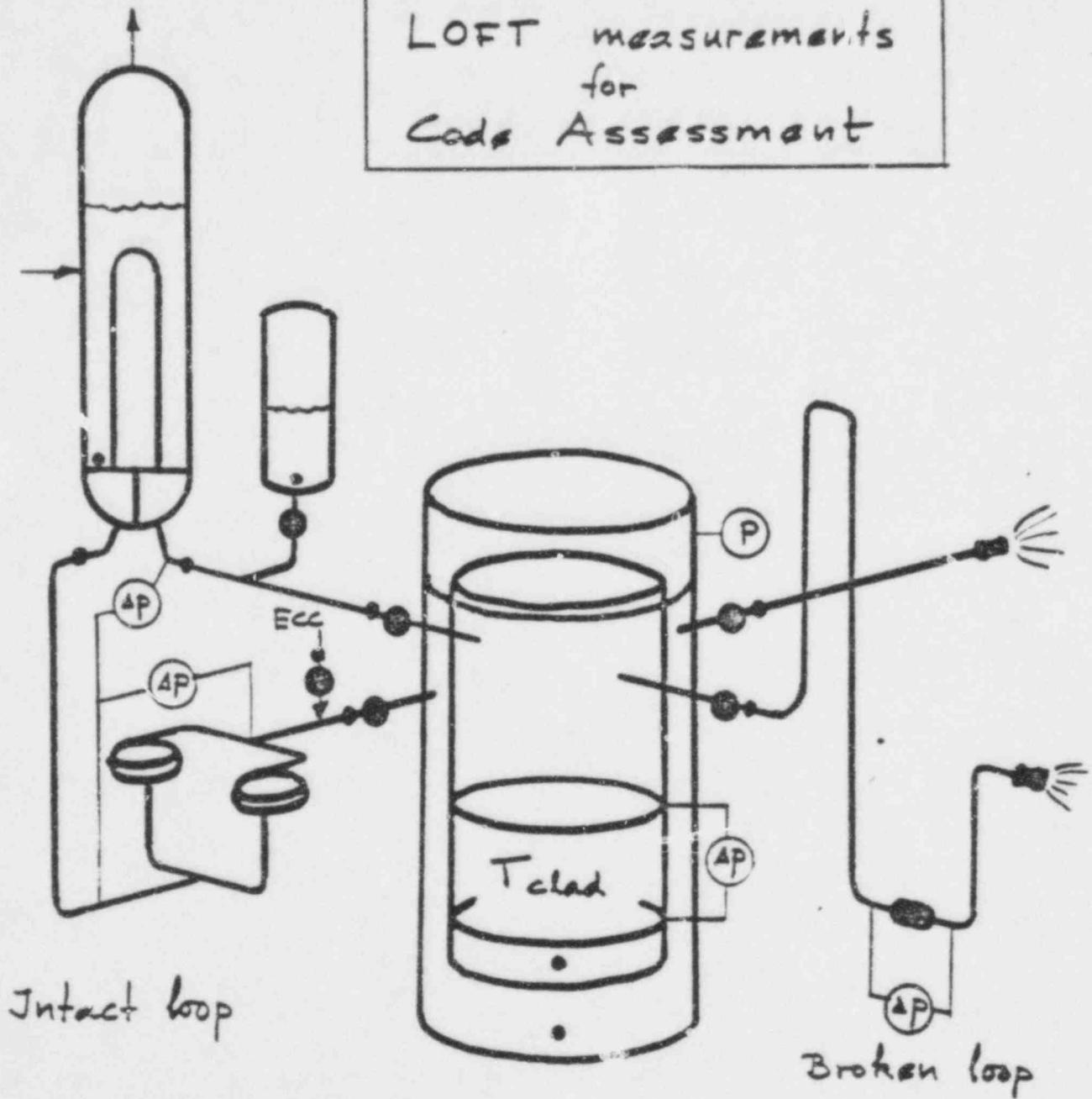
- (a) Integral tests comparisons will show ability of the code to dynamically couple various system components and account for interactions and propagation of kinematic waves, as such affect the flow and void distribution within the reactor core.
- (b) Separate Effects tests comparisons will show the code ability to correctly simulate actual flow and heat transfer phenomena, in selected, individual system components, to account for variations in geometry and size, during different stages of transients. Examples: Steam generator, PWR down-comer, LWR upper plenum, BWR jet pump, LWR core, etc.
- (c) Basic Experiments yield data for evaluating thermo-hydraulic models for local phenomena, and for evaluating the code's numerics.

### QUALITATIVE (subjective) ASSESSMENT

Based on observation of specified code results in time and space domains, to ascertain whether such results are physically reasonable. Test data are also cross plotted, wherever available. This will be the predominant mode of code assessment for the basic experiments and for the separate effects tests. In the case of integral tests, the qualitative assessment will be supplemented by the quantitative assessment described below.

The following viewgraphs illustrate selection of code results to be plotted for qualitative assessment pertaining to integral tests (LOFT is shown as an example), to separate effects test (Steam generator test in FLECHT-SEASET, as example), and to basic tests (MARVIKEN-III Critical Flow test, as example).

LOFT measurements  
for  
Code Assessment

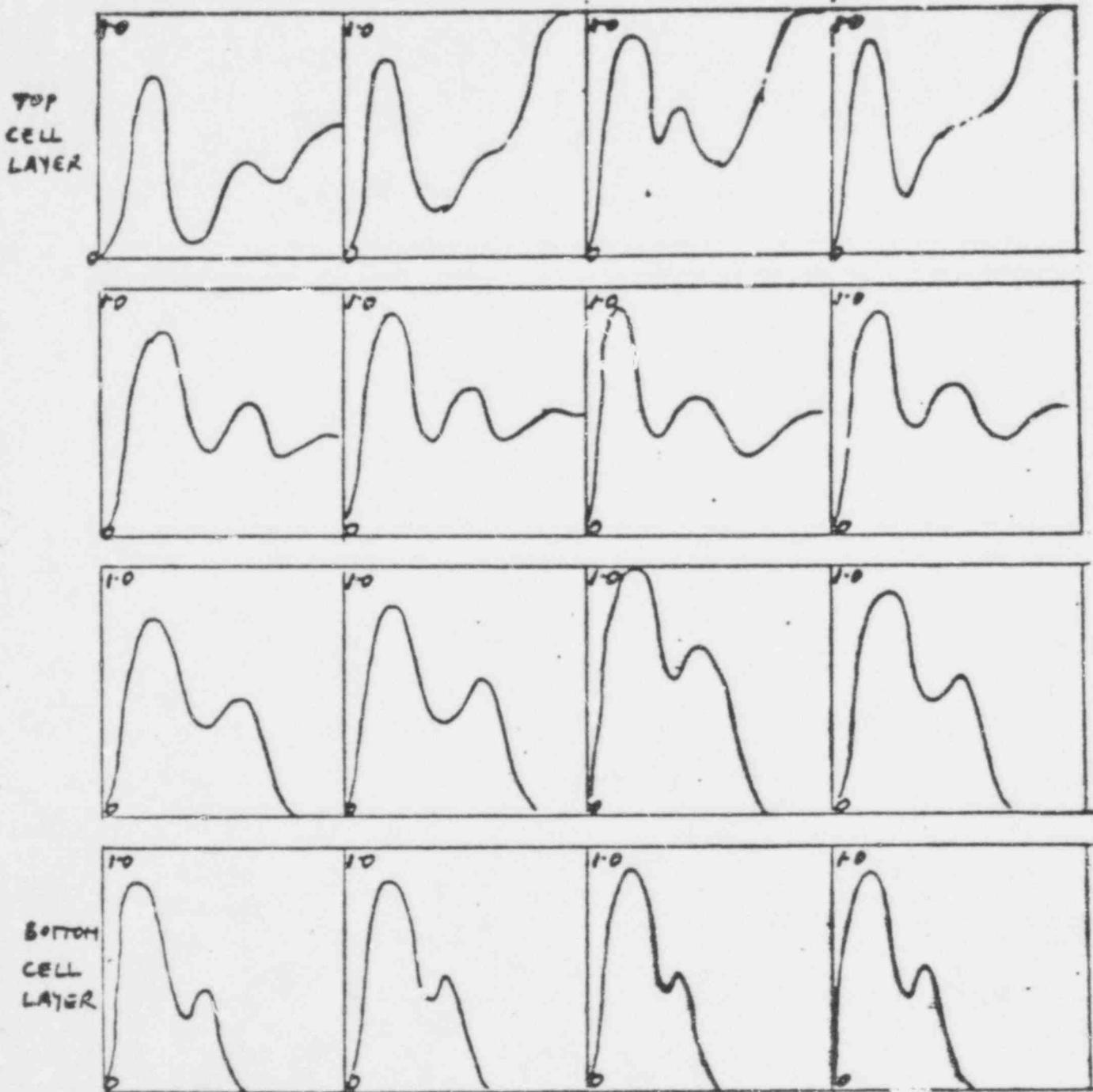
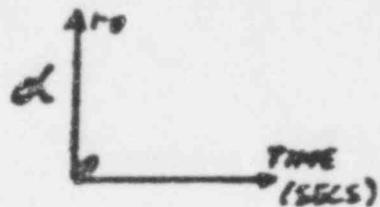


