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APPENDIX 15

15A ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS





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QUESTION Identify those items that will eventually be classified as 15A.1 technical specifications that now affect plant design. Examples (DRL 15.1) include the minimum conditions of operation on: engineered safety features; emergency generators; and in-core flux monitors.

ANSWER

The plant design is influenced mainly by the 70 General Criteria for Nuclear Power Plant Construction Permits, together with considerations of performance objectives. Generally, the technical specifications refer to the implementation of many or all of these criteria. However, it is possible to anticipate some specifications which also dictate the design rather than result from limitations of the design. The most significant of the former catagory are listed below.

Specification Item

Design Area Affected

A. Site

Statement of exclusion area.

Systems or components for controlling normal or emergency release of radioactivity.

B. Containment

Leak rate and frequency of testing.

Provisions for testing containment and penetrations at prescribed frequency.

C. Primary Coolant System

Reactor vessel pressure, temperature, integrated flux limitations, and cooldown rate.

Primary coolant water impurity and radioactive contamination limits. Reactor vessel design for environmental exposure and provision for any special operating procedure which may be necessitated.

Purification system capability and shielding, limitation on amount of cladding failure which limits operation.

D. Primary Plant Auxiliary Systems

Minimum core injection capability and system redundancy. Injection system design.

Requirement for periodic test of safeguards.

Provision for testing and system availability for testing.



Specification Item

Design Area Affected

E. Secondary Coolant System

Maximum radioactivity in secondary coolant.

F. Reactor Core

Maximum total mass of fuel in core, maximum power, maximum burnup. Primary water purification system, steam generator operation with primary to secondary leaks.

Fuel cycle planning, fuel handling and storage.

Reactivity worth. Borated water injection system.

G. Control and Safety Systems

Reactivity worth of control systems.

Minimum hot and cold shutdown margins.

Periodic testing of emergency power supply.

System for controlling primary water boration.

Provision of adequate normal and auxiliary shutdown systems.

Provision for on-line or shutdown demonstrations of availability.

H. Monitoring Systems

Requirement to determine average activity in primary coolant and in radwaste system.

I. Waste Disposal Systems

Maximum waste discharge rates

discharge monitoring, and recording suitable for determining yearly average rates.

Provisions for gaseous waste

Waste concentration and holdup facilities.

J. Ventilation Systems

Frequency and method of maintaining air filtering and air cleaning equipment. Design of filters and air cleaning equipment.

K. Emergency Cooling & Decay Heat Removal Systems

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Minimum capacity.

Engineered safeguards required to have redundant capabilities.

Requirement for periodic test.

Provision for availability and testing.