- Fluid Temperature
- Flow rate and density

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# VOID FRACTION IN CELLS OF UNWRAPPED DOWNCOMER

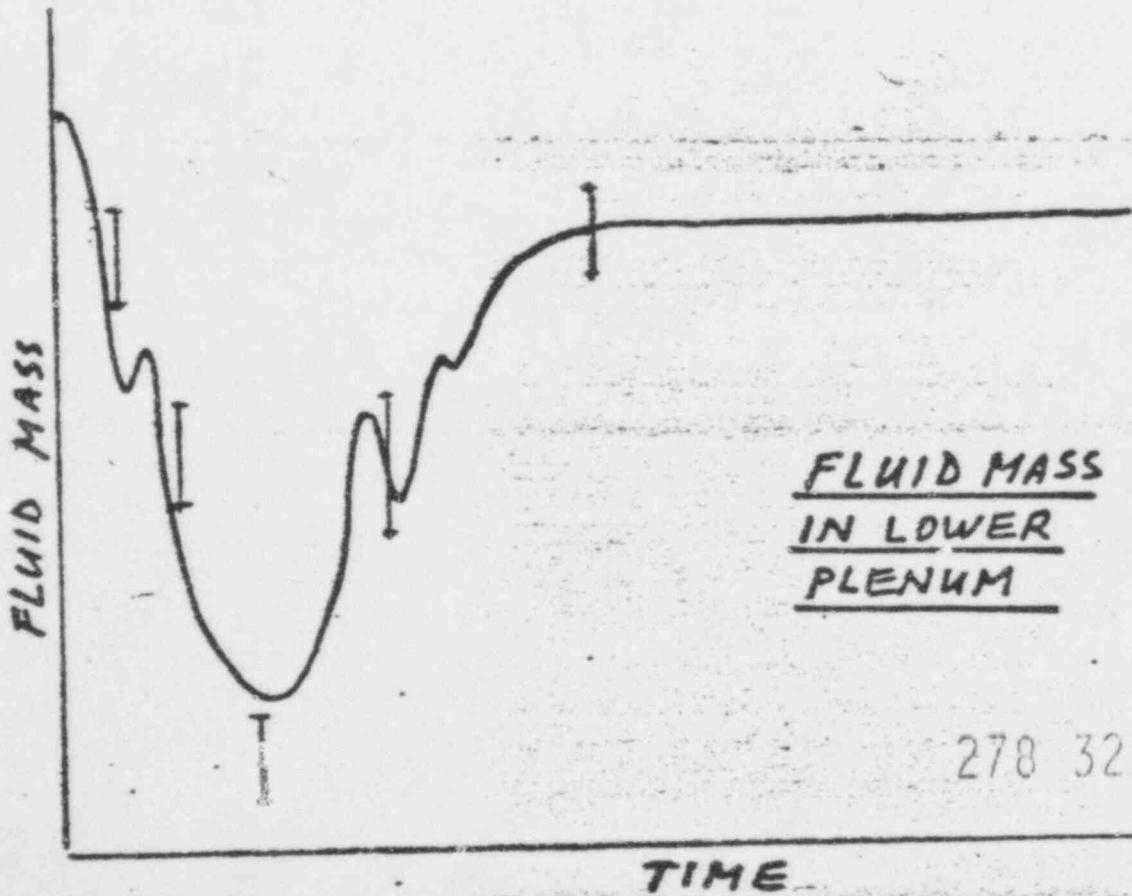
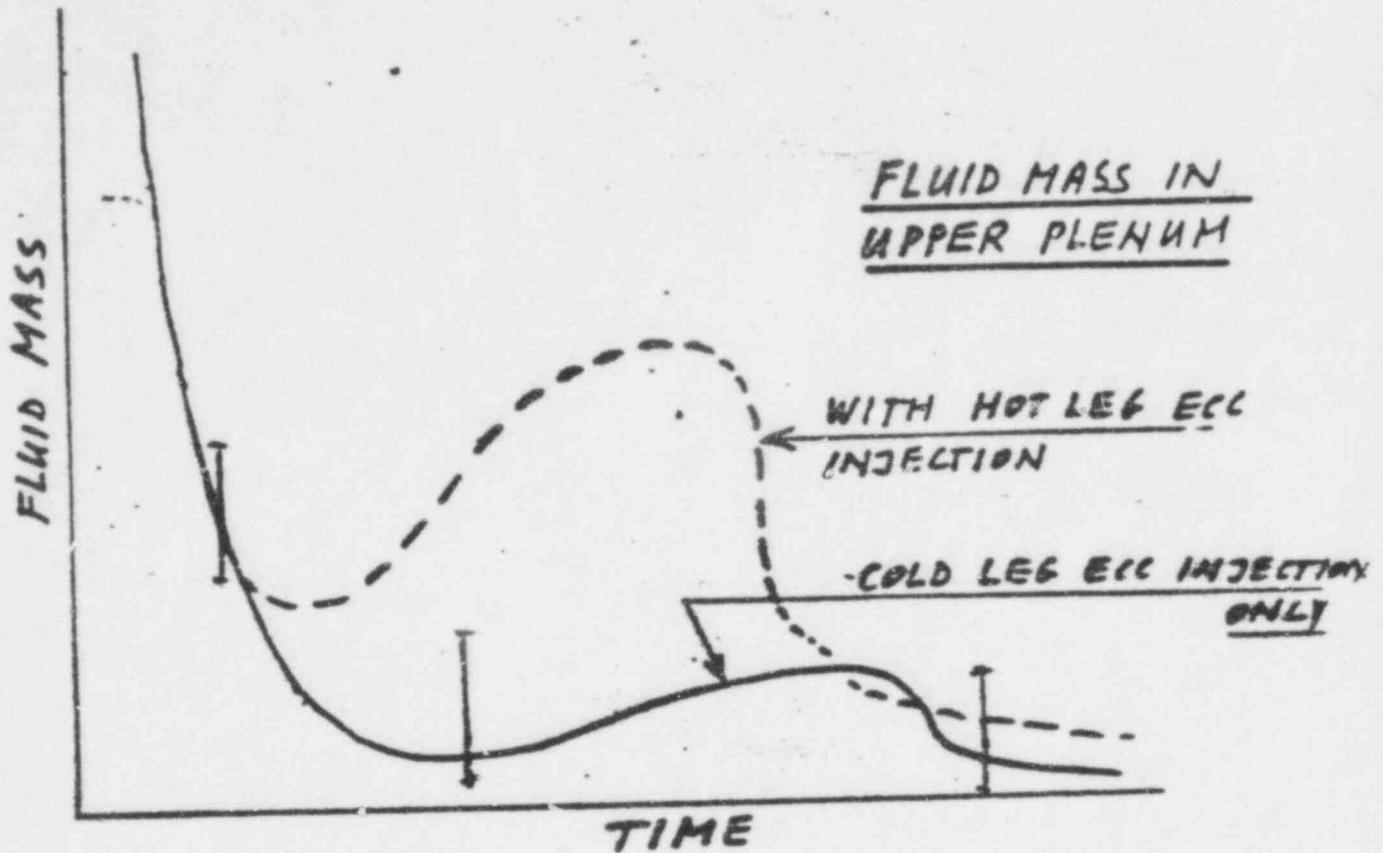
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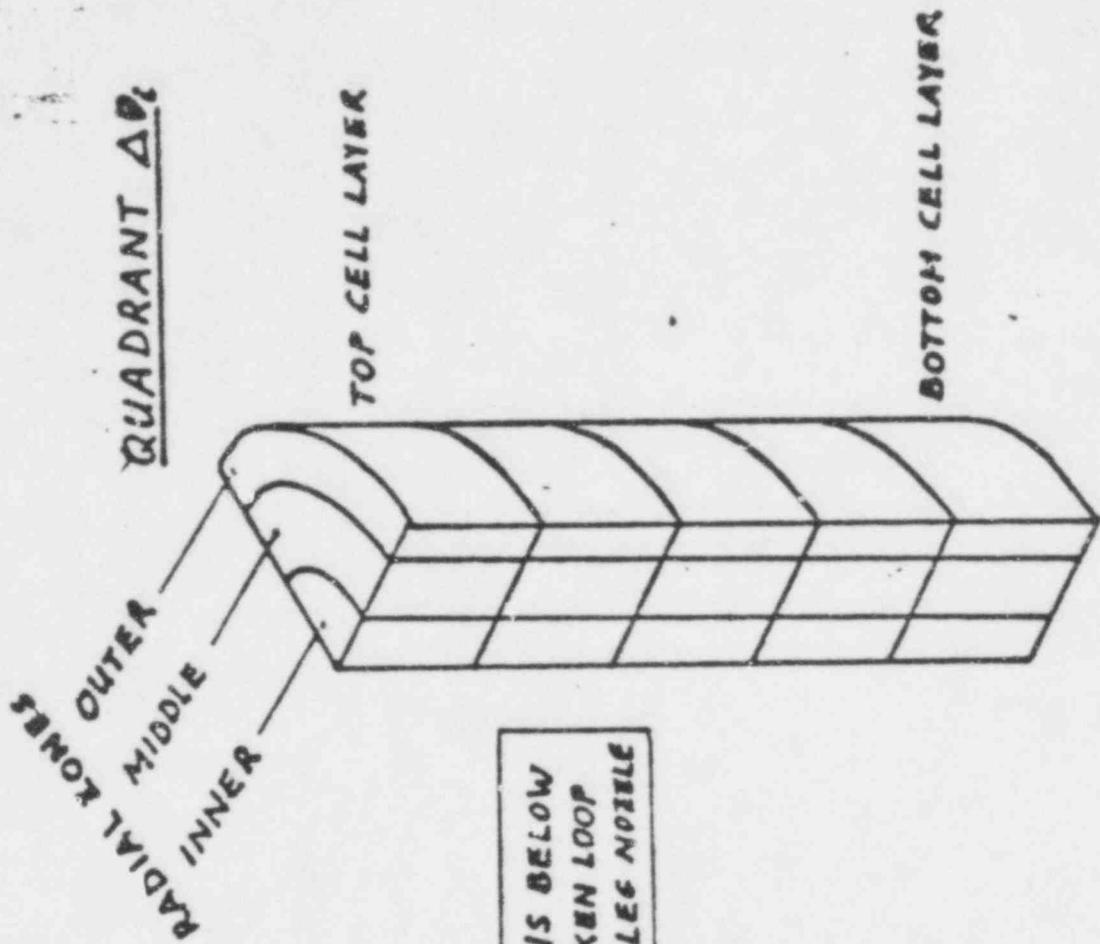


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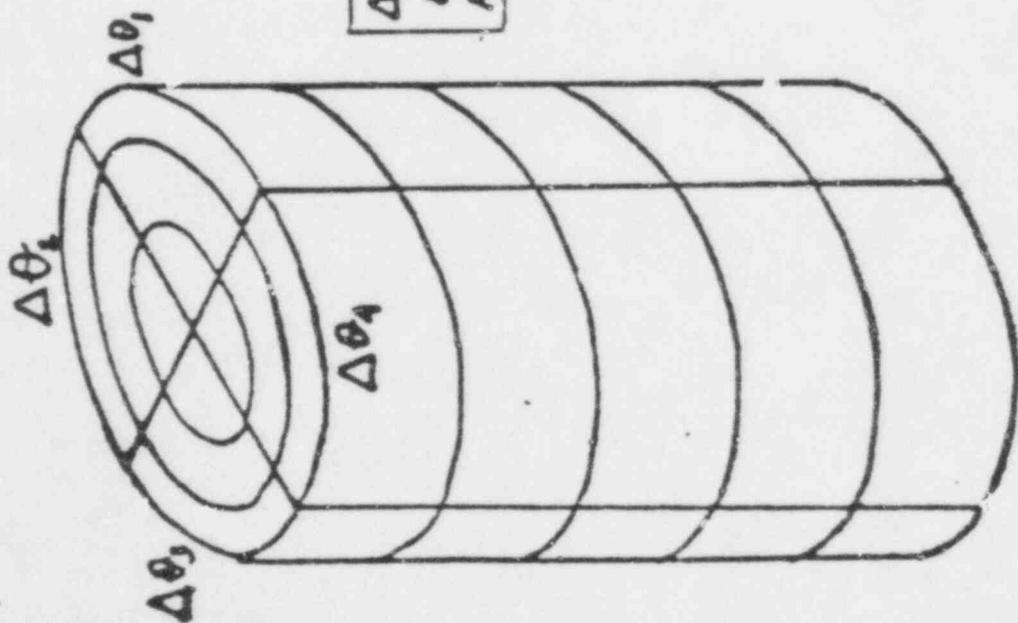
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 ROW CONTAINING  
 BROKEN LOOP  
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FOR QUALITATIVE ASSESSMENT





$\Delta\theta_1$  IS BELOW  
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 HOT LEG NOZZLE

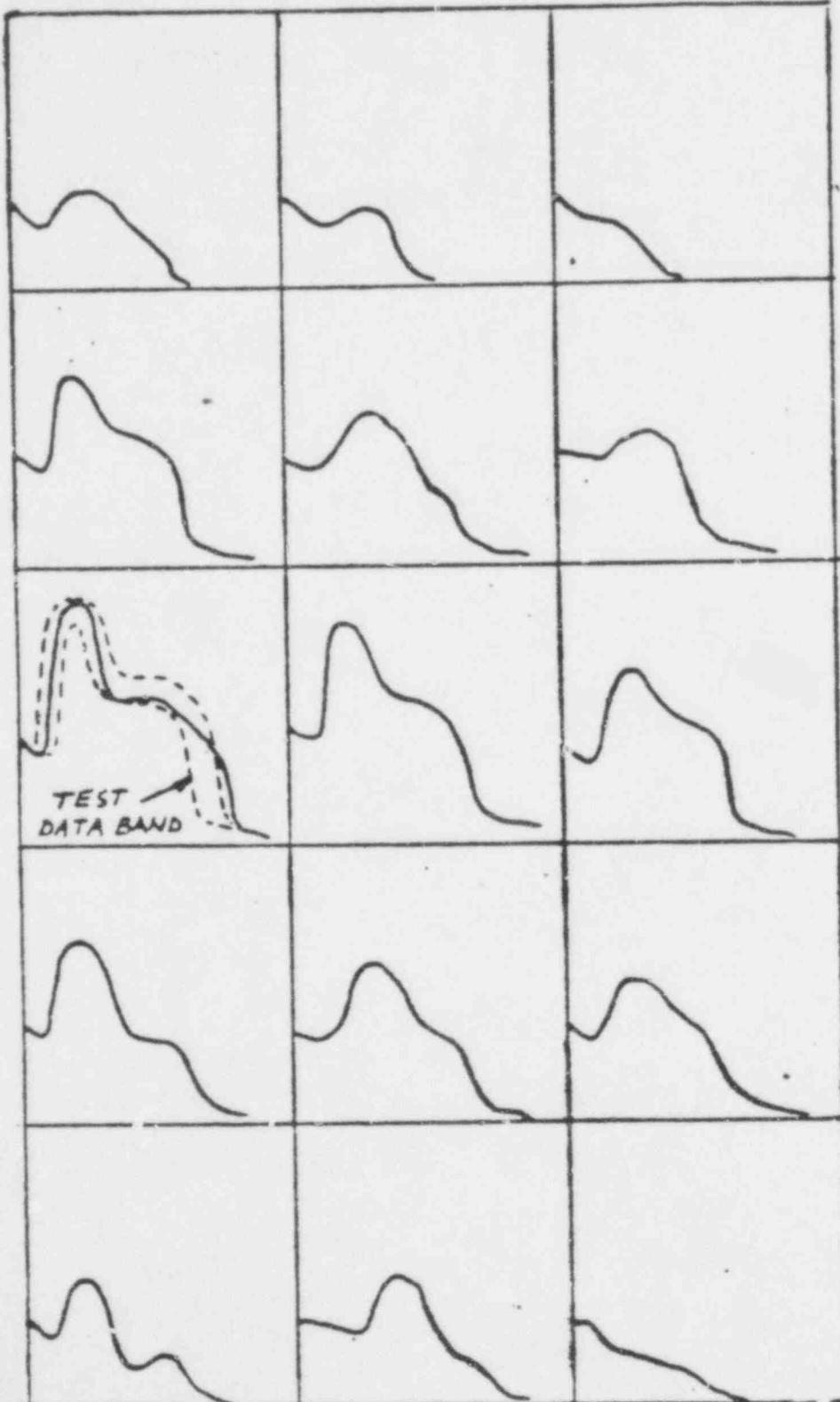


LOFT CORE NODALIZATION

# CLAD TEMPERATURES IN $\Delta\theta$

FOR QUALITATIVE ASSESSMENT

QUADRANT



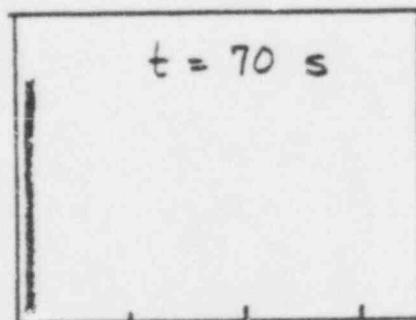
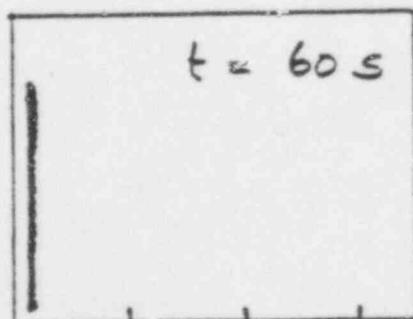
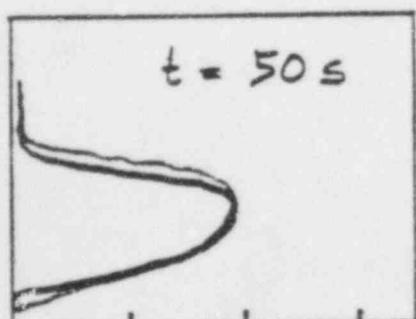
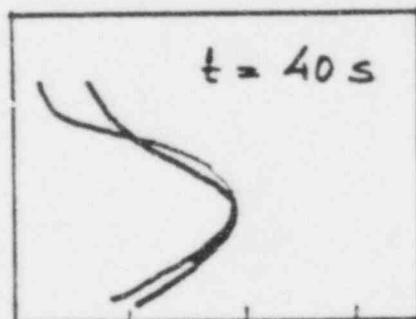
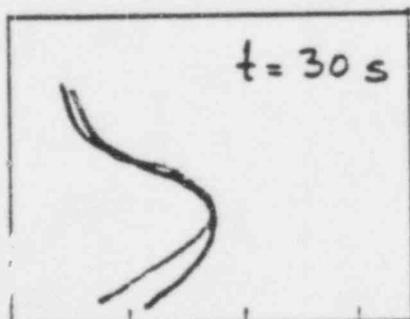
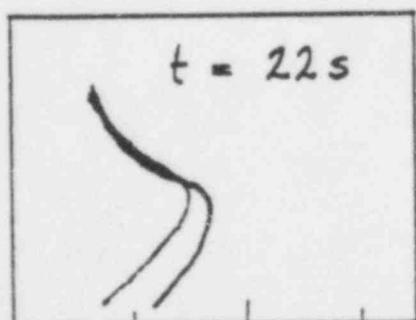
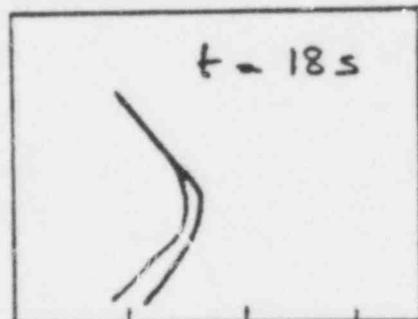
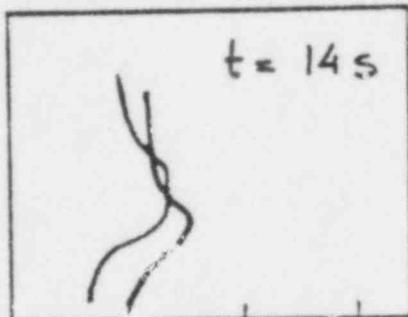
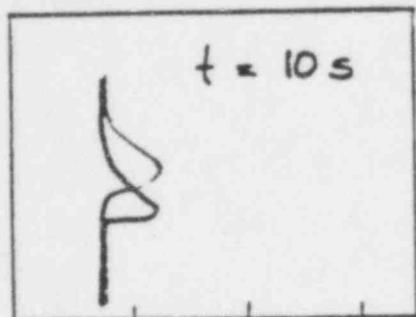
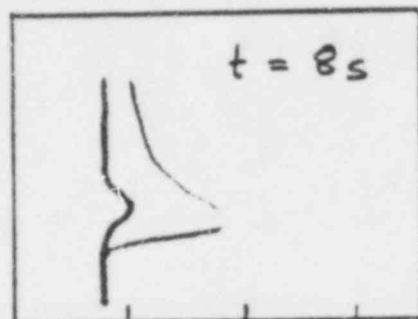
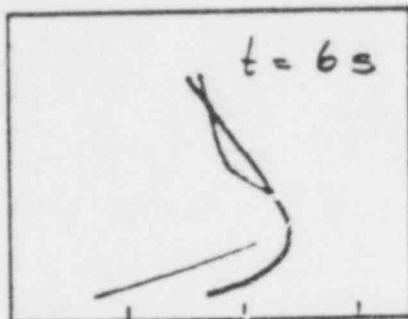
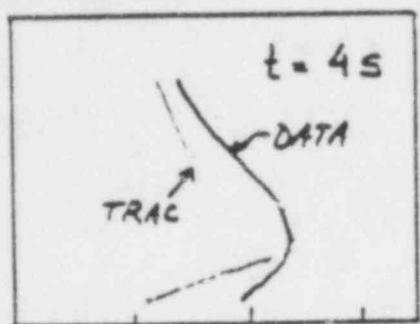
INNER RAD.  
ZONE

OUTER RAD.  
ZONE

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# HOT ROD AXIAL TEMPERATURE DISTRIBUTION!

— LOFT TEST L2-3  
 — TRAC DIA (ILOEJE)



400 600 800 1000  
 $T_{clad} (K)$

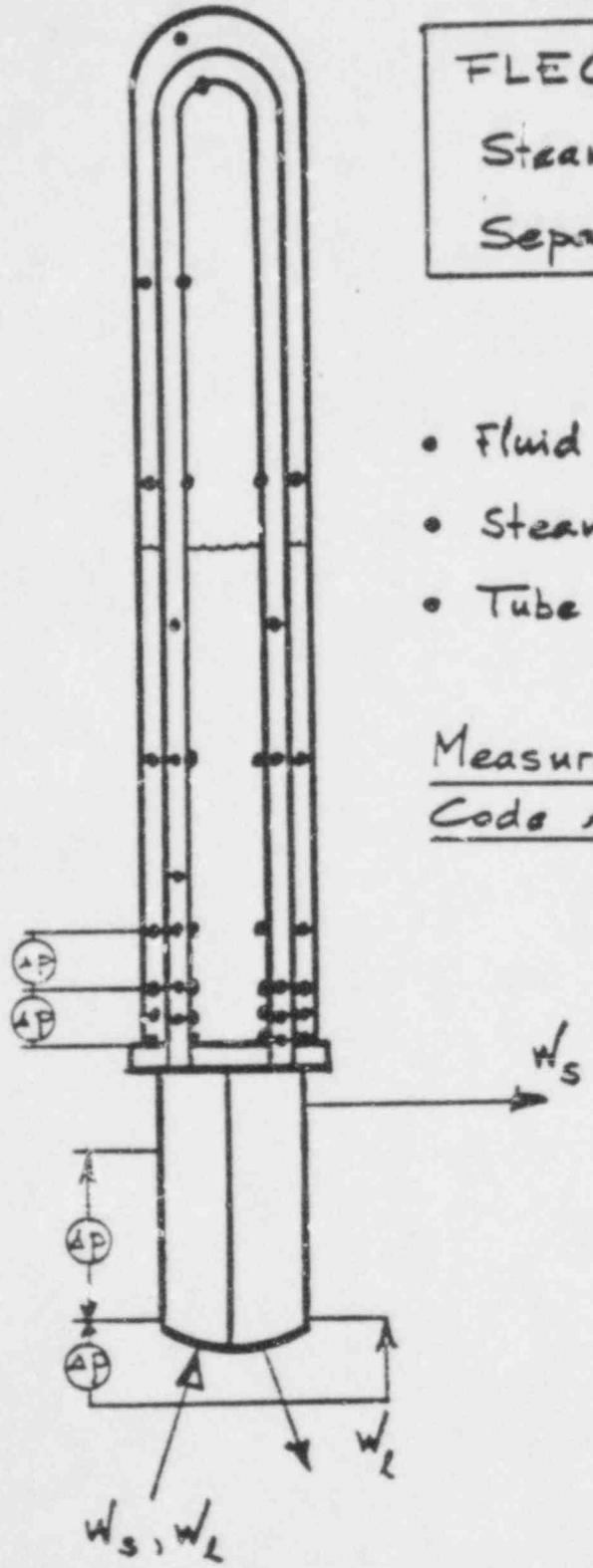
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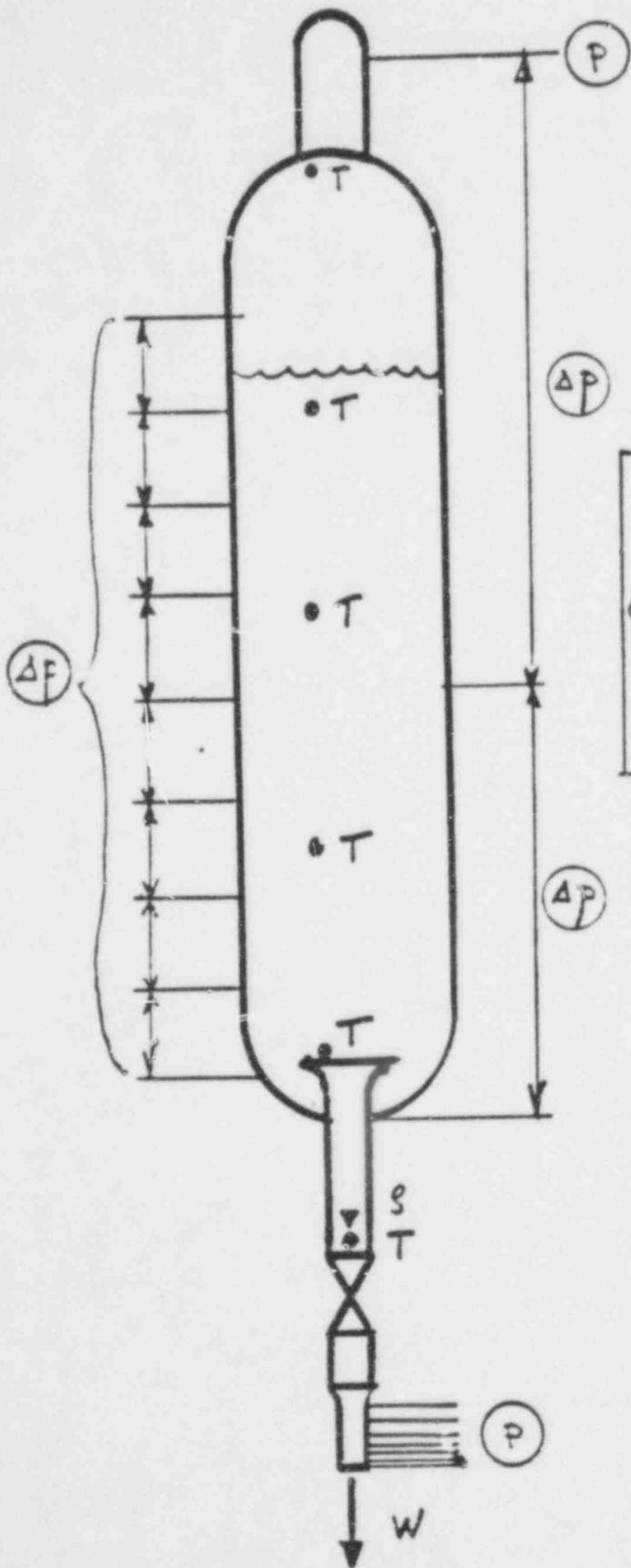
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FLECHT SEASET  
 Steam Generator  
 Separate Effects Test

- Fluid Temperature (Secondary)
- Steam Temperature (Primary)
- Tube wall Temperature

Measurements for Code Assessment





MARVIKEN  
CRITICAL FLOW  
TESTS

MEASUREMENTS  
FOR  
CODE ASSESSMENT

### QUANTITATIVE ASSESSMENT

Based on obtaining "scatter plots" of certain key "indicators". Such scatter plots (of calculated vs. measured) give information that reflects the code's ability to describe a single parameter in a normalized manner thereby accounting for differences in test geometry scale, break size, etc. It is possible to extract, from that information, and extrapolate to full scale, the "code error".

The latter goes beyond the uncertainties in coefficients and other code inputs.

Examples of key indicators pertaining to integral LOCA tests are shown in the next viewgraph.

Indicators for very small break LOCA tests, natural circulation, non-LOCA transients, and for BWR LOCA, have not yet been worked out.

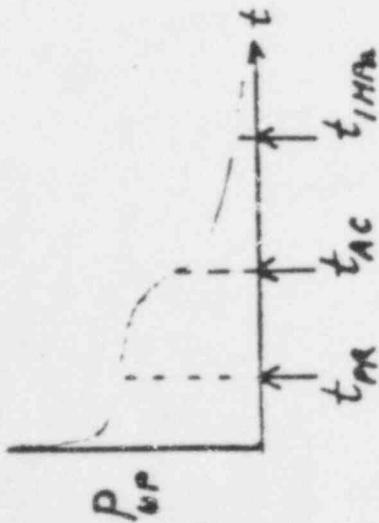
# KEY INDICATORS FOR QUANTITATIVE ASSESSMENT

## A. TO CHARACTERIZE UPPER PLENUM PRESSURE-TIME HISTORY

$t_{PR}$  = TIME TO EMPTY PRESSURIZER (OF LIRNID)

$t_{AC}$  = TIME OF START OF ACCUMULATOR DISCHARGE

$t_{MPR}$  = TIME WHEN H.P. PRESSURE EQUALS LMP



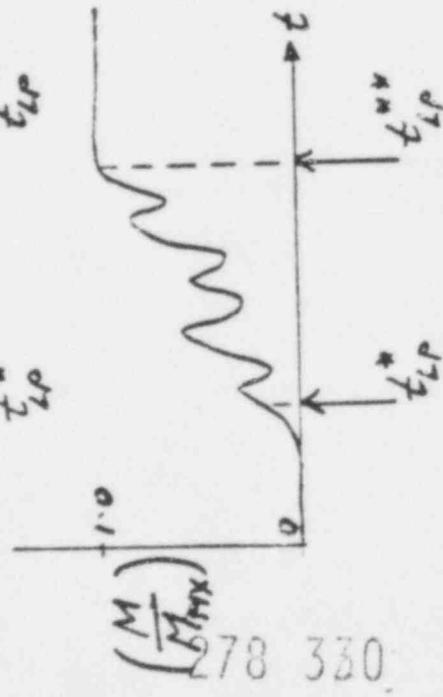
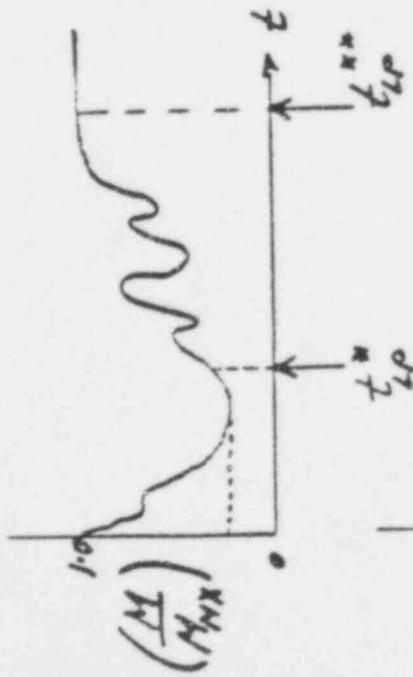
## B. TO CHARACTERIZE LOWER PLENUM MASS INVENTORY AND BEGINNING OF SUSTAINED CORE REPLED

$t_{LP}^*$  = TIME WHEN MASS IN LOWER PLENUM,  $M_{LP}$ , FIRST EQUALS  $1.1 \times M_{LP}^{MIN}$ , AFTER OCCURRENCE OF FIRST MINIMUM

OR IF  $M_{LP}^{MIN} = 0$  (AS IN SOME INTEGRAL REFLOOD TESTS)

$t_{LP}^*$  = TIME WHEN  $M_{LP}$  FIRST EXCEEDS  $0.1 \times M_{LP}^{MAX}$  (I.E. 10% OF FINAL MASS)

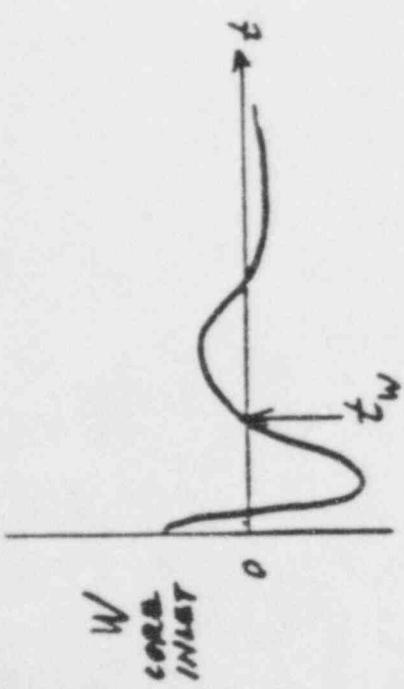
$t_{LP}^{**}$  = TIME WHEN SUSTAINED CORE INLET REFLOW BEGINS (NO FURTHER VOIDING AT CORE INLET)



# KEY INDICATORS -- CONTINUED

C. TO CHARACTERIZE CORE INLET FLOW  
(AS MEASURED AT OR NEAR CORE AXIS)

$t_w$  = TIME WHEN CORE INLET FLOW EQUALS ZERO,  
 AFTER EXPERIENCING FIRST NEGATIVE FLOW  
 CYCLE



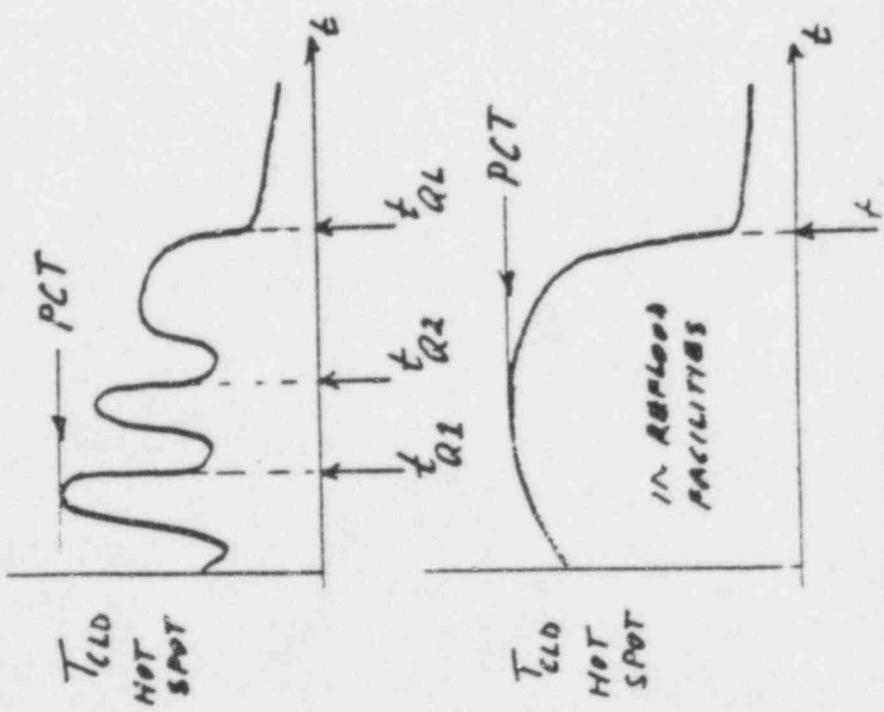
D. TO CHARACTERIZE FLOW NEAR CORE  
HOT SPOT, PEAK CLAD TEMPERATURE (PCT),  
AND QUENCHING OF HOT SPOT

$t_{R1}$  = TIME OF FIRST QUENCH OF HOT SPOT

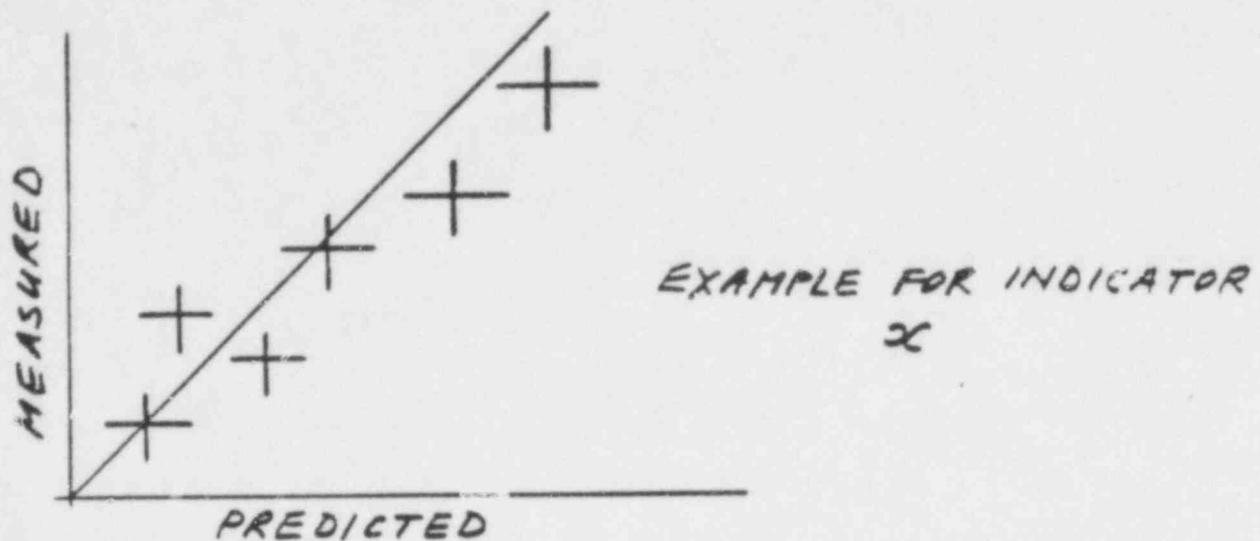
$t_{R2}$  = TIME OF SECOND QUENCH OF HOT SPOT (WHERE  
 APPLICABLE)

$t_{RL}$  = TIME OF FINAL QUENCH OF HOT SPOT

PCT = MAGNITUDE OF PEAK CLAD TEMPERATURE

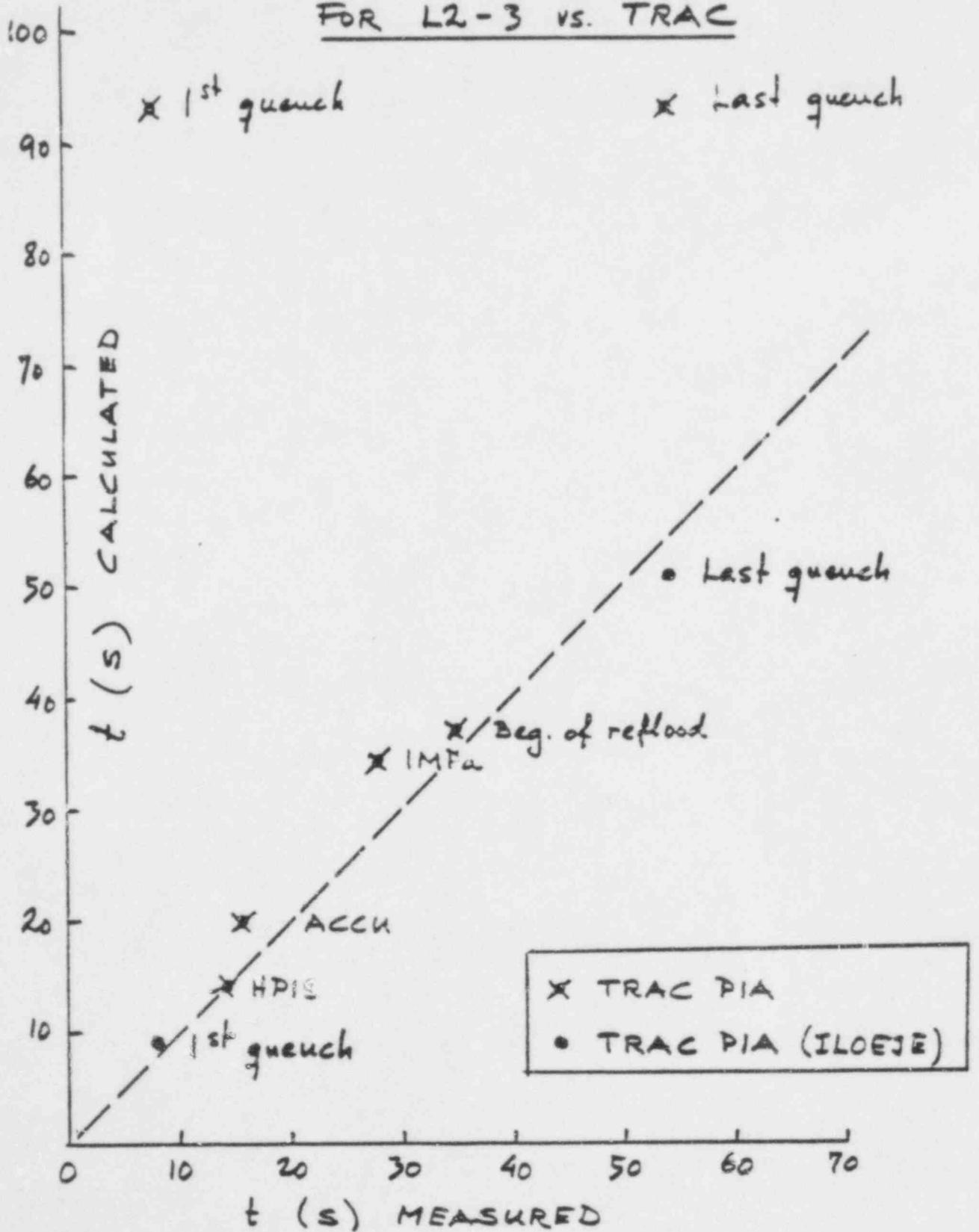


## PRESENTATION OF KEY INDICATORS



1. EACH ENTRY IN THE GRAPH INDICATES THE MEASUREMENT AND, ALSO, CALCULATION UNCERTAINTY. THE LATTER DUE TO UNCERTAINTY IN VARIOUS INPUT COEFFICIENTS AND MODEL "CONSTANTS".
2. CODE ERROR INFORMATION COMES FROM CONDITIONS IN WHICH THE 45° LINE DOES NOT INTERSECT WITH DOMAINS OF INFLUENCE DEFINED BY INDIVIDUAL CROSSES.
3. SINCE INDIVIDUAL ENTRIES MAY REPRESENT DIFFERENT SIZE TEST FACILITIES IT COULD BE POSSIBLE TO EXTRAPOLATE CODE ERROR TO FULL SCALE PLANTS.

PLOT OF ALL (TIME) KEY INDICATORS  
FOR L2-3 VS. TRAC



TWC - PIA ASSESSMENT

TOTAL DESIRED IN FY 79 & 00	FY 73		FY 80	
	LASL	R/L	LASL	R/L
	D/E	HEV	I/EL	S/DIA
27	5		10	12
11	1		5	1
2	2			2
5	1	2	2	
6		1	5	
6		1	3	
2		0		2
7		0	?	0
8		3	5	0

A. INTEGRAL TESTS

SS MOD-1

SS MOD-3

LOFT L1

LOFT L2, ETC

LOB!

PAL

FLECHT-SET

FLECHT-EG/SET (SIST)

UCF

POOR ORIGINAL

**POOR ORIGINAL**

**TMC - FJA ASSESSMENT**

TOTAL DESIRED IN FY 79 & 80	FY 79			FY 80		
	LASL	BFL	INEL	LASL	BFL	INEL
	DOPE	NEW				
5	0			3		5
4	1			3		2
5	0			2		
2	0			4		
5	1			11		
33 SS, 4 RPP	2 (RPP)			6		
23 SS	0			15		
33 SS, 6 RPP	0			1		
1	0					

**B. SEPARATE EFFECTS**

FLECHT

FLECHT-SEASET

PIF

100 FONG. RFLD

FLECHT-SEASET-S.G.

CREASE 1/15

BCL 1/15

BCL 2/15

NRU

TMC - PIA ASSESSMENT

TOTAL DESIRED IN FY 79 & 80	FY 79			FY 80			
	LASL		IRL	LASL	IRL	IRFL	SANDIA
	IME	IME/					
C. BASIC TESTS							
FRIG	5	0	3		2		
FP1/2D (3-5)	2	0	2		0		
FP1/2D (3-3)	4	0	0		4		
IRB	9	1 (R)	3	2 (R)	6		
CATON	4	0	4		0		
SUPER CATON	4	0	0		4		
PIEY DICK (AIMAD)	6	0	2	1 (R)	4		
PIEY DICK (SAD)	6	0	2	1 (R)	4		
SUPER PIEY DICK	6	0	2	1 (R)	4		
PIVIVIKEN-III	17	3		4	6	4	
U. HOUSTON	8	0	2	1 (R)	6		
ENTELLE-TRAK	2	1	0	1 (R)	1		

POOR ORIGINAL

# CODE UNCERTAINTY/SENSITIVITY STUDY

## 1. AT SANDIA LAB.

\* COMPLETED UNCERTAINTY STUDY FOR BLOWDOWN  
REGIME OF LOCA, USING RELAP-4/MOD 6

\* DRAFT REPORT ISSUED.  
FINDINGS: OF 21 PARAMETERS THAT WERE  
VARIED, 7 DOMINATED THE PEAK CLAD TEMPER.

GAP WIDTH  
TOTAL PEAKING FACTOR  
UO<sub>2</sub> CONDUCTIVITY  
FILM-BOILING HTC  
2- $\phi$  FRICTION MULTIPLIER  
SLIP (VAPOR/LIQUID REL. VEL.)  
POWER LEVEL

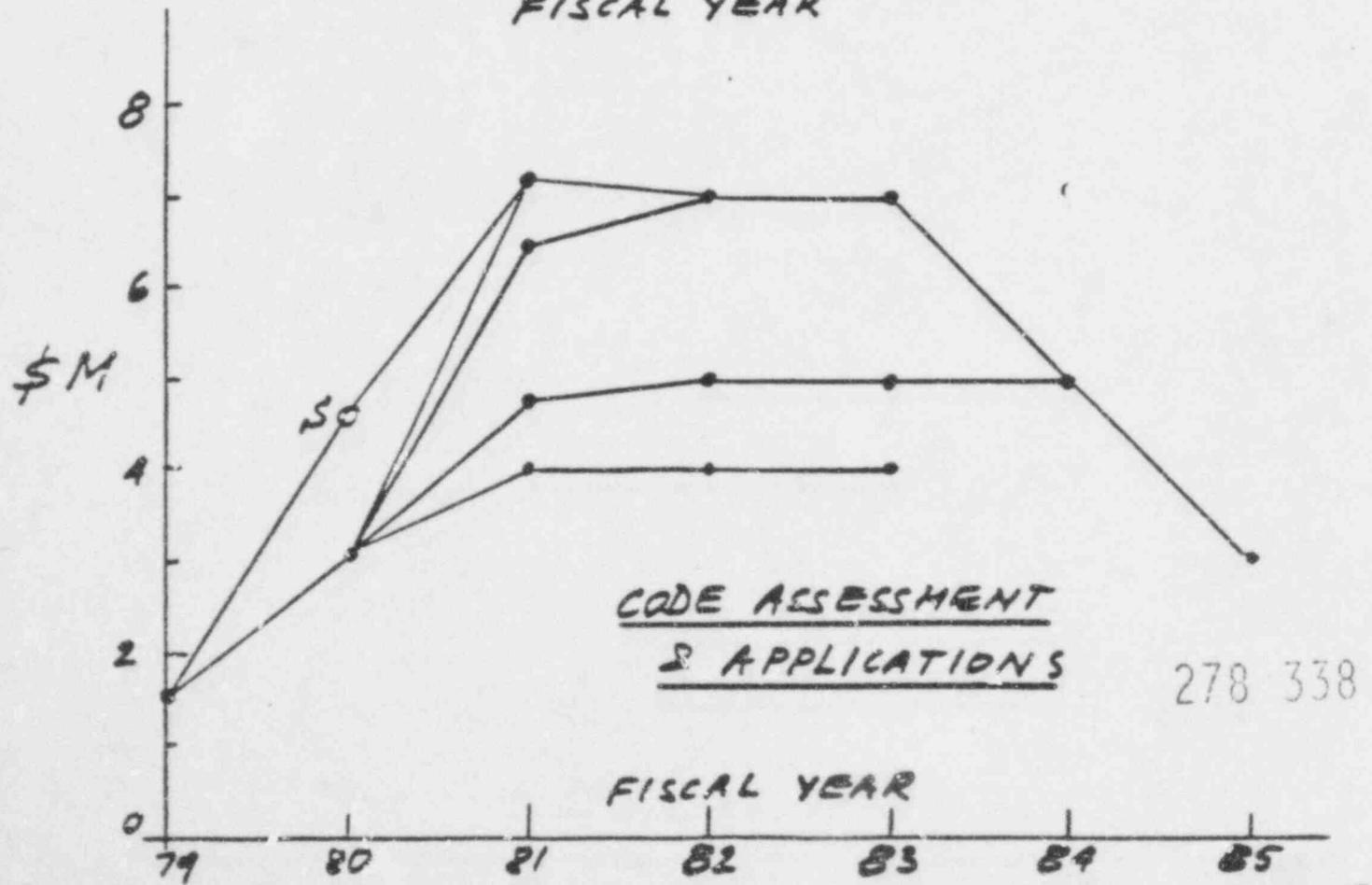
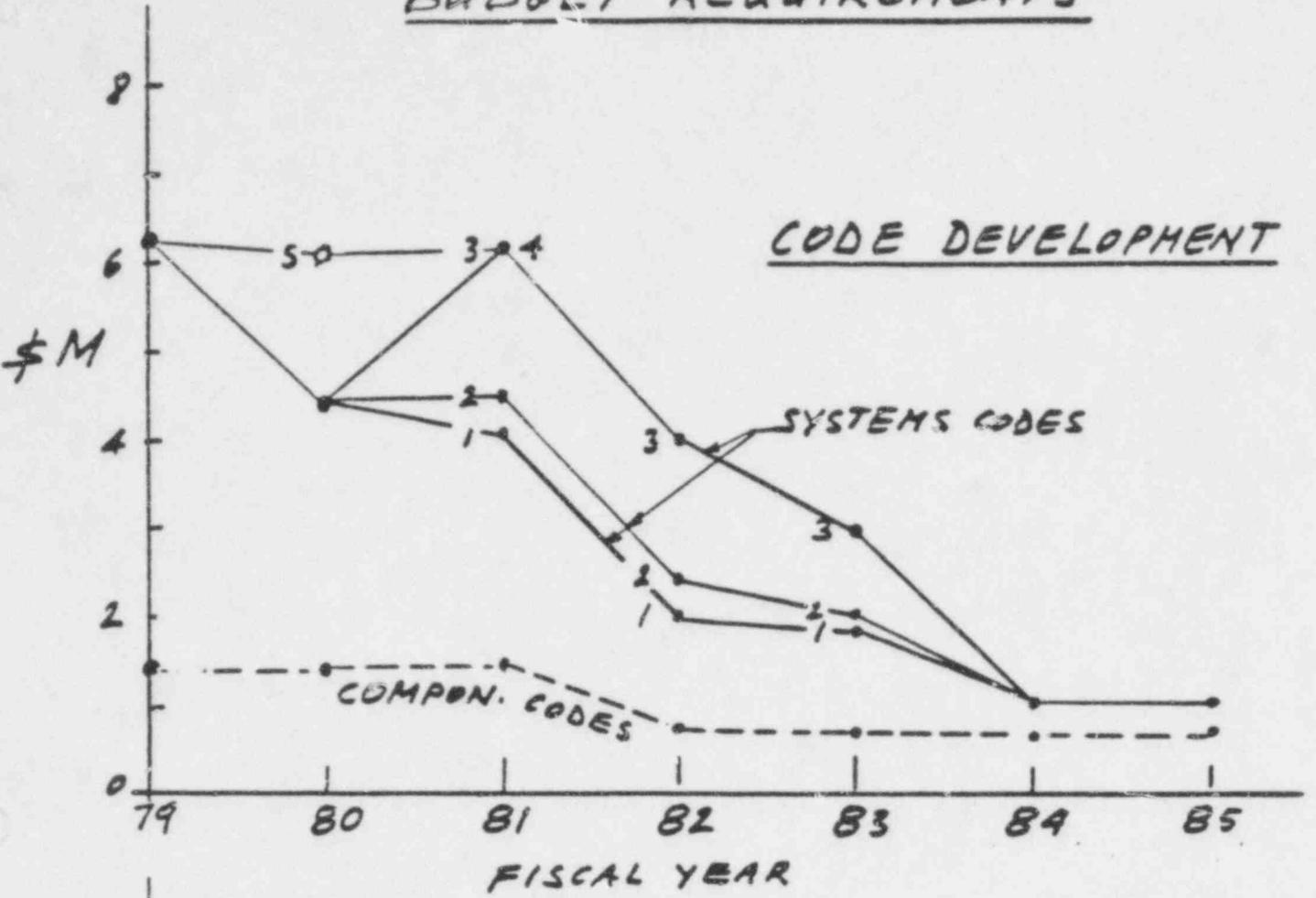
\* NEXT PHASE: REPEAT ABOVE WITH TRAC-PIA  
AND CONTINUE TRU END OF LOCA.

## 2. AT LASL

\* CONDUCTING MODELING SENSITIVITY STUDY  
TO DETERMINE WHICH ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT  
2- $\phi$  FLOW MODELING PARAMETERS, IN TRAC CODE,  
THAT NEED TO BE INCLUDED IN SANDIA'S  
STUDY.

\* CONDUCTING MODELING SENSITIVITY STUDY

BUDGET REQUIREMENTS



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NRC SPONSORED CALCULATIONS

OF TMI-2 ACCIDENT SCENARIO

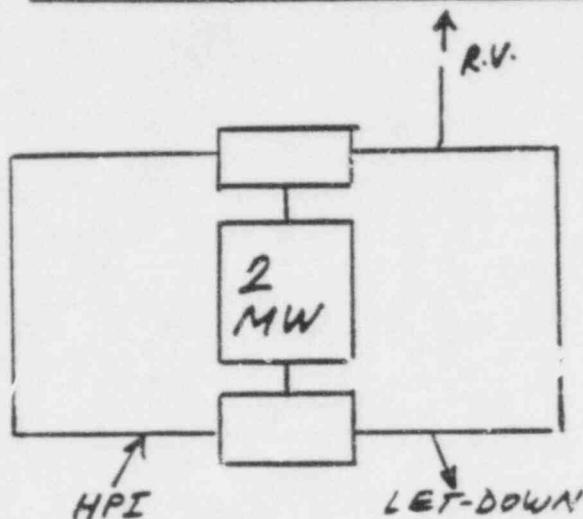
TABLE I

## SUMMARY OF NATURAL CIRCULATION RUNS

- 
1. A & B steaming - 90% operating level in secondary
  2. A & B isolated
  3. A steaming, B isolated
    - a. 90% operating level in secondary
    - b. 10% operating level in secondary
    - c. 90% operating level - 3 MW
    - d. 90% operating level with vent valves operational  
p = 0.0 to open
    - e. 90% operating level - vent valve stuck open
    - f. 90% operating level - factor of 35 increase in core resistance
    - g. 40% operating level in secondary
    - h. 90% operating level, p = 500 psia, circulation established, 8.3 MW, B loop valved off, transient initiated from zero initial flow
    - i. 90% operating level, 95% area blockage
    - j. 90% operating level, 99% area blockage
  4. A solid, B isolated - 6 volume S.G., counterflow *on Secondary side*
    - a. 20 gpm secondary flow
    - b. 5000 gpm secondary flow
    - c. 40% core area blockage, 5000 gpm secondary flow
    - d. parallel flow, 5000 gpm secondary flow
    - e. 5000 gpm secondary flow, 98% blockage
    - f. 5000 gpm secondary flow, 92% blockage
  5. A solid, B isolated - 17 volume - 6
    - a. no core area blockage, 5000 gpm secondary flow
    - b. no core area blockage, 500 gpm secondary flow
  6. A & B solid - counterflow
    - a. 40% core area blockage, 5000 gpm secondary flow
    - b. no area reduction
- 

22 calcs.

II RELAP-A STUDIES: COULD PLANT  
BE COOLED BY HPI PLUS LETDOWN  
PLUS RELIEF VALVE FLOWS, WITHOUT  
ACTIVE STEAM GENERATORS NOR PUMPS



ASSUMPTIONS

$P = 1000 \text{ psia}$   
 $T = 2000 \text{ }^\circ\text{F}$   
 98% CORE BLOCK.  
 BOTH ST. GEN.  
 INACTIVE

CASE	HPI (GPM)	LETDOWN (GPM)	HOT LESS BLOCKED?	STEADY STATE REACHED?	COOLANT TEMPER.
1	500	0	NO	YES	↘
2	175	100	NO	YES	↘
3	0	0	NO	YES	↗
4	175	0	YES	YES	↘
5	175	0	NO	NO	↘
6	100	0	NO	NO	↗
7	100	100	NO	NO	↗

CONCLUSION: NAT. CIRC. NOT AFFECTED BY  
 HPI & LETDOWN ACTIVITIES

TMI-2 ACCIDENT SIMULATION DIFFICULTIES  
DUE TO UNCERTAINTIES IN FOLLOWING  
BOUNDARY CONDITIONS:

1. SECONDARY SIDE OF STEAM GENERATORS

- \* MANUAL INTERVENTION OF FEED WATER FLOW CONTROL
- \* TURBINE BYPASS FLOW
- \* LIQUID LEVEL IN S.G.

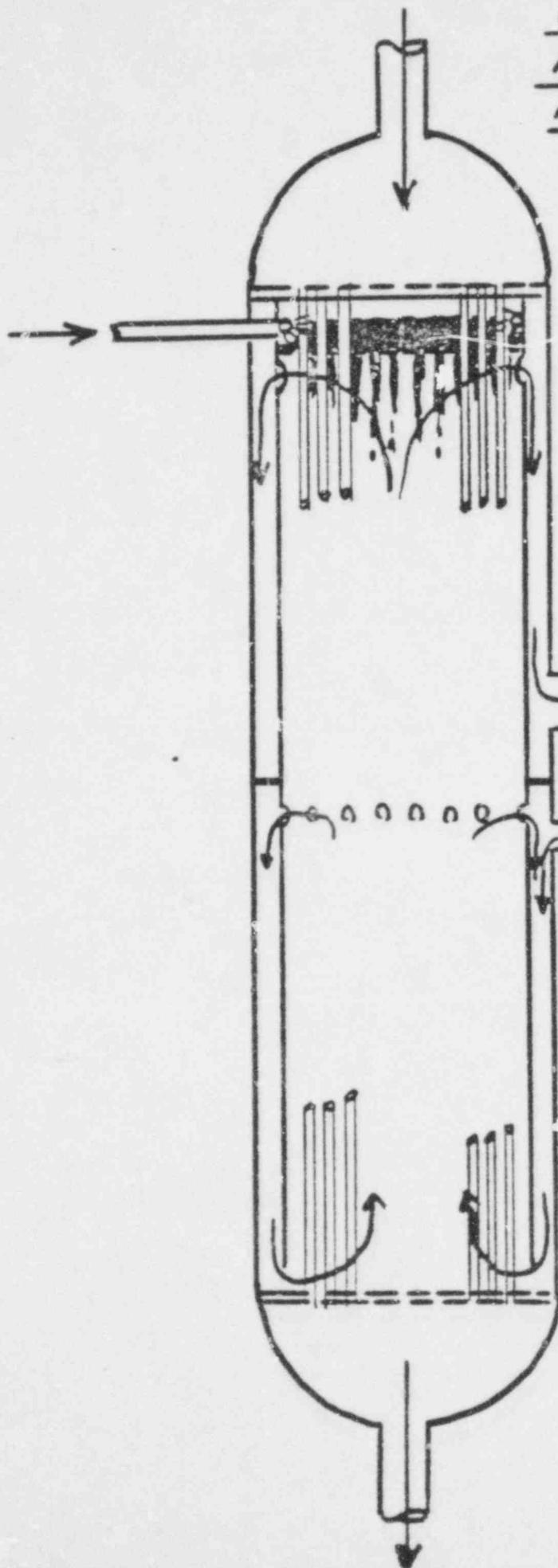
2. PRESSURIZER RELIEF VALVE

- \* WAS THE VALVE STUCK OPEN ONLY PARTIALLY ?
- \* WAS THE FLOW AREA CHANGING WITH TIME ?

3. HPIS AND LETDOWN FLOWS

- \* WHEN ON AND WHEN OFF ?
- \* HOW MANY PUMPS ON ?
- \* WHAT FLOW RATES ?

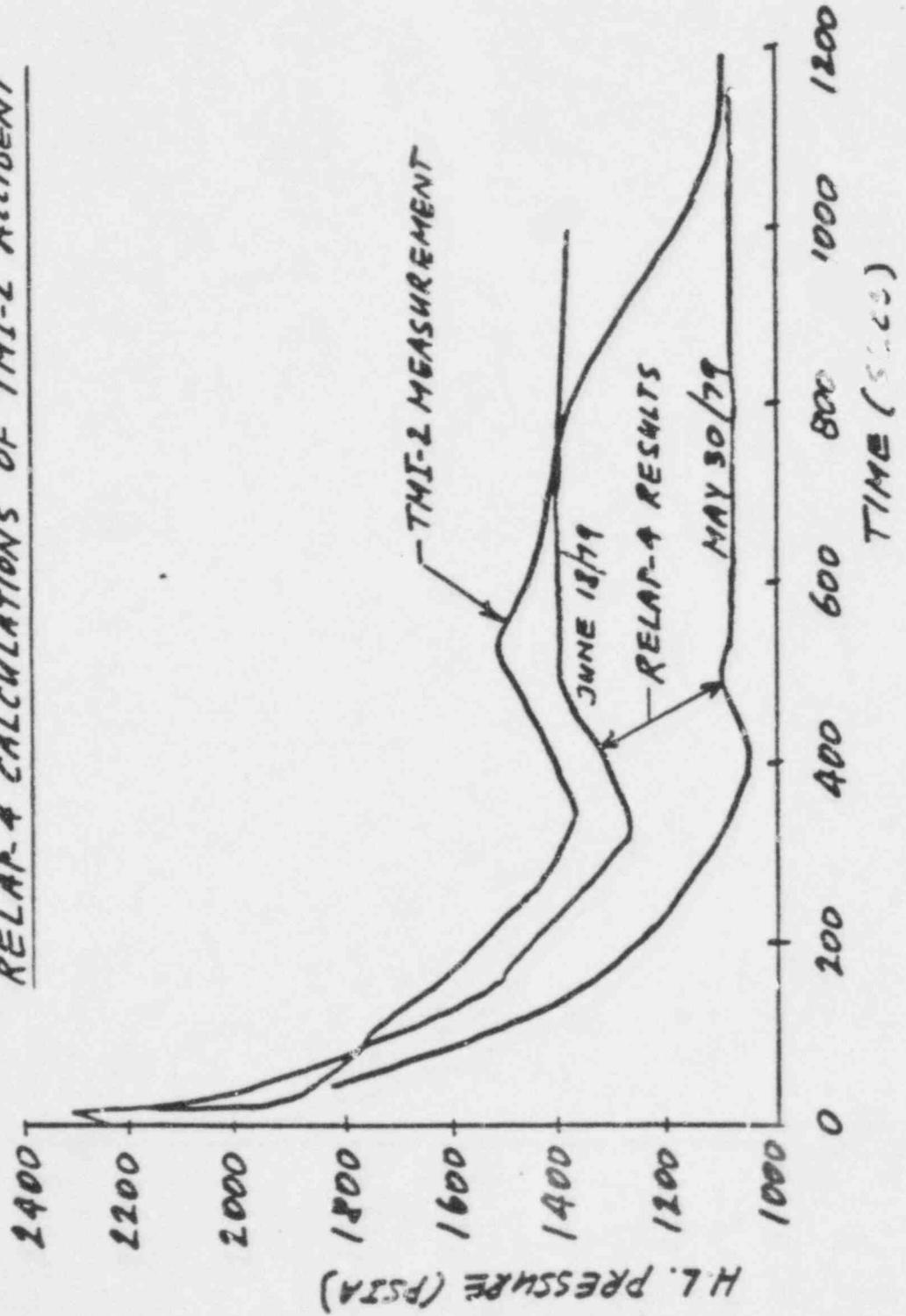
OTSG FEATURES  
NOT CURRENTLY  
MODELED IN RELAP-4  
OR TRAC-PIA



① ANX. FEEDWATER  
FLOW  
& APPROPRIATE  
HEAT TRANSFER

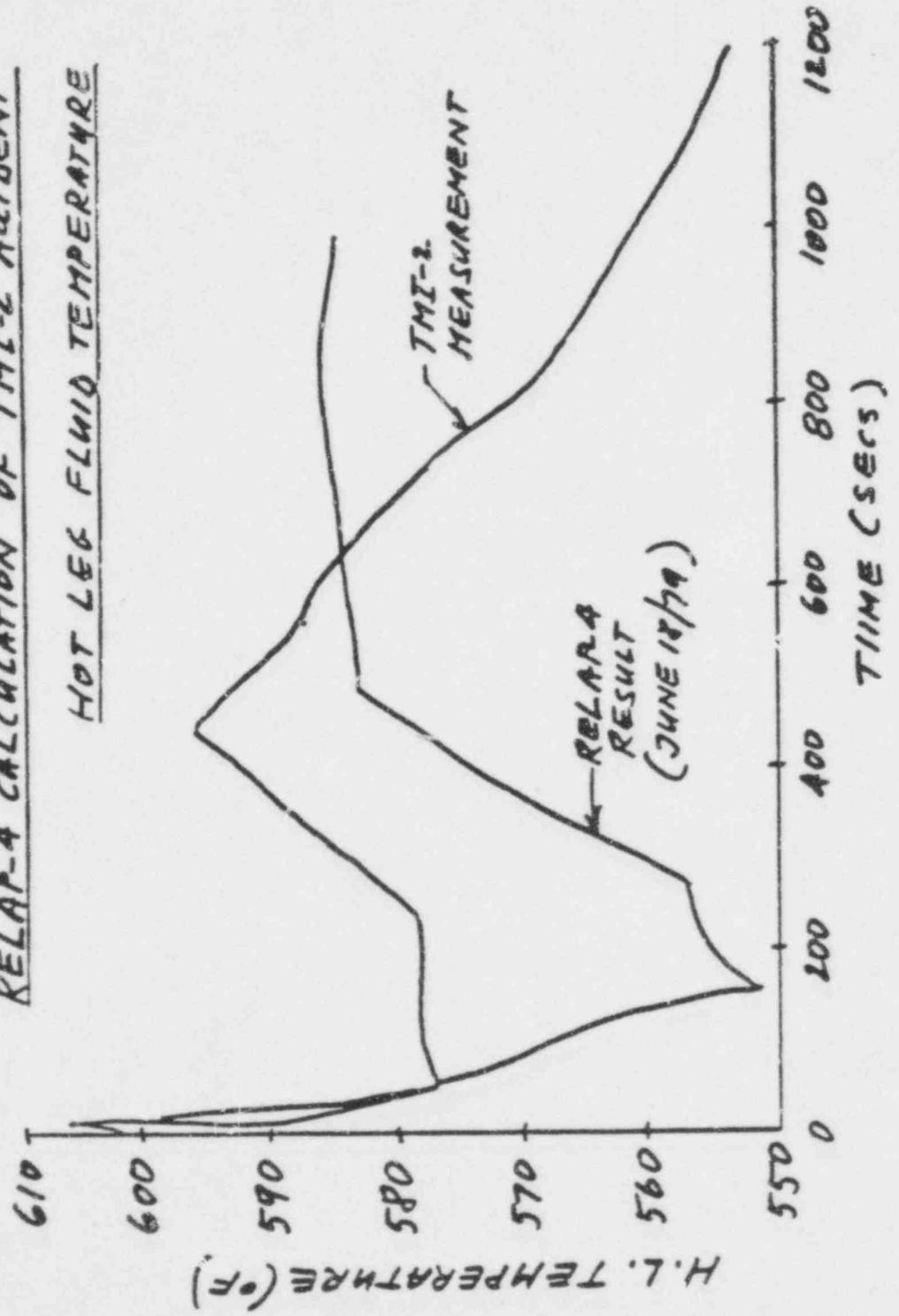
② HIGH ENTHALPY  
STEAM/WATER  
MIXTURE  
ASPIRATION AT  
MAIN FEEDWATER  
INLET  
(FOR PRE-HEATING)

RELAP-4 CALCULATIONS OF TMI-2 ACCIDENT



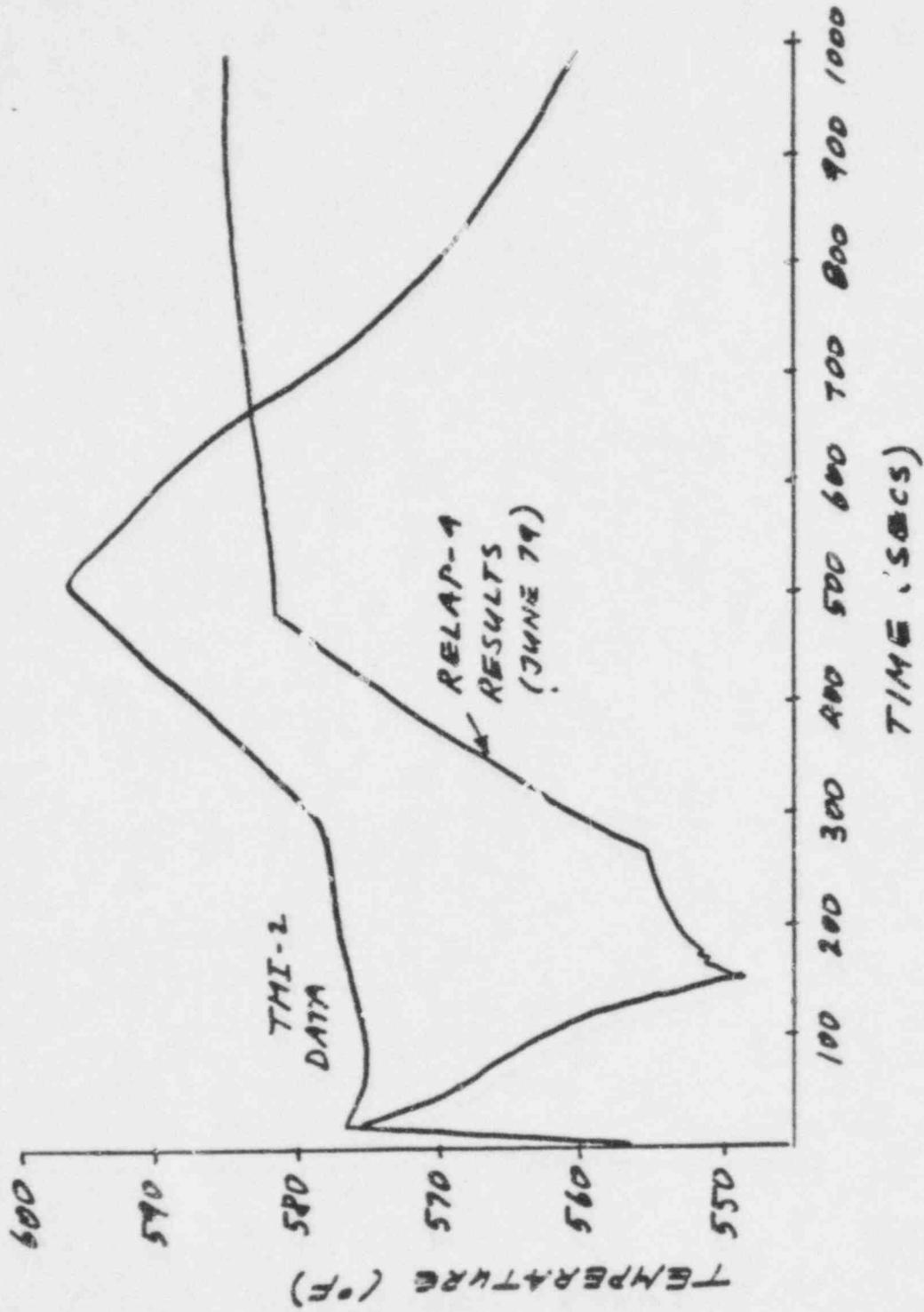
RELAP-A CALCULATION OF TMI-2 ACCIDENT

HOT LEG FLUID TEMPERATURE



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RELAP-4 CALCULATION OF COLD LEG FLUID  
TEMPERATURE, DURING TMI-2 ACCIDENT



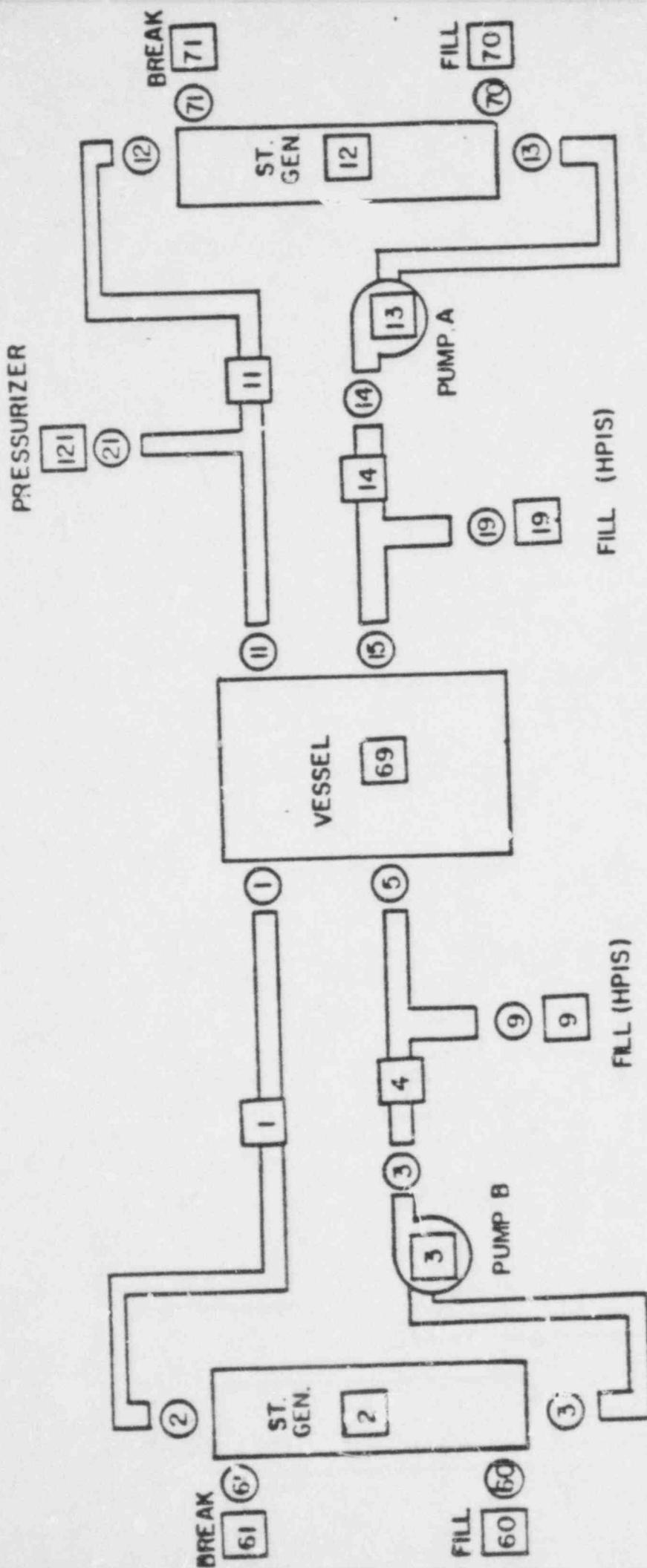
RELAP-A CALCULATIONS OF THI-2 ACCIDENT SCENARIO

FOR PERIOD  $t > 20$  MINS

(MAY 1979)

RUN #	CONDITIONS USED	RESULTS
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* ST. GEN. SECONDARY HOMOGENEOUS, QUALITY VARIED</li> <li>* HPI ON (500 GPM)</li> <li>* ACCUMULATOR OPERATIONAL</li> </ul>	<p>SYSTEM PRESSURE DECAYS TO 200 PSIA. ACCUMULATOR EMPTIES. NO CORE UNCOVERY.</p>
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* ST. GEN. SECONDARY LEVELS 1.0 FT AND 1.0 FT</li> <li>* HPI ON</li> </ul>	<p>SYSTEM PRESSURE STEADILY INCREASES ABOVE 2000 PSF. CALC. TERMINATED</p>
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* ST. GEN. SECONDARY LEVELS 1.0 FT AND 1.0 FT</li> <li>* HPI OFF</li> </ul>	<p>SYSTEM PRESSURE ABOUT 100 PSF HIGHER THAN IN RUN #2. CALCULATION STOPPED.</p>
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* ST. GEN. SECONDARY LEVELS 3.0 FT AND 7.5 FT</li> <li>* HPI ON (200 GPM)</li> <li>* ACCUMUL. OPERATIONAL</li> </ul>	<p>SYSTEM PRESSURE DECAYS TO 200 PSIA, CUMUL. EMPTIED, NO CORE UNCOVERY</p>
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* ST. GEN. SECONDARY LEVELS 3.0 FT AND 7.5 FT</li> <li>* HPI ON (200 GPM)</li> <li>* NO ACCUMULATOR</li> </ul>	<p>SYSTEM PRESSURE DECAYS TO 200 PSIA. NO CORE UNCOVERY</p>

# THREE MILE ISLAND (UNIT 2) - TRAC SCHEMATIC



LOOP "A"

LOOP "B"

- ☐ COMPONENT NO.
- JUNCTION NO.
- 16 COMPONENTS
- 17 JUNCTIONS

24 VESSEL CELLS  
 37 I-D CELLS  
 ————  
 61 TOTAL CELLS

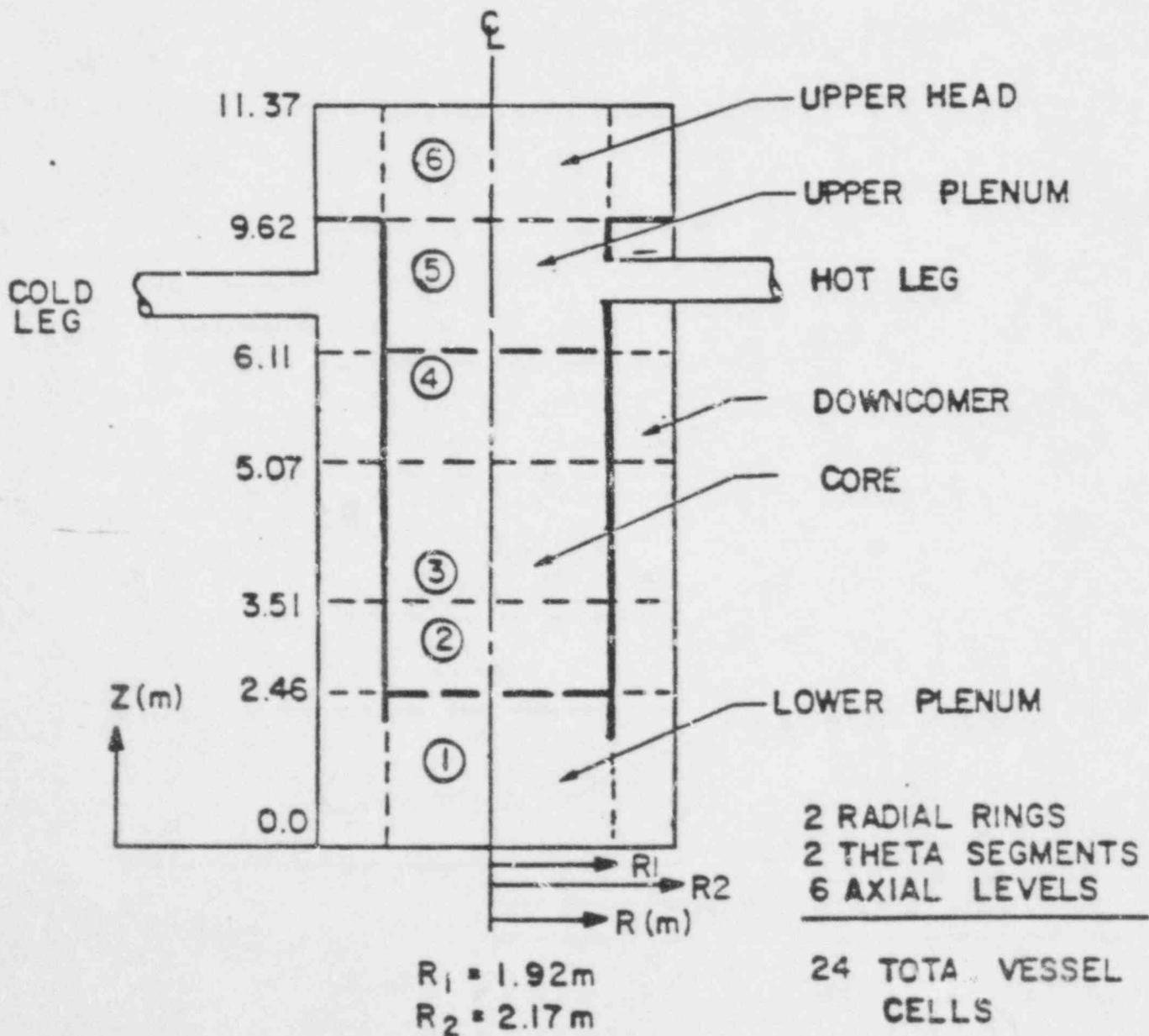
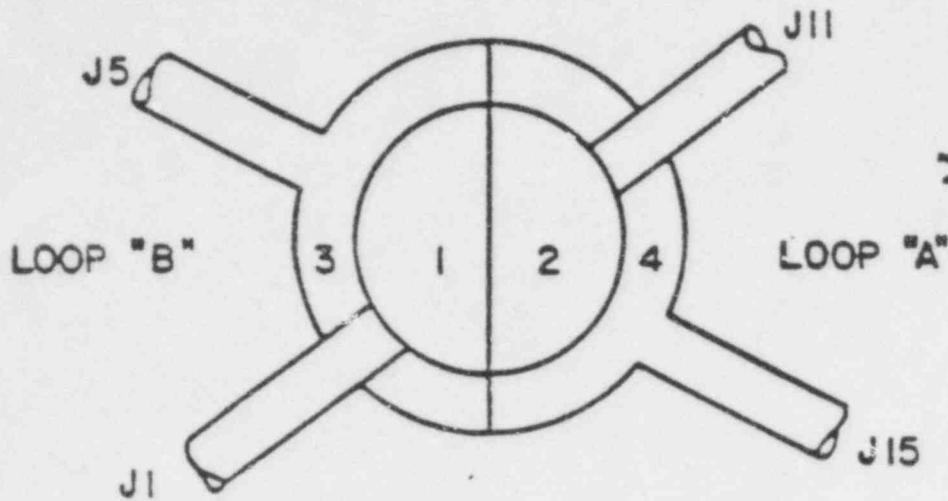
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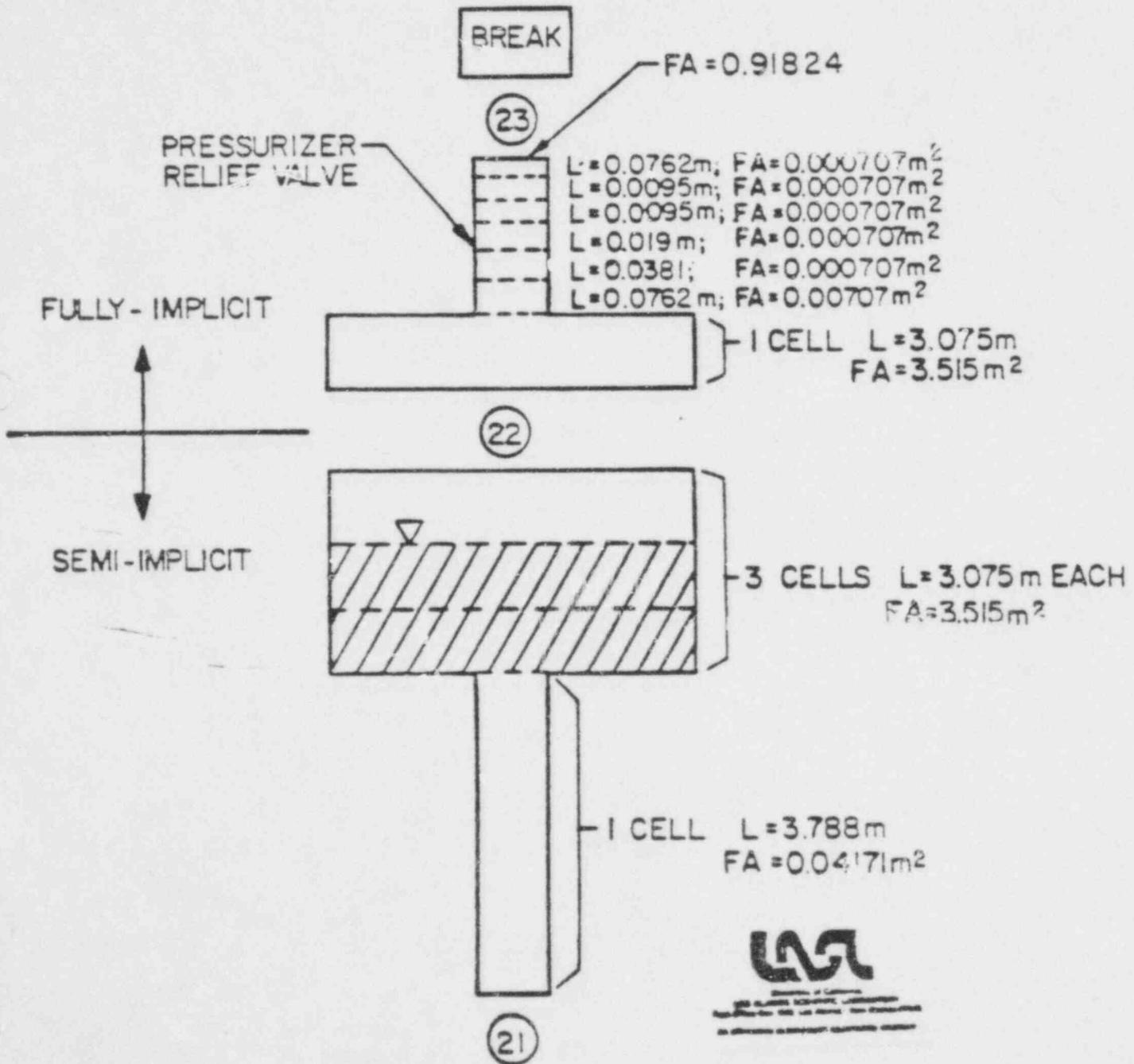
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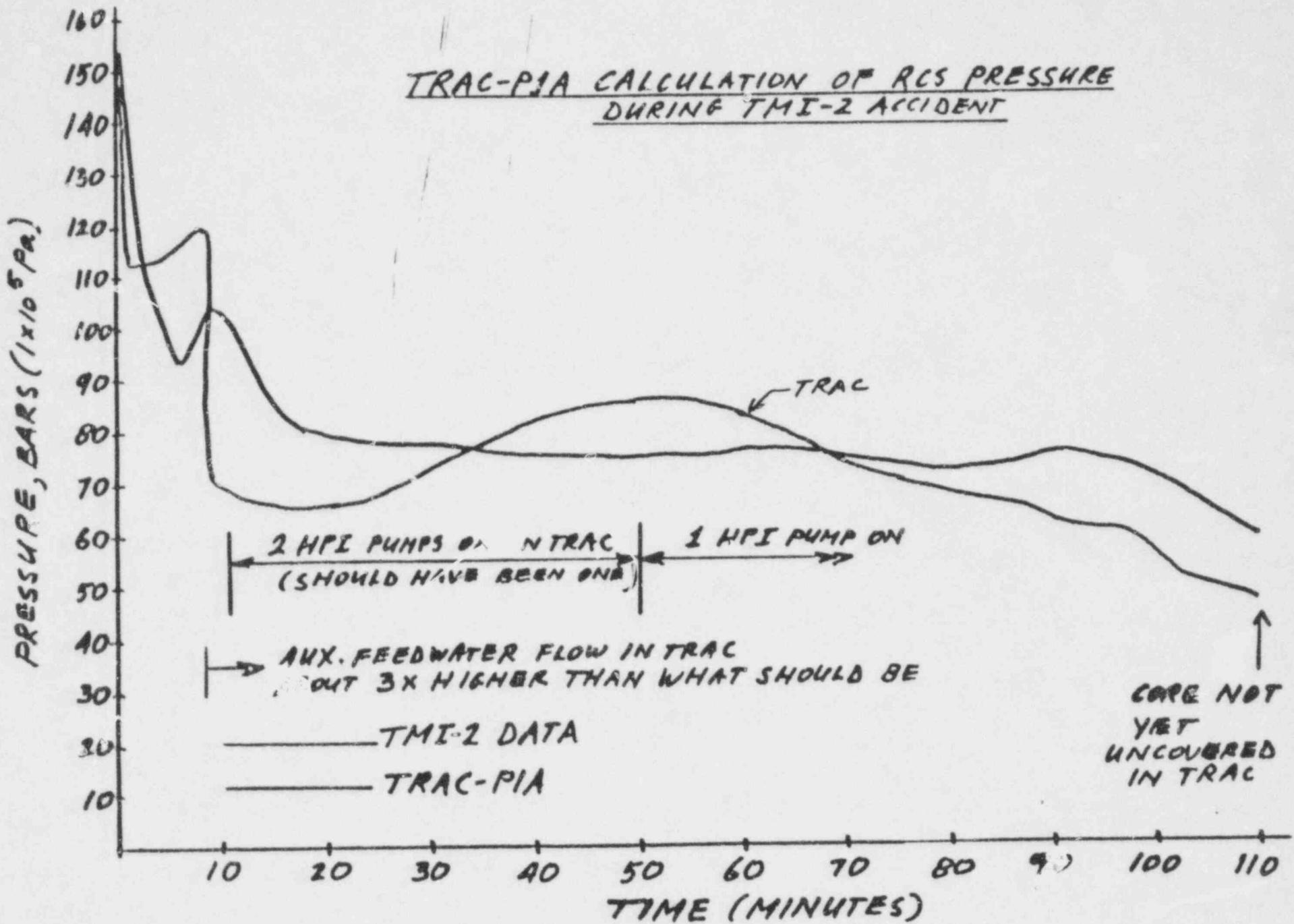
# THREE MILE ISLAND (UNIT 2) - VESSEL DETAILS



# THREE MILE ISLAND - UNIT 2 PRESSURIZER MODEL



TRAC-PIA CALCULATION OF RCS PRESSURE  
DURING TMI-2 ACCIDENT



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TRAC-PIA CALCULATION OF PRESSURIZER  
RELIEF VALVE FLOW RATE DURING THI-2 ACCIDENT

BREAK NOODING ADJUSTED  
UNTIL RATED FLOW (11000 LB/HR)  
OBTAINED FOR SATURATED STEAM

